Welcome to the Parish of St Thomas Aquinas, West Belconnen
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B: 7/8 February 2015

Entrance antiphon: O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Musicians’ side
1. Praise the Lord for his is good; sing to our God for he is loving: to him our praise is due.
2. Our Lord is great and almighty; his wisdom can never be measured. The Lord raises the lowly; he humbles the wicked to the dust.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering. Alleluia!

Communion antiphon: Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

PARISH CONTACTS, MASS AND OTHER DEVOTIONAL TIMES

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<td>Fr Neville Drinkwater</td>
<td>23 Lhotsky Street, Charnwood 6258 1563</td>
<td>Monday-Friday 9.30 am</td>
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<td>email: <a href="mailto:charnwood.parish@bigpond.com">charnwood.parish@bigpond.com</a></td>
<td>Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm</td>
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<td>web: <a href="http://www.stthomasaquinascharnwood.com">www.stthomasaquinascharnwood.com</a></td>
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<td>Sr Colleen Howe rsj</td>
<td>Katie Walsh-Smith, 6258 6731</td>
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<td>Anne Tussup, 6258 8960</td>
<td>Denis Hally-Burton, 6258 3297</td>
<td>Friday 5:00-6:00pm in the Church</td>
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<td>Care, Prayer &amp; Discussion Groups</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sr Colleen, 6258 1563</td>
<td>Cameron Johns, 6258 4077</td>
<td>1st Tuesday each month, 7.30pm</td>
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MEETINGS AND PRAYER GROUPS IN PARISH CENTRE OR SCHOOL

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ROSTERED DUTIES FOR NEXT WEEK

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<th>6:00PM SAT 14 February</th>
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<td>Meal 14 Feb</td>
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Pray for friends who are ill …  
(Bulletin Editor relies on advice from you or family about adding or deleting names.)

Elizabeth Rose Dallinger (cousin of Cathy & Julie), her mother Margaret Rose and niece Bella Rose, John Bubear, Aida Guerrero Balon, F J Laspinas, Denise Steele, Stephen Lean, Pat Ireland, Di Philip, Heather Carrol, Veronica James, Vonnie Lyons (Sr Colleen’s sister), Evan Brett, Amelia Gadjinski, and Mark Paten, Fr Peter Murphy who is sick in Canberra hospital.

Eucharist at Home or Home Visit  
Please let us know about anyone unable to attend Mass who wants Holy Communion at home. Also let Sr Colleen or Father Drinkwater know about anyone who is unwell whether in hospital or at home, housebound or would like a visit. Ask the person first; then let us know.  
Ph: 6258 1563.

New Parishioner Register  
Welcome to new parishioners! Please fill in the register on the table in the foyer of the church.

Feast Days This Week  
Sunday: St Jerome Emiliani, St Josephine Bakhiti, Blessed Virgin Mary  
Tuesday: St Scholastica  
Wednesday: Our Lady of Lourdes  
Saturday: St Cyril & St Methodius

Readings next week
6th Sunday ordinary time
Leviticus: 13:1-2, 44-46  
Corinthians: 10:31-11:1  
Mark 1: 40-45

STA Website
Check out the parish website at www.stthomasaquinasharnwood.com  
Each week it features a reflection on the Sunday readings.

Bulletin Contributions
Megan Winter, 0408 662 924  
Meganewinter@yahoo.com.au  
By Thursday please

**Points worth pondering**

*Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.*  
As I reflect on my relationship with Jesus I realise He is here for me in good times and in bad times. Does my life reflect this belief? Do I trust that He will take me by the hand and help me rise above those things that are inclined to depress, sadden or worry me? If I look for Him, I will find Him.

**Prayer:**  
Lord, You give me life. You give me hope. Give me also the generosity to serve You in serving others.

**Charny Carnival 21 March 2015:**  
Once again the parish is looking for volunteers to assist our parish school at the forthcoming carnival. The carnival starts at 12.00pm and if you can spare an hour or so to help, could you please contact Tom Tussup on 6258 8960 or at ttussup@bigpond.net.au.

**Music:**  
On 11 February Australian religious songwriter and singer, Andrew Chinn, will be visiting our school to share his songs with our children. Andrew’s songs, such as “These Hands”, “Rainbow” and “An African Blessing” are used in classrooms and liturgies around the world. Parents/parishioners are warmly invited to be a part of the celebration of faith and fun. There is no charge for adults. The concert will take place in the School Hall at 1:55 - 3:05. We look forward to seeing you there. Andrew will be working with the staff and children in creating a School Song.

**Adult Faith Formation/Spirituality Seminars:**  
In 2015 we have four sessions with Shane Dwyer here in the Parish, and at the Rheinberger Centre Shane is holding (between 7 February and 28 November) ten sessions. Each one of these session will be well worth attending. See Pin board for dates.

**Back to School for our students:**  
May this year be a very happy one for all concerned. The first days will be exciting catching up with friends……..meeting new people (including teachers) and getting used to wearing shoes again! Enjoy.

**Used Stamps:**  
The Srs of St Joseph collect and sell used stamps and the money is sent to Peru. Each year several thousands of dollars are saved through this simple means. A box is on the table for you to help with this mission work. Thanks.

**Group Discussion/Prayer:**  
The Mothers’ Prayers and the Friday Discussion Group meet this week to commence for the year. A chance for new members to come along. Both groups convene at 10.00am after the morning Mass.

**Roster Renewal:**  
It is that time again! This weekend you will be asked to generously volunteer to keep the parish running through the various rosters that we renew annually. The more people we have helping the fewer times we will find our names on the roster!!

**Plates and dishes:**  
there are still some to collect in the Parish Centre, a name on them does help! Thanks.

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**Dates for the diary**

- Feb 7/8 – Rosters Renewal  
- Feb 9 – Parent info/BBQ  
- Feb 11 – Andrew Chin – school  
- Feb 11 – Liturgy meeting  
- Feb 14/15 – St Vincent De Paul appeal  
- Feb 14 – Staff commissioning  
- Feb 18 – Ash Wednesday  
- Feb 19 – STA Celebration  
- Feb 26- Sacramental Information night

**Calendar Corrections:**

- Parent info/BBQ  
- STA Website

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