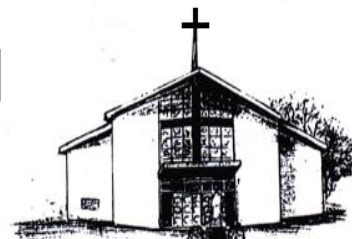


ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH



Parish Priest: Fr. Jamie Collins
Deacon: Bj Perrett
Chair Parish Council: Mr Brett Rangiira
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NEWSLETTER

8th/9th February 2025

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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 - 2.30pm

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.

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Isaiah 6:1-8 (*Here am !! Send me.*)

Responsorial Psalm – *In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, O God.*

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (*I preach what they preach, and this is what you believe.*)

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, alleluia! *Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people. Alleluia!*

Gospel – Luke 5:1-11 (*They left everything and followed him.*)



Relax lady, I work for Amazon now.

Important Dates Coming Up

- 12th Feb – Sacramental Program Starts
- 15th Feb – **NEW MASS TIMES START!!!**
- 17th Feb – Liturgy Team Meeting
- 18th Feb – Friendship Group gathering
- 19th Feb – Sacramental Program Prep
- 23rd Feb – Hymn practice for weekend masses



You chewed up my list of new year's resolutions, good boy!

Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently: Peter Joyner (*Sydney*), Jackie Fitzgerald;

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Lawrence Schneider, John Cartwright, Tony Cartwright, Margaret Thwaite;

and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Rev Msgr Michael Potter, Ven A/Deacon Robert O'Shea, Rev Fr Raymond White, Most Rev James Byrne DD, Rev Msgr John Bergin, Rev Fr Michael Hayes, Rev Fr Michael Cronin, Rev Fr Henry MacFarlane, Rev Fr Brian O'Dwyer, Rev Fr Michael Sheehan;

We hold in prayer all those who are sick including the following Parishioners: Narelle Bailey, Daniel Bell, Brian Conrick, Judith Fitzgerald, Mary Gilligan, Madeline (*Sally*) Gray, Nancy Hargrave, Neville Harris, Kerrie Hegarty, John Herzig, Rita Irwin, Elsie Kirby, Malcolm Kirby, Mary Logan, Pat Madden, Gloria McKechnie, Des O'Shea, Margaret Pegler, Trish Ryan, Vonnie Sherman, June Sinton, 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*), Liz Beduhn, Marilyn Bell (*Christine Black's mum*), Brian & Hazel Bowtell, baby Tommy Bryant (*Great-grandson of Kevin & Trish Harris*), 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 February: Karen Tiernan, Tom Nolan, Celia Warr, Deacon BJ, Fr Michael Cooney, Michael O'Brien, Lamyaa Al Costo, Damian Wyllie, Trevor Wyllie, Jim Tiernan, Rod Spalding, Carolyn Searle, Jim Lindquist, Julieanne Dickinson, Carmi Adhil, Roger Britton & Keith Shepherd;

Anniversaries: Pat & Jill Sullivan (65 yrs on 7th)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS	PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PARISH CO-ORDINATING TEAM
Fr Jamie Louise Pflugst Brett Rangira – Chair Kathy Reedy – Secretary Bob Frost Mary O’Brien Marg Nolan Theo Fernando Shane Hair Nicole Rangira Chrys Chryshanthan	Tony Meldon - Chair Fr Jamie Tom Warren Trevor Wyllie 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: New Summer edition available in the foyer - \$1

Social Justice Group: Next meeting will be held Wednesday 5th February **4.30pm**.

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:



The Peace Is Possible Pledge

*I pledge to embrace dialogue over division,
to seek understanding over assumption, and to prioritize compassion over cruelty.
I recognize that peace is not passive,
but an active pursuit requiring courage to engage with those whose views diverge.
I commit to sitting down with those I disagree with, to listening with an open heart
and mind, and to searching for common ground,
however hard to find.
I believe that through respectful dialogue, we can bridge divides and build
understanding towards a future where peace is possible for all.*

Prayer for the International Day of Human Fraternity

God and Creator of all peoples on the earth,
Guide all the nations and their leaders in the ways of justice and peace.
You have given us your peace. Enable us to share that peace with those around us, so that
love and harmony may be always present in our lives.
Guide us, that we may live with dignity and friendship as brothers and sisters, and that all
may rejoice in your presence.
We ask this prayer through Jesus, who said, “Blessed are the peacemakers.” Amen.



Laurie Reedy Collection: The next collection for the fund, which supports refugees and needy families in our local area, will be held the weekend of February 22nd/23rd.

Parish & Diocesan News

POSITION VACANCY

St Anthony’s are seeking a friendly and organized individual to join our parish team as Administration Support. This role offers flexibility with up to 20 hours per week, making it ideal for someone looking to balance work with other commitments. For a role description please contact Parish Office by phone or email admin@stanthonyparish.com.au. Applications close **10th February**.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM



Calling all children ready to embark on a spiritual journey! St. Anthony's Parish is excited to invite you to our Catholic Sacramental Program, beginning on **February 12th**. Through fun, engaging, and faith-filled weekly sessions, children will prepare to receive the sacraments and grow in their relationship with God. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to nurture your child's faith and connect with our vibrant parish community! For more information or to enrol, please contact the Parish Office at admin@stanthonysparish.com.au.

VACANCY - College Chaplain. St Saviour's College, Toowoomba | 7-12

- Term time (40 weeks per year) | 25 hours per week
- Fixed term | Immediate start (negotiable) to 18 January 2026
- School Officer Level 5 | \$38.29 – \$40.15 per hour plus super

For further info, contact Breanna.Hickling@twb.catholic.edu.au

LENT GOSPEL GROUP

As the season of Lent approaches, we are reminded of the opportunity to reflect, grow, and draw closer to God. We are excited to invite you to join either of our two weekly groups, a special time of fellowship, prayer, and scripture study. These groups will meet throughout Lent on Mondays and Wednesdays to journey through the Gospel, share insights, and support one another in our faith. Place your name on list in foyer. 'Many Paths Lead to Easter' books cost \$10ea.

CELEBRATE FR JOHN QUINLAN'S RETIREMENT

Date: **Sunday, 9th February**

Time: 9:30am

Where: Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Goodwood St Tmba

All are warmly welcomed to join the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Community in celebrating the retirement of Fr John Quinlan with Mass followed by morning tea.

Reflection on Scriptures

Pope Francis offers an insightful commentary on today's Gospel: 'Every day the boat of our life leaves the shores of our home to sail out into the sea of daily activities; every day we try to "fish from the sea", to cultivate dreams, to pursue projects, to experience love in our relationships. But often, like Peter, we experience the "night of empty nets"... the disappointment of trying so hard and not seeing the desired results... How often we too are left with a sense of defeat, while disappointment and bitterness arise in our hearts. Two very dangerous woodworms.

What does the Lord do then? He chooses to climb into our boat. From there he wants to proclaim the Gospel. It is precisely that empty boat, the symbol of our incapacity, that becomes Jesus' "cathedra", the pulpit from which he proclaims the Word. And this is what the Lord loves to do... to climb into the boat of our lives when we have nothing to offer him; to enter our voids and fill them with his presence; to make use of our poverty to proclaim his wealth, our miseries to proclaim his mercy.

Let us remember this: God does not want a cruise ship: a poor "ramshackle" boat is enough for him, as long as we welcome him... But, I wonder, do we let him into the boat of our lives? Do we make available to him the little we have? Sometimes we feel unworthy of Him because we are sinners. But this is an excuse that the Lord does not like, because it distances Him from us! He is the God of closeness, compassion, tenderness, and he does not seek perfectionism: he seeks our welcome. He says to you too: "Let me get into the boat of your life", "But Lord, look.." – "Like that, let me in, just as it is". Think about this.'

Reminder - **New Mass times from next weekend.**
Saturday Vigil Mass – 5pm **Reconciliation 4.15pm**
Sunday Mass – 8.15am



Our Lady of Lourdes Mass times from 15th February

Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday Mass 9.45am

PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

Date	Readings	Mass Times	Parish Life <i>Noela away this week.</i>
Sunday 9 th February Fifth Week in Ordinary Time	First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Gospel: Luke 5:1-11	8.30am	Sunday Mass (Fr. Jamie) 9.30am Morning Tea
Monday 10 th February Saint Scholastica	First Reading: Genesis 1:1-19 Gospel: Mark 6:53-56		OFFICE CLOSED 4pm SVDP Meeting
Tuesday 11 th February	First Reading: Genesis 1:20; 2:4 Gospel: Mark 7:1-13		
Wednesday 12 th February	First Reading: Genesis 2:4-9, 15-17 Gospel: Mark 7:14-23	9.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) 10am Gospel Group 1.30pm Circle Dancing 3.30pm Reconciliation Prep
Thursday 13 th February	First Reading: Genesis 2:18-25 Gospel: Mark 7:24-30	2pm	School Mass
Friday 14 th February Saints Cyril and Methodius	First Reading: Genesis 3:1-8 Gospel: Mark 7:31-37	9.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie)
Saturday 15 th February	First Reading: Genesis 3:9-24 Gospel: Mark 8:1-10	5.00pm	4.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass (Fr. Jamie)
Sunday 16 th February Sixth Week in Ordinary Time	First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26	8.15am	Sunday Mass (Fr. Jamie) 9.30am Morning Tea

NEW
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MINISTERS FOR MASS

Saturday/ Sunday, 15th/16th February – Week 3

	5pm Vigil Mass	8.15am Mass
Co-ordinator:	Lloyd Bailey, Marg Nolan	Sandra Neale
Welcomers:	Trevor Wyllie, Carol Lovell	Denis & Marie McAleer
Altar Server:	Damian Wyllie	
AV Operator:	Ed Briffa	Puondak Mywin
Parish Morning Tea:		Susan Tek's team
Readers:	Regina Ryan, Carol Lovell	Sandra Neale, David Tutty
Prayer of the Faithful:	Terese Hanna	Joan Nugent
Offertory:	Peter & Jan Boyce	Joan Nugent, Rita Fechner
Minister of Communion:	Ciborium: Deacon Bj Chalice: Catherine Hanna, Lloyd Bailey	Ciborium: Deacon Bj Chalice: Monica Gundry, Jan Barsby
Music:	Brett Rangira & Singers	Tom Hodgson & Singers
Collectors:	Peter Boyce, Trevor Wyllie	Susan Tek, Peter Wilkes
Money Counters:		Collections – 1/2 February
This Week – 9th Feb	Peter & Monica, Jan Burchardt	Planned Giving – \$510.00
Next Week – 16th Feb	Kathy Reedy, Tom Kelly	Loose – \$778.25
Ozcare	11th February – Tim Fitzgerald 18th February – Chris Gwydir	

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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.