

Gospel Focus – Love of life

Jesus says, 'Anyone who loves (their) life loses it; anyone who hates (their) life in this world will keep it for the eternal life.' This can seem pretty tough! It challenges us about how much we cling to the 'things' of this life. Are we concerned about the labels on our clothes; the number of our friends; how much money we have; the sort of house we live in? If this is the 'life' that we place meaning on, then we will surely lose it. However, if we put aside the world's focus on material things and focus our attention on others then we are assured of eternal life. *-from Liturgyhelp online*

Afternoon Capers: 19 people attended last month's Afternoon Capers at Mick and Dulcie Davis' home. A big thank you to both of them for their hospitality.

This month's **Afternoon Capers will be held on 3rd April in the Church Hall commencing at 12pm.** We will be helping with the "Wrapped with Love" program. We will sew up squares to make blankets to help support Cold Humanity which is everyone's concern. These wraps are distributed to help various charities here and overseas. All materials will be provided, you don't have to know how to sew because even Year 6 at the primary school helped last year. We would like as many helpers as possible so invite your friends or neighbours. Please bring a plate to share or if you like bring your own lunch. If you need a lift or have enquiries, please phone Diane on 4787 1357 .

PARISH WORKING BEE

**Friday 30 March ~ 4pm to 5.30pm and
Saturday 31 March ~ 7.30 to 9.30am**

This is the week before Easter and we need to have our Parish grounds looking more loved than usual. Any help will be most welcome on either day or both. **Tasks: mowing, weeding, whipper snipping, driveway cleanup, drain clearance, etc.**
Many thanks! *Lindsay & Lance.*

HEAL ME, O GOD

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**Heal me, O God;
create a new heart in me,
Save me, O God;
with light of your presence.
Heal me, O God;
and raise me to new life.
You, alone, are my hope.**

Be with me now,
lifting each burden;
you are my hope,
my strength for the journey.

As you have shown
mercy and kindness,
so may I grow
in living compassion.

Strengthen my faith,
melt my indifference;
set me afire with
Spirit's anointing.

Help me extend
peace and forgiveness,
knowing so well
my failings forgiven.

**Happy Birthday
Ray Wood for 28th March**

EASTER SUNDAY CAKE & CRAFT STALL ~ 8 APRIL

The Fund Raising Committee will be holding a cake stall and craft table after mass on Easter Sunday.

All donations of cakes, biscuits, jams, pickles and items suitable for the craft stall will be very welcome. PLEASE NOTE: all food items need to have a list of ingredients attached and it would be appreciated if all items are wrapped and priced ready for sale.