STANTHONY'S PARISH

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NEWSLETTER

18th & 19th May, 2024

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"A Place at the Table for All"

Church Opening Hours

Tuesday to Friday: 8.30am - 2.30pm

Saturday: 5.15pm – 7.15pm

Sunday: 8am - 10am

Closed Monday

Office Hours –

Tuesday to Friday 8.30am- 2.30pm CLOSED Monday & Weekends

> 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.

Pentecost Sunday

First Reading – Acts 2:1-11 (They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak different languages.) Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 103 O God send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading – Galatians 5:16-25 (The fruit of the Spirit.)

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful

and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel – John 15:26-27; 16:12-15 (The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.)

The early bird can have the worm. I'll take coffee.

Parish Calendar of Events

May 19th - Sacramental Group meeting

May 21st – Friendship Group gathering

May 28th - Confirmation with Bishop Ken

May 29th – Finance Committee meeting

June 1st – Vigil Mass commences at 5pm for Winter June 1st/2nd - First Communion

Why do bees have sticky hair?

Because they use honeycombs.

Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer and remember those who have died recently: Trish Buckle, Krystyna Batorowicz, Joe Wagner, Peter Shepherd (*Katoomba*), Fr. Marty Larsen, Theresa Wallace, Ted Cavanagh, Trevor Kimmorley, Brian Radford, Michael O'Leary, Ken Shepherd, June Robertson

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Eugene Ryan, Brett Johnson, Jacqueline dÁranjo, Martha Yap, Christine Maher and Jenny Wallace and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Fr. William Murphy, Fr. Brian Moran, Fr. Vincent Maher, Rev Msgr. Patrick McMorrow, Fr. Thomas Isaac, Fr. Garrett Murphy, Fr. Michael Herbert, Rev Msgr. Thomas Nolan, Rev Msgr. Edward Concannon, Fr. Francis Hall.

We hold in prayer all those who are sick including the following Parishioners: Narelle Bailey, Daniel Bell, Rae Blinco, Brian Conrick, Mary Gilligan, Madeline (*Sally*) Gray, Neville Harris, Rita Irwin, Elsie Kirby, Malcolm Kirby, Mary Logan, Pat Madden, Margaret Pegler, Damian Potter, Trish Ryan, Val Saccasan, Vonnie Sherman, Rod Sleba, Pat Sullivan, Lucy Targato

As well as the following friends & family members: Regina Albion, Robbie Bailey (*Narelle's Dad*), Wendy Bailey (*Narelle's mum*), Jill Beardsmore, Liz Beduhn, Rachel Bennett, Brian & Hazel Bowtell, baby Tommy Bryant (*Great-grandson of Kevin & Trish Harris*), John Buckle (Trish's son), 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, Karen Graham (*Geoff's niece*), 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,, 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, Kevin Schick (*Val's brother*), Sally Sippel, Shane Schick (*Gail's son*), Silba Serem, Harley Stewart, Neil Syme, Brian Thomson, Greg Twidale, Denis & Ruth Volter, Kevin Wallace, Geoffrey Wells, Michael Wells, Martin Yong

Parish Milestones

Birthdays and Anniversaries for May –



Lloyd Bailey (75 on the 6th), James Hanna (50 on the 8th), Mary O'Brien (65 on the 16th), Anna Titlbach, Jill Sullivan, Gail Schick, Mark Copland, Jenn Stephens, John Roache, Betty Sheridan, Bernice Stevens, Abut Mawien, Kathryn Haynes, Bill Canning, Catherine McAleer, Rebecca More, Brenda Quaife, Louise Pfingst and Peter Wilkes all celebrate their birthdays.

Quaife celebrate their wedding Anniversaries.

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 | Tony Meldon - Chair | Fr Jamie |
| Louise Pfingst | Fr Jamie | Celia Warr |
| Nicole Rangiira | Tom Warren | Tim Fitzgerald |
| Kathy Reedy | Trevor Wyllie | Lloyd Bailey |
| Bob Frost | Peter Hanna | |
| Mary O'Brien | Keith Shepherd | Thank you to all who take |
| | Trish Zeller | on these roles in the |
| | Regina Ryan | governance of our parish. |
| | Noela Nolan | |

Like us on Facebook to receive updates and community information **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: Autumn edn available in the foyer - \$1Majellan Magazine:Available in the foyer - \$4eaCatholic Leader:Available by subscription only.Majellan Magazine:Available in the foyer - \$4eaSocial Justice Group:Meet 1st Wednesday monthly at 5pm (except Dec/Jan)Spm (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:Prayer of the Week:Each Wednesday.Circle Dancing:



Prayer of Gratitude

God, we thank you for the bounty of the earth, which provides us with the food we need for our sustenance and well-being. Bless these gifts that we gratefully receive, and give us the wisdom and responsibility to care for and protect the earth that provides us with love and abundance. Amen.

Social Justice News

Social Justice Thought for the Week:

Pentecost in Nature

Today we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost and we propose that you begin your day with a contemplative prayer in nature, invoking the Holy Spirit to guide you and allow you to perceive the divine presence in every element of creation. Encounter with Creation: A Guided Meditation –

- 1. Find a natural setting near your home that resonates with your spirit.
- 2. Disconnect your phone or switch to airplane mode to eliminate distraction. Consider setting an alarm for 15 to 20 minutes to guide your meditation session gently.
- 3. Approach your chosen spot and sit comfortably, allowing your hands to rest gently on your thighs. If possible, consider removing your shoes to establish a deeper connection with the earth.
- 4. Begin by taking three slow, deep breaths, allowing the rhythm of your breath to anchor you in the present moment.
- 5. Take in the landscape around you, immersing yourself in the sights, smells, colours, and sounds of nature. Seek to view everything with fresh eyes, embracing a new perspective.
- 6. Should thoughts arise during your meditation, acknowledge them without judgement and allow them to pass like leaves on a stream. Consider keeping a journal nearby to capture any persistent thoughts that arise, allowing you to return to them later if needed...

Remember, meditation is a practice. Be patient with yourself, and approach each session with openness and curiosity, free from expectation or self-criticism.

May this time of meditation deepen your connection with the beauty and sacredness of God's creation, nurturing your spirit and guiding you on your journey of faith.

Next meeting, Monday 3rd June at 5pm in Parish Office. All welcome!

Notes from May Social Justice Meeting:

Due to time clash with Abrahamic Faith gatherings, it was decided to trial a new meeting date – 1st Monday of the month at 5pm. Will discuss further at June meeting.

Winter Shelter will be starting again in June. Several volunteers from St Anthony's have attended training sessions and will join with St Theresa's for 3 Monday evenings throughout Winter program. Details in the newsletter explaining how you can help.

Laudato Si week is coming up – 16-26 May. Household recycling tips to be printed in newsletter.

'Palestine Under Siege' movie to be shown at St Pat's Conference room on 19th May.

All welcome, book via www.trybooking.com/CRLAB

Next meeting in the Parish Office on MONDAY, 3rd JUNE at 5pm. All Welcome!

Toowoomba Catholic Winter Shelter 2024:

Dates for 2024:

10/06 – St Theresa's

- 24/06 St Thomas More's
- 08/07 St Theresa's
- 22/07 St Thomas More's
- 05/08 St Theresa's
- 19/08 St Thomas More's
- Volunteer Opportunities:
- In person -
 - Assist with setting up the Church (3-4pm on the Monday)
 - Evening meal with guests (5-10pm) welcome, serving of meal, sharing of meal with guest, wash up, fellowship
 - Overnight (2 people from 10pm-2am and 2 people from 2-6am)
 - Breakfast and pack-up (6-8am on the Tuesday)
- Other Volunteer Opportunities
 - Purchase of socks, small bag of lollies, toiletries to place on beds
 - Cooking of a main meal, dessert
 - Cooking of biscuits or slices to share on welcome and to take away the next day
 - Washing of the linen on the Tuesday (each church has their own set so have some time to complete)

Please contact the Parish Office (4636 1737) if you are able to assist in ANY way.

Parish News

Vigil Mass Time for Winter: Starting next month on 1st June, Vigil Mass will commence at the earlier time of 5pm until end of August

National Volunteer Week:

National Volunteer Week is Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteering and is held from 20 - 26 May. This year's theme is; Something for Everyone. To all the volunteers out there, we want to thank you for the incredible work you do each and every day. Your efforts don't go unnoticed, and you are significantly impacting this community and beyond.





PENTECOST MOMENTS IN THE EVERYDAY

This week the priests of the Diocese have been meeting (over two days) with Bishop Ken Howell.

The days could easily have been described as a real PENTECOST moment for the local church. Bishop Ken outlined his desire to "Look, Listen and Learn" in these relatively early stages of his tenure as Bishop of Toowoomba.

He said that we must value, and even treasure the past, but we should not live there. Pilgrim people are always moving forward.

Sr. Monica Cavanagh led us in our discussion, drawing on the Synod on Synodality as basis for our deliberations. Synodality – 'everybody journeying together' – is a profound movement of the Holy Spirit and represents a diversity that requires active discernment with the whole church.



Synodality is a spiritual journey, discerning the call of God to the church of today to be a church in dialogue with the world. A synodal church is a "church going forth" – a missionary church 'whose doors are open'.

We were encouraged to look at synodality as *a process*, a way of life – and not just something that happens and then it is over. The process could be described listening > then dialogue > to discernment and > to decision making, that leads to > action.

Pope Francis encourages us to look at a synodal church as a church which listens – more than simply hearing. It is that we must be open to listening to the heartbeat of the world, for listening breathes love and grace into others stories.

The question put to us as a presbyterate, we could ask of ourselves, attentively listening to God: "How do I listen to the movement of God in my life? This contemplative dialogue process used in our discussion was called "Conversations in the Spirit". What emerged from our conversation was a desire to strike a balance in our communities.

A balance between ministry and administration. A balance between the role of the ordained minister and the lay faithful. Utilising the gifts of all of the people, but not getting caught in an institutional process. As priests we must move towards taking practical steps to affirm and encourage the gifts of the lay faithful.

When looking to where we should be as a diocese in five years' time, the statement was made to 'release the spirit among the people' and look to a whole new way of operating and don't be afraid of making mistakes. As the late Fr. Jeff Scully used to say in Quilpie: "keep the rumour of God alive!" – by walking down the street and talking to people!

Sounds like a real PENTECOST moment to me.

Fr. Jamie

Scripture Readings – Pentecost Sunday

First Reading – Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.



Now there were devout people living in Jerusalem from every nation under

heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, all bewildered to hear these people speaking their own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these speakers are Galileans? How does it happen that we all hear them in our own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The Word of God.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 46 O God, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Bless your God, my soul! O God, how great you are, how many are your works, O God! The earth is full of your riches. [R]

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came.

You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. [R]

May your glory O God, last for ever! May you rejoice in your works! May my thoughts be pleasing to you. I find my joy in you, O God. **[R]**

Second Reading – Galatians 5:16-25

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: indecent behaviour; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desires.

Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

The Word of God.

Gospel Acclamation -

Alleluia, alleluia! Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel - John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Jesus said to the disciples:

'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes you will be led to the complete truth, since the Spirit will not be speaking as from the Spirit's own authority but will say only what has been learnt; telling you of the things to come. The Spirit will glorify me, since all you will be told will be taken from what is mine. Everything God has is mine; that is why I said:

All the Spirit tells you will be taken from what is mine.' The Gospel of the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READINGS for Daily Mass (Australian Liturgical Calendar): http://www.universalis.com/Australia/1000/mass.htm Navigate the daily Scripture readings for the week ahead using the right-hand column.



Homily Of Pope Benedict XVI 4 June 2006

On the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descended with power upon the Apostles; thus began the mission of the Church in the world.

Jesus himself prepared the Eleven for this mission, appearing to them on many occasions after his Resurrection (cf. Acts 1: 3).

Prior to the Ascension into Heaven, he ordered them "not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father" (cf. Acts 1: 4-5); that is, he asked them to stay together to prepare themselves to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. And they gathered in prayer with Mary in the Upper Room, awaiting the promised event (cf. Acts 1: 14).

To stay together was the condition laid down by Jesus in order to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit; the premise of their harmony was prolonged prayer. In this way we are offered a formidable lesson for every Christian community.

Some think at times that missionary effectiveness depends primarily on careful programming and its subsequent intelligent application through a concrete commitment.

The Lord certainly does ask for our collaboration, but before any other response his initiative is necessary: his Spirit is the true protagonist of the Church. The roots of our being and of our action are in the wise and provident silence of God.

The images used by St Luke to indicate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit - wind and fire - recall Sinai, where God revealed himself to the people of Israel and offered his covenant (cf. Ex 19: 3ff.). The feast of Sinai, which Israel celebrated 50 days after the Passover, was the feast of the Covenant. Speaking of the tongues of fire (cf. Acts 2: 3), St Luke wants to show Pentecost as a new Sinai, as the feast of the New Covenant, where the Covenant with Israel is extended to all the nations of the earth.

The Church has been catholic and missionary from her birth. The universality of salvation is meaningfully manifested with the list of the numerous ethnic groups to which those who heard the Apostles' first proclamation belonged (cf. Acts 2: 9-11). The People of God, which had found its first configuration in Sinai, extends today to the point of surmounting every barrier of race, culture, space and time. As opposed to what occurred with the tower of Babel (cf. Gn 11: 1-9), when people wanted to build a way to heaven with their hands and ended up by destroying their very capacity of mutual understanding, in Pentecost the Spirit, with the gift of tongues, demonstrates that his presence unites and transforms confusion into communion.

Human pride and egoism always create divisions, build walls of indifference, hate and violence. The Holy Spirit, on the other hand, makes hearts capable of understanding the languages of all, as he re-establishes the bridge of authentic communion between earth and heaven. The Holy Spirit is Love. But how is it possible to enter into the mystery of the Holy Spirit? How can the secret of Love be understood?

The Gospel passage takes us today to the Upper Room where, after the Last Supper, a sense of loss has saddened the Apostles. This is due to the fact that Jesus' words arouse disturbing questions: He spoke of the world's hatred of him and of his own, he spoke of his mysterious departure; and there were still many other things to be said, but for the time being the Apostles were not able to bear the weight (cf. Jn 16: 12).

To console them, he explains the meaning of his departure: he will go, but he will return; meanwhile, he will not abandon them, will not leave them orphans. He will send the Consoler, the Spirit of the Father, and the Spirit will enable them to understand that Christ's work is a work of love: love of the One who gave himself, love of the Father who has given him. This is the mystery of Pentecost: the Holy Spirit illuminates the human spirit and, by revealing Christ Crucified and Risen, indicates the way to become more like him, that is, to be "the image and instrument of the love which flows from Christ" (Deus Caritas Est, n. 33).



The Church, gathered with Mary as at her birth, today implores: "Veni, Sancte Spiritus! - Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love!". Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful – Pentecost Sunday

PRESIDER: Dear friends, the Holy Spirit has kindled the fire of love in our hearts. In the warmth and power of that love, let us pray for the human family with all its joys and hopes and griefs and anxieties.

We pray for a world-wide awakening to the wonder of creation, that all of humankind will delight in and cherish the gift God has entrusted to our care. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the blessing of peace on our fractured and violent world, that children in every place of bloodshed, anger and injustice can play safely again. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the light of truth to shine out across the world, that the dark power of social media for falsehood and disinformation will be exposed and disarmed. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the Australian church, that under the patronage of Mary, Help of Christians, it will respond with enterprise to the challenge of contemporary unbelief and disregard. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the doctors, nurses and carers who minister to those approaching the end of their lives, that Palliative Care Week (19-25 May) will help make their work of compassion better understood and appreciated. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who received the sacraments of Christian initiation this Easter, that they will continue to grow in the life of the Spirit and bear joyful witness to Christ. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the children preparing for Confirmation and First Holy Communion, that they be supported by their families and this community of faith as they take this important step in their journey of faith. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died recently Trish Buckle, Krystyna Batorowicz, Joe Wagner, Peter Shepherd, Fr. Marty Larsen, Theresa Wallace, Ted Cavanagh, Trevor Kimmorley, Brian Radford, Michael O'Leary, Ken Shepherd, June Robertson . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time Eugene Ryan, Brett Johnson, Jacqueline dÁranjo, Martha Yap, Christine Maher and Jenny Wallace that they will be raised to eternal life by the Spirit of the risen Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

PRESIDER: Holy God, your Spirit anoints us with wisdom and love. Impel us by these gifts to renew the face of the earth. We ask this through Christ, our risen Lord. Amen

Diocesan News

Multi-Faith Event: National Peace Conference - Social Flourishing

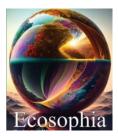
Date: Saturday, 18th May *Time:* **9:00am-1:30pm** Where: St Patrick's Cathedral Centre, Neil Street Tmba Multi-Faith Multicultural Centre PLLCA is once again hosting a peace conference. The guest speaker is Professor Edwina Pio. She is the Director of Diversity and a Professor of Diversity at Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand. Register for free at Humanitix. Flyers in foyer. For more information, please email to events.mfmcc@gmail.com

Movies that Matter- Palestine Under Siege Sunday 19th May 6.30pm www.trybooking.com/CRLAB St Patrick's Conference Room. Flyers available in Foyer.



St Patrick's Parish Centre Conference Room 123 Neil Street, Toowoomba.

CAR PARK entrance from Lawrence Street Entrance to Conference Room OPPOSITE Bingo Hall.



Movie: Ecosophia

Date: Thursday 23rd May Time: 6:00pm

Where: Online via Zoom, book here This is one for the theologians and those interested in eco-spirituality. Explore the interrelation between energy, the economy, resources, population, psychology, spirituality, the biosphere and the limits to growth and climate change. Presented by Catholic Earthcare. Watch trailer.

NATIONWIDE ROSARY: Saturday 25th May at St. Patricks Cathedral at 2:00pm. Let us unite with the nation to Honour Our Lady Help of Christians.



Biggest Morning Tea:

Steps Network Group is hosting a morning tea to support those impacted by cancer. Monday **27th May** St Anthony's Community Centre **10am-12noon**. Entry fee is \$5 Please RSVP to Mary-Ann on 0409 592 863. Flyers available in Foyer.

Upcoming Dates to remember:

- Ecumenical Seminar : 21st to 23rd June *"Let God recharge your batteries".* Speaker: Rev Bruce Johnson. Further information closer to the date.
- Saturday 13th July 9.30am to 12noon. Margaret Naylon from Brisbane Archdiocese will be presenting a presentation on a number of topics relating to Christian Faith Place: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre 196 Charlotte St Brisbane. This presentation will be live streamed. Further information closer to the date.
- 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.
- Reunion: St Saviours College Night at the Races
 31st August 5pm Toowoomba Turf Club. Further information to follow.
- Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage 15th Oct 26th Oct 2024. Flyers in Foyer.
- Magi Pilgrimages 28th Oct 12th Nov 2024. Flyers in foyer.



Missionary Sisters Of Service (MSS) 80 Years Since Foundation

Date: Sunday 14th JulyTime: 2:00pmWhere: St Anthony's Church, Memory St TmbaIt is with great joy that the MSS Sisters commemorate the 80th anniversary of their foundation in 2024. All are welcome to
join the Sisters in the Toowoomba Diocese for Mass, followed by afternoon tea.

To find out more about celebrations across the country and keep up to date with the MSS Sisters, see their latest newsletter and subscribe.

Sychar Website:

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

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



Laudato Si' Week is a celebration held annually in May to mark the anniversary of Pope Francis' landmark encyclical on caring for creation. Sponsored by the Vatican's Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, this global celebration unites Catholics to listen and respond together to the cry of creation, rejoice in the progress we have made in bringing Laudato Si' to life, and intensify our efforts through the Laudato Si' Action Platform as well as other opportunities for education and action. In Laudato Si' Week 2024, let us gather in community to contemplate the wonder of creation and nurture seeds of hope for our "suffering planet" (LD 2). Laudate Deum is a reminder about the urgency of the Laudato Si' message and the need for both



19-26 May

personal and cultural transformation amidst our ecological and climate crises. This year's Laudato Si' Week theme is inspired by the symbol for Season of Creation 2024, "first fruits." Let us be seeds of hope in our lives and our world, rooted in faith and love.

PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

| PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM | | | | | |
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| Date | Readings | | Mass | Parish Life | |
| Sunday 19 th May | Pentecost Sunday First Reading: Acts 2:1-11 Second Reading: Romans 8:22-27 Gospel: John 7:37-39 | | 8.30an | n Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie 9.30am Morning Tea 10am Sacramental Program meeting | |
| Monday 20 th May | The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church First Reading: Genesis 3:9-15 20 Gospel: John 19:25-34 | | | OFFICE CLOSED 11am Funeral for Trish Buckle 4pm SVDP Meeting | |
| Tuesday 21 st May | Tuesday of the 7 th Week in ordinary time First Reading: James 4:1-10 Gospel: Mark 9:30-37 | | | 10am Friendship Group gathering 5.30pm Music planning meeting | |
| Wednesday 22 nd May | Wednesday of the 7th Week in ordinary time First Reading: James 4:13-17 Gospel: Mark 9:38-40 | | 9.15am | Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie 10am Gospel Discussion Group 10.30am Coordinating Team meeting | |
| Thursday 23 rd May | Thursday of the 7 ^h week in ordinary time First Reading: James 5:1.6 Gospel: Mark 9:41-50 | | | | |
| Friday 24 th May | Our Lady Help of Christians First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 Second Reading: James 3:13-18 Gospel: Luke 1:39-56 | | 9.15am | Mass celebrated by Fr. JamieLive-stream12.30pm Sew n Chat | |
| Saturday 25 th May | Saturday of the 7 th Week in ordinary time First Reading: James 5:13-20 Gospel: Mark 10:13-16 | | 6pm | 5.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie | |
| Sunday 26 th May | The Most Holy Trinity First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40 Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17 Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20 | | 8.30an | n Mass celebrated by Fr. Jamie 9.30am Morning Tea | |
| MINISTERS FOR MASS Saturday/ Sunday, 25th & 26th May 2024 – Week 4 | | | | | |
| Please remember to advise Parish Office if unable to attend or find a replacement. Thanks for all you do. 🗐 | | | | | |
| Constructions | | 6pm Vigil Mass | | 8.30am Mass Trish Zeller | |
| Co-ordinator: Welcomers: | | Celia Warr and Chris Gwydir Carol Lovell and Marg Nolan | | Tony Meldon & Jan Barsby | |
| Altar Server: | | Harlon Fernando | | | |
| AV Operator: | | | | David Tutty | |
| Parish Morning Tea: | | | | Nicole Rangiira's Team | |
| Readers: | | Cherene Brandt and Judy Sheehan | | Jan Barsby and Helen Warren | |
| Prayer of the Faithful: | | Leandra Fernando | | Joan Nugent | |
| Offertory: | | Michael and Mary O'Brien | | Sandra Neale, Susan & Martiin Tek | |

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Ciborium: Sandra Neale

Tom and Helen Warren

Loose -

Anne-Maree Spalding and singers

Collections – 12th May

Planned Giving - \$365.00

\$658.50

Chalice: Marie McAleer and Monica Gundry

CHILD SAFE PARISH

Ciborium: Carol Lovell

Sr Maria and singers

Chalice: Regina Ryan and Celia Warr

Denise Hopwood and Barry Turner

Brenda Thomas & Tony Meldon

Jenn Stephens and Tony Meldon

Minister of Communion:

Music:

Collectors:

Money Counters:

This Week – 19th May

Next Week – 26th May

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.