

St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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St Patrick's, in communion with St Saviour's Primary School - Madonna Sleba (4637 1700)

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



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

12 February 2023

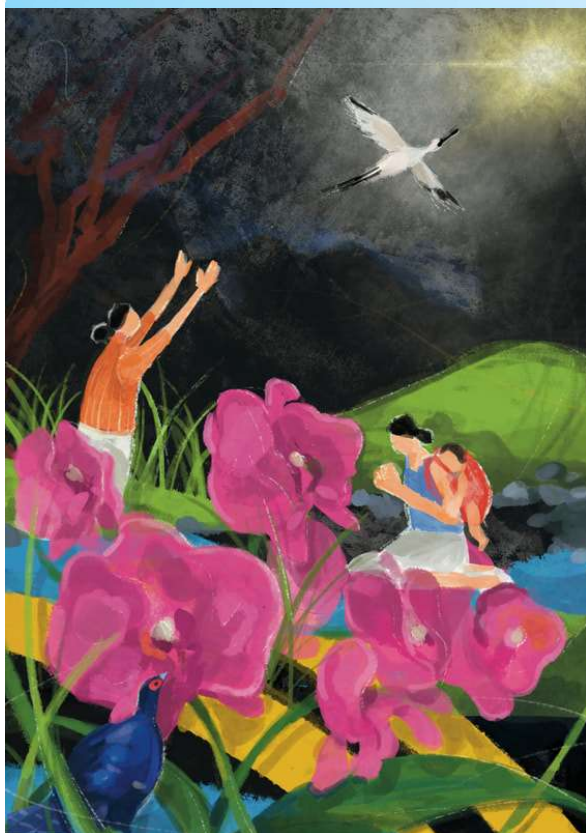
First reading: Sirach 15:15-20 He never commanded anyone to be godless.

Responsorial Psalm: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 17:17-37 Such was said to your ancestors; but I am speaking to you.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023

prepared by the women of Taiwan

The World Day of Prayer has a rich history of bringing awareness to nations around the world, particularly in relation to the women in society and tradition. This year we take time to reflect on the women of Taiwan to pray with them on this day.

Art is a strong anchor in any culture as it visually speaks to the heart and cuts across the complications of language in any society. This is why art and literature is the first to be destroyed following an invasion from enemies.

We enter into the understanding of the people of Taiwan through art -

"The artist, Hui-Wen HSAIO, used several motifs that highlight Taiwan's best-known features to express how the Christian faith brings peace and a new vision to Taiwan.

The women in the painting are sitting by a stream, praying silently and looking up into the dark. Despite the uncertainty of the path ahead, they know that the salvation of Christ has come.

The Mikado pheasant and the Black-faced Spoonbill, two endangered species, are both of unique significance to the Taiwanese people. Their distinctiveness symbolize characteristics of the Taiwanese people-- confidence and perseverance in times of difficulty.

The green grass and Phalaenopsis (Butterfly) orchids stand out against the dark background. They are the pride of Taiwan, which has a worldwide reputation as the "Kingdom of Orchids." Green grass represents the Taiwanese as simple, confident, strong and under God's care."

We encourage you to take a moment to join with the parish representatives from other faith traditions, to pause and reflect on our society and that of Taiwan.
God Bless, Fr. Michael

**Come and pray
with the women of
Taiwan at
St Patrick's
on Friday,
3rd March, 2023
at 10am**



✝ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Evelyn Betros (Sydney) and Moya Schaefer. May perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace.

✝ **We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

Carmel and Christine Stephens, Pat Carey, Daniel Shine, Gladys Morris, Msgr John Bergin [2000]

✝ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially:** Bernadette Farrell, Mark Murphy, Greg Coddington, Gloria Hayes, Gayle Christoffel, 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, Greta Berge, Matt Vlietstra, Dr Peter Reiter, Elijah Rolls, Hayden Smith, Rita Blacker, 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, Patricia McCracken, Reggie James, Teresita Pamulaklakin.

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

LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS: There will be the opportunity to be part of a Lenten Reflection Group each week during Lent, beginning Tuesday, 21st February, following 9.00am Mass. If you would like to be part of this group, please let the office know on 4637 1500 or admin@stpats.org.au to ensure your copy of the program.

SACRAMENTAL PARENT INFORMATION SESSION – There will be a Sacrament of Reconciliation session for all parents whose children are participating in the program this year, at 7pm on Thursday, 16 February in the Cathedral Centre. Should you wish to enrol your child please email the office, or call in to complete a registration form for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion. admin@stpats.org.au or 4637 1500.

CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS: Attached to the bulletin this weekend is an invitation for you to be more involved than maybe you are presently. **WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE!** We want you to be involved in the life of the parish. We earnestly implore you to give this opportunity some consideration. Know that, even if you do not feel fully equipped to take on a particular ministry, we will offer assistance and training, and trusting in God your gifts will shine. Do not be afraid to give a ministry a go! I thank you for taking the time to give this some consideration. *God Bless, Fr. Michael*

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver are hosting "Mother and Son" at the Repertory Theatre on Tuesday February 21, 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets \$25 include supper. Raffle tickets will be sold on the night. Tickets can be purchased from The Sisters on 07 46321818 or Helen on 0416055976. All proceeds go to The Missions

St Vincent's Care Services (Lourdes Home), 227 Spring Street, Toowoomba, has a vacant **independent** unit for rent. For further information, please call Leanne at SVCS on (07) 4592 6900.

Catholic Leader – February edition is now available. Please take one now and feel free to pay later.

MASSSES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY – 22nd February.

St Patrick's Cathedral - 7.00am and 5.30pm

St Thomas More's - 9.00am

Please take a reflection book from the table to assist you during this spiritual time.

If you feel able, please place a donation in the collection box.

Sunday 12 February [SPC – St. Patrick's] [STM – St. Thomas More's]	7am, 9am, 5.30pm. Live Stream 9am	4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Monday 13 February	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC	10am Rosary making group in Parish Centre
Tuesday 14 February Saints Cyril and Methodius	9am Mass SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	5.30pm Choir Practice in the Cathedral
Wednesday 15 February	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thursday 16 February	7am Mass SPC	Adoration SPC 7.30am – 8.30am
Friday 17 February	7am Mass SPC 9am Mass STM	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Saturday 18 February	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC	6.30am Rosary at St. Pat's 8.00am – 9.00am Reconciliation
Sunday 19 February	7am, 9am, 5.30pm. 9am Live Streaming	9.00am LAUNCH OF PROJECT COMPASSION Baptism of Jordy James Lax and McKenna Maree Kuhl 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre

Planned Giving: Thank you for your generous donations. Planned Giving \$1408 Loose \$1980 Donation Point \$710 Money Counters this weekend: Jim Harris, Kevin and Judy Lindores.

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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.