

ST ANTHONY'S PARISH

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NEWSLETTER

July 6 & 7

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Church Opening Hours
Tuesday to Friday: 8.30am – 2.30pm
Saturday: 5.15pm – 7.15pm
Sunday: 8am - 10am
Closed Monday

Office Hours –
Tuesday to Friday 8.30am- 1:30pm
CLOSED Monday & Weekends

“A Place at the Table for All”

*We acknowledge the living culture of the Giabal and Jarowair peoples in the Wakka Wakka speaking area,
the traditional custodians of this land.*

St Anthony's Parish is committed to the safety, well-being, and dignity of all, especially children and vulnerable adults.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Ezekial 2:2-5 (The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.)

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 122 **Our eyes are fixed on you, O God, pleading for your mercy.**

Second Reading – Corinthians 12:7-10 (I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.)

Gospel Acclamation – *Alleluia, alleluia!* The Spirit of the Lord is upon me: he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel – **Mark:6 1-6** A prophet is despised only in his own country.

**MOST PEOPLE
DON'T THINK I'M
AS OLD AS I AM
UNTIL THEY HEAR
ME STAND UP**

Parish Calendar of Events

NAIDOC Week 7-14 July

July 7th – NATSICC Sunday

July 8th – School Term Begins

July 14th – Missionary Sister's Mass 2pm



Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer and remember those who have died recently: Carmelita Kruger, Rae Blinco, Joy Brighton, Valmai Garrahy, Patricia O'Dea, Noah Hawker, Joan O'Dempsey, Keith Wyllie, Kevin O'Dempsey, Kevin Hansen (Brisbane)

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Carmel Graham, Rosanne Joyner, Jillian Bredhauer, Ian Moncrieff, Ian Kennett, Ellie Pauli,

and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Rev Fr Simon O'Dea, Rev Fr Ralph Underwood, Rev Fr John Clancy, Rev Fr Patrick Campbell, Rev Fr Neville Grundy, Rev Fr Joseph Portley, Rev Fr Robert Flynn, Rev Fr Brian Sparksman, Rev Msge John Bennett, Rev Fr Thomas Keegan, Most Rev Basil Roper DD

We hold in prayer all those who are sick including the following Parishioners: Narelle Bailey, Daniel Bell, Brian Conrick, Mary Gilligan, Madeline (Sally) Gray, Neville Harris, Rita Irwin, Elsie Kirby, Malcolm Kirby, Mary Logan, Pat Madden, Margaret Pegler, Trish Ryan, Val Saccasan, Vonnie Sherman, Rod Sleba, Pat Sullivan, Lucy Targato;

As well as the following friends & family members: Jan Masters, Regina Albion, Robbie Bailey (Narelle's Dad), Wendy Bailey (Narelle's mum), Jill Beardsmore, Liz Beduhn, Rachel Bennett, Brian & Hazel Bowtell, baby Tommy Bryant (Great-grandson of Kevin & Trish Harris), John Buckle (Trish's son), Rebecca Clayton, Shirley Davies, Roslyn Day, Marie Deane and Yvonne Gay, Lil Dolan, (Margaret Dunlop's sisters), Denis Dwan, Sr Zoe (Christina) Fitzpatrick (PBVM), Bruce Gardiner (Brisbane), Mary Gleeson, Karen Graham (Geoff's niece), Gabby Hanlon (Marie Heslop's niece), Neville Harris (Kevin's brother), Ralph Hickey, Jim & Nicholas Horder, Lindsay Jones, Wayne Kirkland, Ann Johnson, Kye Johnson (Chris Gwydir's grandson), Stephen Mackenzie (Pam Hahn's son), Roz Martin, Brendan Middleton, Frank Miller, Sir Frank Moore (Carol Ryall's brother), Hanna Muir (Brisbane), Paul Murphy (Pat's son), Peter Nolan (Rockhampton), Neil O'Connor, Paul Park, Kevin Schick (Val's brother), Sally Sippel, Shane Schick (Gail's son), Silba Serem, Harley Stewart, Neil Syme, Brian Thomson, Greg Twidale, Denis & Ruth

Parish Milestones

Birthdays and Anniversaries for July – Gloria McKechnie, Jim Nolan, Alfred Adhil, Barry Turner, Joe Saccasan, Claire Redfern, Ed Briffa, Vonnie Sherman, Greg Bowdler, Sue O'Neill.



Don't forget to let us know the date of your birthday or wedding anniversary or dob-in your spouse. 😊

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS	PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PARISH CO-ORDINATING TEAM
Fr Jamie Louise Pflingst Nicole Rangiira Kathy Reedy Bob Frost Mary O'Brien	Tony Meldon - Chair Fr Jamie Tom Warren Trevor Wyllie Peter Hanna Keith Shepherd Trish Zeller Regina Ryan Noela Nolan	Fr Jamie Celia Warr Tim Fitzgerald Lloyd Bailey <i>Thank you to all who take on these roles in the governance of our parish.</i>



St Anthony's – Friday Morning Mass is live-streamed weekly at 9.15am via our web page or Facebook link. **Can be watched again later!**
Adoration: 1st Friday monthly at 9.45am (after Mass)

The Swag: Available in the foyer - \$1 **Majellan Magazine:** Available in the foyer - \$4ea

Catholic Leader: Available by subscription only.

Social Justice Group: Meet **1st Monday monthly** at 5pm (**except Dec/Jan**)

Friendship Group: Meet **3rd Tuesday** of the month at 10am in the Community Centre (**except Dec/J**).

Gospel Discussion Group: Meet at 10am each **Wednesday** in the Community Centre. All welcome.

Parish Coordinating Team: Meet each **Wednesday**.

Circle Dancing: 1.30pm Wednesday during school term.

Prayer of the Week



Creator of all things, both seen and unseen.
speak to us in your great wisdom.
Make us strong as we seek your help and guidance.
Teach us to love all people
regardless of race or colour or belief.
May we listen with great care
to the heartbeat of this land and its people
who cared for it so well and for so long.

May the peace these people and their land have always enjoyed
continue to be strengthened and preserved
by all who wish to come and be part of this country
and its 'Ancient Dreaming'.

Social Justice News



The Albanese Government is pleased to announce the opening of \$1.7 million in grants to support local communities and organisations to celebrate 2024 NAIDOC Week and the rich and diverse cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians.

Held across the country from 7-14 July 2024, NAIDOC Week will celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

This year's theme chosen by the National NAIDOC Committee, is Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud & Proud.

The theme honours the enduring strength and vitality of First Nations culture – with fire a symbol of connection to Country, to each other, and to the rich tapestry of traditions that define Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

NAIDOC Week, which first began in 1975, provides an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth.

Key Supporting Quotes

Attributable to Minister for Indigenous Australians, Linda Burney

*"I'm pleased to announce the Commonwealth is investing \$1.7 million to support NAIDOC Week activities that bring Australians together to celebrate the oldest living culture in the world.
"I encourage organisations to apply for a grant to support NAIDOC Week celebrations in your local communities."*

Attributable to National NAIDOC Committee Co-Chair, Aunty Lynette (Dr) Riley

*"The resilience of mob, our shared experiences, collective memories and kinship is a source of tremendous pride.
"We honour the flame of the fire, kindling the sparks of pride and unity, igniting a renewed commitment to acknowledging, preserving, and sharing the cultural heritage that enriches our nation.
"This year's theme is a clarion call to continued unity and solidarity for all Australians to come together and celebrate."*

Attributable to National NAIDOC Committee Co-Chair, Steven Satour

*"'Blak, Loud, and Proud' encapsulates the unapologetic celebration of Indigenous identity, empowering us to stand tall in our heritage and assert our place in the modern world.
"This theme calls for a reclamation of our narratives, an amplification of our voices, and an unwavering commitment to justice and equality."*

See www.naidoc.org.au

Parish News

KEEP THE FIRE BURNING

I once took Modern History as a subject in High School thinking we would be studying the post-World War II period and Beatlemania of the 1960's. You can imagine my surprise when 'Modern' History meant studying the Persian Empire and the Mesopotamian Wars of 490 BC.



My appreciation of what is 'modern' and what is 'ancient' has certainly evolved and changed over the years. Things are placed in some very clear perspective when you consider Australia's First Nations peoples are part of the world's oldest continuous living culture.

No wonder people say that "Modern Australia has an Ancient History". According to the most recent archaeological evidence, Aboriginal people have been living on this land for at least 65,000 years, a fact that confirms what Aboriginal people have always known.

From an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander view of creation, people have always been in Australia since the land was created. Indigenous spirituality and associated belief systems have grown and evolved over time with the 'dreaming' held by many first Australians as an account of their very origin.

As Christians, our faith beliefs of course found their origin in the preaching, teaching and healing ministry of Jesus. In today's Gospel, Jesus returns to his hometown, an experience that should have brought some comfort and peace to his busy days.

Instead, Jesus encounters rejection – by his own people! On many different levels, we all suffer rejection in our daily lives. For many first nations people the rejection of the referendum last year by the Australian people was not only crushing but brought great disappointment and anxiety.

Let us be mindful of this as we embark upon our journey through NAIDOC Week this year. For our First Nations people, there has been much hurt over a long period of time, and this was only compounded by the success of the 'no' vote at last year's referendum.

May the journey to meaningful reconciliation continue and may we value and celebrate the living culture of Australia's Indigenous people with greater fervour than ever over the days of this year's NAIDOC Week and beyond.

Fr. Jamie

Finance Meeting Time: Finance committee is now meeting at the earlier time of 6pm instead of 7pm. This will apply until further notice.

Rental Needed: One of our parishioners is looking for a unit to rent at a reasonable rental rate, preferably in the Harristown area. If you can help, please contact Leesa in the Parish Office on 46361737.

Winter Shelter 2024

St Anthony's is rostered on for two more Winter Shelter evenings - **8 July and 5 August** - this year. On the first of these, next Monday, we are supplying desserts for our homeless friends. If you would like to help, kindly deliver the dessert to **St Theresa's church** between **4.00pm and 5.00pm on Monday**. We'll update you further on requirements for 5 August as they come to hand. As always, many thanks for your ongoing generosity.



Scripture Readings – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary time

First Reading – Ezekial 2:2-5 The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Most High God speaking to me. 'O Mortal One, I am sending you up to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. They are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, 'The Most High God says this.' Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

The Word of God

Responsorial Psalm

All Respond: Our eyes are fixed on you, O God, pleading for your mercy.

To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens: my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their masters. (R)

Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of her mistress, so our eyes are on you, our God till you show us your mercy. (R)

Have mercy on us, O God, have mercy. We have endured much contempt. Indeed all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the disdain of the proud. (R)

Second Reading –St Paul to the Corinthians 12:7-10 In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with Christ Jesus three times for it to leave me, but Christ has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weakness my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weakness,



and with the insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong. **The Word of God.**



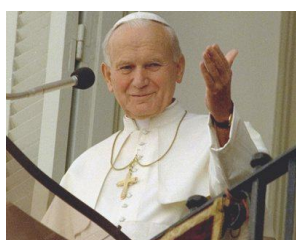
Gospel- Mark 6:1-6

Jesus went to his home town, accompanied by the disciples. With the coming of the sabbath Jesus began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished. They said, 'Where did this one get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and those miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely,

the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joseph and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too are they here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are only despised in their own country among their own relations and in their house'; and Jesus could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. Jesus was amazed at their lack of faith.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Excerpt from the message of St Pope John Paul to First Nations People (Alice Springs 1986)



For thousands of years this culture of yours was free to grow without interference by people from other places. You lived your lives in spiritual closeness to the land, with its animals, birds, fishes, waterholes, rivers, hills and mountains. Through your closeness to the land, you touched the sacredness of man's relationship with God, for the land was the proof of a power in life greater than yourselves.

You did not spoil the land, use it up, exhaust it, and then walk away from it. You realized that your land was related to the source of life. The silence of the Bush taught you a quietness of soul that put you in touch with another world, the world of God's Spirit. Your careful attention to the details of kinship spoke of your reverence for birth, life and human generation. You knew that children need to be loved, to be full of joy. They need a time to grow in laughter and to play, secure in the knowledge that they belong to their people.

You had a great respect for the need which people have for law, as a guide to living fairly with each other. So you created a legal system – very strict it is true – but closely adapted to the country in which you lived your lives. It made your society orderly. It was one of the reasons why you survived in this land...

In all these strivings you showed a dignity open to the message of God's revealed wisdom to all men and women, which is the great truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Prayers of the Faithful - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRESIDER: Dear friends, drawn together by our shared faith in Jesus, let us open our hearts to the gift of God's power and place our troubled world in God's good hands.

We pray for Pope Francis and all church leaders, that they will bear faithful witness to God's saving grace, both in season and out of season. Lord, hear us.

We pray for all baptised believers, that like the apostle Paul they will find the power of God at work in their trials and weaknesses. Lord, hear us.

We pray for the multitude of children who have known nothing but war and trauma, that by the grace of God they will break free from the cycle of hate and violence. Lord, hear us.

We pray for the First Peoples of Australia and the Torres Strait, that this week's NAIDOC celebrations will stir them to 'Keep the fire burning' and stay 'Blak, loud and proud.' Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who are homeless this winter, that with the active help of individuals, communities and agencies they will find the shelter and support they need, especially through the Winter Shelter program here in Toowoomba. Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who are serving sentences in Australian jails, especially young Indigenous people, that their time in prison will help and not hinder their readiness for life in the community. Lord, hear us.

We pray for our parish community, that the word and sacrament of this Eucharist will strengthen us in faith and the following of Jesus. Lord, hear us.

We pray for those who have died recently Carmelita Kruger, Rae Blinco, Joy Brighton, Valmai Garrahy, Patricia O’Dea, Noah Hawker, Joan O’Dempsey, Keith Wyllie, Kevin O’Dempsey, Kevin Hansen (Brisbane) and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, Carmel Graham, Rosanne Joyner, Jillian Bredhauer, Ian Moncrieff, Ian Kennett, Ellie Pauli, that by the grace of God they will rise from mortality to the glory of immortality. Lord, hear us.

PRESIDER: God of boundless mercy, your Son lived among us in a human family that we might all become his sisters and brothers in spirit. Help us hear and heed his word. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Diocesan News



MISSIONARY SISTERS OF SERVICE (MSS) 80 Years Since Foundation

*Date: **Sunday 14th July** Time: **2:00pm** Where: **St Anthony's***

It is with great joy that the MSS Sisters commemorate the 80th anniversary of their foundation in 2024. All are welcome to join the Sisters in the Toowoomba Diocese for Mass at St. Anthony’s Church, followed by Afternoon Tea.

To find out more about celebrations across the country and keep up to date with the MSS Sisters, [see their latest newsletter and subscribe.](#)

SEA SUNDAY: Next Sunday (14th) we will be taking up a collection to support the Apostleship of the Sea which cares for all seafarers.



Wesley Life Force Suicide Prevention Training – Flyers available in Foyer

Date: Wednesday 21st August **Time:** 9-1 **Location:** Comfort Inn Grammar View - 39 Margaret St Toowoomba
Email LifeForce@wesleymission.org.au or phone Glen 0439 050559.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday – July 6 & 7** as part of NAIDOC Week.

- **Margaret Naylor Presentation: Saturday 13th July** – 9.30am to 12noon. Margaret Naylor from Brisbane Archdiocese will be presenting a presentation on a number of topics relating to Christian Faith. Place: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre 196 Charlotte St Brisbane. This presentation will be live streamed.
- **Jumpers & Jazz at St. Mary's Warwick: July 20-27** – Opening Weekend Jazz Mass 5pm (20th July); Morning Teas and Church Tours all through the week and Closing Weekend Jazz Mass 8.30am (July 28)
- **Catholic Education Week:** July 21-27. There will be a School Mass here in the Parish.
- **Peter Kearney in Concert: Signs of Hope – People of Faith.** A concert-reflection with Peter Kearney. Saturday, **27th July** 4-5pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Flyers in foyer.

PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM			
Date	Readings	Mass	Parish Life
Sunday 7 th July	The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Ezekial 2:2-5 Gospel: Mark 6:1-6	8.30am	NAIDOC Sunday Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie 9.30am Morning Tea
Monday 8 th July	Monday of the 14 th week in ordinary time First Reading: Hosea 2:16-18,21-22 Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26		OFFICE CLOSED SCHOOL TERM BEGINS 4pm SVDP Meeting
Tuesday 9 th July	Tuesday of the 14 th week in Ordinary Time First Reading: Hosea 8:4-7,11-13 Gospel: Matthew 9:32-38		
Wednesday 10 th July	Wednesday of the 14 th week in Ordinary Time First Reading: Hosea 10:1-3,7-8,12 Gospel: Mark 1:15	9.15am	Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie 10am Gospel Discussion Group 10.30am Coordinating Team meeting
Thursday 11 th July	Saint Benedict First Reading: Hosea 11:1-4,8-9 Gospel: Matthew 10:7-15		
Friday 12 th July	Friday of the 14 th week in Ordinary Time First Reading: Hosea 14:2-10 Gospel: Matthew 10:16-23	9.15am	Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie <i>Live-stream</i>
Saturday 13 th July	Saturday of the 14 th week in Ordinary Time First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 Gospel: Matthew 10:24-33	5pm	4.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie
Sunday 14 th July	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Amos 7:12-15 Gospel: Mark 6:7-13	8.30am 2pm	SEA SUNDAY Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie 9.30am Morning Tea Missionary Sisters 80 years since Foundation Mass

MINISTERS FOR MASS

Saturday/ Sunday, 13/14 July 2024 – Week 2

Please remember to arrive 10 mins early or advise Parish Office if unable to attend or find a replacement. Thanks. 😊

	5pm Vigil Mass	8.30am Mass
Co-ordinator:	Lloyd Bailey & Marg Nolan	Sandra Neale
Welcomers:	Celia Warr & Denise Hopwood	Dennis & Marie McAleer
Altar Server:	Harlon Fernando	
AV Operator:	Michael Rooke	Peter Sheridan
Parish Morning Tea:		PPC
Readers:	Regina Ryan & Leandra Fernando	Josephine Astbury & Sandra Neale
Prayer of the Faithful:	Judy Sheehan	To Be Advised
Offertory:	Peter & Jan Boyce	Tom & Helen Warren
Minister of Communion:	Ciborium: Trevor Wyllie Chalice: Mary O'Brien & Marg Nolan	Ciborium: David Tutty Chalice: Monica Gundry & Jan Barsby
Music:	Carolyn Searle & Young people	Sr Maria & Singers
Collectors:	Denise Hopwood & Peter Boyce	Peter Wilkes &
Money Counters: This Week – 7th July Next Week – 14th July	Kathy Reedy & Tom Kelly Peter Wilkes, Monica Gundry & Jan Burchardt	Collections – 30th June Planned Giving - \$370 Loose - \$729.20
Ozcare – 9th July	Ann Matthew	

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ST. ANTHONY'S IS A CHILD SAFE PARISH

All children, young persons and vulnerable adults visiting have a right to feel safe and be safe.

If you are concerned for any form of abuse that is immediate you should call 000;

a significant risk or harm, whether or not you have formed this belief on reasonable ground,

you should immediately raise your concerns with our Parish Child Safety Officer – **Nicole Rangira 0437 382 408.**

Children leaving the Church during Mass are to be accompanied by an adult. Thank you.