



Santa Teresa
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Visit by Archbishop Coleridge

While the weather was cold and rainy, Archbishop Coleridge was warmly welcomed to Santa Teresa for his first visit on Friday 25 May. Archbishop Mark, (pictured with Fr Peter Meneely and Patrick Cremin) was impressed with the beautiful setting and the facilities which were in full use with two teacher groups in residence, one Catholic, the other Lutheran.

While his tour was brief, the Archbishop intends to be a regular visitor to Santa Teresa spending time in quiet and recollection. We pray for him and his ministry as shepherd and teacher among us.



Wisdom from Santa Teresa

'I say Nothing to Him, I simply Love Him'



When asked by the sister in the infirmary, caring for her on her death bed, 'What do you say to Jesus?' Therese replied: 'I say nothing to Him, I simply love Him.'

How amazing that the Catholic Church in its Catechism (2558) draws upon the wisdom of a young Carmelite sister to describe prayer. In utter simplicity, our deepest prayer is being aware and grateful for the love and presence of God in our lives.

Year of Grace : A Thousand Opportunities

The Year of Grace journey has begun. The Catholic Bishops invite us to join them in asking ourselves the question 'What has this (everything we do) got to do with Jesus?'

Rather than a formal program, we are encouraged to take up with generosity and joy the call to contemplate Christ by finding some time to pray daily, reflect on the Scriptures, repent and forgive others, listen to the Spirit and discover 'grace' at work in our lives. What will you do?

For more information visit the Year of Grace website at: www.bne.catholic.net.au/yearofgrace



To Believe... An Exhibition of 18 Paintings by Kathleen Cashin



Sunshine Coast visual artist Kathleen Cashin is displaying **18 of her paintings** (pictured are the 'Loaves and Fishes' and 'Baptism of Christ') under the title 'To Believe'. These paintings contemplate the Word of God from a contemporary Christian viewpoint...for it is by faith that we experience the grace of God.

This exhibition provides reflection points for visitors inviting them to engage with the biblical text. They are available for purchase at very modest prices. We are indebted to Kathleen for the loan of her works knowing that they will draw many to see Jesus through 'new eyes'.

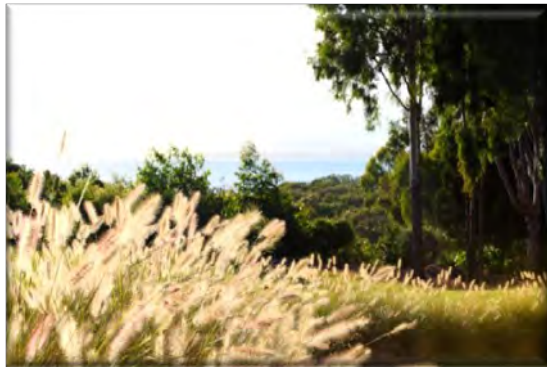
Delights of Mary-Clair Catering

Visitors to Santa Teresa oft remark on the wonderful **food and hospitality afforded them**. The 'Cenacle' dining room (pictured) is where many a friendship is struck or a story told over delightful meals. The Cenacle is the name given to the room where the apostles shared the Last Supper with Jesus.



Retreatants are well nourished by the culinary delicacies of Mary-Clair and her wonderful catering team. The only complaint at times is that there is too much temptation as the quality and presentation is so irresistible.

3 Minute Retreat at Your Computer



While it is hoped that many Catholics will take a day, a weekend or a longer period during the Year of Grace, to come away to Santa Teresa and contemplate the face of Christ, this is not possible for many.

One way to imbed a retreat into your daily life is to register for an online retreat. Each day, it will drop into your inbox and provide you with an invitation to spend a few minutes connecting with God and reflecting on the Word.

One such retreat is the **3 Minute Retreat** offered by the Jesuit Loyola Press. Subscribe at: www.loyolapress.com/

Grace and Peace

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