

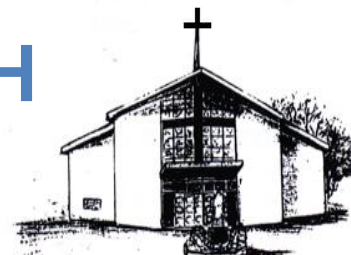
STANTHONY'S PARISH

NEWSLETTER

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24 & 25 May 2025
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Church Opening Hours
Tuesday to Friday: 8.30am-2.30pm
Saturday: 4.15pm-6.15pm
Sunday: 7am-9.30am
Closed Monday

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.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Reading – Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 (*It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves not to burden you beyond what is essential.*)

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 66:2-3, 5-6, 8. *O God, let all the nations praise you!*

Second Reading – Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23 (*He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.*)

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, alleluia! *I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!*

Gospel – John 14:23-29 (*The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.*)

Important Dates Coming Up:

Sunday 25 May	3.30pm Hymn practice (all welcome!)
Monday 26 May	National Sorry Day 4pm SVDP meeting 5:30pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
Wednesday 28 May	3:30pm Confirmation preparation
Saturday 31 May	4.15pm Reconciliation
Sunday 1 June	Ascension of the Lord St Anthony's School 70 th Anniversary Celebrations. Jubilee of Families, Children, Grandparents, and the Elderly



Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently: Cathy Herbert, Robie Jayawardhana, Bruce Macbeth, Albert Mattiazzi, Brian Eather, Seyeme Gaim;

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Martha Yap, Patricia Yong, John Drover, Jacqueline d'Aranjo, Eugene Ryan, Kevin Slattery;

and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Fr William Murphy, Fr Brian Moran, Fr Vincent Maher, Fr Francis Hall, Rev Msgr Patrick McMorrow, Fr Thomas Isaac, Fr Garrett Murphy, Fr Michael Herbert, Rev Msgr Thomas Nolan, Rev Msgr Edward Concannon;

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, Kerrie Hegarty, John Herzig, Rita Irwin, Elsie Kirby, Mal Kirby, Mary Logan, Pat Madden, Gloria McKechnie, Des O'Shea, Margaret Pegler, Trish Ryan, Vonnie Sherman, June Sinton, Pat Sullivan, Lucy Targato, David Toohey (*Vera's husband*), Barry Turner, Martin Yong;

As well as the following friends & family members: Regina Albion, Laurie Atzeni, Arthur & Michelle Baguley, Robbie Bailey (*Narelle's dad*), Wendy Bailey (*Narelle's mum*), Liz Beduhn, Marilyn Bell (*Christine Black's mum*), Brian & Hazel Bowtell, baby Tommy Bryant (*great-grandson of Kevin & Trish Harris*), Paddy & Therese Chapman, Kevin Collins, Shirley Davies, Roslyn Day, Denis Dwan, Marc Fitzgibbon, Sr Zoe (Christina) Fitzpatrick (PBVM), Marie Deane and Yvonne Gay (*Margaret Dunlop's sisters*), Mary Gleeson, Karen Graham (*Geoff's niece*), Gabby Hanlon (*Marie Heslop's niece*), Neville Harris (*Kevin's brother*), Cheryl Holmes, Jim & Nicholas Horder, Ann Johnson, Kye Johnson (*Chris Gwydir's grandson*), Lindsay Jones, Wayne Kirkland, Judy, Bob and Tracy Lehfeltdt, Stephen Mackenzie (*Pam Hahn's son*), Roz Martin, Jan Masters, Brendan Middleton, Frank Miller, Hanna Muir, Paul Murphy, Jacob Nolan (*Tom & Marg's grandson*), Peter Nolan (*Rockhampton*), Neil O'Connor, Paul Park, Kevin Schick (*Val's brother*), Silba Serem, Sally Sippel, Harley Stewart, Neil Syme, Brian Thomson, Greg Twidale, Denis & Ruth Volter, Kevin Wallace, Geoffrey Wells, Michael Wells.

Weekend Reflection

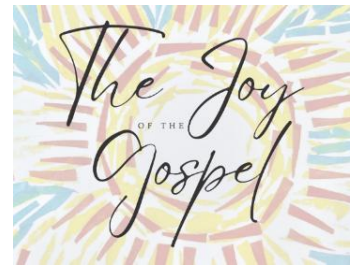
SPREADING THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL

The recent papal conclave captured the imagination of people the world over. Steeped in tradition and ritual the gathering of over 100 Cardinals went on to elect Leo XIV, who was installed as Pope last Sunday.

Unlike the secret deliberations of the papal conclave, Luke's Gospel today openly reports the arguments that Peter, Barnabas and Paul, and James present to the Council of Jerusalem.

However, many of the references are in sections of the Gospel that we don't often hear proclaimed at Sunday Mass. The speakers are of one mind. In today's terms we could see this Council as an exercise in synodality.

One can also see a parallel between its welcoming stance and the missionary outreach of Popes Francis and Leo. It encourages every Christian community to radiate the joy of the Gospel to all and sundry. Maybe it is true that 'everything old can be new again'.



THE WEEK'S PRAYER FOCUS

We pray for dioceses, parishes and all communities of believers, that they will be havens of hospitality for all in search of healing and hope.

Parish & Diocesan News



NEWS

Parish Finance Committee: The Parish Finance Committee is looking for new members to assist with the financial management of the Parish. The Committee currently meets on the **4th Tuesday** of each month at **6pm**. Please contact the Parish Office for further information if you are interested in joining!

Nationwide Rosary: A nationwide praying of the Rosary will be held at St Patrick's Cathedral at 2-4pm on **Saturday, 24 May**.

Cent Sale: The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver are holding a Cent Sale at St Patrick's Cathedral Centre at 1pm for a 1:30pm on **Saturday, 31 May**. Entry is \$10 (including 2 free sheets of tickets), and children 12 and under are free.

2025 SPRED Appeal: For nearly 40 years, SPRED (**SP**ecial **RE**ligious **D**evelopment) has been a beacon of hope and spiritual growth for adults with intellectual disabilities. As we near the end of the financial year, we invite you to contribute to SPRED's mission. Your support means more than just funding; it means giving hope, friendship, and a sense of belonging to those in our community. **Donate today:** www.twb.catholic.org.au/donate



World Mission Rosary Prayers: Monday-Friday, 1-31 May via Microsoft Teams. Please see flyer in foyer for link.

St Anthony's School 70th anniversary: Celebrations will take place at the school on **Sunday, 1 June**. Please note that instead of morning tea after Mass there will be a free morning tea at the School: all welcome. There will also be a coffee van with items available to purchase.

Multicultural Mass: St Patrick's Cathedral are having a Multicultural Mass at 9am on **Sunday, 8 June**. All welcome.

Sychar, Term Two: Schedule for **22 April-27 June** now available, please see notice in foyer.

Winter Camp for Teens: Four-day camp for Christian teens aged 12-17, **30 June – 3 July**. Please see flyer in foyer.

Horizons: Issue 73 is now available in the foyer and online <https://www.twb.catholic.org.au/horizons/>

Music request: Do you have any sheet music or music books appropriate for Mass that you would be happy to donate? We are looking to expand our collection and would be grateful for any contributions. ♪♪♪♪♪

Presbyteral Ordination of BJ Perrett: 6:30pm, **Thursday, 3 July**, St Patrick's Cathedral. Please **RSVP by 15 June** to stpatrikscathedral@twb.catholic.org.au

REMINDERS

Adoration: 1st Friday of the month at **9.45am** after Mass.

Social Justice Group: 1st Wednesday of the month at **5pm** in the Parish Office. All welcome.

Friendship Group: 3rd Tuesday of the month (except Dec/Jan), at **10am** in the Community Centre, \$2 donation. All welcome.

Gospel Discussion Group: each Wednesday at **10am** in the Parish Office. All welcome.



Birthdays for May: Anna Tittlbach, Theo Fernando, John Roache, Lloyd Bailey, Jill Sullivan, Gail Schick, Mark Copland, James Hanna, Jenn Stephens, Bernice Stevens, Abut Mawien, Mary O'Brien, Kathryn Haynes, Bill Canning, Catherine McAleer, Rebecca More, Brenda Quaife, Louise Pflingst, Joyce Bowe (98 years old on 29 May), Peter Wilkes.

Anniversaries: Michael & Helen Sweeney, Peter & Sharon Hanna, Peter & Brenda Quaife.

Parish Pastoral Council Members		Parish Finance Committee Members	Parish Coordinating Team	
Brett Rangiira (Chair)	Theo Fernando	Tony Meldon (Chair)	Father Jamie	Tim Fitzgerald
Father Jamie	Shane Hair	Father Jamie	Celia Warr	Lloyd Bailey
Louise Pfingst	Nicole Rangiira	Tom Warren	Noela Nolan	Gemma Betros
Kathy Reedy (Secretary)	Chrys Chryshanthan	Trevor Wyllie	<i>Thanks to all who take on these roles in the governance of our Parish.</i> 	
Bob Frost		Keith Shepherd		
Mary O'Brien		Trish Zeller		
Marg Nolan		Regina Ryan		
		Noela Nolan		

Social Justice News

SOCIAL JUSTICE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

How to undergo an ecological conversion:

We recognize that conversion is a grace of the Holy Spirit that is not fully dependent on our own actions. We know, however, that we can open ourselves to be available to receive the grace through prayer and commitment and enter a way of life that is in more line with Gospel values. At its most basic level, an ecological conversion involves four steps:

- 1. Recognizing that we have harmed creation**

By reading scientific reports, such as a [Living Planet Report](#), [IPCC Reports on Climate Change](#); by going through an ecological examen, checking our own [carbon footprint](#), conducting an energy audit, reviewing our consumption habits, looking for food/water/energy waste.

- 2. Repentance and turning to the Creator**

Praying, receiving the sacrament of penance, restitution, reading and meditating on Scripture.

- 3. Commitment to change and becoming good stewards of creation**

[Living Laudato Si'](#) in your day-to-day life (changing lifestyles, cultivating virtues, and attitudes mentioned in Laudato Si' 220).

- 4. Community conversion**

Identify the community you're connected with, for example, your parish, a [Laudato Si' Circle](#), or a [LSM chapter](#); identify ways how to transform it in order to live Laudato Si' and use helpful resources such as this [eco-parish guide](#) and the [Laudato Si' Encounter resource](#).



Ready to get started and/or progress along your ecological conversion? [Sign up for the free Laudato Si' Animator training course](#) that will help you understand the root causes of the climate crisis and give you the tools you need to lead your community in bringing Laudato Si' to life. <https://laudatosimovement.org/news/what-is-an-ecological-conversion-en-news/>

Feast for Freedom: The Feast for Freedom raised **\$400**. Proceeds will go to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre. Thank you to all who attended!

Laurie Reedy Collection: The Laurie Reedy Collection, which supports refugees and needy families in our local area, is being held this weekend, **24 & 25 May**.

National Sorry Day: Gathering to be held at 7:30am, **Monday, 26 May**, Yarning Circle, Gumbi Gumbi Gardens, UniSQ.



Sign-Up Time for Winter Shelter: Winter is nearly upon us, and we know that the homeless find life is harder when the weather turns cold and bleak. To support those who are homeless, seven different church communities have committed to providing food and shelter each night from **1 June to 31 August**. St Anthony's has promised to provide a meal on two separate occasions: **Friday, 6 June** and **Friday, 8 August**.

Please consider how you might lend a hand by signing up on the Winter Shelter form in the church foyer. For **Friday, 6 June**, dishes (to feed about 12 people) need to be dropped off at the Parish Office **before 2.30pm** or **between 3.30 and 4.00pm**. The meal will then be delivered to St Theresa's, the host parish for that evening. Please put your name on your dish so we can return it to St Anthony's. Many thanks and God bless you for your generosity in responding to this appeal.

PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM
(REMINDER: REGULAR SUNDAY MASSES NOW AT 8.15AM)

Date	Readings	Mass Times	Parish Life
Sunday 25 May Sixth Sunday of Easter	First Reading – Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Second Reading – Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23 Gospel – John 14:23-29	8.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) + Laurie Reedy Collection Morning tea after Mass
Monday 26 May Saint Philip Neri	First Reading – Acts 16:11-15 Gospel – John 15:26 – 16:4		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 4pm SVDP Meeting
Tuesday 27 May	First Reading – Acts 16:22-34 Gospel – John 16:5-11		
Wednesday 28 May	First Reading – Acts 17:15, 22 – 18:1 Gospel – John 16:12-15	9.15am	Liturgy of the Word (Deacon BJ) 10am Gospel Group 10.30am Coordinating Team meeting 1.30pm Circle Dance 3.30pm Confirmation preparation
Thursday 29 May	First Reading – Acts 18:1-8 Gospel – John 16:16-20		
Friday 30 May	First Reading – Acts 18:9-18 Gospel – John 16:20-23	9.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie, livestreamed)
Saturday 31 May The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	First Reading – Zephaniah 3:14-18 Gospel – Luke 1:39-56	5.00pm	4.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass (Fr Jamie)
Sunday 1 June The Ascension of the Lord	First Reading – Acts 1:1-11 Second Reading – Hebrews, 9:24-28, 10:19-23. Gospel – Luke 24:46-53	8.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) Please join us after Mass for St Anthony's School 70 th anniversary celebrations

MINISTERS FOR MASS – SATURDAY/SUNDAY, 31 May & 1 June – Week 1 Roster

	5pm Vigil Mass	8.15am Sunday Mass
Co-ordinators:	Tim Fitzgerald and Chris Gwydir	School Rep and Sister Maria
Welcomers:	Michael & Mary O'Brien	School
Altar Server:	Damian Wyllie	--
AV Operator:	Ed Briffa	Puondak Mwyin
Readers:	Jenn Stephens and Leandra Fernando	Family Sunday
Prayer of the Faithful:	Marg Wyllie	Family Sunday
Offertory:	Trevor Wyllie and Jenn Stephens	Family Sunday
Ministers of Communion:	Ciborium: Deacon BJ Chalice: Marg Nolan and Mary O'Brien	Ciborium: Deacon BJ Chalice: Louise/Aaron, Marie McAleer
Music:	Tom Hodgson and Choir	Anne-Marie Spalding and School Choir
Collectors:	Michael O'Brien, Denise Hopwood	Tony Meldon and Peter Wilkes
Parish Morning Tea:	--	St Anthony's School 70 th anniversary celebrations
Money Counters:		Collections, 17 & 18 May:
This Week – 18 May	Kathy Reedy and Tom Kelly	Planned Giving – \$ 280.00
Next Week – 25 May	Tony Meldon	Loose – \$ 891.00
		Project Compassion \$ 3866.70
Ozcare	27 May – Liturgy of the Word, Deacon BJ	3 June – Tim Fitzgerald

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St Anthony's Parish is committed to supporting the rights of everyone to be and feel safe. If you believe anyone is at immediate risk of harm you should phone 000 and report the matter to the police. Other concerns about the safety of children or vulnerable people may be raised with our **Parish Safeguarding Representative**, Nicole Rangiira (0437 382 408), the Diocesan Professional Standards Office ((07) 46381379, 0474565426, or profstandards@twb.catholic.org.au) or with the Queensland Professional Standards Office (1800 337 928 or <http://psoqld.catholic.net>).

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