

# ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH



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## NEWSLETTER

August 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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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 speeriny ureu, 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.**

### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Proverbs 9:1-6

Responsorial Psalm – Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading – Ephesians 5:15-20

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, alleluia! All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I in them, says the Lord Alleluia!

Gospel – John 6:51-58

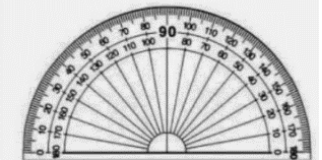
I envy people that grow old gracefully. They age like a fine wine. I'm aging like milk. Getting sour and chunky.

### Important Dates Coming Up

Tuesday August 20	Friendship Group
August 24/25	Social Justice Sunday
Aug. 31 / Sept. 1	Vigil Mass returns to 6pm
September 1	Mary of the Southern Cross
September 28-29	Refugee & Migrant Sunday

I support Farming.

In fact, you could call me



## Our Parish Prayer List

**We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently:** Eric Pingel (Errol's Father), Kev Byrne, Josie Rice

**For the Anniversaries of our loved ones:** Mick & Mary Moore, Beverley Cumming, Yvonne Gardiner, Bernie Martin, Peter Martin, Robert Moncrieff, Kerrod Markwell, Gwenda Marwell, Dudley d'Arango, Riccardo Springolo.

**and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese:** Rev. Fr. Peter Schultz, Rev. Fr. Mark Cosgrove, Rev. Fr. John Ryan, Rev. Fr. Patrick Kelly, Rev. Fr. Charles MacDonald, Msgr Patrick Doyle, Rev. Fr. Bryan Nolan, Msgr Stanley Skehan.

**We hold in prayer all those who are sick including the following Parishioners:** Tom Warren, Helen Warren, 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 Steba, 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 (Margaret Dunlop's sisters), Lil Dolan, Kevin Collins, Denis Dwan, Sr Zoe (Christina) Fitzpatrick (PBVM), 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 Volter, Kevin Wallace, Geoffrey Wells, Michael Wells, Martin Yong.

## Our Parish Milestones

**August –** Len O'Rourke (90), Kevin Harris, Pam Hahn, Chris Bailey, Joan Phelan, Adam Titlbach, Brett Rangjiira, Marie Lindquist, Pat Cullen, Kelly Tittlbach, Sandra Neale, Patricia Harris, Tim Fitzgerald, Des O'Shea, Mafe Remigio, Geoff & Theresa Wells, Don & Gloria McKechnie, Jim & Maria Lindquist.



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 Pfingst Nicole Rangira 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: 1<sup>st</sup> 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 **1<sup>st</sup> Monday monthly** at 5pm (*except Dec/Jan*)

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

**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.



**SEASON OF CREATION  
SEPTEMBER 2024**

### TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration that calls us together each year to pray and respond jointly to the cry of Creation: the ecumenical family from around the world comes together to listen to and care for our common home. The “Celebration” begins on September 1st, the Feast of Creation, and concludes on October 4th, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology beloved by many Christian denominations.

## Social Justice News

**To assume our potential, we must be able to see into the future** *Joshua Waters*

It is our responsibility to pay attention to our surroundings and try to understand the essence of a thing or a person. Humans are unique in how we see, process and interpret the world around us. My First Nations K/Gamilaroi ancestors had an amazing gift of foresight; to have one foot firmly planted in the present and the other well off into the future; to look at one thing “here”, and simultaneously see another “there”.

**Social Justice Sunday: August 24/25**

**Statement: “Truth and Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World”**



Ever wanted to make a real difference in your community? Social Justice Sunday gives you that chance! It’s a day dedicated to reflecting on fairness, promoting equality, and taking action to support those in need. Social Justice Sunday is a key day observed in Australia, inspiring action and reflection on important social issues. The day highlights the Catholic Church’s commitment to addressing social, economic, and ecological challenges. It encourages the community to engage actively in promoting justice and equality, making it a vital event for raising awareness and fostering a sense of compassion and responsibility among people.



**ACBC SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT LAUNCH**

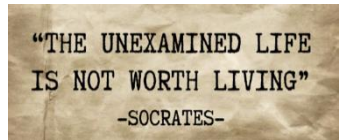
*Date: Tuesday 20/8/24*

*Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm Where: Livestream via YouTube*

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Social Justice Statement for 2024-25, "Truth and Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World" will be publicly released on August 20, ahead of Social Justice Sunday on August 25.

# Parish News

In part, Paul tells the Ephesians in today's Second Reading: Watch carefully how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise, and make the most of any opportunity. Do not continue in ignorance. Do not get drunk on wine but be filled with the Spirit. Give thanks always, and for everything.



Paul's counsel to the Ephesians to lead thoughtful lives is affirmed by the well-known phrase, attributed to Socrates, that 'The unexamined life is not worth living'. As we fast forward to the 1930s, the famous poet, TS Eliot penned the sobering line 'humankind cannot bear very much reality'.

This downbeat claim reflects a common theme in Christian spirituality, that gaining insight into our inner truth and holding fast to it is an arduous lifelong task. In the Reading today Paul doesn't seem to agree. His directive is simple: 'Be filled with the Spirit'.

Too simple perhaps, but we can take Paul's advice to sing thankfully at the breaking of bread, the Bread of Life, come down from heaven that we take very much into our hearts each time we gather for Mass ... that we might be imbued with a Spirit-filled life and live it to the full. *Fr Jamie*

## THIS WEEK'S PRAYER FOCUS

We pray for the diverse family of Christian churches,  
that the day will soon come when all will be free to eat and drink together at the Lord's table.  
Amen



As Noela returns next week from holidays, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your unbelievable support, patience and friendship as I navigated the role. You all made the hard days easier to handle. I look forward to continuing in my role in a much more relaxed state 😊. Thank you, Leesa

**If you know of anyone who can be taken from the Parish Prayer List that appears on the front of the Bulletin each week, please notify the Parish Office. Thank you.**

**WINTER SHELTER:** As the season of winter draws to a close thank you to everyone who volunteered or donated to the Winter Shelter in Toowoomba. Your kindness and generosity certainly made a difference.

**Pope Francis and the Call to End Homelessness:** Pope Francis reminds us that housing is not a valueless system but a core part of what it means to live a dignified human life: to have adequate shelter is a basic human right. He says: *"We can find no social or moral justification, no justification whatsoever, for lack of housing. The Son of God came into this world as a homeless person. The Son of God knew what it was to start life without a roof over his head."*



## Prayer for People Who Are Homeless

Loving God, we ask your blessing upon all who are homeless in our world today. We pray you move the hearts of those in government to actively commit to providing shelter for all who are homeless, so that they may find a place of peace, protection, opportunity and hope. We make this prayer through Jesus who, in his years of ministry, was often homeless and relied on the hospitality of others for a place to lay his head. Amen.

## 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.

# Scripture Readings

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### First Reading –

Wisdom has built her house, she has set up her seven columns; she has dressed her meat, mixed her wine, yes, she has spread her table. She has sent out her maidens; she calls from the heights out over the city: "Let whoever is simple turn in here; To the one who lacks understanding, she says, Come, eat of my food, and drink of the wine I have mixed! Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding." **The Word of God**

### Responsorial Psalm: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the LORD; the lowly will hear me and be glad. **(R)**



Glorify the LORD with me, let us together extol his name. I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. **(R)**

Look to him that you may be radiant with joy, and your faces may not blush with shame. When the poor one called out, the LORD heard, and from all his distress he saved him. **(R)**

### Second Reading –

Brothers and sisters: Watch carefully how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise, making the most of the opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not continue in ignorance, but try to understand what is the will of the Lord. And do not get drunk on wine, in which lies debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father. **The Word of God**

### Gospel –



Jesus said to the crowds: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The Jews quarrelled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen,

I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever." **The Gospel of the Lord**

# Diocesan News

**MISSION AMBASSADOR TRAINING:** Do you want to know more about Catholic Mission and the impact and presence you can make in your parish? Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August | 9:45-12pm | Conference Room St Patricks Parish Centre, 123 Neil Street. RSVP Wed 21<sup>st</sup> August to [brisbane.admin@catholicmission.org.au](mailto:brisbane.admin@catholicmission.org.au)

**FUNDRAISER - ST MARY'S SCHOOL, WARWICK:** Be part of St Mary's history! As the school celebrates 150 years of the arrival of the Sisters of Mercy you have a chance to be cemented permanently into the school. Make a \$50 donation for your name to appear on a paver which will be installed in front of the school library.

**ADVERTISING IN HORIZONS:** Are you a business owner or know a business that would be interested in advertising in Horizons? Advertising helps the diocese with production costs. Please contact the editor.

**PASTORAL CARE 30 YEARS:** 18/8/24 @ 2pm, Toowoomba Hospital. Please RSVP: [ddh-thpastoralcare@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:ddh-thpastoralcare@health.qld.gov.au)

# Prayers of the Faithful

## Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

**PRESIDER:** Dear friends, filled with the Spirit, let us pray to God in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ for the needs of the world.

1. We pray for Pope Francis, that his missionary visit to Indonesia, Timor Leste and Papua New Guinea in early September will bring good news to each nation as well as to Christian believers. Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for all who devote themselves wholeheartedly to the common good of humanity, that World Humanitarian Day (August 19) will encourage many to follow their example. Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for those remembered in United Nations observances this week – victims of terrorism, religious violence, and human trafficking – that the trauma they have suffered will give way to freedom, healing and peace. Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for the people of Sudan and every place where lawless violence has brought famine and starvation, that they will receive the emergency and on-going relief they need to survive. Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for the Australian community, that all who dwell in this ancient land will absorb its wisdom and learn to live in harmony with its natural wonders. Lord, hear us.
6. We pray for foster parents, that the love they lavish on those entrusted to their care will provide the children with the security and confidence they need to flourish. Lord, hear us.
7. We pray for those with responsibility for church properties and investments, that they will ensure these assets are put at the service of the church's mission. Lord, hear us.
8. We pray for the recently deceased Eric Pingel (Errol's Father), Kev Byrne, Josie Rice, Leonie O'Shannessy and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, Mick & Mary Moore, Beverley Cumming, Yvonne Gardiner, Bernie Martin, Peter Martin, Robert Moncrieff, Kerrod Markwell, Gwenda Marwell, Dudley d'Arango, Riccardo Springolo and Mary Maher, that they will be led to their place at Wisdom's heavenly banquet. Lord, hear us.

**PRESIDER:** Life-giving God, your Son Jesus took flesh among us and shed his blood for us. Help us who sup at his table to follow him in faith. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

### **CARITAS AUSTRALIA APPEAL: WOMEN FOR THE WORLD**

This annual Caritas Australia appeal focuses on supporting women to build better futures. The Women for the World appeal, which this year affords supporters the chance to give the life-changing, future-shaping gift of vocational training to women. To find out more and support Caritas Australia's Women for the World appeal, visit <http://www.caritas.org.au/women> or call 1800 024 413 toll free.



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*St. Anthony's*

### **Friendship Group Morning Tea**

*This Tuesday, August 20 at 10am*

*All Welcome!*  
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## PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

Date	Readings	Mass Times	Parish Life
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August 20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time	First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6 Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20 Gospel: John 6:51-58	<b>8.30am</b> <b>9:30am</b>	<b>Mass (Fr Jamie)</b> Morning Tea
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> August 20 <sup>th</sup> Monday Ordinary Time	First Reading: Ezekiel 24:15-24 Gospel: Matthew 19:16-22		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 4pm SVDP Meeting
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> August <b>St Bernard</b>	First Reading: Ezekiel 28:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 19:23-30	<b>10am</b> <b>5:30pm</b>	Friendship Group Music Planning Meeting
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> August <b>Saint Pius X</b>	First Reading: Ezekiel 34:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Weekday Mass (Fr. Jamie)</b> 10am Gospel Discussion 10.30am Coordinating Team
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August <b>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	First Reading: Ezekiel 36:23-28 Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Mass (Fr Jamie)</b>
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 20 <sup>th</sup> Friday Ordinary Time	First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14 Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Mass (Fr. Jamie)</b> <i>Live-stream</i>
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> August <b>Saint Bartholomew</b>	First Reading: Revelation 21:9-14 Gospel: John 1:45-51	<b>5pm</b>	4.15pm Reconciliation <b>Vigil Mass (Fr. Jamie)</b>
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> August Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time	First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2,15-18 Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32 Gospel: John 6:60-69	<b>8.30am</b> <b>9:30am</b>	<b>Mass (Fr Jamie)</b> Morning Tea

### MINISTERS FOR MASS

**Saturday/ Sunday, 24 & 25<sup>th</sup> August Week 4**

	5pm Vigil Mass	8.30am Mass
<b>Co-ordinator:</b>	Michael & Mary O'Brien	Trish Zeller
<b>Welcomers:</b>	Jenn Stephens & Chris Gwydir	Tony Meldon & Jan Barsby
<b>Altar Server:</b>	Harlon Fernando	
<b>AV Operator:</b>	Ed Briffa	David Tutty
<b>Parish Morning Tea:</b>		Nicole Rangiira's Team
<b>Readers:</b>	Chris Gwydir & Michael O'Brien	Jan Barsby & To be advised
<b>Prayer of the Faithful:</b>	Terese Hanna	Joan Nugent
<b>Offertory:</b>	Jenn Stephens & Catherine Hanna	Betty Isimbi & Sandra Neale
<b>Minister of Communion:</b>	<b>Ciborium:</b> Mary O'Brien <b>Chalice:</b> Marg Nolan & Celia Warr	<b>Ciborium:</b> Sandra Neale <b>Chalice:</b> Marie McAleer & Monica Gundry
<b>Music:</b>	Sr Maria & singers	Sr Maria & singers
<b>Collectors:</b>	Trevor Wyllie & Tom Kelly	Peter Wilkes & To be advised
<b>Money Counters:</b>		Tony Meldon & Jenn Stephens
<b>Ozcare August 20<sup>th</sup> August 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tim Fitzgerald Mass</b>	<b>Collections –</b> <b>Planned Giving - \$445</b> <b>Loose - \$604.85</b>