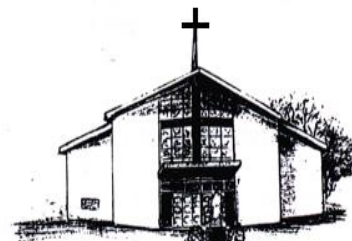


ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH



Parish Priest: Fr. Jamie Collins
Chair Parish Council:
Parish Secretary: Mrs Noela Nolan
Admin Support Officer: Mrs Leesa Sheridan
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NEWSLETTER

September 28/29th, 2024.

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"A Place at the Table for All"

Office Hours –
Tuesday 8.30am – 1.30pm
Wednesday to Friday 8.30am - 2.30pm
CLOSED Monday & Weekends

Church Opening Hours
Tuesday: 8.30am – 1.30pm
Wed to Friday: 8.30am – 2.30pm
Saturday: 6.15pm – 7.15pm
Sunday: 8am - 10am
Closed Monday

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.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Numbers 11:25-29

Responsorial Psalm – *The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.*

Second Reading – James 5:1-6

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth Alleluia!

Gospel – Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



Important Dates Coming Up

September 28 & 29 – Migrant & Refugee Sunday

September 30 – Special PPC Meeting

September 30 – School Term Begins

October 4 – Adoration (First Friday)

October 6 – Children's Liturgy

October 13 – Afternoon Tea to celebrate Fr. Jamie's 25th Anniversary of Ordination



Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently: Tom Schick (*Val's brother*), Terry Butler;

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Priscilla Neale, Nell Collins, Alan Hahn, Dawn Cartwright, Agnes Hanna;

and for 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 Lino Valente, Rev Fr Frances Burke, Rev Fr Michael Skehan, Rev Fr Clarence Leahy, Rev Fr Neil O'Donoghue;

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

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, Rebecca Clayton, Shirley Davies, Roslyn Day, Marie Deane and Yvonne Gay (*Margaret Dunlop's sisters*), Kevin Collins, Denis Dwan, Sr Zoe (*Christina*) Fitzpatrick (PBVM), 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*), Stephen Mackenzie (*Pam Hahn's son*), Roz Martin, Jan Masters, Brendan Middleton, Frank Miller, Sir Frank Moore (*Carol Ryall's brother*), Hanna Muir, Paul Murphy, Peter Nolan (*Rockhampton*), Neil O'Connor, Paul Park, Kevin Schick (*Val's brother*), Sally Sippel, Silba Serem, Harley Stewart, Neil Syme, Brian Thomson, Greg Twidale, Denis & Ruth Volter, Des Waldron, Kevin Wallace, Geoffrey Wells, Michael Wells, Martin Yong.



Birthdays & Anniversaries for September: Marie Fitzpatrick, Carol Ryall, Don McKechnie, Ann-Maree Spalding, Geoffrey Wells, Dominique Buckley, Patrick Donohue, Veronica Jais, Adut Mawien, Margaret Pegler, Angela Britton, Cushla Randall.
Anniversaries: Greg & Deb Bowdler, Peter & Betty Sheridan. CONGRATULATIONS!

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS	PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PARISH CO-ORDINATING TEAM
Fr Jamie Louise Pflugst Brett Rangiira – Chair Kathy Reedy – Secretary Bob Frost Mary O’Brien Marg Nolan Theo Fernando Shane Hair Nicole Rangiira Chrys Chryshanthan	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!**

Adoration: 1st Friday monthly at 9.45am (after Mass)

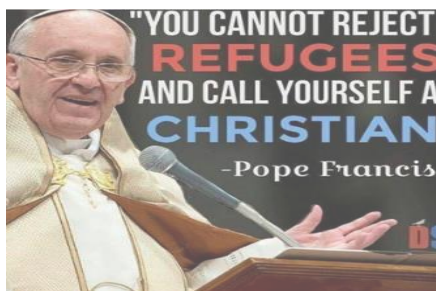
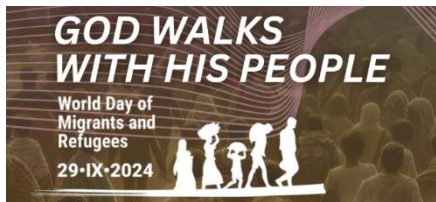
The Swag: New Spring edition available in the foyer - \$1 **Catholic Leader:** Available by subscription only.

Social Justice Group: Meet 1st Monday 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 Parish Office. All welcome.

Parish Coordinating Team: Meet each Wednesday. **Circle Dancing:** 1.30pm Wednesday during school term.



**The Prayer of Pope Francis for the
110th World Day of Migrants & Refugees 2024**

God, Almighty Father, we are your pilgrim Church journeying towards the Kingdom of heaven.

We live in our homeland, but as if we were foreigners. Every foreign place is our home, yet every native land is foreign to us.

Though we live on earth, our true citizenship is in heaven.

Do not let us become possessive of the portion of the world you have given us as a temporary home.

Help us to keep walking, together with our migrant brothers and sisters, toward the eternal dwelling you have prepared for us.

Open our eyes and our hearts so that every encounter with those in need becomes an encounter with Jesus, your Son and our Lord.

Amen.

Social Justice News

Thought for the Week: 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Pope Francis’s theme for the 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is “God walks with his people”. He says that “Many migrants experience God as their travelling companion, guide and anchor of salvation”. Through their exile, wilderness journey and final arrival, the people who were following Moses discovered that they were really following God, who went before them and walked alongside them. The meeting tent that protected the ark of the covenant was a symbol of this presence; of a God who stayed close along the journey.

So many migrants and refugees face such challenges and difficulties along their way. They can be separated from families and loved ones, lost, bereaved, exhausted, hurt or afraid of the future. They can experience people who are unwelcoming or hostile to them in their time of vulnerability. James in his letter today reminds us that God sees the disregard and injustice of the rich and comfortable. Our relationship with those who are suffering has eternal implications.



Parish & Diocesan News

GOD WALKS WITH HIS PEOPLE:

"... God not only walks with his people, but also within them, in the sense that he identifies himself with men and women on their journey through history, particularly with the least, the poor and the marginalized. In this we see an extension of the mystery of the Incarnation. ..." *Pope Francis*



As Pope Francis says, God not only walks *with* migrants and refugees, but *within* them. God "identifies himself with men and women on their journey through history, particularly with the least, the poor and the marginalised." In serving the least of our brothers and sisters, we encounter Jesus himself.

Therefore, as a Church walking a synodal journey together, we recognise God as our true guide along the way. We see value in shared leadership and our responsibility to welcome the stranger. In the symbols of our liturgy, we remember God's enduring presence, walking alongside and within each one of us.

May our prayer be: "To continue to keep walking, together with our migrant brothers and sisters, toward the eternal dwelling you have prepared for us. Open our eyes and our hearts so that every encounter with those in need becomes an encounter with Jesus, your Son and our Lord. Amen".

THE WEEK'S PRAYER FOCUS

We pray for the all the lay faithful of the church, that the way for us to contribute in full to its life and mission will be laid open.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: St Vincent's Care Services (Lourdes Home), 227 Spring Street, Toowoomba, is looking for volunteers to help in the following areas: **Communion Ministry** Tuesday mornings (contact Pastoral Care on 0447 720 604)- **Rosary Groups** Tues, Wed & Thu (contact Pastoral Care on 0447 720 604) – **Assist residents** to play Bingo on a Thursday morning (contact Rod, Lifestyle, on 4592 6900) -**1-on-1 Social visits** Monday to Friday (contact Rod, Lifestyle, on 4592 6900). If anyone has a couple of hours to spare, it would be greatly appreciated.



BUS TRIP: heading to the Marian Valley for the Opening and Blessing of the Divine Mercy Chapel **Date:** Saturday 5th October 2024. **Time:** Bus departs: 7.30am Neil St Toowoomba – Outside St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Office **Cost:** \$50 **RSVP:** Theresa 0434 528 904

PARISH MORNING TEA: On Sunday 13th October there will not be a Morning Tea following Mass as we will be celebrating Fr Jamie's 25 years of Ordination with an Afternoon Tea at 2pm on that day.

JUBILEE OF ORDINATION MASS: **Date:** Wednesday October 16, 2024
Time: 11:00am **Where:** St Patrick's Cathedral, Toowoomba
Bishop Ken Howell warmly invites all parishioners to celebrate milestone Jubilees of Ordination for some of our priests at a special Mass. Fr. Kerry Costigan will mark 60 years of Ordination. Fathers Jim Cronin and John Maher will mark 50 years of Ordination. Fathers Jamie Collins and Michael O'Brien will mark 25 years.



WEDNESDAY 16TH OCTOBER: Due to the Jubilee Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral there will be no Mass here on that day. The Gospel Discussion Group and Co-ordinating Team Meeting will also be cancelled as the office will be closed to Parish Staff can attend the Mass.

CATHOLIC MISSION: This month you are invited to support the Church in Mongolia on their journey to provide more support for vulnerable people in need. Freecall: 1800 257 296 - catholicmission.org.au/mongolia. Mission Sunday will be held in our Parish in Mid October.

HORIZONS: The latest edition of the Diocesan Magazine, "Horizons" is now available in the church foyer.

Scripture Readings



First Reading – Numbers 11:25-29

The Most High God came down in the cloud and spoke with Moses, then took some of the spirit that was on Moses and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them, they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one named Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell Moses, 'Look Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua, the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of God were prophets and the Spirit of the Most High were upon them all!'

The Word of God

Responsorial Psalm: The precepts of our God give joy to the heart.

The law of our God is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of our God is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. **(R)**

The fear of God is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of God are truth and all of them just. **(R)**

So, in them your servant finds instruction; great reward is in their keeping. But who can detect all one's own errors? From hidden faults acquit me. **(R)**

From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me. Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin. **(R)**

Second Reading – James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the God of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your hearts content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The Word of God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth.

Alleluia!



Gospel – Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayers of the Faithful

Twenty- Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Presider: Brothers and sisters, God journeyed with the Israelite people on the way to the Promised Land. Trusting in God's presence and providence, we submit our needs as we unite together in prayer.

1. For Pope Francis and all church leaders.

May they be filled with the spirit of prophecy to speak God's word in places of wilderness and despair. Lord, hear us.

2. For governments and social service providers.

May they be generous in their welcome and care for those leaving oppression, abuse, insecurity or discrimination as refugees, or those finding family, work or wellbeing as migrants. Lord, hear us.

3. For those who are lost, exhausted or who face obstacles in their migrant journey.

May they know God's presence along the way, and may we respond in kindness with even a cup of water. Lord, hear us.

4. For those who find themselves as strangers in a new land.

May we recognise Jesus within them as we offer friendship and sustenance. Lord, hear us.

5. For our parish community.

May we walk the synodal journey together as we practice the habits of our eternal dwelling with God. Lord, hear us.

6. For those who have died, especially along the way of migrant journeys.

We remember Tom Schick and Terry Butler who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur about this time. May they find their place of rest in the Kingdom of God. Lord, hear us.

Presider: God of truth, you see every act of hospitality or rejection. Move within us to walk with those who are suffering on the way to justice, peace and freedom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Over the last couple of months, at the encouragement of Bishop Ken Howell, many discussions have been taking place regarding the staffing of parishes across the City of Toowoomba. With the pending retirement of Fr. John Quinlan at Our Lady of Lourdes we have been tasked with the challenge of formulating a plan of how we may continue to operate into the future as two parishes (Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Anthony's) but sharing the pastoral ministry of one priest. Parish Pastoral Councils from both parishes have met and are working towards implementing a plan, with the support of the Bishop, in the early part of next year. The current Chair of our Parish Pastoral Council, Brett Rangjira will speak to how the process is unfolding at our Masses here at St. Anthony's this weekend.

Fr. Jamie

PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM

Date	Readings	Mass Times	Parish Life
Sunday 29 th September 26 th week in Ordinary Time	First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29 Second Reading: James 5:1-6 Gospel: Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48	8.30am	Mass (Fr Jamie) World Day of Migrants and Refugees 9:30am Morning Tea
Monday 30 th September Saint Jerome	First Reading: Job 1:6-22 Gospel: Luke 9:46-50		OFFICE CLOSED 4pm SVDP Meeting
Tuesday 1 st October Saint Therese of the Child Jesus	First Reading: Job 3:1-3,11-17,20-23 Gospel: Luke 9:51-56		
Wednesday 2 nd October The Holy Guardian Angels	First Reading: Exodus 23:20-23 Gospel: Matthew 18:1-5,10	9.15am	Weekday Mass (Fr. Jamie) 10am Gospel Discussion 10.30am Coordinating Team
Thursday 3 rd October 26 th week in Ordinary Time	First Reading: Job 19:21-27 Gospel: Luke 10:1-12		
Friday 4 th October Saint Francis of Assisi	First Reading: Job 38:1,12-21, 40:3-5 Gospel: Luke 10:13-16	9.15am	Mass (Fr. Jamie) <i>Live-stream</i> 9.45am Adoration
Saturday 5 th October 26 th week in Ordinary Time	First Reading: Job 42:1-3,5-6,12-17 Gospel: Luke 10:17-24	6.00pm	5.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass (Fr. Jamie)
Sunday 6 th October 27 th week in Ordinary Time	First Reading: Genesis 2:18-24 Second Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11 Gospel: Mark 10:2-16	8.30am	Mass (Fr. Jamie) 9:30am Morning Tea 4pm Sacred Singers

MINISTERS FOR MASS

Saturday/ Sunday, 5 & 6 October - Week 1

	6pm Vigil Mass	8.30am Mass
Co-ordinator:	Marg Nolan & Celia Warr	School Rep & Sr Maria
Welcomers:	Denise Hopwood & Trevor Wyllie	School
Altar Server:	Damian Wyllie	
AV Operator:	Ed Briffa	Noela Nolan
Parish Morning Tea:		Michael & Mary O'Brien
Readers:	Cherene Brandt & Jenn Stephens	School
Prayer of the Faithful:	Gill Brandt	School
Offertory:	Denise Hopwood & Terese Hanna	School
Minister of Communion:	Ciborium: Lloyd Bailey Chalice: Carol Lovell & Marg Nolan	Ciborium: Louise/Aaron Chalice: David Tutty & Marie McAleer
Music:		Ann- Marie Spalding & School Choir
Collectors:	Michael O'Brien & Tom Kelly	Susan Tek & Lawrence Kilroy
Money Counters:		Kathy Reedy & Tom Kelly
Ozcare October 1st October 8th	Celia Warr Ann Matthew	Collections – 22nd September Planned Giving – \$376.00 Loose – \$560.15

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ST. ANTHONY'S IS 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 Rangira 0437 382 408.**

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