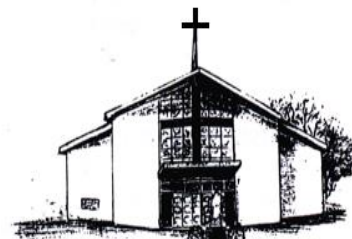


ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH



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NEWSLETTER

16th/17th November, 2024

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"A Place at the Table for All"

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

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Tuesday to Friday 8.30am - 2.30pm
CLOSED Monday & Weekends

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.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

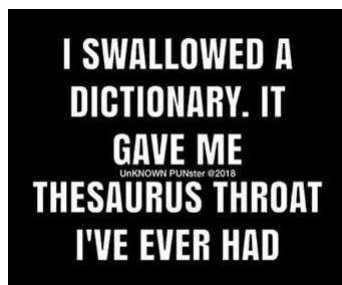
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Second Reading – Hebrews 10:11-14 By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

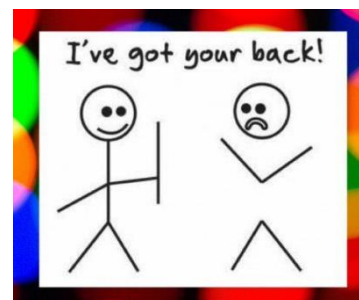
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Gospel – Mark 13:24-32 he shall gather his elect from the four winds.



Important Dates Coming Up

- 19th Nov – Friendship Group Christmas Lunch
- 21st Nov – Presentation Day Mass
- 24th Nov – SPRED Mass
- 1st Dec – Welcome morning tea for Deacon BJ
2nd Rite of Reconciliation
- 3rd Dec – Yr 6 Graduation Liturgy
- 4th Dec – Mass with 2nd Rite of Reconciliation
- 11th Dec – Anointing Mass followed by light lunch



Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently: Val Saccasan, Pat Cullen, Ellen Nilon, Gay Barrett;

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Margaret Missen

and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Rev Fr William McGovern, Rev Fr Cornelius Chalane, Rev Fr Charles Daly, Ven A/Deacon Leo Hayes, Rev Fr Francis Leonard, Rev Fr Peter Murphy, Rev Fr John Dowd, Rev Fr William McCormack.

We hold in prayer all those who are sick including the following Parishioners: Narelle Bailey, Daniel Bell, Brian Conrick, Mary Gilligan, Madeline (Sally) Gray, Nancy Hargrave, Neville Harris, John Herzig, Rita Irwin, Elsie Kirby, Malcolm Kirby, Mary Logan, Pat Madden, Gloria McKechnie, Des O'Shea, Margaret Pegler, Trish Ryan, Vonnie Sherman, Rod Sleba, Pat Sullivan, Lucy Targato, Helen Warren;

As well as the following friends & family members: 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, Rebecca Clayton, Shirley Davies, Roslyn Day, Marie Deane and Yvonne Gay (Margaret Dunlop's sisters), 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, Jan Masters, Brendan Middleton, Frank Miller, Hanna Muir, Paul Murphy, Peter Nolan (Rockhampton), Neil O'Connor, Paul Park, Kevin Schick (Val's brother), Sally Sippel, Silba Serem, Harley Stewart, Neil Syme, Brian Thomson, Greg Twidale, Denis & Ruth Volter, Des Waldron, Kevin Wallace, Geoffrey Wells, Michael Wells, Martin Yong.



Birthdays for November: Mary Wagner, Ariana Lugg, Chris Gwydir, Bernard Stevens, Jim Maher, Dan Cantwell, Rita Irwin, Jack Phelan, Marion Herzig, Nancy Hargrave, Daphne Fernando & Irene Chelsom.

Anniversaries: Barry & Jan Turner, Brad & Josephine Astbury, Lloyd & Chris Bailey.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS	PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PARISH CO-ORDINATING TEAM
Fr Jamie	Tony Meldon - Chair	Fr Jamie
Louise Pfingst	Fr Jamie	Celia Warr
Brett Rangira – Chair	Tom Warren	Tim Fitzgerald
Kathy Reedy – Secretary	Trevor Wyllie	Lloyd Bailey
Bob Frost	Keith Shepherd	<i>Thank you to all who take on these roles in the governance of our parish.</i>
Mary O'Brien	Trish Zeller	
Marg Nolan	Regina Ryan	
Theo Fernando	Noela Nolan	
Shane Hair		
Nicole Rangira		
Chrys Chryshanthan		



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

Catholic Leader: Available by subscription only.

Social Justice Group: Next meeting will be held Wednesday 5th February 5pm.

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

Gospel Discussion Group: Meet at 10am each Wednesday in the Parish Office. All welcome.

Parish Coordinating Team: Meet each Wednesday. **Circle Dancing:** 1.30pm Wednesday during school term.

Social Justice News

Social Justice Thought for the Week:



This Sunday we observe the 2024 **World Day of the Poor**, with the theme chosen by Pope Francis: "*The prayer of the poor rises up to God*".

In his message, Pope Francis writes: "*God knows the sufferings of his children because he is an attentive and caring father. As a father, he takes care of those who are most in need: the poor, the marginalised, the suffering and the forgotten. No one is excluded from his heart, for in his eyes, we are all poor and needy.*"

World Day of the Poor Message, 2024

Prayer on World Day of the Poor

Loving God, We pray for those in our community who are poor, who have no home, who sleep rough on our streets, or who are forced to go from place to place to look for shelter. May we be moved to do what we can to reach out, offer help, and to work for a world where every person has a place to call their own, even in the most difficult circumstances. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus who embraced the poor and the homeless. Amen.

MELBOURNE CUP THANK YOU

The clients and volunteers of the Dignity Project wish to thank the Social Justice Group, parishioners and all who attended and helped to make the recent Melbourne Cup Fundraiser such a success. Your generosity and support as well as the sense of community, compassion and enjoyment always embodies St Anthony's Parish for us. It reminds us of the wellspring of goodwill towards people who have come to Australia seeking our protection and care.



To organise such an event takes a lot of planning and work and we are very grateful to the team who worked behind the scenes to provide the entertainment, wonderful food, raffle gifts, poem, songs the bar the sweep, the quiz, the audiovisuals and acting as MC. Your help was vital in making this such a happy and memorable afternoon. Your efforts raised \$2,000 which will be put to great use in our mission.

With thanks, The Dignity Project.

AN EVENING WITH WAYNE FOSSEY

Share a meal followed by a talk by Wayne Fossey discussing local history and other topics of interest. The Social Justice Commission **Friday 29th November**. Cost is \$5, please RSVP by Friday 22nd November to malbion@me.com

Parish & Diocesan News



St Vincent de Paul Items for sale –

Christmas Cards (8/pk) \$4 pack
2025 Columban Calendar \$10 each



Christmas Appeal:



Our Christmas tree is on display in the foyer and once again we are calling on the parish to assist us with the usual non-perishable Christmas food for our hampers. **Please take a tag from the basket beside the tree and leave your item in the box by 8th Dec, or take a tag from the Christmas Tree. The Hamper you are providing (for an entire family) will need to be returned to the Parish Office by 30th November.** After that date single items only to be left!

The response has always been gratifying and we have no doubt that the spirit of giving will continue to 'restore hope' to the less fortunate. A considerable amount of time and effort on the part of volunteers goes into continuing to provide hampers at Christmas. The food has to be collected, stored, packed and delivered by the Conference members. A good response gives the volunteers encouragement to continue and affords the parish community the opportunity to be part of this project.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS:

The Parish currently have 15 copies of **'HOPE Reigns – Group & Individual Reflections for Advent'**. These are available for purchase at a cost of \$5 each. One copy is available in foyer for you to look at. Please ask co-ordinator to put your name down for a copy or call in at the office to collect one.

MARKETS FOR MISSION

Saturday, 23rd November 7am-1pm. Middle Ridge uniting Church, 264 Stenner St. Crafts, cakes, plants, bric-a-brac, books, sausage sizzle. All supporting Protea Place.

PRAY AND PAINT

Date: 23/11/24 Saturday & 7/12/24 Saturday Time: 10:00am – Lunch Where: **St Patrick's Cathedral Tmba**
Cost: \$25pp Register via [TryBooking](#) Pray and Paint is a wonderful opportunity to bring together visual art and a reflective heart. Art supplies are included.

CENT SALE

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver are holding a Cent Sale in St Patrick's Cathedral Centre, 123 Neil St on **Saturday November 30**. The doors open at 1.00pm for a 1.30pm start. A delicious afternoon tea will be served, and cost is \$10 which includes 2 free sheets of tickets. Children aged 12 and under are free. All proceeds go to the Missions. Sisters can be contacted on 07 46321818.

DANCING WITH LIFE

Date: Thursday, 5th December Time: 10:00am Where: *Sychar House of Prayer and Spirituality, 69 Margaret St.*
Flyers in foyer. Register by 28/11/24 by email sycharhouse@outlook.com

JESUIT COMMUNICATIONS CHRISTMAS RAFFLE AND FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Jesuit Communications, publisher of *Australian Catholics* and *Parish Life*, *Madonna* magazine and *Eureka Street*, has launched its [Christmas Raffle](#) and Fundraising campaign. <https://rafflelink.com.au/jesomchristmas2024>
There are now more chances to win with five Coles Group & Myer Gift Cards, total value \$9800, on offer. The raffle is open to residents of Queensland, NSW and Victoria only. Or you might like to [make a donation](#). (www.trybooking.com/au/donate/madonnamagazine). We thank you for your kind support.

Upcoming Advent/Christmas Dates to Remember –

November 23rd/24th - 2025 Ministry response sheet – available in foyer – note the change of Mass times

November 30th – Last day to drop off family Hampers at Parish Office

December 1st – Christmas Ministry Role **rosters available in church foyer**

December 1st – 7pm Second Rite of Reconciliation

December 4th – 9.15am Weekday Mass with Second Rite of Reconciliation

December 8th – 5.00pm Ministry Volunteers Christmas Party – **Response sheet in foyer**

December 8th – Last day to drop off food for SVDP Christmas Hampers

December 11th – 10.30am Anointing Mass followed by lunch – **place name on list in foyer IF staying for lunch.**

December 24th – 11am OzCare Christmas Mass with Anointing

December 24th – 6pm Christmas Carols

6.30pm Christmas Vigil

December 25th – 8am Christmas Carols

8.30am Christmas Day Mass

A WORD ON THIS WEEK'S READINGS

The root meaning of the word “apocalypse” is “revelation” or “disclosure.” It’s a name given to biblical writings with visions and prophecies of the end times.

These works thrive on images of monumental battles and cosmic upheavals, so the word “apocalypse” also suggests things like calamity and disaster. Scenes of death, destruction and misery in war zones may be described as apocalyptic. This secular use of the word captures the nightmarish nature of situations but does not convey the ultimately hopeful message of the biblical books.

Believers have a responsibility to tell the unvarnished truth about catastrophic crises threatening the planet. They also have a mission: to spread hope in the ultimate triumph of the good. Unwavering hope unlocks energy for transforming action.

FURTHER REFLECTION

As I prepare to pray, I entrust any distractions to the Lord. I settle into stillness, perhaps quietly reciting the response from today’s psalm as a mantra: ‘Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you’. I read the passage through slowly until I become familiar with it.

Jesus is speaking to his disciples after leaving the Temple in Jerusalem during the days leading up to his Passion. Perhaps in my mind’s eye, I picture myself there. I listen to Jesus, noticing the tone of his voice. I watch the disciples, imagining the expressions on their faces and how they are responding. What sense do I have of their mood?

How am I feeling as I hear Jesus’s words? Perhaps challenged . . . puzzled . . . frightened . . . absorbed . . . comforted . . .? Jesus’s words are not meant to frighten his disciples, nor us. Rather they can offer consolation and hope that God is near, especially when we face difficulties or uncertain times. Which of his words are staying with me now? I tell Jesus why they are significant, and I listen to whatever he might be saying to me.

I ask the Holy Spirit to keep me watchful, praying for the wisdom and courage always to live by Jesus’s teachings. Giving thanks, I end my prayer with an ‘Our Father . . .’

Prepared by St Beuno’s Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham, UK.

Fr Jamie

THE WEEK’S PRAYER FOCUS

We pray for all practitioners of conflict resolution, that they will succeed in defusing disputes, whether local or global, and bring the discord to peaceful conclusion.

Scripture Readings

First Reading – Daniel 12:1-3

At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.

The Word of God

Responsorial Psalm: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

O God, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize.

I keep you ever in my sight: since you are at my side, I shall stand firm. **(R)**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety.

For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. **(R)**

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your side happiness for ever **(R)**

Second reading - Hebrews 10:11-14

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. He, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place forever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful, pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

Gospel - Luke 21:36

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READINGS for Daily Mass (Australian Liturgical Calendar): <http://www.universalis.com/Australia/1000/mass.html>

Prayers of the Faithful – Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRESIDER: Dear friends, Jesus assures us his words will never pass away. Heartened by his promise, let us place the world and its destiny in God's saving hands.

1. We pray for church communities around the world, that they will be a leaven of hope and peace for all in these times of climate crisis and global upheaval. Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for the prophets who read the signs of the times through the lens of faith, that they will persuade us to work together for a new heaven and a new earth. Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for the world's poor, that today's United Nations observance (International Day for the Eradication of Poverty) will galvanise the international community to share its wealth fairly with those in need. Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for champions of nature around the world, that they will open our eyes to its many wonders and inspire us to be good stewards of God's creation. Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for all Indigenous peoples engaged in truth-telling about their treatment, that their testimony will open the way to healing, reconciliation and respect. Lord, hear us.
6. We pray for the dedicated volunteers supporting refugees and asylum seekers in Australia and in our Diocese, that their advocacy will ease the daily anxiety of those whose status is uncertain. Lord, hear us.
7. We pray for the members of rural fire brigades across the land, that their community service will keep people and properties safe through the summer fire season. Lord, hear us.
8. We pray for those who have died recently Val Saccasan, Pat Cullen, Ellen Nilon and Gay Barrett, those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time Margaret Missen, and all the faithful departed, that they will be awakened from the sleep of death and rise to everlasting life. Lord, hear us.

PRESIDER: God ever faithful and true, your Son's self-sacrifice of love has freed us from sin and death. Help us bear the gift of life to all we meet. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

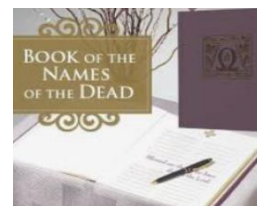
REMEMBRANCE BOOK:

The Remembrance Book will be displayed in the church throughout November for names of deceased loved ones to be added.

JUBILEE BOOK:

Copies of this year's Jubilee celebration book are available in the foyer, please feel free to take one.

SPRED: With a collection of our favourite sweet and savoury treats - the SPRED Recipe Book is available for purchase for \$10 at the weekend Parish Masses Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th Nov. A great stocking filler or Christmas gift 😊



PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

Date	Readings	Mass Times	Parish Life
Sunday 17th November World Day of the Poor 33 rd Week in Ordinary Time	First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3 Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14 Gospel: Mark 13:24-32	8.30am	Sunday Mass (Fr. Michael) 9.30am Morning Tea
Monday 18 th November	First Reading: Revelation 1:1-4 Gospel: Luke 18:35-43		OFFICE CLOSED 4pm SVDP Meeting
Tuesday 19 th November	First Reading: Revelation 3:1-6 Gospel: Luke 19:1-10		11.30am Friendship Group Christmas Lunch 5.30pm Music Planning Meeting
Wednesday 20 th November	First Reading: Revelation 4:1-11 Gospel: Luke 19:11-28	9.15am	Mass (Fr. Jamie) 10am Gospel Discussion 10.30am Coordinating Team
Thursday 21 st November The Presentation of the Virgin Mary	First Reading: Revelation 5:1-10 Gospel: Luke 19:41-44	9.30am	Presentation Day Mass (Fr Jamie) 5.30pm School Christmas Concert
Friday 22 nd November Saint Cecilia	First Reading: Revelation 10:8-10 Gospel: Luke 19:45-48	9.15am	Mass (Fr. Jamie) <i>Live-stream</i>
Saturday 23 rd November	First Reading: Revelation 11:4-12 Gospel: Luke 20:27-40	6.00pm	5.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass (Fr. Jamie)
Sunday 24th November Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14 Second Reading: Revelation 1:5-8 Gospel: John 18:33-37	8.30am	Sunday SPRED Mass (Fr. Jamie) 9.30am Morning Tea

MINISTERS FOR MASS

Saturday/ Sunday, 23rd/24th November – Week 4

	6pm Vigil Mass	8.30am Mass
Co-ordinator:	Michael & Mary O'Brien	Trish Zeller
Welcomers:	Trevor Wyllie & Carol Lovell	Irene Chelsom & Tony Meldon
Altar Server:	Harlon Fernando	
AV Operator:	Ed Briffa	Bob Morris
Parish Morning Tea:		Nicole Rangira's Team
Readers:	Jenn Stephens & Michael O'Brien	TBA
Prayer of the Faithful:	Terese Hanna	TBA
Offertory:	Jenn Stephens & Catherine Hanna	TBA
Minister of Communion:	Ciborium: Mary O'Brien Chalice: Marg Nolan & Celia Warr	Ciborium: Sandra Neale Chalice: Mary McAaleer & Monica Gundry
Music:	Sr Maria & Singers	Anne-Maree Spalding & Singers
Collectors:	Trevor Wyllie & Tom Kelly	Jim Nolan & Peter Wilkes
Money Counters: This Week – 17th Nov Next Week – 24th Nov	Brenda Thomas & Tony Meldon Irene Chelsom & Tony Meldon	Collections – 9th/10th November Planned Giving – \$375.00 Loose – \$726.30
Ozcare	19th November - Celia Warr 26th November - Mass Fr Jamie	

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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.