

ST ANTHONY'S PARISH

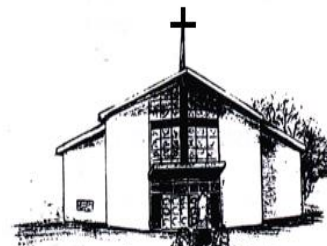
NEWSLETTER

30th/31st March, 2024

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Church Opening Hours

Tuesday to Friday: 8.30am – 2.30pm

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Closed Monday

Parish Priest:

Fr. Jamie Collins

Chair Parish Council:

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Parish Secretary:

Mrs Noela Nolan

Admin Support Officer:

Mrs Leesa Sheridan

Safeguard Rep:

Mrs Nicole Rangjiira

School Principal:

Mrs Louise Pflingst

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.

St Anthony's Parish is committed to the safety, well-being, and dignity of all, especially children and vulnerable adults.

Easter Readings –

Holy Thursday -

First Reading – Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14 *The Law for the Passover meal.*

Responsorial Psalm – Ps 115 *Our blessing-cup is a communion with the blood of Christ.*

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 *Until the Lord comes, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim his death.*

Gospel Acclamation - Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel – John 13:1-15 *To the end he showed his love for them.*

Friday of the Passion of The Lord –

First Reading – Isaiah 52:13; 53:12 *He surrendered himself to death, while bearing the faults of many.*

Responsorial Psalm – Ps 30 *My God, I put my life in your hands.*

Second Reading – Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 *He learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.*

Gospel Acclamation - Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel – John 18:1-19; 42 *The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

The Easter Vigil -

First Reading – Genesis 1:1; 2:2 *God saw all he had made, and indeed it was good.*

Response – Lord, Send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the Earth.

Second Reading – Exodus 14:15; 15:1 *Tell the children of Israel to march on, to walk through the sea on dry ground.*

Response – This day was made by the Lord, let us rejoice let us be glad. This day was made by the Lord, let us rejoice in salvation.

Third Reading – Ezekiel 36:16-28 *I shall pour clean water over you and I shall give you a new heart.*

Response – Grant to us O Lord a heart renewed. Recreate in us your own Spirit, Lord.

Epistle – Romans 6:3-11 *Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again.*

Gospel Acclamation - Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia praise the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, sing we now with one accord. Sound the trumpet, raise your voices. Heaven rejoices with us all. Alleluia is our prayer and Alleluia is our call.

Gospel – Mark 16:1-7 *Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has risen.*

Easter Sunday -

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

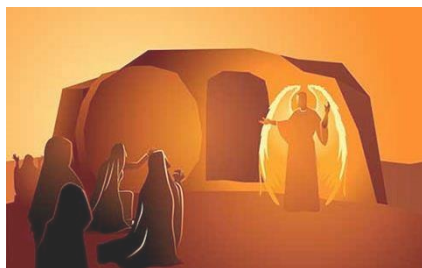
Responsorial Psalm – Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 *This is the day our God has made, let us rejoice and be glad.*

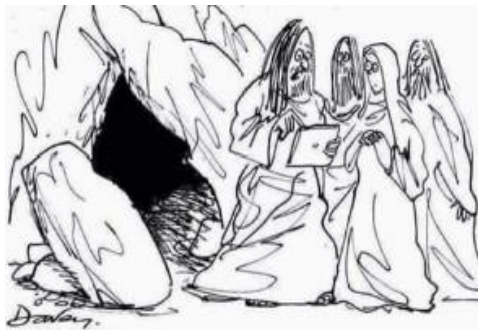
Second Reading – Colossians 3:1-4 *Look for the things that are in heaven where Christ is.*

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 scripture is that he must rise from the dead.*

The readings may be found in your bibles or via following link - <https://www.pray.com.au/daily-prayer/> and follow the readings link.





"He's not in there! Oh, wait - he's changed his status to 'risen' "

Parish Calendar of Events

Holy Week Timetable inside newsletter

- March 28** – Holy Thursday (School Term ends)
- March 29** – Good Friday
 - Way of The Cross (Social Justice) moves from the Cathedral at 7.30am
 - Parish Stations of the Cross 10am
- March 30** – Easter Vigil
- March 29** – Easter Sunday
- April 3** – Social Justice meeting



Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer and remember those who have died recently: Lawrie Corcoran, Paula Neilson, Trish Betros, Leo Barrett, Neville Dredge, Gloria Litster (Warwick), Ronald Bryant (Warwick), Margaret Macarthur-Onslow

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Jean Boshammer, Patrick & Ellen Mullins

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: Reg Ashford, Narelle Bailey, Daniel Bell, Brian Conrick, Mary Gilligan, Madeline (Sally) Gray, Neville Harris, Rita Irwin, Elsie Kirby, Malcolm Kirby, Mary Logan, Pat Madden, Damian Potter, Val Saccasan, Peter Sheridan, Vonnie Sherman, Rod Sleba, Pat Sullivan, Lucy Targato

As well as the following friends & family members: Regina Albion, Wendy Bailey (Narelle's mum), Jill Beardsmore, Liz Beduhn, Rachel Bennett, Brian & Hazel Bowtell, baby Tommy Bryant (Great-grandson of Kevin & Trish Harris), Rebecca Clayton, Shirley Davies, Roslyn Day, Marie Deane and Yvonne Gay, Lil Dolan, (Margaret Dunlop's sisters), Denis Dwan, Sr Zoe (Christina) Fitzpatrick (PBVM), Bruce Gardiner (Brisbane), Mary Gleeson, Gabby Hanlon (Marie Heslop's niece), Neville Harris (Kevin's brother), Ralph Hickey, Jim & Nicholas Horder, Lindsay Jones, Wayne Kirkland, Ann Johnson, Kye Johnson (Chris Gwydir's grandson), Carmelita Kruger, Maisie Lowes (Jenn Stephens' mum), Stephen Mackenzie (Pam Hahn's son), Roz Martin, Brendan Middleton, Frank Miller, Sir Frank Moore (Carol Ryall's brother), Hanna Muir (Brisbane), Paul Murphy (Pat's son), Peter Nolan (Rockhampton), Neil O'Connor, Paul Park, Rissy Rowbotham, Kevin Schick (Val's brother), Sally Sippel, Stan Schad, Shane Schick (Gail's son), Silba Serem, Harley Stewart, Neil Syme, Brian Thomson, Denis & Ruth Volter, Kevin Wallace, Geoffrey Wells, Michael Wells, Martin Yong

Parish Milestones

Birthdays and Anniversaries for April –

David Tutty (65 on 25th), Ronni Adhil, Anne Roche, Veronica BayohHebron, Martin Tek, Cath Donohoe, Margaret Waters, Pat Madden, Elaine Duggan, Nancy Adhil all celebrate their birthdays. Jack & Joan Phelan (70 yrs on 28th), Denis & Trish Morrison (52), Trevor & Marg Wyllie (44), Tom & Helen Warren (57), Bevan & Jan Barsby (56) & Graham & Elizabeth Woods celebrate their wedding Anniversary. Don't forget to let us know the date of your birthday or wedding anniversary or dob-in your spouse. 😊



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



St Anthony's – Friday Morning Mass is live-streamed weekly at 9.15am via our web page or Facebook link. **Can be watched again later!**

The Swag: **NEW** Autumn edn available in the foyer - \$1

Catholic Leader: Available by subscription only.

Social Justice Group: Meet **1st Wednesday** monthly at 5pm (*except Dec/Jan*)

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

Gospel Discussion Group: Meet at 10am each **Wednesday** in the Community Centre. All welcome.

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

Circle Dancing: 1.30pm Wednesday during school term.

Prayer of the Week:

AN EASTER PRAYER



Good and gracious God, our most glorious Creator, as we greet the signs in nature around us, the changing of times and seasons, of autumn days growing longer and the darkness of winter becoming deeper, we give you praise for an even greater sign of new life,

the resurrection of your son, our Lord Jesus Christ, that we especially celebrate at this time.

The sadness and despair of his death has given way to the bright promise of immortality.

For the Resurrection is our guarantee that justice will triumph over treason.

Light will overcome darkness, and love will conquer death.

As we celebrate, we also ask for your grace that we may live the promise given to us by imitating the life

of Jesus in reaching out to the poor, the marginalized, the least among us,

as we strive to be a neighbour to all of those we meet.

We ask your special blessings each and every day on our world.

We praise you in this Easter season. Change our lives and change our hearts

to be messengers of Easter joy and hope. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ,

our risen Lord and Saviour.

AMEN

Holy Week Timetable

- 28 March – Holy Thursday**
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm
- 29 March – Good Friday** (Office Closed)
Stations of the Cross 10am
Commemoration of the Lord's Passion 3pm
- 30 March – Holy Saturday**
Easter Vigil 6pm
- 31 March – Easter Sunday**
Mass 8.30am



Social Justice News

Social Justice Thought for the Week: **Taking a break from Catholic Guilt**

Most people I know struggle to feel worthy. No matter how many loved ones might reaffirm their wonderful qualities, human beings have a difficult time putting down their tools of self-criticism. "Catholic guilt" is yet another layer of this self-doubt spiral for many of us, mixing in a pinch of fear of eternal damnation with our run of the mill negative self-talk.

And while there is much that God asks of us in Scripture. A reading from Isaiah might remind you of a familiar New Testament scene: *Jesus' Transfiguration*, which can offer a balm that we sorely need.

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus takes several disciples with him to the top of a mountain, where he begins to *transform*. Then, Moses and Elijah appear and begin speaking with him. Here's the part that sounds a lot like what we hear today. A cloud shadows over them, and the voice of God emerges: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased" (Mt 17:5).

The words from Isaiah - these are some serious responsibilities!

But before any of that, God's first word is one of satisfaction. **I am pleased with this beloved one, this servant who goes into the world to do my will and make things better.** Primarily, of course, this voice of God is pleased with Jesus Christ, the one who does God's will in the world perfectly.

As Christians, though, we are striving to be like Christ, to be his hands and feet in the work against today's struggles. And as human beings, we are already made in his image and likeness. What a gift—if we're modelled after Christ, we certainly can't be all bad.

Can you take a moment and let the message sink in that this beloved servant, so precious and pleasing to God, can be you, too? Our Lenten journey ought to help this sentiment resonate more with us, not less. Our sacrifices and penances are not meant to tear down our sense of worthiness, but to recalibrate our understanding of God and ourselves—and the relationship that exists in between.

Easter is almost within our grasp. In just a few days we'll celebrate the promise of new life, but for now, let's marinate in this old life for just a bit longer—the one in which we are, while not perfect, already chosen by God and striving to do right by that truth.

If you are hyper-aware of your responsibilities, and if you are overwhelmed by how hard you are trying to be good, you don't need to be reminded to feel shame or guilt. Instead, you need to be reminded that you already are good, you already are pleasing, you already are God's. This Holy Week, take a break from Catholic guilt, and take a slice of God's peace instead.

Next meeting Wednesday, 3rd April at 5pm in Parish Office.

Molly Cahill – associate editor at 'America Media'



Parish News

THROUGH THE DESERT ... God Leads us to Freedom

As the season of Lent drew to a close, the Vatican has released the last illustrated drawing on the Pope's 2024 Lenten message: "Through the desert God leads us to freedom." The artwork, all came from the hand of Italian street artist Maupal.

In Maupal's seventh and final vignette, Pope Francis takes centre stage, watering plants that are just beginning to grow. The potted plants are labelled "Faith," "Hope," and "Charity," the theological virtues of the Church.

The Pope is locking eyes with the viewer as he waters the plants, with a smile that is inviting each of us to take part in nourishing such virtues in our lives, and consequently, blessing our common home, as instructed in his 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si*.

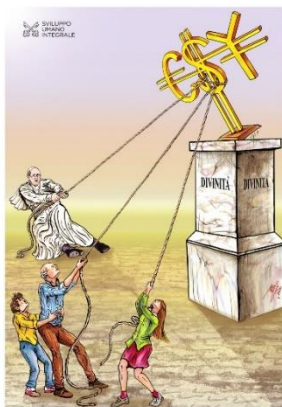
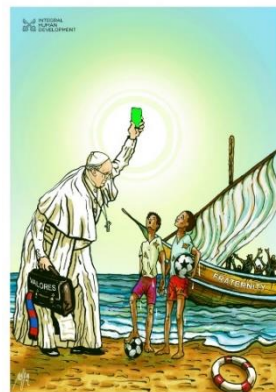
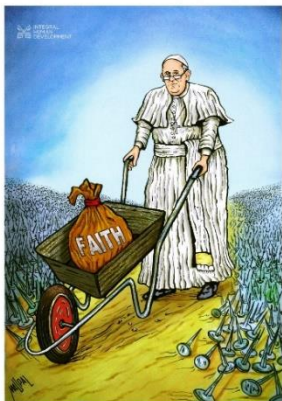
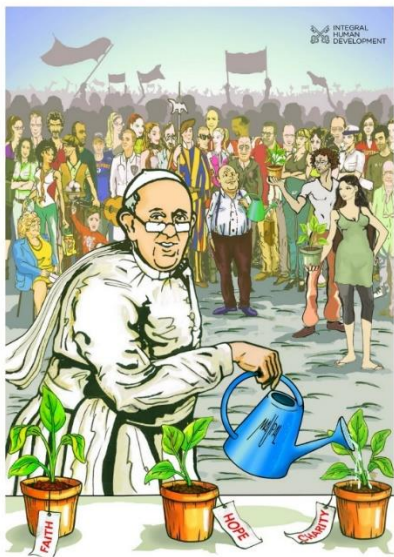
Of all the drawings that have been produced for Lent, this one contains the most human figures by far. The Pope is surrounded by a large crowd, with 34 distinct characters, and a sea of grey silhouettes giving the impression of a crowd to rival World Youth Day.

It is possibly the most varied, artistically, as well. The figures seem to be "collared with many different palates, and the line work shows different styles", representing

the rich diversity of the Catholic Faith, which draws in cultures from all over the world.

On the dicastery webpage, it states that this new artwork points toward a passage of Pope Francis' Lenten message, in which he reminds us that the "love of God and love of neighbour are one love." The Pope invites the faithful "to pause in the presence of God beside our neighbour."

The drawings and their back story are available for viewing on the website of the Dicastery for Integral Human Development, who organised the weekly release of the collaboration during Lent. For those who may not have access to the internet, the previous six drawings are reprinted here.



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"He is not here; he has risen!"

May your Easter Season be filled with light, happiness and peace.

Fr. Jamie

Access to Church:

Here at St Anthony's we are very mindful of our less able-bodied parishioners and wish to make accessing the church as easy as possible. The stencilled concrete area in front of the entrance has a steep incline at the side doors, so the centre door/s will be open at ALL masses to make entry easier as the incline here is much less. We welcome feedback from anyone, but especially those using walking frames or wheelchairs. Let us know if this works or not for you. Thank you.

Planned Giving:

It is almost time to order envelopes for those who currently use the envelope system for their weekly giving to the parish. If you would like to join our Planned Giving program, please contact Noela at the Parish Office asap. If you are currently using envelopes and would like to change to Direct Debit, so you don't need to rummage for cash each weekend, please also speak to Noela to arrange for this. Please give some serious thought to your mode of giving as envelopes need to be ordered after Easter and we don't want to order any more than necessary, as the cost appears to be rising each year (like everything else I guess). Thanks

Scripture Readings – Easter Sunday

First Reading – Acts 10:34, 37-43

Peter addressed the gathering assembled at the home of Cornelius. Peter said: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth who began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything Jesus did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed Jesus by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised to life this Jesus who was seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with Jesus after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to the people and to tell them that God has appointed Christ to judge everyone, alive or dead. Jesus is the one to whom all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The Word of God.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 50

This is the day our God has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to our God, whose love has no end. Let the children of Israel say: 'God's love has no end.' **R.**

God's strong arm has triumphed; and has raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount God's deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of our God, a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

Second Reading – Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's side. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – who is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with Christ.

The Word of God.

Gospel Acclamation –

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

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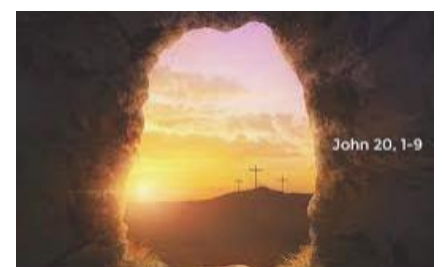
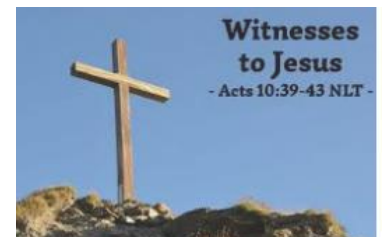
Gospel – John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken Jesus out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over Jesus' head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that Jesus must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READINGS for Daily Mass (Australian Liturgical Calendar): <http://www.universalis.com/Australia/1000/mass.html>





“Christ, our Paschal lamb, has been sacrificed!” (1 Cor 5:7). On this day, Saint Paul’s triumphant words ring forth, words that we have just heard in the second reading, taken from his First Letter to the Corinthians. It is a text which originated barely twenty years after the death and resurrection of Jesus, and yet – like many Pauline passages – it already contains, in an impressive synthesis, a full awareness of the newness of life in Christ. The central symbol of salvation history – the Paschal lamb – is here identified with Jesus, who is called “our Paschal lamb”. The Hebrew Passover, commemorating the liberation from slavery in Egypt, provided for the ritual sacrifice of a lamb every year, one for each family, as prescribed by the Mosaic Law. In his passion and death, Jesus reveals himself as the Lamb of God, “sacrificed” on the Cross, to take away the sins of the world. He was killed at the very hour when it was customary to sacrifice the lambs in the Temple of Jerusalem. The meaning of his sacrifice he himself had anticipated during the Last Supper, substituting himself – under the signs of bread and wine – for the ritual food of the Hebrew Passover meal. Thus we can truly say that Jesus brought to fulfilment the tradition of the ancient Passover, and transformed it into his Passover.

On the basis of this new meaning of the Paschal feast, we can also understand Saint Paul’s interpretation of the “leaven”. The Apostle is referring to an ancient Hebrew usage: according to which, on the occasion of the Passover, it was necessary to remove from the household every tiny scrap of leavened bread. On the one hand, this served to recall what had happened to their forefathers at the time of the flight from Egypt: leaving the country in haste, they had brought with them only unleavened bread. At the same time, though, the “unleavened bread” was a symbol of purification: removing the old to make space for the new. Now, Saint Paul explains, this ancient tradition likewise acquires a new meaning, once more derived from the new “Exodus”, which is Jesus’ passage from death to eternal life. And since Christ, as the true Lamb, sacrificed himself for us, we too, his disciples – thanks to him and through him – can and must be the “new dough”, the “unleavened bread”, liberated from every residual element of the old yeast of sin: no more evil and wickedness in our heart.

“Let us celebrate the feast ... with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth”. This exhortation from Saint Paul, which concludes the short reading that was proclaimed a few moments ago, resounds even more powerfully in the context of the Pauline Year. Dear brothers and sisters, let us accept the Apostle’s invitation; let us open our spirit to Christ, who has died and is risen in order to renew us, in order to remove from our hearts the poison of sin and death, and to pour in the life-blood of the Holy Spirit: divine and eternal life. In the Easter Sequence, in what seems almost like a response to the Apostle’s words, we sang: “Scimus Christum surrexisse a mortuis vere” – we know that Christ has truly risen from the dead. Yes, indeed! This is the fundamental core of our profession of faith; this is the cry of victory that unites us all today. And if Jesus is risen, and is therefore alive, who will ever be able to separate us from him? Who will ever be able to deprive us of the love of him who has conquered hatred and overcome death?

The Easter proclamation spreads throughout the world with the joyful song of the Alleluia. Let us sing it with our lips, and let us sing it above all with our hearts and our lives, with a manner of life that is “unleavened”, that is to say, simple, humble, and fruitful in good works. “Surrexit Christus spes mea: praecedet vos in Galileam” – Christ my hope is risen, and he goes before you into Galilee. The Risen One goes before us and he accompanies us along the paths of the world. He is our hope, He is the true peace of the world. Amen!

Prayers of the Faithful – Easter Sunday

PRESIDER: Dear friends, on this day of light, peace and joy, let us turn in prayer to our loving and life-giving God.

We pray for the human family around the world, that the light of Easter will dawn in every land, dispel all fear, and show forth the everlasting goodness of God. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the many and varied Christian churches, that they will bear united witness to the good news of Jesus’ victory over sin and death. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all those newly baptised into the death and resurrection of Jesus, that they will be made welcome into their parish community and take their place gladly at the eucharistic table. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who live in a dark world of pain, deprivation and despair, that the kindness of others will kindle the flame of hope in their hearts. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the First Nations people of Australia, that their traditional wisdom and knowledge will inform our care for the land and all its creatures. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for families unable to afford school holiday travel or entertainment, that they will be able to access healthy and enjoyable low-cost activities. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for family members and friends who do not share our Easter faith, that we will remain united with them through lives of goodness, mercy and compassion. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died recently **Lawrie Corcoran, Paula Neilson, Trish Betros, Leo Barrett, Neville Dredge, Gloria Litster (Warwick), Ronald Bryant (Warwick), Margaret Macarthur-Onslow;** . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, **Jean Boshammer, Patrick & Ellen Mullins;** that they will rejoice and be glad for ever with all the saints. Lord, hear our prayer.

PRESIDER: Ever-faithful God, in the resurrection of your Son, you have given us the pledge of eternal life. May your promise guide and govern our way on earth. We ask this through Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.



Diocesan News

Sychar Website:

Schedule available now on website –
www.twb.catholic.org.au/ministry/sychar/ Flyers also available in foyer.

The current issue of **Horizons** is out now and is available online here www.twb.catholic.org.au/horizons/ Hard copies in foyer.

The Way of The Cross:

Commences 7.30am till 9am from steps of St Patrick's Cathedral on Friday, **29th March** (Good Friday), Organised by the **Social Justice Commission** of the Catholic Diocese of Toowoomba. Join us for a walk around the CBD stopping at various stations. Each stop is a 'station' and we will pause, read a reflection and pray. Map & flyer in foyer. The reflections will help us be in solidarity with some of the many injustices in our world. We will gather on the steps of St Patrick's Cathedral to begin our walk and end there at the 14th Station. Please wear walking shoes, and if the weather is inclement, suitable clothing and umbrellas. You may also wish to bring a water bottle for your own comfort.

Praying with the Liturgy:

A Liturgical retreat will be held on Saturday, **20th April** from 9am-12.30pm at Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit seminary, Banyo for all involved in preparing and celebrating liturgy in parishes and schools – Clergy, Readers, Communion minister, Music Ministers, Liturgy Committees, APREs, Teachers and all who gather for worship. Flyers with further details in foyer.

Theatre Night:

The Pastoral Care team are hosting a fundraiser on Tuesday, **April 30th** at the Rep Theatre in Margaret St. The play titled 'The 39 Steps' is a comedy by Patrick Barlow. Tickets \$25 from Pastoral Care Office or ph 4616 6415. Flyers in foyer.

Save the Date Update: Australian Catholic Communications Congress

As you may be aware, the Australian Catholic Communications Congress is **28-30 August**, in Sydney. Early bird bookings will open in April. If you're interested in attending, sign up for updates directly to your inbox. Visit modernmessage.catholic.au to sign up or find out about what the congress is.

Holy Land Collection:

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, March 29th. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing, Parishes, and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Due to the ongoing war, the Church and people of the Holy Land are still struggling with reduced income due to fewer pilgrims and lower church attendance around the world. In 2023 Australian Catholics were once again extremely generous and we were able to send to the Holy Land nearly \$1.4 million (\$1.4 million (2022), \$1,126,098 (2021), \$406,023 (2020) and \$1.3 million (2019)). The reality for the Holy Land mission is that they will continue to face challenges financial and spiritual and so we again ask Catholics around the world again to be as generous as possible, with their financial support as well as the spiritual support. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday. Thank you.

PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

Date	Readings		Mass	Parish Life
Sunday 31 st March	Sunday of The Resurrection First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43 Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4 Gospel: John 20:1-9		8.30am	Easter Sunday celebrated by Fr. Jamie 9.30am Morning Tea 11am Williamson baptism 
Monday 1 st April	Monday Within the Octave of Easter First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33 Gospel: Matthew 28:8-15			OFFICE CLOSED 4pm SVDP Meeting
Tuesday 2 nd April	Tuesday Within the Octave of Easter First Reading: Acts 2:36-41 Gospel: John 20:11-18			
Wednesday 3 rd April	Wednesday Within the Octave of Easter First Reading: Acts 3: 1-10 Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35		9.15am	Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie 10am Gospel Discussion Group 10.30am Coordinating Team meeting 5pm Social Justice Meeting
Thursday 4 th April	Thursday Within the Octave of Easter First Reading: Acts 3: 11-26 Gospel: Luke 24: 35-48			
Friday 5 th April	Friday Within the Octave of Easter First Reading: Acts 4:1-12 Gospel: John 21: 1-14		9.15am	Mass celebrated by Fr Jamie 9.45am Adoration 1pm Funeral for Lawrie Corcoran
Saturday 6 th April	Saturday Within the Octave of Easter First Reading: Acts 4:13-21 Gospel: Mark 16:9-15		6pm	5.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass celebrated by Fr Jamie
Sunday 7 th April	Second Sunday of Easter First Reading: Acts 4:32-35 Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6 Gospel: John 20:19-31		8.30am	Sunday Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie 9.30am Morning Tea 4pm Sacred Singers

MINISTERS FOR MASS

Saturday/ Sunday, 6th/7th April 2024 – Week 1

Please remember to advise Parish Office if unable to attend or find a replacement. Thanks for all you do. 😊

	6pm Vigil Mass	8.30am Mass	
Co-ordinator:	Tim Fitzgerald & Carol Lovell	Sandra Neale	Wk 5 roster to apply today due to School Holidays
Welcomers:	Judy Sheehan & Kathy Reilly	Carol Ryall & Trish Zeller	
Altar Server:			
AV Operator:	Ed Briffa	Noela Nolan	
Parish Morning Tea:			
Readers:	Mary O'Brien & Margaret Wyllie	Trish Zeller and David Tutty	
Prayer of the Faithful:	Carol Lovell	Monica Gundry	
Offertory:	Trevor Wyllie & Catherine Hanna	Denis & Marie McAleer	
Minister of Communion:	Ciborium: Celia Warr Chalice: Regina Ryan & Chris Gwydir	Ciborium: Gail Johnson Chalice: Carol Ryall, Noela Nolan	
Music:	Tom Hodgson & singers	Anne- Marie Spalding & Singers	
Collectors:	Michael & Mary O'Brien	Tony Meldon & Peter Wilkes	
Money Counters:		Collections – 24th March	
This Week – 31^s March	Parish Office	Planned Giving - \$490.00	
Next Week – 7th April	Kathy Reedy, Tom Kelly	Loose - \$780.50	

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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.