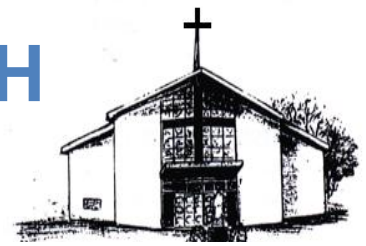




ST ANTHONY'S PARISH



Parish Priest: Fr Jamie Collins
Deacon: BJ Perrett
Chair Parish Council: Mr Brett Rangjiira
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NEWSLETTER

19 & 20 April 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.

Easter Sunday

First Reading – Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43 (*We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.*)

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23. *This is the day our God has made; let us rejoice and be glad.*

Second Reading – Colossians 3:1-4 (*Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.*)

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, alleluia! *Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.* Alleluia!

Gospel – John 20:1-9 (*The teaching of the scripture is that he must rise from the dead.*)

Important Dates Coming Up:

19 April – 6.30pm Easter Vigil, St Anthony's

20 April – 8.15am Mass (followed by morning tea)

25 April – **8.30am** ANZAC Day Mass (office closed)

26/27 April – Sacramental program enrolment

26 April – 6pm Feast for Freedom (pot-luck dinner)

27 April – 3.30pm, hymn practice

28 April – 5:30pm PPC meeting

29 April – 6pm Finance meeting



Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently: Mick Barbe, Dulcie White, Betty Jessop (*Ray Cullen's sister*), Beverley Bartlem;

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Dorelle Pinnington, Felicity Blunden, Diana Teagle, Norman d'Aranjo, Mary Lee, Joyce Penhaligon, Pearl Glasheen;

and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Rev Msgr Leslie Schuhkraft, Rev Fr John Michael, Rev Fr Lex Herzig, Rev Fr Anthony O'Keefe, Rev Fr Roderick Lynch, Rev Fr Leo O'Donohue, Rev Fr John Concannon, Rev Fr Reginald Prior;

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, Laurie Atzeni, 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, Jacob Nolan (*Tom & Marg's grandson*), 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 April: Ronni Adhil, Anne Roache, Veronica Bayoh Hebron, Martin Tek, Kath Donoghue, Margaret Waters, Pat Madden, David Tutty, Nancy Adhil.

Anniversaries: Denis & Trish Morrison, Trevor & Marg Wyllie (45 yrs), Jack & Joan Phelan (69 yrs on 28 April), Graham & Elizabeth Woods (25 yrs).

Parish & Diocesan News

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

- 18 April – **Good Friday** Stations of the Cross *in both Parishes* at 10am.
- 18 April – Commemoration of the Lord's Passion - Combined Liturgy for both Parishes at *Our Lady of Lourdes* 3pm.
- 19 April – **Easter Vigil** - Combined Liturgy for both Parishes at *St. Anthony's* 6.30pm
- 20 April – **Easter Sunday** usual Sunday Mass Times in both Parishes.



NEWS

Bishop Ken Howell's Easter Message: Available in the foyer or [online](#).



Way of the Cross: Departs from the front steps of St. Patrick's Cathedral at **7.30am Good Friday**, arranged by the Diocesan Social Justice Commission.

ANZAC Day Mass: The usual Friday mass will be held on **Friday 25 April** at the earlier time of **8.30am. Office closed.**

Feast for Freedom: Pot-luck dinner hosted by The Dignity Project, **Saturday 26 April** after 5pm Mass, details under 'Social Justice News'.

Theology of the Body: With Father Anthony Percy, 6pm **Tuesday 29 April** at Gabbinbar. Please see flyer in foyer.

Theatre: 'On the Wallaby': Toowoomba Hospital Pastoral Care Service Fundraising Event, 7.30pm **Tuesday 29 April** at the Toowoomba Repertory Theatre. Please see flyer in foyer.

World Mission Rosary Prayers: Monday-Friday, 1-31 May via Microsoft Teams. Please see flyer in foyer for link.

Abrahamic Faiths Gathering: 5.45pm, **Wednesday 7 May** at St Anthony's Community Centre, followed by a light dinner.

Sychar, Term Two: Schedule for **22 April-27 June** now available, please see notice in foyer.

Home communion: If you are taking home communion to someone, please contact the Office so we can update our records.

Horizons: Issue 73 now available in the foyer and online <https://www.twb.catholic.org.au/horizons/>

*****Congratulations to Deacon BJ**, who graduated on 16 April with a Master of Theological Studies from ACU***

See photos on our Facebook page!

REMINDERS

Friday Morning Mass: live-streamed weekly at 9.15am via our web page or via Facebook. Available to watch again later.

Adoration: 1st Friday monthly at **9.45am** after Mass.

The Swag: available in the foyer - \$1

Social Justice Group: 1st Wednesday of each month at **5pm** in the Parish Office. All welcome.

Friendship Group: 3rd Tuesday of the month at **10am** in the Community Centre (**except Dec/Jan**), \$2 donation. All welcome.

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

New Parish email address: stanthonysparish@twb.catholic.org.au ***Please update your email address books ***

Parish Pastoral Council Members		Parish Finance Committee Members	Parish Coordinating Team	
Brett Rangiira (Chair)	Theo Fernando	Tony Meldon (Chair)	Father Jamie	Tim Fitzgerald
Father Jamie	Shane Hair	Father Jamie	Celia Warr	Lloyd Bailey
Louise Pfingst	Nicole Rangiira	Tom Warren	Noela Nolan	Gemma Betros
Kathy Reedy (Secretary)	Chrys Chryshanthan	Trevor Wyllie	<p><i>Thanks to all who take on these roles in the governance of our Parish.</i></p> 	
Bob Frost		Keith Shepherd		
Mary O'Brien		Trish Zeller		
Marg Nolan		Regina Ryan		
		Noela Nolan		

Weekend Reflection

“We should understand, beloved, that the paschal mystery is at once old and new, transitory and eternal, corruptible and incorruptible, mortal and immortal. In terms of the Law it is old, in terms of the Word it is new. In its figure it is passing, in its grace it is eternal. It is corruptible in the sacrifice of the lamb, incorruptible in the eternal life of the Lord. It is mortal in his burial in the earth, immortal in his resurrection from the dead.

The Law indeed is old, but the Word is new. The type is transitory, but grace is eternal. The lamb was corruptible, but the Lord is incorruptible. He was slain as a lamb; he rose again as God. *He was led like a sheep to the slaughter*, yet he was not a sheep. He was silent as a lamb, yet he was not a lamb. The type has passed away; the reality has come. The lamb gives place to God, the sheep gives place to a man, and the man is Christ, who fills the whole of creation. The sacrifice of the lamb, the celebration of the Passover, and the prescriptions of the Law have been fulfilled in Jesus Christ. Under the old Law, and still more under the new dispensation, everything pointed towards him.

Both the Law and the Word came forth from Zion and Jerusalem, but now the Law has given place to the Word, the old to the new. The commandment has become grace, the type a reality. The lamb has become a Son, the sheep a man, and man, God.

The Lord, though he was God, became man. He suffered for the sake of those who suffer, he was bound for those in bonds, condemned for the guilty, buried for those who lie in the grave; but he rose from the dead, and cried aloud: *Who will contend with me? Let him confront me.* I have freed the condemned, brought the dead back to life, raised men from their graves. Who has anything to say against me? I, he said, am the Christ; I have destroyed death, triumphed over the enemy, trampled hell underfoot, bound the strong one, and taken men up to the heights of heaven: I am the Christ.

Come, then, all you nations of men, receive forgiveness for the sins that defile you. I am your forgiveness. I am the Passover that brings salvation. I am the lamb who was immolated for you. I am your ransom, your life, your resurrection, your light, I am your salvation and your king. I will bring you to the heights of heaven. With my own right hand I will raise you up, and I will show you the eternal Father.” *(From an Easter homily by Melito of Sardis, 2nd-century bishop)*

Social Justice News

SOCIAL JUSTICE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Key issues to reflect on before voting: In determining our electoral choices, Australian Catholics search always to uphold the sanctity of life, protect the vulnerable, support and strengthen families, promote the common good, and foster a just society where all Australians can thrive.

The dignity and value of every human being

Respect for God’s creation and the dignity of the human person is central to our Catholic faith, affirming the sacredness of life from conception to natural death. We are called to protect the most vulnerable, including the unborn, disabled, and those at life’s end, in opposing practices like abortion and euthanasia. Catholic Faith upholds the family as the cornerstone of society. Governments need to enact policies that strengthen marriages and families, support parents as primary educators, and provide resources for those experiencing hardship or family breakdown.

Fairness, justice and the common good

The Church calls for fairness and justice in health care, infrastructure, and economic management. Health care must prioritise the vulnerable and respect the conscience of providers, especially as gaps in services like palliative care persist. Infrastructure planning and economic policies should serve the common good, ensuring fair allocation of resources for schools, hospitals, transport, and essential services. We teach that economic systems must serve people, not the other way around, with decisions made responsibly and equitably to improve the lives of all, particularly the most vulnerable or disadvantaged.

Religious freedom and conscience rights

We teach that society must uphold the dignity and freedom of every person, founded in their God-given ability to act according to reason and conscience. Religious freedom is a fundamental human right that must be protected for individuals, families, and faith-based institutions. This includes the right to live and act in accordance with moral beliefs, raise children within their faith, and ensure religious organisations can practice their values freely. Parents must have the freedom to choose faith-based schools for their children, with equitable funding to ensure quality education for all.

Responsible stewardship of God’s creation

We are called to be responsible stewards of God’s creation, caring for the planet and protecting it for future generations, and using the earth’s resources equitably and sustainably to ensure a fair and safe future for all.



Feast for Freedom fundraiser, a pot-luck dinner hosted by **The Dignity Project** will take place after 5pm Mass on **Saturday, 26 April** at the St Anthony’s Community Centre. Please bring a plate to share, BYO cold drinks. Donations to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre can be made online or in cash on the night. Please **RSVP by Saturday, 19 April** by signing up in the foyer or calling the Parish Office (07 4636 1737).



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

**Easter Sunday
19 & 20 April 2025**

**UNITE
AGAINST
POVERTY**
this Lent



Happy Easter from all of us here at Caritas Australia!

As we celebrate this season of hope and renewal, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your support through Caritas Australia’s Project Compassion this Lent. As we reflect on the Easter message of love, compassion, and new beginnings, we are reminded of the incredible impact your contributions make. Together, we are building a world where no one is left behind.

Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty through Caritas Australia’s Project Compassion 2025 Lenten appeal. You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above. Donations can also be made **online** at caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by **calling** 1800 024 413. Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent.* Please return your boxes as soon as possible.



PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

(REMINDER: REGULAR SUNDAY MASSES NOW AT 8.15AM)



Date	Readings	Mass Times	Parish Life
Sunday 20 April Easter Sunday	First Reading – Acts 10:34, 37-43 Second Reading – Colossians 3:1-4 Gospel – John 20:1-9	8.15am	Easter Sunday Mass (Fr Jamie) Morning tea after Mass
Monday 21 April	First Reading – Acts 2:14, 22-33 Gospel – Matthew 28:8-15		OFFICE CLOSED 4pm SVDP Meeting
Tuesday 22 April	First Reading – Acts: 2:36-41 Gospel – John 20: 11-18		
Wednesday 23 April	First Reading – Acts 3:1-10 Gospel – Luke 24: 13-35	9.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) 10am Gospel Group 10.30am Coordinating Team meeting
Thursday 24 April	First Reading – Acts 3:11-26 Gospel – Luke 24:35-48		
Friday 25 April	First Reading – Acts 4:1-12 Second Reading – Ephesians 2:13-18 Gospel – John 21:1-14	8.30am 10am	ANZAC Day Mass St Anthony's (Fr Jamie) Please note changed time ANZAC Day Mass OLOL OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday 26 April	First Reading – Acts 4:13-21 Gospel – Mark 16:9-15	5.00pm	Vigil Mass and Sacramental program enrolment (Fr Jamie) 6pm Feast for Freedom
Sunday 27 April	First Reading – Acts 5:12-16 Second Reading – Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19 Gospel – John 20:19-31	8.15am	Mass and Sacramental program enrolment (Fr Jamie) Morning tea after Mass

MINISTERS FOR MASS – SATURDAY/SUNDAY, 26 & 27 April – Week 4

	5pm Vigil Mass	8.15am Sunday Mass
Co-ordinator:	Michael and Mary O'Brien	Trish Zeller
Welcomers:	Denise Hopwood and Kathy Reilly	Jan Burchardt and Irene Chelsom
Altar Server:	Harlon Fernando	--
AV Operator:	Kathy Reedy	Puondak Mywin
Readers:	Cherene Brandt and Michael O'Brien	Trish Zeller and Gail Johnson
Prayer of the Faithful:	Gill Brandt	Susan Tek
Offertory:	Terese Hanna and Catherine Hanna	Susan and Martin Tek
Ministers of Communion:	Ciborium: BJ Chalice: Judy Sheehan and Marg Wyllie	Ciborium: BJ Chalice: Sandra Neale and Jan Barsby
Music:	Anne-Marie Spalding and singers	Anne-Marie Spalding and singers
Collectors:	Michael O'Brien and Denise Hopwood	Tony Meldon and Peter Wilkes
Parish Morning Tea:	--	Nicole Rangiira's Team
Money Counters:		Collections, 12&13 April:
This Week – 20 April	Kathy Reedy and Tom Kelly	Planned Giving – \$ 500.00
Next Week – 27 April	Tony Meldon and Irene Chelsom	Loose – \$ 1136.95
Ozcare	22 April – Tim Fitzgerald	29 April – Celia Warr

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