

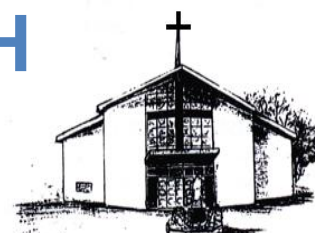
STANTHONY'S PARISH

NEWSLETTER

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Church Opening Hours
Tuesday to Friday: 8.30am-2.30pm
Saturday: 4.15pm-6.15pm
Sunday: 7.30am-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.*

Saints Peter and Paul

First Reading – Acts 12:1-11 (Now I know it is indeed true: the Lord has saved me from the power of Herod.)

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 33:2-9. The Lord set me free from all my fears.

Second Reading – 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 (All that remains now is the crown of righteousness.)

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

Gospel – Matthew 16:13-19 (You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.)

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Important Dates Coming Up

Saturday 28 June	5pm Vigil Mass and First Holy Communion	Wednesday 2 July	5pm Social Justice meeting
Sunday 29 June	8.15am Sunday Mass and First Holy Communion	Thursday 3 July	Presbyteral Ordination of BJ Perrett, 6.30pm St Patrick's Cathedral
Monday 30 June	4pm SVDP meeting	Friday 4 July	No Mass or Adoration
NAIDOC Week, 6-13 July			

Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently: Sr Elizabeth Ryall (RSM), Bill Canning;

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Selim Ghebru, Seyeme Ghebru, Agatha Dwyer, Rosanne Joyner, Sr Beryl Gleeson, Fr Jeffrey Scully, Carmelita Kruger, Ellie Pauli, Oswald Cran, Joe Andress, Hedy Hurlimann, Danielle Mardini, Hneneh Francis, Hanna Mardini, Wardeh Mardini, Saleem Mardini, Mari Mardini, Wardeh Motran, Mary Frost, Laurie Reedy, Caroline Cartwright, Lynette Kearey, Aileen Stacey;

and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Fr Joseph McKey, Fr Kevin Noble, Fr Charles Casey, Fr Joseph (Pat) Hall, Fr Thomas Sweeney, Fr John Sinnott, Fr Jeffrey Scully, Fr Thomas McCormack;

We hold in prayer all those who are sick including the following Parishioners: Narelle Bailey, Daniel Bell, Brian Conrick, Kath Donoghue, 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, Pat Martin, 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*), 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

Solemn Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles – June 29, 2025

Pope Francis address on today's great Feast this time last year provides us with a wonderful reflection on our Christian calling: "In the Gospel today... Jesus says to Simon, whom he named Peter, 'I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven' (Mt 16:19)... Those keys represent the ministry of authority that Jesus entrusted to him at the service of all the Church. Because authority is a service, and authority that is not service is dictatorship. Let us be careful, though, to understand well the meaning of this. Peter's keys, in fact, are the keys of a Kingdom, which Jesus does not describe as a safe or a vault, but with other images: a tiny seed, a precious pearl, a hidden treasure, a handful of leaven (cf. Mt 13:1-33), that is, like something precious and rich, yes, but at the same time small and inconspicuous. To reach it, therefore, one does not need to activate mechanisms and safety locks, but to cultivate virtues such as patience, attention, constancy, humility, service. Therefore, the mission that Jesus entrusts to Peter is not to bar the doors to the house, permitting entry only to a few select guests, but rather to help everyone find the way to enter, in faithfulness to the Gospel of Jesus. Everyone, everyone, everyone can enter.

And Peter did this throughout his life, faithfully, until his martyrdom, after having been the first to experience for himself, not without fatigue and with many setbacks, the joy and the freedom that come from the encounter with the Lord. He was the first to have to convert, and to understand that authority is a service, in order to open the door to Jesus, and it was not easy for him. Let us think: just after saying to Jesus, 'You are the Christ', the Master had to reproach him, because he refused to accept the prophecy of his passion and his death by the cross (cf. Mt 16:21-23). Peter received the keys to the Kingdom not because he was perfect, no – he was a sinner – but because he was humble, honest, and the Father had given him sincere faith (cf. Mt 16:17). Therefore, entrusting himself to God's mercy, he was able to support and fortify his brethren too, as had been asked of him (cf. Lk 22:32).

Today we can ask ourselves, then: do I cultivate the desire to enter, with God's grace, into his Kingdom, and to be, with his help, its welcoming guardian for others too? And to do so, do I let myself be "polished", softened, modelled by Jesus and his Spirit, the Spirit who dwells in us, in each one of us?

Parish & Diocesan News



ORDINATION OF BJ PERRETT

The Presbyteral Ordination of Deacon BJ Perrett will take place at **6:30pm on Thursday, 3 July**, St Patrick's Cathedral. As Deacon BJ approaches his Ordination, we offer the following prayer:

"As Deacon BJ draws near to ordination, strengthen his hands for service and give him a clear voice to proclaim your word. Be his example and his guide. Be his strength and his inspiration. Help him to always know his place as one who comes to serve and not to be served".

Special announcement: the Bishop has advised that Deacon BJ Perrett has been appointed to the Parishes of St Anthony's and Our Lady of Lourdes from 3 July until the end of 2025.

NEWS

Collection of St Peter's Pence: This weekend's special collection is a gesture of communion and participation in the Pope's mission to proclaim the Gospel, promote peace, and spread Christian charity. Every offering, large or small, will support the Holy Father in his ministry and his charitable activities in response to emergencies and needs around the world. Online donations can be made here: <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en/dona.html>

Ministry Rosters: Our new six-month rosters commence in August. If you haven't yet filled in a form, they are still available in the Parish foyer: please return completed forms to the foyer or the Parish office. We look forward to hearing from you!

Parish Financial Report: The Parish's financial report, outlining income and expenditure for 2023-24 and the projected budget for 2025-26, is now available in the Parish foyer. Thanks to Committee members for their efforts.

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.

Planned Giving: The end of the current financial year is fast approaching! A new set of envelopes (commencing July) is now available, although if you would like to change to a Direct Debit arrangement please advise Noela or complete and return the forms available in the foyer. If you are not yet a part of our Parish Planned Giving Program but would like to be, please contact Noela. Please note we will soon be offering another option - **Tap n Go**; more info to follow. Thank you to all those who contribute: the Parish relies on your financial support.

Call for Altar Servers: Children who have made the First Holy Communion, and all young women and men of the Parish are invited to consider becoming an altar server. Training for new and continuing altar servers will be taking place in mid-August. Please contact Deacon BJ or the Parish Office for further details.

Having trouble finding a park during the week? Remember that you can park in the School's Stop-Drop-Go area between 9am and 2.30pm.

The Sunshine Boys: SPRED is holding a fundraising evening at the Repertory Theatre on **8 July**. Tickets are \$25 each and include wine on arrival, a light supper at interval, and raffle tickets. Please contact the SPRED office for bookings: (07) 4632 8427 or spred@twb.catholic.org.au

Ecumenical Seminar: 'Spiritual Ecumenism', organised by Downs & Toowoomba Churches Together and presented by Dr Antonia Pizzey, will take place from **Friday 11 – Sunday 13 July** at St Ursula's College, Toowoomba. To register please contact John Agnew (agnewjj@yahoo.com.au) or Eric Donges (opaeric@gmail.com) by 30 June. Further information available in foyer.

St Anthony's Men's Group: St Anthony's Men's Group is a new social group for men that meets informally over lunch for conversation, companionship and a laugh. Lunches take place on the **4th Wednesday** of each month at **12:30pm**. If you would like to learn more, or to join us for the next lunch, please contact Lloyd Bailey on **0417 750 716**.

St Vincent's Winter Appeal: For anyone wishing to contribute to the annual Vinnies Winter Appeal, donations can be made using the envelopes in the foyer or on online at <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal>

REMINDERS

Adoration: Please note there will be no Adoration this Friday, 4 July 2025.

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

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

Men's Group: meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 12:30pm. Contact Lloyd Bailey for further details on 0417 750 716.

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



Birthdays for June: Jan Turner, Carmel Hohn, Sr Maria Joyner, Felda Gabuogi, Tony Allport, Marg Nolan, Denise Hopwood, Scovia Scopas, Geoff Graham (85 on 25 June), Mary Gilligan, Lari O'Neill, Jan Burchardt, Bernie Cummings;

Wedding anniversaries: Lari & Sue O'Neill, Gary & Jenn Stephens, Theo & Daphne Fernando.



Parish Pastoral Council Members		Parish Finance Committee Members	Parish Coordinating Team	
Brett Rangira (Chair)	Theo Fernando	Tony Meldon (Chair)	Father Jamie Collins	Tim Fitzgerald
Father Jamie Collins	Shane Hair	Father Jamie Collins	Celia Warr	Lloyd Bailey
Louise Pfingst	Nicole Rangira	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		Noela Nolan		

Social Justice News

Social Justice meeting discussions, June 2025:

Thank you to all who supported the **Dignity Project** Pot Luck dinner. Thanks also to the generous people who give their time to help with paperwork and to support the many newcomers who may struggle to understand how our Australian systems work. This project is supported by the Diocesan Social Justice Commission.

Thank you to those who signed up and brought food for the **Winter Shelter**. All spots have now been filled for the evening of Friday 8 August. A generous donation was received to support the needy.

As St Anthony's is a **Laudato Si' Parish**, our next step is to carry out a Parish audit on our journey towards achieving environmental sustainability. The Parish Council is to be contacted to discuss our action plan.

NAIDOC week is taking place from **6-13 July**. A speaker has been organised to speak at weekend masses.

Suggestions were shared to help celebrate **Care for Creation Month** in September.

The Social Justice group meets on the first Wednesday of each month and warmly welcomes new members. The next meeting will take place at 5pm on **Wednesday 2 July**.

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

Date	Readings	Mass Times	Parish Life
Sunday 29 June Saints Peter and Paul	First Reading – Acts 12:1-11 Second Reading – 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Gospel – Matthew 16:13-19	8.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) 1 st Holy Communion Morning tea after Mass
Monday 30 June	First Reading – Genesis 18:16-33 Gospel – Matthew 8:18-22		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 4pm SVDP meeting
Tuesday 1 July	First Reading – Jeremiah 1:4-10 Gospel – Luke 1:5-17		
Wednesday 2 July	First Reading – Genesis 21:5, 8-20 Gospel – Matthew 8:28-34	9.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) 10am Gospel Group 10.30am Coordinating Team meeting 1.30pm Circle Dance 5pm Social Justice meeting
Thursday 3 July St Thomas	First Reading – Ephesians 2:19-22 Gospel – John 20:24-29	6.30pm	Presbyteral Ordination of BJ Perrett, St Patrick's Cathedral
Friday 4 July	First Reading – Genesis 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 Gospel – Matthew 9:9-13	9.15am	NO MASS OR ADORATION TODAY
Saturday 5 July	First Reading – Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29 Gospel – Matthew 9:14-17	5.00pm	4.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass (Fr Jamie)
Sunday 6 July	First Reading – Isaiah 66:10-14 Second Reading – Galatians 6:14-18 Gospel – Luke 10:1-12	8.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) Morning tea after Mass

MINISTERS FOR MASS – SATURDAY/SUNDAY, 5 & 6 July – Week 1 Roster

	5pm Vigil Mass	8.15am Sunday Mass [WEEK 5 ROSTER DUE TO SCHOOL HOLIDAYS]
Co-ordinators:	Chris Gwydir, Celia Warr	Noela Nolan
Welcomers:	Michael & Mary O'Brien	Trish Zeller, Jim Nolan
Altar Server:	Damian Wyllie	--
AV Operator:	Ed Briffa	Mick Gorring
Readers:	Celia Warr, Leandra Fernando	Jan Barsby, Mary Wagner
Prayer of the Faithful:	Marg Wyllie	Sandra Neale
Offertory:	Trevor Wyllie, tbc	Gail Johnson, Jim Nolan
Ministers of Communion:	Ciborium: Lloyd Bailey Chalice: Marg Nolan, Mary O'Brien	Ciborium: Noela Nolan Chalice: Gail Johnson, Sandra Neale
Music:	Tom Hodgson and Choir	Anne-Maree Spalding and Choir
Collectors:	Michael O'Brien, Denise Hopwood	Laurence Kilroy, Peter Wilkes
Parish Morning Tea:	--	Michael & Mary O'Brien
Money Counters:		Collections, 21 & 22 June:
This Week – 29 June	Tony Meldon & Noela Nolan	Planned Giving – \$ 340.00
Next Week – 6 July	Brenda Thomas & Tony Meldon	Loose – \$1000.05
Ozcare (now 10:30am)	1 July – Judy Sheehan	8 July – Tim Fitzgerald

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.*****