



St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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We acknowledge and respect the Traditional Owners of this place, the Jarowair and Giabal peoples.



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10 July 2022

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Responsorial Psalm: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20 All things were created through him and for him.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 Who is my neighbour?

The Law and the Prophet

Despite our Federal Constitution being fundamentally Christian, it's not often we see overt references to the Christian tradition in our society or law. The Good Samaritan is one of the exceptions to this, holding a similar place in our vernacular to tropes and characters of F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* (1925).

In my experience, being a good Samaritan gets more and more difficult as we grow. Well, it's not that it gets harder to respond like the good Samaritan, but it gets harder to identify the one lying on the side of the road – the 'other' as some philosophers say. In primary schools, the parable had almost endless applications to classroom, playground, field, and home time; in high school, the metaphorical nature becomes more apparent as the youngsters start to see the neighbour lying at the side of class or shunned from their social group; then, as long shifts of work, lectures, assessment, and timetable flow around cups of instant noodles, tertiary students and early careers workers start to settle down with friends and family in closed circles. We tend to find a troop or so of people with whom to navigate our earthly pilgrimage.

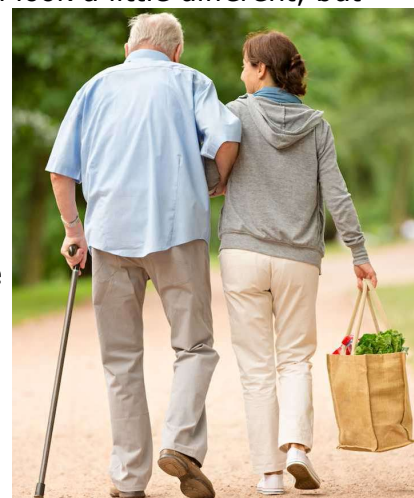
Life rolls on from there in all sorts of ways, but it seems to get easier to forget that there are always travellers by the roadways of life's journey. It's not likely we will find a stranger passed out on the side of the road on our way to work. However, the command of the Lord should echo in our minds all the same: 'Go, and do the same yourself.' Doing the same will look a little different, but the essence of the rule is the same.

In the week following NAIDOC week, the memory is fresh of how our ancestors have walked past (and over) whole generations and peoples. This can remind us that we too are capable of doing the same, even if the traveller on the side of the road has a different face.

The readings today show us what is behind all the law and the prophets; they show us the basic rule of thumb: no matter who you are or who they are, there is an inherent dignity that is worthy of care and an innate duty to notice the 'other' who is, in fact, your neighbour. Recognising the traveller on the side of life's journey and the Good Samaritan within, we are each called to 'go, and do the same.'

In peace and with blessings,

Fr Nathan



✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Audrey Treadaway, Enid Camilleri. May perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. We hold in our hearts all those who have died in the Ukraine conflict.

✠ **We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** John Camilleri, Kev Dorge, Fr Simon O'Dea[1975], Fr Ralph Underwood[1988], Fr John Clancy [2015], Fr Patrick Campbell [1997].

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially:** Judy Moloney, Perlita Torrecampo, Rodolfo Umipig, Bev Smith (Boodle), Fr Raymond Sweeney, Addison McEwan, Daniel Ligon, Rohitha Jayamanna, Ray Frelek, Patsy Quinn, Brian Machin, Madeline Gray, Loan Smith, Maria Brown, Christine [Faus] Barron, Greta Berge, Matt Vlietstra, Dr Peter Reiter, Elijah Rolls, Hayden Smith, Margaret Walker, Rita Blacker, Kristina Dawidowicz, Nora Machin, Mary Allen, Tina Hobson, Bev Boundy, Joanne Essey [Sydney], Braxton Rayner, Kate Gibbs, Max Shearer, Saturnino Bustamante, Hannah Marie Marasigan, Stephanie Shine, Andrew Supple, Mary-Ann Hine, Kathy Allan, John Morgan, Patricia McCracken, Reggie James, Teresita Pamulaklaklin.

RECONCILIATION – 1st Rite available every Saturday morning between 8am and 9am.

PARKING: PLEASE MAKE USE OF THE TMBA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OFFICE CARPARKING VIA LAWRENCE STREET – THERE IS AT LEAST 100 PARKS AVAILABLE THERE ON THE WEEKEND AND MORNING MASSES!

TUESDAY MORNING MASS: Due to the launch of Catholic Education Week, our Cathedral Mass will be **7am** on **Tuesday 26 July**. Please make a note in your calendars **NOW**. This affects that week only, sorry for any inconvenience.

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 (contact Pastoral Care on 0447 720 604)
- Assist residents to play Bingo on a Thursday morning (contact Rod or Chloe, Lifestyle, on 4592 6900)
- 1-on-1 Social visits Monday to Friday (contact Rod or Chloe, Lifestyle, on 4592 6900)
- Help needed in the Coffee Shop (contact Rod, Lifestyle, on 4592 6900)

If anyone has a couple of hours to spare, it would be greatly appreciated. In addition, the male residents would appreciate some gender specific reading magazines, e.g. sports, motoring, racing, etc.

Thank you from Sri Lanka

We are very much thankful to you for donating to our group Jesus Today Collective, Sri Lanka, to help the poor in our country in this difficult time. Our country is facing a severe economic crisis due to the corruptions and the mismanagement of our political leaders. As a result people, very especially the poorest of the poor are suffering a lot without food and medicine.

Today a mother has tried to commit suicide jumping into a river with her two children since she could not feed them; one of the children died on the spot. There is a power cut daily, no gas for cooking and people are in long queues sometimes for two or three days to buy fuel. We as a group decided to help these people providing meals and also medicine to the needy. Your donation will help us a lot to carry out this project successfully. Thank you once again and please express our gratitude to all who contributed to this worthy task. We wish and pray the blessings of God the Father over them to continue their good work for the upliftment of the poor.

Fr. Sherard Jayawardane (Jesus Today Collective, Sri Lanka.)

Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver would like to thank Fr Michael and Parish Secretaries Melissa and Jessica, for helping us prepare celebrations for the centenary of the death of our Foundress, Blessed Mary Theresa Ledochowska. Unfortunately due to contracting Covid we have had to cancel our plans, but look forward to belated celebrations later in the year! *Srs. Miriam, Eileen and Reena*

Sunday 10 July [SPC – St. Patrick's] [STM – St. Thomas More's]	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass 9am Live Streaming	11am Oriah Avery 12pm Franklin Benvenuti 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Monday 11 July Saint Benedict	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC	10am Rosary making group in Parish Board Room
Tuesday 12 July	9am Mass SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	5.30 – 7pm Choir practice
Wednesday 13 July	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thursday 14 July	7am Mass SPC	7.30am – 8.30am Adoration at St. Patrick's
Friday 15 July Saint Bonaventure	7am Mass SPC 9am Mass STM	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Saturday 16 July	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC	6.30am Rosary at St. Pat's 8.00am – 9.00am Reconciliation
Sunday 17 July	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass 9am Live Streaming	4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre

Thank you for your generous giving to assist the works of St. Patrick's.

Planned Giving: \$1126 Loose: \$1433 PayPoint: \$460. Pat Power, Leo McMahon, Eileen Stephen.

Planned Giving Options: Envelopes available from parish office. For direct debit/credit card please contact Celia at the Parish Office on 4637 1500. You may simply like to do a bank transfer: St Patrick's Cathedral, BSB 064-786, Account Number 100014072, reference envelope number. Thank you.

Planned Giving Envelopes are ready for collection at the Neil St entrance to the Cathedral. (please note to reduce wastage of envelopes, your number may have changed).