

ST ANTHONY'S PARISH

NEWSLETTER

Saturday/ Sunday 29th February / 1st March

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Office Hours –

Maria – Mon-Wed & Fri 9-4

Noela – Tues-Fri 8.30-2.30

Fr Nandana – Tues-Fri 9-4

Weekends - CLOSED

Church Opening Hours

Monday-Friday 9am – 4pm

Saturday 5.15pm - 7.15pm

Sunday 8am – 10am

“A Place at the Table for All”

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

First Sunday of Lent – Yr A

First Reading: Genesis 3:1-7
 Creation of our first parents and sin.

Responsorial Psalm:
 Be merciful, O God, for we have sinned.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19
 Where sin increased, there grace abounded all the more.

Gospel Acclamation:
 Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
 No one lives on bread alone,
 but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
 Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11
 Jesus fasted for forty days and nights.

Parish Notices

We hold up and remember all those who have died recently: Stan Janas (*Gladstone*)

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Maurine Allport, Anthony Lee, Jacqueline d'Aranjo

and the Anniversaries of the deceased Priests of the Diocese:
 Fr Dominic Burke, Fr Hector Thomas Sheeran, Fr Joseph Skelly, Fr Kevin Ryan, Fr Bernard Kane, Fr Derick Furness, Fr Ronald Walton, Fr Patrick Brady

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

As well as the following friends & family members: Regina Albion, Archbishop John Bathersby (*Emeritus Archbishop of Brisbane*), Alan Benson, Rita Berry, Brian & Hazel Bowtell, Barry Cuthbert (*WA*), Roslyn Day, Maureen Feehelly (*Pat Cullen's sister*), Patrick Fitzgerald (*Tim's son*), Sr Zoe (*Christina*) Fitzpatrick (PBVM), Yvonne & Bruce Gardiner (*Brisbane*), Gabby Hanlon (*Marie Heslop's niece*), Frank Hickey, Ralph Hickey, Jim Horder, Stephen Mackenzie (*Pam Hahn's son*), Jim & Margaret Macarthur-Onslow, Cheryl McCurran, Mary McCurran, Paul Murphy (*Pat's son*), Paul Park, Brian Potter, Kevin Schick (*Val's brother*), Harley Stewart, Noela Sheriff, Neil Syme, Denis & Ruth Volter, Frank White (*Cairns*), Martin Yong, Jill, Debbie & Paul.

NORMAL WEEKDAY MASS TIMES - Refer weekly program for changes

St Anthony's:	Wednesday & Friday 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:	Tuesday– 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

Mar 1st – Sunday Singers
 Mar 2nd – Parish Pastoral Council meeting
 Mar 3rd – Mthly Liturgy of the Word
 Mar 4th – Social Justice meeting
 Mar 6th – World Day of Prayer
Mar 14th – St Patrick's Day Pot Luck Dinner
 Mar 17th – Liturgy Team meeting
 Mar 22nd – Garden City Mosque Open Day
 2nd Rite of Reconciliation
 Mar 24th – 2nd Rite of Reconciliation
 Mar 25th – **9am** Mass – Feast of Annunciation

*** Parish Events/ News ***

Birthdays and anniversaries for March –

Neville Dredge (80 on the 5th), Helen & Tom Warren, Laurie Corcoran, Bernica Stevens, Michael Rooke, Trish Zeller, Isadore, Ken Waters, David Waters, Joe Wagner, Fr Nandana and Monica Gundry all celebrate their birthdays. John & Marion Herzig and Tim & Cushla Randall celebrate their wedding anniversaries. Fr Hermi celebrated 20 yrs ordained last month. Congratulations & best wishes to everyone. Don't forget to let us know when your birthday or wedding anniversary is.



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 Fr Peter Fr Nandana Mick Gorring Louise Pffingst Ed Briffa Sr Maria Joyner David Tutty Chris Gwydir	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:



Be Opened...to be led by the Spirit

Nourishing God, your Spirit led Jesus into the wilderness where he listened to the hungers of his heart.

Lead us deeper into our own hunger.

Show us the 'bread' that will satisfy our craving, so that we will desire the power that you alone can give.

We ask this prayer through Christ our Light. Amen.

Transport to Mass:

The Parish is eager to assist those elderly people, living within the parish, without transport of their own to attend weekend mass. If you are interested in this would you please contact Maria or Noela at the Parish Office.



Playgroup:

St Anthony's Playgroup each Monday, from 9am-11am in the Parish Community Centre for all children not yet at school.



Stations of the Cross:

Each Friday at 5pm during Lent you are invited to attend Stations of the Cross in the Church.

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 Rangjiira 0437 382 408.

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



SHIRLEY, PHILIPPINES

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed “Go Further Together”.

Shirley, 36, is an indigenous Manide woman living in a remote province in the Philippines. Shirley was struggling to support her family and keep their children in school. She faced regular discrimination and disadvantage, limiting her family’s access to food, education, employment and healthcare. With Caritas Australia’s support, Shirley trained to become an indigenous health worker. She has learnt to supplement her income and is able to feed her family. The program has also empowered Shirley to send her children to school.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to help people like Shirley, and her children gain confidence and respect within their community.

Let’s Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, available in the foyer or by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



Auction of Promises:

St Anthony’s Parish, on behalf of Caritas, is hosting an Auction of Promises to raise funds for Project Compassion. Here’s how you can help while being part of a great social event! The auction night is **Saturday 4 April** following the 6pm vigil mass. The promises to be auctioned are pledges from our parishioners – pledges like:

- Offering a home cooked meal – or maybe baking a cake/slice or biscuits
- Garden vegetables
- Ironing or housework e.g. ½ hour, 1 hour, or 1 basket
- Bicycle servicing
- Dog walking e.g. 1 x half hour walk or similar
- Car wash
- Hobby lesson 1 x ½ hour or 1-hour lesson, or similar
- Lawn Mowing e.g. mowing of an average sized yard or similar
- Weeding a garden or similar
- Computer assistance e.g. 1 x ½ hour or 1-hour simple tuition lesson
- General handyman service e.g. 1 x 1/2hour or 1 hour on small and simple repairs

Got another idea for a pledge that isn’t listed? Write it on the Auction of Promises pledge form located in the church foyer and drop it in the box in the church foyer. Pledges and donated items will be auctioned to the highest bidder on the night. BYO drinks and nibbles. Hot finger food will be provided.

Lenten Practices/Promises

The church asks us to adopt the following Lenten practices:

FASTING: On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, for those who are 18 but not yet 60 are allowed only one full meal. Two smaller meals are allowed as needed, but eating solid food between meals is to be avoided.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT: Those who are 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ashe Wednesday and Good Friday.

The church does not prescribe Lenten practices in detail. The more fundamental obligation is to make Lent a penitential season choosing practices that are adapted to one’s own circumstances. On all Fridays of the year including the Fridays of Lent, the common practice of penance is shown by performing any one of the following:

- (a) prayer – for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary.

(b) self-denial – for example, not eating meat; not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country or through Project compassion.

(c) helping others – for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened.

Lent (40 days) lasts from Ash Wednesday (February 26th) to the Mass of the Lord's Supper (April 9th) exclusive. On Good Friday and, if possible, also on Holy Saturday until the Easter Vigil, the Easter fast is observed.

Sundays are always days of rejoicing and are not included in the 40 days of Lent.



World Day of Prayer 2020:

The World Day of Prayer 2020 host country is Zimbabwe and the theme is "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk".

A service is being held this Friday, **March 6** at HumeRidge Church of Christ (461 Hume St) commencing 10am. Everyone is welcome to attend. www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org

*** Social Justice News ***

Social Justice Thought for the Week:



In 2016-17, 72,000 women, 34,000 children and 9,000 men sought homelessness services due to domestic violence.

In 2018, eight women a day were hospitalized after being assaulted by their spouse or partner. One in 12 women hospitalized by partner violence was pregnant.

(Australian National Research Organization for Women's Safety)

If violence has its source in the human heart, then it is fundamental that nonviolence be practised before all else within families...The family is the indispensable crucible in which spouses, parents and children, brothers and sisters, learn to communicate and to show generous concern for one another, and in which frictions and even conflicts

have to be resolved not by force but by dialogue, respect, concern for the good of the other, mercy and forgiveness...I plead for disarmament and for the prohibition and abolition of nuclear weapons...I plead with equal urgency for an end to domestic violence and to the abuse of women and children.

(Pope Francis, World Day Peace Message 2017 – Nonviolence: A Style of Politics for Peace #5)

Next meeting this Wednesday, **March 4th** at 5pm in Parish Office.
New members welcome.

Toowoomba Food Festival and Mosque Open Day 2020:

The 7th Annual International Food Festival and Mosque Open day from 11:00am-3:00pm on Sunday, **March 22** at the Garden City Mosque on 217 West St.

Please join the event with your family for food, fun, friendship and faith.



Help for the homeless:

Thanks to all those who have so generously donated items for the homeless women of Protea Place. This is an ongoing issue so donations are always welcome.

Resource Corner - Living Justly Blog:

The Social Justice Commission have a new post on their blog, *Living Justly*. David Tutty (Executive Officer, Social Justice Commission) has written about what it means to acknowledge Australia's First Peoples when we come together. Read: [What are the Implications of Acknowledgment of Country?](#)

Coronavirus:

Whilst there are no known infected people within our Parish, we do encourage people to exercise caution and care with their personal hygiene. We also ask that people abstain from receiving from the chalice if they are unwell. Hand sanitizer is available in the foyer for anyone who wishes to use when entering/leaving mass. No further measures are warranted at this stage.

Parish Mission Statement

Our Pastoral Vision – “A Place at the Table for All”

St Anthony’s Parish comes to life when we gather for Eucharist.

The table of Jesus

- Embraces the Table of God’s Word and the Table of the Eucharist.
- Around this table, all are welcome.

At St Anthony’s, there is a place at the table for all

This is a table of GIFT.

This is a table of INVITATION and REACHING OUT.

This is a table of HOSPITALITY and WELCOME.

This is a table of HOPE.

This is a table of SERVICE.

This is a table of HISTORY.

This is a table of JOY and CELEBRATION.

This is a table of PRAYER.

We are mindful of those times over the years when
Our community of faith has gathered for Eucharist at this table.
We are mindful of the many years of listening to God’s Word;
of heeding the call to a change of heart and of life.
We are mindful of the faithful prayer around the kitchen tables
Of daily life and the inner tables of our hearts.
We are mindful of the Last Supper when Jesus gathered with his friends,
shared bread and wine and washed their feet.



*** *News from outside our Parish* ***

Secondary Enrolments:

St Ursula’s College enrolments now open for girls in Year 7 2021 & 2022.

Contact Lisa McKellar, College Registrar on 4632 7611 or by email enrolment@st-ursula.qld.edu.au

Mass At USQ:

Date: Wednesday March 4 **Time:** 12:00pm

Venue: Multi-Faith Prayer Room, University of Southern QLD Tmba

Fr Tom Duncan will be celebrating the first Mass of the year at **USQ for students**. See flyer on Bulletin Board.

Young Catholics Toowoomba - Lenten Adoration:

Date: Friday March 6 **Time:** 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Venue: St Patrick’s Cathedral, Tmba

Young people are invited to join Fr Tom Duncan for an evening of food, fellowship and Eucharistic adoration. See flyer on Bulletin Board for details.

Downlands Past Students Social Tennis Competition:

Date: Sunday March 15 **Time:** 8:00am - 1:30/2:00pm **Venue:** Downlands College, Toowoomba

RSVP: 9/3/20 (booking essential)

One member of each team needs to have a Downlands connection (eg staff, parent, student, past student). See flyer in foyer for further details.

PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

Date	Readings	Mass	Parish Life
Sunday March 1 st	First Sunday of Lent First Reading Genesis 3:1-7 Second Reading Romans 5:12-19 Gospel Matthew 4:1-11	8.30am Mass	Family Mass led by Fr Nandana 9.30am Morning Tea 4pm Sunday Singers
Monday March 2 nd	Monday of the 1 st Week of Lent First Reading Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18 Gospel Matthew 25:31-46	<i>No Liturgy or Mass</i>	9am Play Group 10am Lenten Group in Parish Office 5pm SVDP meeting 6.30pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting
Tuesday March 3 rd	Tuesday of 1 st Week of Lent First Reading Isaiah 55:10-11 Gospel Matthew 6:7-15	5pm Mass	2.30pm Circle Dancing Mass led by Fr Nandana
Wednesday March 4 th	Wednesday of 1 st Week of Lent First Reading Jonah 3:1-10 Gospel Luke 11:29-32	9.15am Mass	Mass led by Fr Nandana 10.15am Lenten Group in Parish Office 5pm Social Justice meeting
Thursday March 5 th	Thursday of 1 st Week of Lent First Reading Esther 14:1, 3-5, 12-14 Gospel Matthew 7:7-12	5pm Mass	10am Co-ordinating Team meeting Mass led by Fr Nandana
Friday March 6 th	Friday of 1 st Week of Lent First Reading Ezekiel 18:21-28 Gospel Matthew 5:20-26	9.15am Mass	8.45am Adoration Mass led by Fr Nandana 10am World Day of Prayer - HumeRidge 5pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday March 7 th	Saturday of 1 st Week of Lent First Reading Deuteronomy 26:16-19 Gospel Matthew 5:43-48	6pm (Vigil)	5.30pm Reconciliation Youth Mass led by Fr Nandana
Sunday March 8 th	Second Sunday of Lent First Reading Genesis 12:1-4 Second Reading 2 Timothy 1:8-10 Gospel Matthew 17:1-9	8.30am Mass	Mass led by Fr Nandana 9.30am Morning Tea

MINISTERS FOR MASS

Saturday/ Sunday 7th/8th March, 2020 – Week 2

	6pm Vigil Mass	8.30am Mass
Co-ordinators:	Lloyd Bailey, Chris Gwydir	Marie McAleer
Welcomers:	Trevor Wyllie, Ann Matthew	Kathryn Haynes, Tony Meldon
AV Operator:	Yano	Peter Sheridan
Children's Liturgy		Jenn Stephens, Britt Hart
Parish Morning Tea:		Lari & Sue O'Neill
Readers:	Young People	Mary Wagner, Mick Gorrington
Prayer of the Faithful:	Young People	David Tutty
Presentation of Gifts:	Young People	Denis & Marie McAleer
Ministers of Communion:	Tabernacle: Chris Gwydir Pouring Wine: Marg Wyllie Jan Boyce, Barry Turner, Lloyd Bailey	Tabernacle: Tom Warren Pouring Wine: Helen Warren Kathryn Haynes, Gail Johnson, Marie McAleer
Altar Assistants:	Damian Wyllie	Patrick Donohue
Music:	Young People	Sr Maria/ Debbie Sheehan & Singers
Collectors:	Peter Boyce,	Susan & Martin Tek, Mick Gorrington
Church Environment:		
Money Counters: This Week: 01/03 Next Week: 08/03	Tom Kelly , Peter Wilkes, Monica Gundry Brenda Thomas, Tony Meldon	Feb 22/23 Planned Giving - \$505.00 Loose - \$478.50 Laurie Reedy Fund - \$850.00



Always remember to keep your contact details up to date!