**ST ANTHONY'S PARISH**

**NEWSLETTER**

Saturday/ Sunday July 8/9  (Ph 4636 1737)
Postal Address: PO Box 217, Drayton North, Qld. 4350

**Church Opening Hours**
Monday-Friday 8.30am – 4pm
Sunday 8am – 11am

“A Place at the Table for All”

We acknowledge the living culture of the Giabal and Jarowair peoples, the traditional custodians of this land.

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10
See how humbly your king comes to you!

Responsorial Psalm:
I will praise your name forever, O God, Most High.

Second Reading: Romans 8:9, 11-13
If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeed of the body, you will live.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30
I am gentle and humble of heart.

**State of Origin decider on the big screen – July 12th.**

$5 for Pizza, BYO drinks.

*** Parish Events/News: ***

Alpha Program:
The ALPHA program is organized as a series of sessions over approximately 10 weeks which seeks to introduce the basics of the Christian faith. The Alpha course we will be using works in a Catholic context through a series of talks and discussions around a meal. It has often been described as “an opportunity to explore the meaning of life and is focused mainly towards people who have little faith experience or who have drifted away from the practice of their faith. If anyone is interested in taking part in an Alpha program for leaders who would help to run the program in the Parish next year please see Sr Maria.
Parish Co-ordinating Team:

- Baptisms: 1st & 3rd Sunday – 8.30 & 10am
- For more info contact office.
- Marriages: By appointment, contact office.

Parish Pastoral Council Members
- Josephine Astbury
- Terese Hanna
- Susan Tek
- Mark Copland
- Vish Mariaprakasam
- Brian Conrick
- Kathy Doherty
- Sr Maria Joyner
- Krzysztof Batorowicz – Chair
- Fr Hermi

Parish Finance Committee Members
- Tom Warren – Chair
- Greg Bowdler
- Peter Hanna
- Tony Meldon
- Keith Shepherd
- Fr Hermi
- Noela Nolan

Parish Calendar of Events –
- July 9th – Handley baptism
- July 9th – Welcome Dinner Project
- July 10th – School resumes
- July 10th – Parish Pastoral Council meeting
- July 11th – Liturgy Team meeting
- July 12th – School Mass to celebrate NAIDOC

State of Origin Decider Pizza Night
- 7pm in Community Ctr
- July 18th – Friendship Group meeting
- July 21st – Funeral for Audrey Keleher
- July 28th – CSO Bishop’s Inservice
- July 29th/30th – Mission Sunday
- July 31st – Spiritual Reflection Day

State of Origin Decider:
Queenslanders once again have the opportunity to ‘dish-it-out’ to those from below the border! Join us for pizza and drinks to watch the game on the big screen on **Wednesday night, July 12th** commencing 7pm.
RSVP by Monday, **July 10th** so pizzas can be ordered. Cost will be $5 each, BYO drinks.
Blues supporters also welcome to attend. 😊

Prayer of the Week: Athletes Prayer

Strong and faithful God,
as we come together for this contest,
we ask you to bless these athletes.

Keep them safe from injury and harm,
instill in them respect for each other,
and reward them for their perseverance.

Lead us all to the rewards of your kingdom
where you live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen.

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Parish Co-ordinating Team:

- Celia Warr
- Fr Hermi
- Sr Maria Joyner
- Tim Fitzgerald
- Lloyd Bailey

Planned Giving Program:
If you would like to support our Parish financially,
this may be done by Direct Debit, or via our weekly envelope system.
For further information, please contact the Parish Office.
All contributions are gratefully accepted.

Parish Co-ordinating Team: Meet each Friday.
Gospel Discussion Group: Meet at 10.15am each Wednesday in the Parish Office (Except during School Holidays)
Friendship Group: Meet 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10am in the Community Centre, (except December & January).
Play Group: Each Monday (Except during School Holidays) from 9-11am in the Community Centre.
Social Justice Group: Meet 1st Wednesday of the month at 4pm in Parish Office (except Dec & Jan).
Circle Dancing: Each Friday (Except during School Holidays) at 2.30pm in the Community Centre. Any enquiries may be directed to Michael 4638 4753.
Horizons: New edition available in the foyer.
Majellan Magazine: Available in the foyer - $3 ea.
Australian Catholics: New edition available in the foyer.

Catholic Leader: Available in foyer - $2 ea
Paraclete: Available in foyer - $2 ea

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This year’s theme is ‘In the midst of the storm’, highlighting the mental vulnerabilities of seafarers on the oceans. You can donate by posting a cheque to: Stella Maris Seafarers Centre, PO Box 368 Canberra ACT 2601 or via electronic banking to: BSB Number: 083-347; Account Number: 649 518 680, Account name: Stella Maris Seafarers Centre. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Did You Know:

- About 90% of Australia’s trade relies on shipping this in turn is reliant on seafarers
- Over 1,500,000 Australians holiday on cruise liners per year, supported by large seafaring crews, separated from family
- There are about 1,000,000 seafarers on the world’s oceans, at any one time
- While life at sea can be exciting, seafarers can encounter:
  - Piracy – with crews and ships being held hostage
  - Family isolation – with crews at sea for long periods
  - Poor and dangerous working conditions
  - Mental health issues due to loneliness, trauma, family separation
- A work of the Catholic Church, the Apostleship of the Sea provides spiritual, social and material welfare for seafarers regardless of colour, race or creed, offering hospitality and pastoral care
- This Apostleship relies heavily on generous volunteers who live out their faith by welcoming the stranger.

Please note that St Anthony’s Parish don’t take up a collection, but send a donation each year.

*** Social Justice News ***

Social Justice Thought for the Week:

This past week, NAIDOC celebrations have highlighted the rich and diverse culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples — the First Australians. Initially, NAIDOC Week had its origins in the fight for Aboriginal citizenship rights and better living standards, going back to the 1920s and 1930s. Nowadays the focus has shifted to recognition and celebration of cultures. It is now a time for all Australians to come together and acknowledge the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

This year’s NAIDOC theme – Our Languages Matter – aimed to emphasise and celebrate the unique and essential role that Indigenous languages play in cultural identity, linking people to their land and water, and in the transmission of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, spirituality and rites, through story and song. Some 250 distinct Indigenous language groups covered the continent in the late eighteenth century. Most of these languages would have had several dialects; therefore, the total number of named varieties would have run into the many hundreds. Today only around 120 of those languages are still spoken and many are at risk of being lost as Elders pass on. This year’s theme played a valuable role in the importance of maintaining and reviving language so it is not lost.

Thank you Josh Waters who spoke very movingly last weekend at our NAIDOC masses. For those who struggled with the words of ‘From Little Things, Big Things Grow’, there are copies of the words in the church foyer.

Catholic Bishop’s Social Justice Statement 2017–2018

Social Justice Sunday will be celebrated this year on 24 September. The title of the 2017–2018 Bishop’s Statement is Everyone’s Business: Developing an inclusive and sustainable economy. It is a response to calls by Pope Francis for economic justice and for societies that are founded on justice, offering dignity and inclusion to every person. Australia has been fortunate to have enjoyed a quarter of a century of continuous growth. Yet not all Australians have experienced the benefits of that good fortune. Inequality has been increasing, especially in recent years. The full Statement will be launched in early September. Printed copies of the Statement will be available in the church for your collection. The Statement will also be available for download from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference website and the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website from the week of the launch.

New Parishioners

If you are a new parishioner, please write your name and contact details in our ‘Communications Book’ in the foyer. 😊

Happy Feast Day to the Missionary Sisters of Service who celebrate their feast day on 8th July.
St. Anthony’s School Newsletter
“Lighting Pathways for life…..”

Principal: Paul Ryan
Priest Director: Fr Hermi Rafada
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Phone: 4635 6200  Fax: 4635 0950
Email: stanthony@twb.catholic.edu.au
Website: http://www.twb.catholic.edu.au/stanthony
Office Hours Mon - Fri 7:45am - 3:45pm

Pastoral Care
Anyone who needs assistance please contact the P&F on Ant.PandF@twb.catholic.edu.au
Or An Van Cauwenberge on 0403 233 276

St Anthony’s Parish Playgroup
Play Group in the Community Centre, after school drop off until 11 each Monday.
Bring morning tea for your child, tea and coffee provided, gold coin donation to cover tea/coffee and craft supplies

Staff Protection Contacts:
Rebecca More, Alice Cavanagh
WHS: Korine Lewis

2017 - Term 3 Mon 10 July Fri 15 Sept
Wed July12 NAIDOC Week Celebration Mass 9:15am
Fri July 14 Catholic Athletics (5-12 Yr olds)
Wed July 19 P & F Meeting- Library
Thurs July 27 Catholic Netball (Yr 5/6)
Thurs July 27 Catholic Touch (Yr 5/6)
Fri July 28 Bishops Inservice Day
Tues Aug 15 Assumption Day Mass
Wed Aug 16 Zone Athletics
Aug 21-25 Book Week
Tues Aug 29 DD Athletic Trials
Thurs Aug 31 Speech Competition
Tues-Aug 29 P & F Meeting- Library
Tues-Thurs Aug29,30 .31 Reader’s Cup
Aug 30 Step into Stories (Daiv Legge, Marco Gliori)
Thurs Sept 7 Musical
Mon-Fri Sept 11 –14 Swimming Lessons
Fri Sept 15 Swimming Carnival
Mon/Tues Sept 11/12 Parent Teacher Interviews
Wed Sept 13 Touch Football Gala Day

*** News from outside our Parish ***

Centenary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima:
From May 4th to October 13th at Sacred Heart Parish. Please collect flyer from foyer if interested.

Cent Sale:
The Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver are holding their next Cent Sale on Wednesday 12th July at All Seasons Function Hall, cnr. North & Tor Sts. $5 entry gives you free sheet of tickets, Lucky Door entry and buffet morning tea. Doors open at 8:30 am for 9:30 start. For further information contact Sr. Miriam on 4632 1818.

Repertory Theatre Fundraiser:
Come along on Wednesday night 12th July at 7.00pm to see the play Visitors by Barney Norris. This play takes a haunting, beautiful look at the way our lives slip past us. Tickets $20 each include complimentary drink on arrival and light supper. Tickets available from Judy (phone 4637 2816 or 0429 642 354) or Sr Miriam (phone 4632 1818 ). All proceeds to Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver.

Parish Secretary:
Expressions of interest are invited for the full-time position of Parish Secretary at St Patrick’s Cathedral Parish, Toowoomba. For further information please contact the Parish Office by phone (4637 1500), by mail (PO Box 7062, Toowoomba Q 4350) or by email (admin@stpats.org.au). Applications will close on Friday 04 August 2017 at 4.00pm.

ACU Short Course - Learning to Think Theologically: Pope Francis’ Witness and Teaching
The Australian Catholic University is offering a short course in August which reflects on the skills and insights that Pope Francis offers. See flyers in foyer for further information on course details and speakers.
When: 7, 14, 21 and 28/8/17, 6-8pm

Birthdays for July – Sue O’Neill (70 on the 30th) and Norm Lovell celebrate their birthdays in July. Happy Birthday to you both.

Don’t forget to let us know when your birthday or wedding anniversary is.
Where: ACU Leadership Centre, Level 3, 229 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane.
Fees: $100 with Certificate of Attendance, $50 attendance only.

Celebrate Vinnies Nurses:
Meet and greet Celebrations - Friday and Saturday 8th and 9th September 2017. Nurses who worked at St Vincent's Hospital are invited to attend a weekend of reminiscing and festivities. The Event's Program includes: Lunch, Concert and Memorabilia Display. A celebration mass will be held on Saturday 9th September, 2017 commencing 10am at St Theresa's Church (Cnr, Campbell St and McKenzie St Toowoomba.) Contact: Bern 0429 932 774 Email: bernwelch1@bigpond.com Alan 0409 131 801 Email: AJMallet@hotmail.com or Teresa Wells 0438 766 579. RSVP - 31/07/17. Flyers available in foyer.

eConference on Thursday 10 August 2017 from 10:30am-2:45pm on the theme 'Gospel Leadership in Times of Chaos: The Hope of Pope Francis.' More info to follow

Climate Petition:
This is the last week to sign the petition sponsored by Caritas regarding Climate. Information and petition under the notice board in church foyer.

Pope Francis’ monthly prayer intentions can be accessed via following link – http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org/the-pope-video/

July 2017 - Lapsed Christians

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

Sri Lanka Floods and Landslides

Several members of our St Anthony’s community are from Sri Lanka and have been distressed by the damaging effects of the recent floods in many communities there. They have asked for assistance from Parishioners. Caritas has an appeal on its website to raise funds to help those communities which have been wiped away or displaced by the severe floods. If you would like to donate, please put your donation in a marked envelop on the collection plate or hand it into the Parish Office. We will make sure that the money is sent on to Caritas. You may wish to donate personally from the website.

Sri Lanka's development has been disrupted by almost three decades of civil war, the effects of which are still being felt, and by natural disasters, most recently the severe floods and landslides in May 2017. Your donation to the Asia Emergency Appeal will enable Caritas Australia to provide immediate assistance to communities affected including the provision of food and water, health care and shelter, as well as long-term reconstruction. Please note: Caritas Australia ensures that least 92 percent of money raised through an emergency appeal goes directly to the emergency program response.

Children’s Liturgy
Here at St Anthony’s, we offer a Children’s Liturgy Program for children from 3 years to those children preparing for the Sacraments.
The program is offered on Sunday mornings during our 8.30am Mass.
The children are called just as Mass begins and are taken by the Leader and helper to our Community Centre. They are involved with the scripture readings of the day, but from the Children’s Bible, at a level that they can understand. They will often colour a picture that connects with the readings or create a craft item that also relates.
The Leaders and helpers are experienced parents, some may also be teachers, who like to involve the children in the Gospel stories.
Leaders who do not have children attending sessions all have Blue Cards to adhere to the Child Safety Laws. Teachers hold an Exemption Card.
Parents are welcome to stay with their children for the sessions, if you feel that your child may not settle on their own.
Parents are also encouraged to become involved in the sessions.
The Children’s Liturgy sessions are always in school term time of 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month.
Please feel free to join us on a Sunday as we celebrate God’s word as St Anthony’s Community. For more information please contact our Parish Office when you drop off or pick up your child from School or phone us on 4636 1737.
## PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

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### MINISTERS FOR MASS - Saturday / Sunday 15th/16th July 2017 – Week 3

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### Baptism this weekend!

**We welcome to our community – Scarlett Morgan Handley**