

ST ANTHONY'S PARISH

NEWSLETTER

Saturday/ Sunday 7th/8th Sept
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Church Opening Hours

Monday-Friday 9am – 4pm
 Sunday 8am – 10am

Priest Director: Fr Peter Dorfield
 Parish Leader: Sr Maria Joyner pbvm
 Chair Parish Council: Mr Jim Tiernan
 Parish Secretary: Mrs Noela Nolan
 Safeguard Rep: Mrs Nicole Rangiira
 School Principal: Mrs Louise Pfindst
 Priest: Fr Nandana Saparamadu

Office Hours –

Maria – Mon-Wed & Fri 9-4
 Noela – Tues-Fri 8.30-2.30
 Fr Nandana – Tues-Fri 9-4
 Weekends - CLOSED

“A Place at the Table for All”

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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C Child Protection Sunday

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18
 Who can comprehend the will of God?

Responsorial Psalm:
 In every age, O God,
 you have been our refuge.

Second Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17
 Receive him, not as a slave anymore,
 but as a very dear brother.

Gospel Acclamation:
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Let your face shine on your servant,
 and teach me your laws.
 Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33
 All who do not renounce their
 possessions cannot be my disciples.

Parish Notices

We hold up and remember all those who have died recently: Allen Ryall

the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Peter Stephens

and the Anniversaries of the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Rev Fr Mervyn Ziesing,
 Most Rev Edward Kelly DD, Rev Fr Sydney Kattie, Rev Fr Myles Patrick Smith,
 Most Rev William Brennan DD, Rev Fr Francis Burke, Rev Fr Clarence Leahy,
 Rev Fr Michael Skehan, Rev Fr Neil O'Donoghue,

We hold up in prayer all those who are sick including the following Parishioners: Daniel Bell,
 Brian Conrick, Thora England, Eileen Garvey, Carmel Graham, Alan Hahn, Neville Harris,
 Denise Hopwood, Pat Kamler, Elsie Kirby, Malcolm Kirby, Aaron Marsh, Margaret Morris,
 Damian Potter, Joan Potter, Gayle Sherman, Vonnie Sherman, Rod Sleba

As well as the following friends & family members: Regina Albion, Brian & Hazel Bowtell, Barry
 Cuthbert (WA), Maureen Feehelly (Pat Cullen's sister), Sr Zoe (Christina) Fitzpatrick (PBVM), Yvonne &
 Bruce Gardiner (Brisbane), Frank Hickey, Ralph Hickey, Stephen Mackenzie (Pam Hahn's son), Jim &
 Margaret Macarthur-Onslow, Cheryl McCurran, Mary McCurran, Paul Murphy (Pat's son), Brian Potter,
 Kevin Schick (Val's brother), Glen Sheridan (Peter's brother), Noela Sheriff, Neil Syme, Denis & Ruth
 Volter, Shane Warren, Frank White (Cairns), Martin Yong

NORMAL WEEKDAY MASS TIMES - Refer weekly program for changes

St Anthony's:	Wednesday Tuesday & Thursday	9.15am 5pm
Our Lady of Lourdes:	Tuesday - Thursday Friday	10.00am 5.30pm
St Thomas More's:	Monday & Friday Tuesday	9.00am 5.30pm
Sacred Heart:	Monday – Friday Tuesday	6.30am 12.10pm
St Patrick's Cathedral:	Monday – Saturday	7am
RECONCILIATION		
St Anthony's:	Saturday	5.30pm – 5.45pm
ADORATION		
St Anthony's:	1 st Friday Monthly	8.45am – 9.15am

Parish Calendar of Events

Sept 8th – Child Protection Sunday
 Sept 14/15th – Priest's Retirement Foundation
 Sept 17th – Friendship Group meeting
 Baptism Team meeting
 Sept 19th – School holidays commence
 Sept 24th - Parish Finance Committee meeting
 Sept 29th – Social Justice Sunday
 Sept 30-Oct 7 – Fr Nandana away on leave.
 Oct 2nd – Social Justice Team meeting
 Oct 8th – Parish Pastoral Council meeting

*** Parish Events/ News ***

Birthdays and anniversaries for September –

Carol Ryall (80 on the 3rd), Charles la Laze, Patrick Donohue, Anne-Marie Spalding,
 Sr Beryl Gleeson, Cushla Randall & Don McKechnie all celebrate their birthdays. Norm & Carol Lovell
 and Greg & Deb Bowdler celebrate their wedding anniversaries. Congratulations & best wishes to everyone.
 Don't forget to let us know when your birthday or wedding anniversary is.



Weekday Masses:

Weekday masses have recommenced each Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at 5pm. If Fr Nandana is unavailable, a Liturgy will be held. Friday morning masses at 9.15am will recommence on Friday, **October 11**. There will be NO adoration or mass on Friday, October 4. Both will be held the following Friday.

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 PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS	PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PARISH CO-ORDINATING TEAM	
Jim Tiernan - Chairperson Kathy Doherty – Secretary Terese Hanna Mick Gorring Susan Tek Brian Conrick Louise Pffingst Ed Briffa Sr Maria Joyner Fr Peter Fr Nandana	Tony Meldon - Chair Tom Warren Greg Bowdler Peter Hanna Keith Shepherd Trish Zeller Fr Peter Noela Nolan	Celia Warr Sr Maria Joyner Tim Fitzgerald Lloyd Bailey Fr Nandana	Baptisms 1st & 3rd Sunday – during 8.30am Mass For more info contact office. Marriages: By appointment, contact office.

Australian Catholics: Available in the foyer.

Horizons: Available in the foyer.

The Swag: Available in foyer - \$1

Majellan Magazine: Available in the foyer - \$4 ea

Catholic Leader: Available online only.

Circle Dancing: Each **Tuesday (Except during School Holidays)** at 2.30pm in the Community Centre. Any enquiries may be directed to Michael 4638 4753.

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

Wednesday Morning Tea & Faith Sharing: Meet at 10am each Wednesday in the Parish Office. All welcome.

Parish Coordinating Team: Meet each Friday. **Sunday Singers:** dates to be advised

Social Justice Group: Meet 1st **Wednesday of month** at 5pm in Parish Office **(except Dec & Jan)**.

Prayer of the Week:



Prayer for Children's Security

Lord, I pray that my kids (grandkids) will develop an eternal perspective and purpose, not an earthly one. Help them to see life and every challenge through Your eyes, eager and unafraid to share with others the good news of Jesus wherever they go. I pray that they will set their minds on things above, not just what's going on here, and that they will be rooted and grounded in Your love. I pray they will come to understand the extent of Your own love for them; that it surpasses all the head knowledge they will acquire in school. I pray they will be filled up with You from morning 'til night. Amen

Women for the World Caritas Fundraiser - Rest and Restore Yoga.

Would you like to help empower women around the world living in poverty and at the same time have some time of relaxation yourself?

This Sunday **8th September 2-4pm** in St Anthony's Community Centre, you can come along and relax with a gentle rest and restore yoga class. No experience necessary.

Entry is by donation either made prior to the class at <https://www.womenfortheworld.org.au/catherinemcaleer-restandrestoreyoga> or on the day. Every little bit counts and your help will make an incredible difference in the lives of many women in need. For more details please contact Catherine McAleer on 0429 479 681 or via catherine@ps139yoga.com



All welcome.

National Child Protection Week - 1-7 September 2019

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Child Protection Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and vulnerable adults.

The **National Association for Prevention of Child abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN)** was co-founded by Rosemary Sinclair AO and Christine Stewart OAM in 1987, because they saw that the abuse and neglect of children was a taboo topic in Australian society in the 1980s. They were determined to change this and create safer communities for children. They set about to achieve this vision with the assistance of a passionate team of volunteers and a range of influential and committed partners.

Since those days NAPCAN have remained dedicated to bringing the eradication of child abuse and neglect to the forefront of Australian society. They are a national organisation with 25 full and part time staff delivering services across Australia, working with thousands of volunteers trained to deliver our programs. Their passionate and capable staff work under the guidance of a highly experienced Board of Directors and they work with all levels of government, businesses, community services and organisations, families and individuals for the betterment of children and young people in our shared community.

National Child Protection Week is coordinated by NAPCAN starting on Father's Day on the first Sunday of September (1-7 September 2019).

The aim of the week is to engage members of the community in supporting families and protecting children.

In 2019 National Child Protection Week focus on introducing a 'child development' communication frame to promote the messages that:

- Kids do well when parents are supported
- To raise thriving kids, parents need support to navigate life's choppy waters

This theme is based on evidence from the Frameworks Institute research commissioned by the Parenting Research Centre, which shows that the most effective way to talk about parenting and child wellbeing is with a 'child development' frame that:

- Focuses on children and what they need to thrive, rather than blaming or evaluating parenting
- Establishes the importance of interaction with parents and caregivers to child development, rather than assuming that young children simply grow
- Helps people see that circumstances shape options, rather than assuming that good parenting comes naturally to individuals



• Uses a 'navigating waters' metaphor where boats represent families/parenting, weather/hazards represents the circumstances that can affect us all, and lighthouses and safe harbours represent the support that we all need.

Changing the way we communicate and engage with families can take time and consideration.

This is a whole new way of 'framing' the conversation about child well-being and parenting, which will require a long term commitment from Australian organisations.

CHILD SAFE PARISH

We are 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 Rangiira 0437 382 408.

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

☆☆☆ Social Justice News ☆☆☆

Social Justice Thought for the Week:



During the month of September, we are celebrating the Season of Creation. We know that our world is currently suffering from a catastrophic loss of bio-diversity, largely caused by a consumerist culture. God's creatures are disappearing from the Earth at a rate we can scarcely comprehend. Insects, mammals, trees, plants and creatures are becoming extinct and may never be seen again. We pray that this ends, and acknowledge that we are part of a complex, delicate and interdependent web of life, created by God.

Today's Gospel invites us to let go. Let go of the attachments in our lives which contribute to this destruction. Let us try to live more simply, more sustainably and encourage others to do the same. We are called to examine our relationship with material things and walk more gently on the earth.

Next meeting Wednesday,
October 2nd at 5pm in Parish Office.

Season of Creation:

During September we will once again celebrate the Season of Creation by showing a video of images from nature. **If you have any images** you would like to share please either email them to Parish Office or bring into office on a USB. Thanks



September Meeting Report of the Social Justice Group

At this week's meeting we reviewed our parish celebration of Migrant and Refugee Sunday. Liturgy, dancing, guest speakers and of course the pot-luck dinner all contributed to a wonderful celebration of our rich heritage and diversity. Many thanks to everyone.

Thanks, too, to all who have sent in photos and provided flowers and plants for the church as we celebrate our sacred home, the Earth, during September. Be sure to forward your photos or bring them in to Noela on a USB well before 4 October, the feast of St Francis of Assisi and the culmination of our celebration.

September 29th is Social Justice Sunday. We are preparing for the release of the Bishops' Social Justice Statement titled *Making It Real*, dealing with our need for genuine human encounter in an increasingly digital world.

A little reminder about upcoming dates:

Friday 13 September, the Battle of One Tree Hill (see flyer in bulletin for details)

Sunday 3 November, Melbourne Cup Madness at St Anthony's, to raise funds to help support the Dignity Program. More details in upcoming weeks.

Unfortunately, Prof Lyndall Ryan has had to cancel her appearance at USQ on 12 September, but we hope she is available some time in 2020. As well, due to lack of time, we have postponed action on Women for the World until November.

The Social Justice Group meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 5.00 pm in the community centre. Everyone is more than welcome.

St Anthony's/Garden City Mosque

On 4 February this year, during Pope Francis' visit to the United Arab Emirates, he and the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar together signed a declaration expressing their hopes for achieving universal peace. **A copy of the declaration is available in the church foyer.** There is a long history of warm friendship, support and mutual respect between St Anthony's faith community and our Muslim brothers and sisters at the Garden City Mosque. As re-building the Mosque progresses, St Anthony's Social Justice group has proposed that we recognize our ongoing friendship by donating a plaque to be included in the new building.

After considering some of the wording used in the 4 February declaration mentioned above, we have devised possible wording for the plaque, and now seek feedback on that wording from St Anthony's parishioners. Please read through the following phrases from the document and the possible wording on the plaque and relay any suggestions or concerns to Maria or Noela. Many thanks for giving this matter the reflection it deserves.

A few key phrases from the document Pope Francis signed with the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar

- Faith leads a believer to see in the other a brother or sister to be supported and loved
- Invites all persons of faith to unite and work together

- To advance a culture of mutual respect in the awareness of the great divine grace that makes all human beings brothers and sisters
- Declare the adoption of a culture of dialogue as the path; mutual cooperation as the code of conduct
- To work strenuously to spread the culture of tolerance and of living together in peace
- To rediscover the values of peace, justice, goodness, beauty, human fraternity and coexistence in order to confirm the importance of these values as anchors of salvation for all

Possible wording for the plaque:

To our Sisters and Brothers of the Garden City Mosque:

We rejoice with you in the opening of your new mosque and commit ourselves to a deepening journey of friendship, dialogue, cooperation, support and respect. We pray with you for peace and for justice.

St Anthony's Catholic Parish, Harristown.

*** News from outside our Parish ***

Public Lecture by Professor Lyndall Ryan – Colonial Frontier Massacres Map

Date: Thursday ~~September 12~~

*****PUBLIC LECTURE CANCELLED*****

Battle Of One Tree Hill Commemoration

Date: Friday **September 13**

Time: 12:00pm

Where: Bill Gould Lookout, Toowoomba

All members of the community are welcome to attend. See flyer on Bulletin Board.



BATTLE OF ONE TREE
HILL COMMEMORATION

13 SEPTEMBER 2019
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Disney Trivia Night:

Do you know who provided the first voice of Mickey Mouse? If so, you might like to get a team of 6 together for the St Joseph's College Disney Trivia night. The night is open to all ages and is only \$8 each or \$30 for a team of 6. The event will be held at the MacKillop Centre at St Joseph's on Saturday **14th September** and begins at 6pm. All profits will go to **Caritas Project Compassion**. To register, email the College at:- office@sjc.qld.edu.au If you are not connected to email, please call the school office on 4631 8500. Time to start watching those Disney classics!



The Downs and Toowoomba Churches Together

have organised an Abrahamic Faiths Gathering on Wednesday **18th September** at 6.00pm at St Anthony's Catholic Church. The evening will begin with a short presentation on Forgiveness from a member from each of the three faiths. This will be followed by a question time.

We will then share a meal together. The evening will finish at 8.00pm.

The aim of the Gathering is to promote understanding and acceptance between the Abrahamic Faiths - Christian, Jewish and Muslim.

We plan to make an Abrahamic Faiths Gathering a quarterly event. Flyer on Bulletin Board

Breakfast Masterclass: Dr Dan Flemming (St Vincent's Health Australia)

Date: Friday **September 20**

Time: 7:30am - 9:00am

Where: Micah Centre, Toowoomba Catholic Schools Office

Cost: \$20

Where do I stand, and why do I stand there? Our faith calls on us to be witnesses to God's love, but what does that mean today? In this presentation Dr Dan Fleming will explore ethics in the Catholic tradition – focusing on dignity and flourishing. He will focus particularly on how our ethical tradition grapples with ethical questions at the end of life, which are relevant in our Queensland context. See flyer on Bulletin Board.

St Mary's College Celebrates 120 Years:

Old Boys, family and friends are invited to celebrate 120 years of St Mary's College, at our Old Boy Dinner on **October 19th**. Tickets are \$50, which includes a 3-course meal, and an interview conducted by James O'Shea (1999) with winning Premiership (NRL) and World Cup Challenge, Queensland and South Sydney Rabbitohs player, Ethan Lowe (2008). A major auction of sports memorabilia will be held together with the opportunity to buy our new history book, celebrating 120 years. See Flyer on Bulletin Board for further details.

Becoming Soul Full – A Retreat for Catholic Women:

An invitation to Catholic women who struggle, question, survive, dream, advocate, care - James Byrne Ctr, Highfields **October 21-23**. General Enquiries 0437 382 408 or twb.catholic.women@gmail.com See Flyer on Bulletin Board.

PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

Date	Readings	Mass	Parish Life
Sunday Sept 8 th	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading Wisdom 9:13-18 Second Reading Philemon 9-10, 12-17 Gospel Luke 14:25-33	8.30am	Mass led by Fr Nandana 9.30am Morning Tea Child Protection Sunday
Monday Sept 9 th	Monday of the 23 rd Week in Ordinary Time First Reading Colossians 1:24; 2:3 Gospel Luke 6:6-11	No Liturgy or Mass	5pm SVDP meeting
Tuesday Sept 10 th	Saint Gregory the Great First Reading Colossians 2:6-15 Gospel Luke 6:12-19	5pm Mass	Home Communion 2.30pm Circle Dancing Mass led by Fr Nandana
Wednesday Sept 11 th	Wednesday of the 23 rd Week in Ordinary Time First Reading Colossians 3:1-11 Gospel Luke 6:20-26	No Liturgy or Mass	NO MASS TODAY 10.00am Morning Tea & Faith Sharing
Thursday Sept 12 th	Thursday of the 23 rd Week in Ordinary Time First Reading Colossians 3:12-17 Gospel Luke 6:27-38	5pm Mass	Home Communion Mass led by Fr Nandana
Friday Sept 13 th	Saint John Chrysostom First Reading 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14 Gospel Luke 6:39-42	No Liturgy or Mass	8.40am School Liturgy followed by Assembly Grandparents Day at School 10.15am Coordinating Team meeting
Saturday Sept 14 th	The Exaltation of The Holy Cross First Reading Numbers 21:4-9 Gospel John 3:13-17	6pm (Vigil)	5.30pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass led by Fr Nandana
Sunday Sept 15 th	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 Second Reading 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Gospel Luke 15:1-10	8.30am	Mass led by Fr Nandana 9.30am Morning Tea

**Diocesan Inservice
– Nandana &
Maria to attend.**

**Priests' Retirement
Foundation Appeal
Weekend**

MINISTERS FOR MASS

Saturday/ Sunday 14th/15th September, 2019 – Week 3

	6pm Vigil Mass	8.30am Mass
Co-ordinators:	Lloyd Bailey, Chris Gwydir	Sandra Neale
Welcomers:	Norm & Carol Lovell	Sandra Neale, Jim Nolan
AV Operator:	Gerald Hicks	Noela Nolan
Children's Liturgy		Jenn Stephens & Britt Hart
Parish Morning Tea:		Susan Tek, Felda Gabougi, Rita Msambya
Readers:	Michael O'Brien, Carmel Graham	Peter Sheridan, Brenda Thomas
Prayer of the Faithful:	Gillian Brandt	Prasadi Indrawimala
Presentation of Gifts:	Carmel Graham, Chris Gwydir	Susan Tek, Jim Nolan
Ministers of Communion:	Tabernacle: Carol Lovell Pouring Wine: Marg Wyllie Chris Gwydir, Marg Nolan, Barry Turner	Tabernacle: Lyndelle Rees Pouring Wine: Sandra Neale Gail Johnson, Mick Gorrington, Monica Gundry
Altar Assistants:	Damian Wyllie, John Roche	Pat Donohue
Music:	Anne-Maree Spalding & Men's Choir	Sr Maria & singers
Collectors:	Tony Allport, Tom Kelly	Jim Nolan, Mick Gorrington
Church Environment:	Geraldine Waite	
Money Counters: This Week: 08/09 Next Week: 15/09	Michael Rooke, Amber Copland, Jim Tiernan Tony Meldon, Tom Kelly	August 31/ Sept 1 Planned Giving - \$498.50 Loose - \$507.10 D/D August - \$2,225.00



Spare Wool?

If you have any spare balls of wool you would like to get rid of, then please place in box in foyer so the school students can make use of them. Thanks