

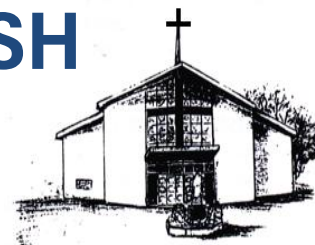
ST ANTHONY'S PARISH

NEWSLETTER

Parish Priest: Fr Jamie Collins
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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.*

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Genesis 18:1-10 (Lord, do not bypass your servant.)

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 14:2-5. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading – Colossians 1:24-28 (The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.)

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance. Alleluia!

Gospel – Luke 10:38-42 (Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.)

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Important dates coming up:	
Monday 21 July	4pm SVDP meeting
Tuesday 22 July	6pm Finance Committee meeting
Sunday 27 July	3.30pm Hymn Practice
Monday 28 July	12pm Liturgy Team meeting 5.30pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting



Our Parish Prayer List

We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently: Des O'Shea, Barry Turner, Arthur Baguley (*Carol Lovell's brother*), Michelle Baguley (*Carol Lovell's niece*), Pat Sullivan, Bill Blacka, Pat MacGinley;

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Irene Ryan, Ellen & John Nolan, Carmel Graham, Ian Moncrieff, Arthur & Monica Neale;

and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Fr Simon O'Dea, Fr Ralph Underwood, Fr John Clancy, Fr Patrick Campbell, Fr Neville Grundy, Fr Joseph Portley, Fr Robert Flynn, Fr Brian Sparksman, Msgr John Bennett, Fr Thomas Keegan, Most Rev Basil Roper DD;

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, Margaret Pegler, Trish Ryan, Vonnie Sherman, June Sinton, Lucy Targato, David Toohey (*Vera's husband*), Martin Yong;

As well as the following friends & family members: Regina Albion, Laurie Atzeni, 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, Gary & 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.

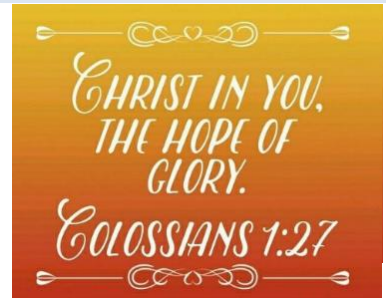
Weekend Reflection

On Today's Second Reading: **CHRIST AMONG YOU – HOPE OF GLORY**

Paul's letters, even those written late in his life, are driven by a dynamo of discovery. The shock of his conversion launched him along a lifelong journey of exploration. Always eager to learn more about Christ, he was just as keen to make Christ known.

The mystery, he tells the Colossians, is 'Christ among you, your hope of glory'. Mystery, for Paul, is not a problem to be solved, but an unfailing well of wisdom. Not something fatally obscure, but a living truth whose meaning is inexhaustible.

Paul invites and incites his readers to share in his odyssey of faith. If we stay sheltered in a bay of religious propositions and moral dictates, it's time some 'Pauline' wind drove us out to sea.



THIS WEEK'S PRAYER FOCUS

For artists moved to create works of religious inspiration,
that they will help manifest the mystery of faith for all to see.

A WORD OF THANKS FROM FR PERRETT

All praise and thanks to God for the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ, who by the power of the Holy Spirit continues to provide labourers for His abundant harvest. Thanks be to all those who have prayed for me, supported me, and formed me as I prepared for ordination to the priesthood.

Thanks be to all those who had a hand in the Rite of Ordination; a lot of effort and organisation was involved! I thank especially the choir and schola who so beautifully gave voice to our praise. Thank you for taking time out of your weeks to rehearse, learn new pieces, and endure singing in the cold. Thank you to those who ensured the liturgy ran smoothly and those who cleaned up afterwards. Thank you to all involved! I deeply appreciate your prayers and support, and look forward to a life-time of service to you. Thank you and God bless you! Fr Perrett

Parish & Diocesan News



NEWS

Mass rosters, August 2025-January 2026: The new Mass rosters, starting **3 August 2025**, are being emailed out, with hard copies also available in the foyer. Thanks to all volunteers for your contribution to our community.

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

Ozcare visits: We are always looking for people to join the team who distribute communion on Tuesday mornings at [Ozcare](#), which is also a great chance to catch up with friends now in residence. Please contact the Parish Office if you would be interested in joining the team: full training is provided.

St Anthony's Men's Group: The next lunch will take place at **12.30pm** on **Wednesday 23 July** at the [Blue Mountain Hotel](#) in Harlaxton. Please contact Lloyd Bailey to RSVP on 0417 750 716.

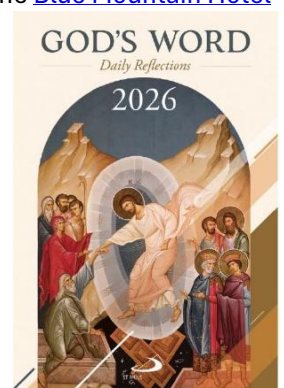
Term Three at Sychar: The six-part course, 'Searching for God through awareness of the true self' runs **10am-12.30pm Tuesdays** from **29 July to 2 September** at Sychar House. Please see flyer in foyer or [online](#) for further information.

God's Word 2026: The 2026 edition of this volume (*right*), containing daily Bible readings and reflections, will arrive in September and is now available for pre-order at the special price of \$20.00. Please contact the Parish Office to order and pay.

Vocations Awareness Week, 3-10 August: This annual, week-long celebration is dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life and to supporting those discerning these states of life within the Church. For more information please see <https://www.catholic.au/s/article/National-Vocations-Awareness-Week-2025>

Abrahamic Faiths Gathering: The next meeting will take place at **5.45pm** on **Wednesday 6 August** at the Garden City Mosque and will be followed by a light dinner. Please see flyer in foyer for further information.

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

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

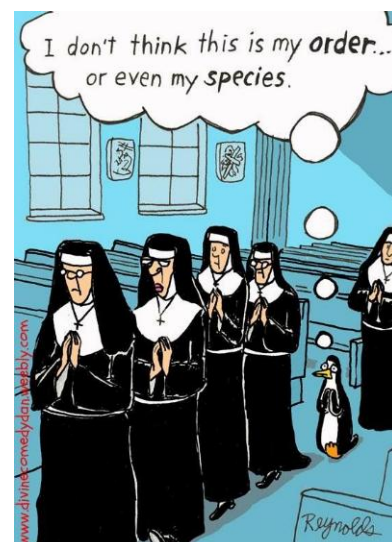
Friendship Group: 3rd Tuesday of the month (except Dec/Jan), at **10am** in the Community Centre, \$2 donation at door.

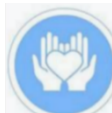
St Anthony's Men's Group: meets on the **4th Wednesday** of the month at **12:30pm**, this month at the Blue Mountain Hotel. Contact Lloyd Bailey for further details on 0417 750 716.

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



Birthdays for July: Gloria McKechnie, Jim Nolan, Alfred Adhil, Joe Saccasan, Claire Redfern (85 on 22 July), Ed Briffa, Vonnie Sherman, Greg Bowdler (70 on 29 July) & Sue O'Neill.



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



Legacy in Action – Stories of Resilience

Legacy is more than memory—it is action. It is the living expression of values passed down through generations. For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, legacy is found in the stories, songs, and ceremonies that have endured for over 65,000 years. It is also found in the resilience of communities who continue to rise, resist, and renew.

This NAIDOC Week, we honour the legacy of those who have fought for land rights, language revival, and cultural recognition. From the 1967 Referendum to the [Uluru Statement from the Heart](#), these moments are not just historical—they are deeply spiritual acts of hope and healing.

As Catholics, we are called to be people of memory and mission. We remember the injustices of the past not to dwell in guilt, but to act with compassion and courage in the present. We are invited to be part of a legacy that uplifts, restores, and reconciles.

**“Let us not grow weary in doing good,
for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” — Galatians 6:9**

This week, take time to learn about a local Indigenous elder or community initiative. Share their story with your family, prayer group, or school. Consider how your own legacy—your choices, your voice, your faith—can contribute to a more just and loving world.

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 Rangira (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://psqld.catholic.net>).

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

Parish Weekly Program

(Reminder: Sunday Masses now at 8.15am)

Date	Readings	Mass Times	Parish Life
Sunday 20 July Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	First Reading – Genesis 18:1-10 Second Reading – Colossians 1:24-28 Gospel – Luke 10:38-42	8.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) Morning tea after Mass
Monday 21 July	First Reading – Exodus 14:5-18 Gospel – Matthew 12:38-42		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 4pm SVDP meeting
Tuesday 22 July Saint Mary Magdalene	First Reading – Song of Songs 3:1-4 Gospel – John 20:1-2, 11-18		6pm Finance Committee meeting
Wednesday 23 July	First Reading – Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15 Gospel – Matthew 13:1-9	9.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) 10am Gospel Group 10.30am Coordinating Team meeting
Thursday 24 July	First Reading – Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20 Gospel – Matthew 13:10-17		
Friday 25 July Saint James	First Reading – 2 Corinthians 4:7-15 Gospel – Matthew 20:20-28	9.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie, livestreamed)
Saturday 26 July	First Reading – Exodus 12:37-42 Gospel – Matthew 12:14-21	5.00pm	4.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass (Fr Jamie)
Sunday 27 July Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	First Reading – Genesis 18:20-32 Second Reading – Colossians 2:12-14 Gospel – Luke 11:1-13	8.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) Morning tea after Mass 3.30pm Hymn Practice

Next week's ministers for Mass

(26 & 27 July, Week 4 Roster)

	5pm Vigil Mass	8.15am Sunday Mass
Co-ordinators:	Michael & Mary O'Brien	Trish Zeller
Welcomers:	Denise Hopwood, Kathy Reilly	Jan Burchardt, Irene Chelsom
Altar Server:	Harlon Fernando	--
AV Operator:	Kathy Reedy	Noela Nolan
Readers:	Cherene Brandt, Michael O'Brien	Trish Zeller, Gail Johnson
Prayer of the Faithful:	Gill Brandt	Susan Tek
Offertory:	Terese Hanna, Catherine Hanna	Susan & Martin Tek
Ministers of Communion:	Ciborium: Mary O'Brien Chalice: Judy Sheehan, Marg Wyllie	Ciborium: tba Chalice: Sandra Neale, Marie McAleer
Music:	Sr Maria and Choir	Anne-Maree Spalding and Choir
Collectors:	Michael O'Brien, Denise Hopwood	Tony Meldon, Peter Wilkes
Parish Morning Tea:	--	Mary O'Brien's Team
Money Counters: This Week – 20 July Next Week – 27 July	Tom Kelly, Kathy Reedy Tony Meldon, Irene Chelsom	Collections, 13 July: Planned Giving – \$ 420.00 Loose – \$ 1061.25
Ozcare (10:30am)	22 July – Ann Matthew	29 July – Mass with Father Jamie