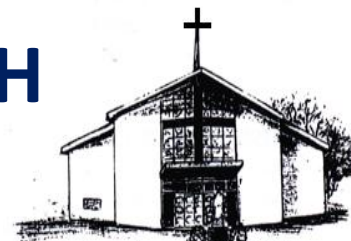


# ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH



Parish Priest: Fr. Jamie Collins  
Deacon: BJ Perrett  
Chair Parish Council: Mr Brett Rangjiira  
Parish Secretary: Mrs Noela Nolan  
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Safeguard Rep: Mrs Louise Pfinst  
School Principal: Mrs Louise Pfinst

## NEWSLETTER

22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025

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**Church Opening Hours**  
Tuesday to Friday: 8.30am – 2.30pm  
Saturday: 4.15pm – 6.15pm  
Sunday: 7am – 9.30am  
**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.*

### Third Sunday of Lent

**First Reading** – Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15 (*This is what you must say to the children of Israel: I Am has sent me to you.*)

**Responsorial Psalm** – *The Lord is kind and merciful.*

**Second Reading** – 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 (*All this that happened to the people of Moses in the desert was written for our benefit.*)

**Gospel Acclamation** – Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**Gospel** – Luke 13:1-9 (*Unless you repent you will all perish as they did.*)

**If at first you  
don't succeed,  
then skydiving  
is NOT for you!**

### Important Dates Coming Up

**21-23 Mar** – Parish visit from Bishop Ken  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Mar** – Afternoon Tea with Bishop Ken  
**23<sup>rd</sup> Mar** – Maronite Mass 11am  
**25<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Finance Committee meeting  
**28<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Show Holiday – OFFICE CLOSED  
**30<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Hymn practice for weekend masses

Neighbour out walking dogs –  
Me: 'I didn't know you had dogs'.  
Neighbour: "They're not my dogs.  
They're my sister's".  
Me: "Well your sisters are adorable".

## Our Parish Prayer List

**We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently:** Michael Clacy, Helen Warren;

**For the Anniversaries of our loved ones:** Trish Betros, Trish Fitzgerald, Paula Missen, Peter Martin, Bernie Martin, Nell Stafford, Pat Nicholls, Patricia Pingel;

**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, Mary Gilligan, Madeline (*Sally*) Gray, Nancy Hargrave, Neville Harris, Kerrie Hegarty, John Herzig, Rita Irwin, Elsie Kirby, Mal Kirby, Mary Logan, Pat Madden, Gloria McKechnie, Des O'Shea, Margaret Pegler, Trish Ryan, Vonnie Sherman, June Sinton, Pat Sullivan, Lucy Targato;

**As well as the following friends & family members:** Regina Albion, Arthur & Michelle Baguley, 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*), Paddy & Therese Chapman, Kevin Collins, Shirley Davies, Roslyn Day, Denis Dwan, Marc Fitzgibbon, Sr Zoe (*Christina*) Fitzpatrick (PBVM), Marie Deane and Yvonne Gay (*Margaret Dunlop's sisters*), Mary Gleeson, Karen Graham (*Geoff's niece*), Gabby Hanlon (*Marie Heslop's niece*), Neville Harris (*Kevin's brother*), Ralph Hickey, Cheryl Holmes, Jim & Nicholas Horder, Lindsay Jones, Ann Johnson, Kye Johnson (*Chris Gwydir's grandson*), Wayne Kirkland, 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, Kevin Wallace, Geoffrey Wells, Michael Wells, Martin Yong.

**Birthdays for March:** Bernica Stevens, Tom Warren, Michael Rooke, Fr Jamie, Helen Sweeney, Pat Sullivan, Carmel Wooldridge, Navan, Kathy Reilly, Chinwe Uchendu, Joan Nugent, Trish Zeller, Yano, Joan Hildred, Monica Gundry, Maureen Martin, Trish Morrison, David Waters, Tim Muneer, Isidoro Cannovo, David Clacy. **Anniversaries:** John & Marion Herzig, Len & Kathleen O'Rourke



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



**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

**Social Justice Group:** Meet 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 5pm.

**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 Parish Office. All welcome.

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

## Social Justice News

### SOCIAL JUSTICE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

World Water Day, held on 22<sup>nd</sup> March every year since 1993, is an annual United Nations Observance focusing on the importance of freshwater. World Water Day celebrates water and raises awareness of the 2.2 billion people living without access to safe water. It is about taking action to tackle the global water crisis. A core focus of World Water Day is to support the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 6: water and sanitation for all by 2030.



### Water Saving Tips in the Bathroom –

- Swap your normal showerhead which uses 17l/minute, for a water-efficient showerhead that only uses around 9l/minute.
- Use a timer to help reduce shower time or choose a song that only runs for 4 minutes.
- Taking shorter showers saves water as well as energy costs! By showering for less than four minutes you can save up to 21,353 litres per year.
- Turn off the water while brushing your teeth. Place a glass beside the sink for rinsing teeth after brushing.
- Only fill the bath to the level that is required.
- Update your toilet from an old-style flush toilet that uses 12 l / flush to a modern dual flush toilet that uses only 4.5 l / full flush or 3 l / half flush.

### Notes from February Meeting –

World Water Day (22 March) – Water saving tips in newsletter for remainder of March. Good Friday Way of The Cross starts & finishes at St Pat's front steps – 7.30-9am. Parish will help out again with Winter Shelter, members to attend meetings and report back with details. Dinner and film (Shayda) for members interested – contact Chris for dinner res. Feast For Freedom dinner to be held in Community Centre Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> April after Vigil Mass, more info to follow.

## Indulge Responsibly



## Learn the truth

A significant portion of chocolate available in Australia is produced using cocoa beans harvested by child labourers, many of whom endure enslavement and exploitative working conditions.

Indulge responsibly, select ethically sourced chocolate, and support companies working towards eliminating slavery from their supply chain this Easter.

### Here is how:

1. Join the one billion people who read the Be Slavery Free Chocolate Scorecard (<https://www.chocolatescorecard.com/>) last year to discover their chocolate's true origins and evaluate their favourite brands' ethical practices.
2. Seek out the Fairtrade and Rainforest Alliance certifications on chocolate packaging.

Note these certification seals mean the certified ingredient was produced using methods that support social, economic, and environmental sustainability.



# Parish & Diocesan News

## MARONITE MASS:

Fr Fadi Salami, the Maronite Priest from Brisbane will be Celebrating Mass in the Maronite Rite here on Sunday at 11.00am. Father is offering the Mass for all the members of the Lebanese Community who have died since the beginning of last year. All parishioners are warmly invited to attend. Please bring a plate of finger food to share over lunch and a chat after Mass.

## WESTHAVEN VOLUNTEER NEEDED:

We are looking for a volunteer to run and organise an all-denomination church service once a month for Elderly Residents at Westhaven Aged Care. For more info please contact the parish office.

## APPEAL:

**Ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred and floods have devastated families across Qld.**

Please donate urgently so Vinnies QLD can be there for everyone needing our help.

[St Vincent de Paul Society QLD 2025 - Cyclone Alfred Appeal](#)



## HOLY WEEK & EASTER LITURGIES AT ST ANTHONY'S & OUR LADY OF LOURDES

- April 8 Second Rite of Reconciliation at *Our Lady of Lourdes* 6pm
- April 12 & 13 **Palm Sunday** usual Weekend Mass Times in *both Parishes*
- April 13 Second Rite of Reconciliation at *St. Anthony's* 7pm
- April 14 **Chrism Mass** at *St. Patrick's Cathedral* 5.30pm
- April 15 Anointing Mass at *St. Anthony's* 9.15am (followed by Friendship Group)
- April 16 Weekday Mass at *St. Anthony's* 9.15am with Reconciliation afterwards
- April 17 **Holy Thursday** Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Combined Liturgy for both Parishes at *St. Anthony's* 7pm
- April 18 **Good Friday** Stations of the Cross in *both Parishes* 10am  
Commemoration of the Lord's Passion - Combined Liturgy for both Parishes at *Our Lady of Lourdes* 3pm
- April 19 **Easter Vigil** - Combined Liturgy for both Parishes at *St. Anthony's* 6.30pm
- April 20 **Easter Sunday** usual Sunday Mass Times in *both Parishes*



## WAY OF THE CROSS:

Departing the front steps of St. Patrick's Cathedral

7.30am Good Friday, arranged by the Diocesan Social Justice Commission

# A Weekend Reflection

## THE CHANCE OF ANOTHER YEAR

Like the fig tree of today's Gospel, at times we may feel our lives are a little sterile. The season of Lent each year provides us with the perfect opportunity to ask God for a little more time to bear fruit.

The question could be: what nourishment do I need to become a fruitful tree that gives of itself generously?

Jesus often speaks of the need to repent. This means turning away from anything that is not of God. During Lent we given the chance to ask to be brought more and more into the world of goodness and love, of light and of truth. Surely, we all want to be a genuine disciple.



## THE WEEK'S PRAYER FOCUS

We pray for the unsung prophets of our time, that they will show us, as Pilgrims of Hope, the way to hear the cry of the poor and the cry of the earth.



**PROJECT  
COMPASSION**

**Third Sunday of Lent**  
22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> of March 2025



Lam is 27 years old from a small village in rural Vietnam who faced significant challenges due to his short stature. Through the I-SHINE program Lam completed a six-month course developing his graphic design skills. He now runs a successful freelance graphic design business from home, serving clients worldwide and earning a steady income.

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## PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

| Date  | Readings   | Mass Times                       | Parish Life  |
|---|--|----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b><br><b>Third Sunday of Lent</b>  | First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15<br>Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12<br>Gospel: Luke 13:1-9 | <b>8.15am</b><br><br><b>11am</b> | <b>Sunday Mass (Bishop Ken)</b><br>9.30am Morning Tea<br><b>Maronite Mass with Fr. Fadi</b>              |
| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar   | First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-15<br>Gospel: Luke 4:24-30  |                                  | <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b><br>10am Lenten Discussion Group<br>12pm Liturgy Team meeting<br>4pm SVDP Meeting    |
| Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar<br><b>The Annunciation of The Lord</b> | First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10<br>Second Reading: Hebrews 10:4-10<br>Gospel: Luke 1:26-38           |                                  | 11am Ozcare Mass<br>5.30pm Music Planning meeting<br>6pm Parish Finance meeting                          |
| Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar                                      | First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9<br>Gospel: Matthew 5:17-19   | <b>9.15am</b>                    | <b>Mass (Fr. Jamie)</b><br>10am Lenten Discussion Group<br>10.30am Coordinating Team meet                |
| Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar                                       | First Reading: Jeremiah 7:23-28<br>Gospel: Luke 11:14-23   |                                  |  |
| Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar   | First Reading: Hosea 14:2-10<br>Gospel: Mark 12:28-34  | <b>9.15am</b>                    | <b>OFFICE CLOSED – TMBA SHOW</b><br><b>Mass (Fr. Jamie) Livestreamed</b><br>5.30pm Stations of the Cross |
| Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar                                       | First Reading: Hosea 5:15; 6:6<br>Gospel: Luke 18:9-14   | <b>5.00pm</b>                    | <b>4.15pm Reconciliation</b><br><b>Vigil Mass (Fr. Jamie)</b>  |
| <b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March</b><br><b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b> | First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12<br>Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21<br>Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32      | <b>8.15am</b>                    | <b>Sunday Mass (Fr. Jamie)</b><br>9.30am Morning Tea<br>4pm Hymn practice                                |

### MINISTERS FOR MASS - Saturday/ Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> March – Week 5

|  | 5pm Vigil Mass  | 8.15am Mass   |
|--|---|---|
| <b>Co-ordinator:</b>                   | Tim Fitzgerald, Lloyd Bailey                              | Noela Nolan   |
| <b>Welcomers:</b>                      | Chris Gwydir, Marg Nolan                                  | Trish Zeller, Jim Nolan                                   |
| <b>Altar Server:</b>                   | Damian Wyllie   |   |
| <b>AV Operator:</b>                    | Michael Rooke   | Noela Nolan   |
| <b>Parish Morning Tea:</b>             |   | Parish Office – Donations/help welcome                    |
| <b>Readers:</b>                        | Mary O'Brien, Shane Hair                                  | Jan Barsby, Mary Wagner                                   |
| <b>Prayer of the Faithful:</b>         | Marg Nolan  | Sandra Neale  |
| <b>Offertory:</b>                      | Errol Pingel, Kathy Reilly                                | Gail Johnson, Jim Nolan                                   |
| <b>Minister of Communion:</b>          | Ciborium: Deacon BJ<br>Chalice: Celia Warr, Trevor Wyllie | Ciborium: Deacon BJ<br>Chalice: David Tutty, Gail Johnson |
| <b>Music:</b>                          | A-M Spalding & Singers                                    | Tom Hodgson & Singers                                     |
| <b>Collectors:</b>                     | Tom Kelly, Barry Turner                                   | Laurence Kilroy, Peter Wilkes                             |
| <b>Money Counters:</b>                 |   | <b>Collections – 15/16 March</b>                          |
| <b>This Week – 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar</b> | Tony Meldon & Irene Chelsom                               | <b>Planned Giving – \$345.00</b>                          |
| <b>Next Week – 30<sup>th</sup> Mar</b> | Parish Office   | <b>Loose – \$791.45</b>                                   |
| <b>Ozcare</b>                          | <b>25<sup>th</sup> March – Mass</b>                       | <b>1<sup>st</sup> April – Tim Fitzgerald</b>              |

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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.

**\*\*\*Please note new Parish email address\*\*\* - [stanthonysparish@twb.catholic.org.au](mailto:stanthonysparish@twb.catholic.org.au)**

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