

# St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ 11 June 2023

**First reading:** Deuteronomy 8:2-3 He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 Though we are many, we form single body because we share this one loaf.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord:  
whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** John 6:51-58 Jesus said, "I am the living bread which has come down from heaven."

### "I Am The Living Bread"

Like many of the phrases and sayings of Jesus they contain a double meaning that often, like this statement, becomes clear in hindsight. Jesus is inviting the people to realise that he is the physical "living bread" that will bring them life to the full. He is also preempting the "living bread" that is revealed in the breaking of the bread at the last supper. "Jesus took the bread, broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you."

Recently I just watched the last episode of a new TV series on ABCiView called "The Messenger". It was adapted from the book written by Marcus Zusak, who also wrote the popular book, "The Book Thief" The story centers around a group of friends, Marv, Ritchie, Audrey and Ed. Ed Kennedy acts as the focal point drawing the others into the storyline. Ed's father has recently died after separating from his mother and who Ed used to live with. The story begins with Ed and crew being present for an armed robbery at a local store. As the action moves to the carpark the criminal attempts to take Marv's car, but can't get the door open, so drops the gun. Ed picks it up and holds him at gunpoint until the police arrive, making him somewhat a local hero. Then a week later Ed receives in the mail an envelope containing one thing - a playing card - the Ace of ♦ and written on the card is three addresses and different time of the day with each. So he wonders and ponders what it could mean. He tries to throw it away but it mysteriously turns up again, so he investigates each address at the time designated. With a little effort and creative reflections he discovers that a person at each address needs his help in a small, yet significant way. To make things even more mysterious when he has achieved the assistance that is needed a red tick is put beside that address on the card. He thinks all is done. Then over time it is followed up with the ace of ♣♠♥, each with a message requiring his help, which he has to decipher and act upon.

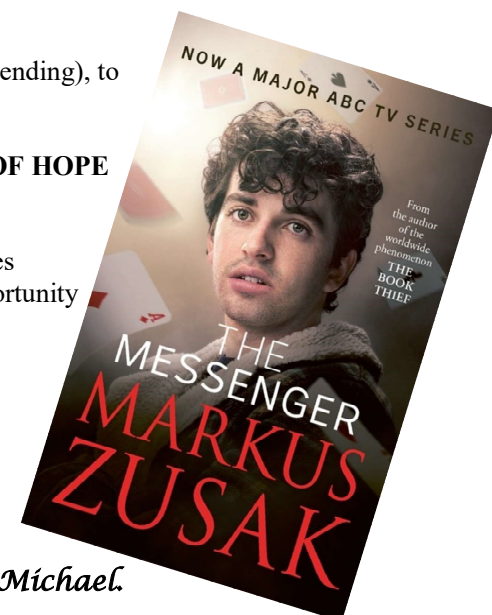
So Ed Kennedy becomes the messenger that someone is working through, (I won't spoil the ending), to make small, but enduring change to people's lives bringing happiness and newness of life.

The feast today reminds us that our connection as the Body of Christ makes us messengers **OF HOPE** to each other, and to those we have not yet met!

In days gone by the phrase to "mark someone's card" referred to the practice at formal dances where you would write your name on a ladies card in effect reserving that dance and an opportunity to spend some "intimate" time together.

So this feast day invites us to consider whose name appears on our "card" of life and what is the maybe small, yet significant connection do they ask of you? One of the stories of Ed's was simply to spend time with an elderly lonely lady who longed for company and missed the love of her life.

*Who has marked your card?*



*God Bless, Fr. Michael.*

✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Nancy Driscoll, May perpetual light shine upon them.

✠ **We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Martin, Logan and Collins families, George Saide, Mary Johnston, Fr Charles Casey [1930], Fr Pat Hall [2019], Fr Thomas Sweeney [1995].

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially:** Kathleen O'Rourke (sister of Frs Rod and Jack MacGinley), Christopher Blackford, Bob O'Sullivan, Martin Flannery, Blake Cusato, Bernadette Farrell, Greg Coddington, Stanley Poon, Pat Murray, Jamal Abraham, Pam Cavalachini, Madelaine Morris, Judy Moloney, Perlita Torrecampo, Rodolfo Umipig, Bev Smith (Boodle), Addison McEwan, Daniel Ligon, Rohitha Jayamanna, Ray Frelek, Madeline Gray, Maria Brown, Christine [Faus] Barron, Matt Vlietstra, Dr Peter Reiter, Elijah Rolls, Hayden Smith, Rita Blacker, Tina Hobson, Bev Boundy, Greta Berge, Braxton Rayner, Kate Gibbs, Max Shearer, Saturnino Bustamante, Hannah Marasigan, Stephanie Shine, Andrew Supple, Mary-Ann Hine, Kathy Allan, Patricia McCracken, Reggie James, Teresita Pamulaklakin.

**PLEASE NOTE – there will be NO 5.30pm Mass at SPC on 10<sup>th</sup> July. 9.00am will be available at STM that day.**

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING PARKING BESIDE CATHEDRAL**

Please be aware that from **Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> June until Friday, 16<sup>th</sup>** there will be **NO access to exit into James Street from the front of the Cathedral, due to electrical work on the footpath.** Those parking near the Cathedral during this time will be required to turn around and exit via Neil St. **I STRONGLY suggest you find alternative parking, such as behind the Cathedral or TSCO during this week.** Disabled parking is still available but you will still be required to exit via Neil Street. Thank you for your understanding.



The June edition of the **Catholic Leader** is now available.

Please take a copy to have in your home. You can always pay next week! Better in your home than left unread in the Cathedral.



Envelopes are now ready for collection on table near Neil Street entrance. To reduce waste, your number may have changed this year, please be sure to look for your name. You will notice the envelopes are slightly larger so notes can stay flat and not be folded.

From July 2023 please discard all envelopes from previous years and only use current ones. Thank you for financially supporting your Parish!



**THE MOST REVEREND ROBERT M McGUCKIN**

Apostolic Administrator  
Bishop Emeritus of Toowoomba

Invites

*Parishioners of St Patrick's Cathedral*

to the Installation of

**MOST REVEREND KEN HOWELL**

as Seventh Bishop of Toowoomba

**TUESDAY 11 JULY 2023 at 11.00am**

**ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL**

123 Neil Street, Toowoomba



<b>Sunday 11 June</b> [SPC – St. Patrick's] [STM – St. Thomas More's]	7am, 9am, 5.30pm. <b>Live Stream 9am</b>	4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
<b>Monday 12 June</b>	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC	
<b>Tuesday 13 June</b> <i>Saint Anthony of Padua</i>	9am Mass SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	5.30pm Choir Practice for Bishop's Installation
<b>Wednesday 14 June</b>	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
<b>Thursday 15 June</b>	7am Mass SPC	SPC Adoration 7.30am – 8.30am
<b>Friday 16 June</b> <i>Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	7am Mass SPC 9.30am Mass STM	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
<b>Saturday 17 June</b> <i>Immaculate Heart of Mary</i> <b>6pm &amp; 9am Celebration of 1<sup>st</sup> Communion</b>	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC.	SPC 6.30am Rosary SPC 8am – 9am Reconciliation 11am Baptism of Macy Rose Motley 12pm Baptism of Sailor and Weston Jennings
<b>Sunday 18 June</b> <i>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	7am, 9am, 5.30pm. <b>Live Stream 9am</b>	11am Baptism of Destiny Giana Hannadige 12pm Baptism of Eloise Clarry 2pm Baptism of Ignatius Gregory Miller 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre

**Planned Giving:** Thank you for your generous donations. Planned Giving \$1352 Loose \$2103 Donation Point \$560 Money Counters this weekend: Sandra & Peter Daly, Jan-Nell & Errol Chase.

Money Counters next weekend: Pat Power with Leo and Maureen McMahon.

**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.