

ST ANTHONY'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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Wisdom 18:6-9 (Just as you struck our enemies, you made us glorious by calling us to you.)

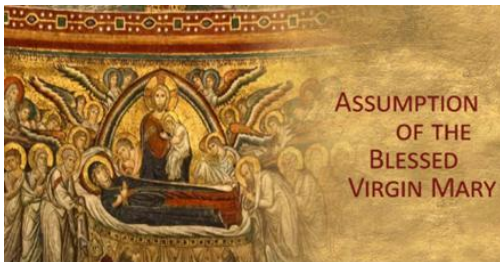
Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Second Reading – Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12 (We will look for the city designed and built by God.)

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Gospel – Luke 12:35-40 (See that you are prepared.)

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Important dates coming up:

Monday 11 August	4pm SVDP meeting
Friday 15 August	Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday 17 August	5pm Dinner to celebrate Fr Perrett's ordination
Tuesday 19 August	10am Friendship Group

✠ Our Parish Prayer List ✠

We hold in prayer & remember those who have died recently: Des O'Shea, Vivienne Mahony, Ian Graham (*Geoff's brother*);

For the Anniversaries of our loved ones: Patricia Joyner, Rose Cran, Yvonne Gardiner, Robert Angus Moncrieff, Anne Duncan, Kevin Byrne, Helen and Lindsay Woods, Agnes and Thomas Xavier, Rosemary and Peter Victorian, Barbera Joseph, Jacylene Albert, Eric Pingel;

and for the deceased Priests of the Diocese: Fr Peter Schultz, Fr Mark Cosgrove, Fr John Ryan, Fr Patrick Kelly, Fr Charles McDonald, Msgr Patrick Doyle, Fr Bryan Nolan, Msgr Stanley Skehan;

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

Congratulations to the children who in recent months have received the Sacraments of Confirmation and (first) Holy Communion! Thank you to all who are a part of their formation and celebrated with them at the end of June.

There are a number of ways in which children and young people who are fully members of the Church can be actively involved in the parish community. One of those ways is to be an altar server. This apostolate involves assisting the priest in a special way at Mass, and having well-trained altar servers is a great blessing for a priest. Since altar servers get up close and personal with the liturgy and become very familiar with the Mass, it provides a wonderful opportunity for their faith and spirituality to grow and deepen. I began altar serving when I was 11 years old in my parish in Stanthorpe, and it was a very big part of my journey of faith and discernment.

With Fr Jamie, I invite the children and young people of the parish to consider joining the little altar serving apostolate here at St Anthony's. Fr Jamie and myself are so grateful for the few altar servers that we have and would love more of the young people in our parish to have the opportunity to grow closer to the Lord and the Church through this apostolate.

Training and vestments will be provided; all we need are eager, faithful, and committed young men and women who love the Lord to join us as altar servers! We will have a training session for new and continuing altar servers on Tuesday, August 19 at 3:30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Newtown (4 Goodwood St).

Parish & Diocesan News



NEWS

Tap to Donate: The Parish's new **Tap to Donate** machine has now been installed in the church foyer. Instructions will be provided during this weekend's services.

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 [here](#).

Regional Annual Seminary Appeal: Envelopes to make a donation to the annual Seminary appeal are still available in the foyer. Contributions to this appeal are essential for providing training and a home for seminarians, helping to ensure they are equipped to lead our faith community. Thank you for your support.

Celebratory dinner for Father Perrett: Join us at the Community Centre at **5pm on Sunday, 17 August** for a dinner to celebrate the ordination of Father Perrett. Please bring a plate; coffee and tea provided. Please note that there will be no morning tea after Sunday Mass.

Gaza Crisis appeal: The humanitarian crisis in Gaza continues to deteriorate at an alarming rate: if you are able to support Caritas Australia's Gaza Appeal, please donate online at www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413.

Altar Server Training Session: Young people who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Holy Communion are invited to consider becoming an altar server. Father Perrett will be leading a training session for both new and continuing altar servers at Our Lady of Lourdes on **Tuesday, 19 August at 3.30pm**.

Ars Cantorum, 'Mass to Montage': 2pm, Sunday 24 August at St Patrick's Cathedral. Tickets available in advance from St Patrick's Parish Office or at the door on the day. Please see flyer in foyer for further information.

International Peace Conference 2025 'Being a City of Peace': Taking place **Saturday 30 August, 8.30am-4pm** at St Patrick's Cathedral Centre and hosted by Toowoomba's Multifaith Multicultural Centre. Please click [here](#) to register.

Pilgrim Walk in the Footsteps of Saint Mary Mackillop: Parishioners from throughout the Diocese are invited to come to Helidon on **Saturday 30 August** to celebrate the legacy of St Mary MacKillop in conjunction with the 2025 Jubilee Year theme, 'Pilgrims of Hope'. Mass at **9.30am** at St Joseph's Parish will be followed by a walk through Helidon and a BYO Picnic lunch at the Parish Hall. Please see flyer in foyer for further information. To book, contact St Patrick's Cathedral Office on 4637 1500 or at stpatrickscathedral@twb.catholic.org.au



"I'm really excited about this opportunity, but I'm hoping there's room to negotiate the title? What about 'Rises-to-the-Occasion-Mary,' or 'Cool-Under-Pressure-Mary'?"

Bunya Mountains Teen Retreat: Takes place **22-24 September** under the guidance of Fr Nathan Webb, cost \$100-\$140. For more information, please see [here](#).

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.

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>

Parking reminder: A gentle reminder to please park only in designated parking areas when attending Mass: parking on the footpath, nature strip, or across driveways can constitute a safety hazard and may incur a parking fine.

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: 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 August: Gordon Roache, Kevin Harris, Pam Hahn, Chris Bailey, Joan Phelan (95 years), Adam Tittlbach, Lonnie Hogan (90 years), Brett Rangiira, Mafe Remigio, Lola Canning, Maria Lindquist, Kelly Tittlbach, Sandra Neale (85 years), Patricia Harris (80 years), Tim Fitzgerald, Len O'Rourke.

Anniversaries for August: Geoff & Teresa Wells, Don and Gloria McKechnie, Jim and Maria Lindquist, Gordon and Anne Roache (65 years), Joel and Mafe Remigio.

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

Social Justice News

Winter Shelter 2025

Many thanks to everyone in our faith community who generously took action on homelessness by helping provide meals this winter. Every offering is another ray of hope in a community which is often unseen or overlooked.



In the words of some of the guests at Winter Shelter Toowoomba 2025:

- "It is so nice to be seen, while out on the street people walk past you and they don't see you, you feel like you aren't human, but now we feel seen and heard, thank you."
- "I would love to do something to say thank you to everyone involved in WST, it has changed my life, by helping me see that people care, and I am worth it I can now go get a job."
- "Why do the volunteers care about us? They sit and chat to us and we feel seen and cared for."
- "Thank you, I sat here today and prayed for help, I had nearly given up, and then I was told that an opening had just come up, so tonight I will be safe, warm. This is truly God's work, and I feel blessed."

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 Catholic Church's Queensland Professional Standards Office (1800 337 928 or <http://psqld.catholic.net.au>).

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

Parish Weekly Program (10 – 17 August)

(Reminder: Sunday Masses now at 8.15am)

Date	Readings	Mass Times	Parish Life
Sunday 10 August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	First Reading – Wisdom 18:6-9 Second Reading – Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12 Gospel – Luke 12:35-40	8.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) Morning tea after Mass
Monday 11 August St Clare	First Reading – Deuteronomy 10:12-22 Gospel – Matthew 17:22-27		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 4pm SVDP meeting
Tuesday 12 August	First Reading – Deuteronomy 31:1-8 Gospel – Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14		
Wednesday 13 August	First Reading – Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Gospel – Matthew 18:15-20	9.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) 10am Gospel Group 10.30am Coordinating Team
Thursday 14 August St Maximilian Mary Kolbe	First Reading – Joshua 3:7-11, 13-17 Gospel – Matthew 18:21 – 19:1		
Friday 15 August The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	First Reading – 1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2 Gospel – Luke 11:27-28	9.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie, livestreamed)
Saturday 16 August	First Reading – Joshua 24:14-29 Gospel – Matthew 19:13-15	5.00pm	4.15pm Reconciliation Vigil Mass (Fr Perrett)
Sunday 17 August Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	First Reading – Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 Second Reading – Hebrews 12:1-4 Gospel – Luke 12:49-53	8.15am	Mass (Fr Jamie) <i>No morning tea: please join us at 5pm for a celebratory dinner for Fr Perrett</i>

Next Week's Ministers for Mass (16 & 17 August)

Week 3 Roster **(please note: new roster now in place)**

	5pm Vigil Mass	8.15am Sunday Mass
Co-ordinators:	Lloyd Bailey, Chris Gwydir	Sandra Neale
Welcomers:	Michael and Mary O'Brien	Denis and Marie McAleer
Altar Server:	Damian Wyllie	--
AV Operator:	Regina Ryan	Mark Copland
Readers:	Cherene Brandt, Marg Wyllie	David Tutty, Susan Tek
Prayer of the Faithful:	Gillian Brandt	Joan Nugent
Offertory:	Peter and Jan Boyce	Sandra Neale, Mary Wagner
Ministers of Communion:	Ciborium: Trevor Wyllie Chalice: Mary O'Brien, Marg Nolan	Ciborium: Gail Johnson Chalice: Sandra Neale, Brenda Thomas
Music:	Brett Rangiira and Men's Choir	Tom Hodgson and Choir
Collectors:	Peter Boyce, Tom Kelly	Laurence Kilroy, Peter Wilkes
Parish Morning Tea:	--	[No morning tea this Sunday]
Money Counters: This Week – 10 August Next Week – 17 August	Peter Wilkes, Monica Gundry, Jan Burchardt Kathy Reedy and Tom Kelly	Collections, 3 August: Planned Giving – \$360.00 Loose – \$799.35 Tap to Donate – \$76.00
Ozcare (10:30am)	12 August – Chris Gwydir	19 August – Judy Sheehan