

# St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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



## 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2023

**First reading:** 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13. Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

**Second Reading:** Romans 9:1-5 I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia alleluia!** I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word. **Alleluia!**

**Gospel:** Matthew 14:22-33 Command me to come to you over the water.

### SCRIPTURE CHECK-IN – HOW IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE WORD?

When was the last time you were amazed by the scriptures? Or perhaps, there is something in the scriptures which intrigues you or baffles you. Or perhaps, again, I'm projecting my own relationship with the Bible.

I am certainly no scripture scholar, but have what I would (like to) describe as an amateur fascination in the scriptures. I do what I can to cultivate a warm curiosity for God's word. At the same time, I maintain something of a respectful caution lest I proof-text my own moral ideals by what I read and how I read it.

As a part of our work to bring about the parish vision according to the recently-launched strategic plan, we are committed to the "*Promotion of retreats, workshops and events being held in other cities*". One such opportunity has recently been brought to our parish.

A parishioner has lately attended a 10-week course on Catholic foundations, run by Brisbane's *Archdiocesan Centre for Catholic Formation*. The second module of this course is on scripture. We are excited to be hosting a regional hub at the cathedral centre for a discounted price. Each Monday night from 21 August, we will be transported into the world of biblical scholarship and Church teaching on the scriptures.

I invite you to consider if this is an opportunity for you to renew your approach to God's word. Perhaps this is your chance to revitalise how you engage with the scriptures. Or perhaps, this is simply an opportunity to follow a sense of intrigue or interest.

Details of the module can be found on the *Archdiocesan Centre for Catholic Formation* website. Please contact the office (<[admin@stpats.org.au](mailto:admin@stpats.org.au)>) if you have any questions or would like the discount code for registration.

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ARCHDIOCESAN CENTRE FOR  
**CATHOLIC FORMATION**

**MODULE TWO** Understanding, Praying & Living the Scriptures

PRESENTED BY



DCN. PETER PELLICAAN PHD  
Executive Director  
Evangelisation Brisbane

WITH GUEST PRESENTERS



ARCHBISHOP  
MARK COLERIDGE  
Archbishop of Brisbane



CLARE SCHWANTES  
Editor Liturgy Brisbane

This module engages participants in the scriptures, exploring their inspiration, canonisation, unity, and how to interpret scripture within the Catholic tradition. Beyond the mechanics, this module provides an experience of listening to the voice of God in scripture, ensuring that scripture moves beyond words on a page to words that change lives.

MONDAYS FROM 21 AUGUST

7:00-9:00PM

✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** John Keane, Mary Mackenzie, Desiree Fenaughty, Robert Mollison (Bob), Ron Nilsson, Judy Lynch Martin (Roma), Eileen Ryan and Joyce Meehan.

✠ **We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Peter Byrnes, Joan Hannant, Kate Dorge.

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

**MINISTRIES AT MASS:** There is a need for **Readers** to proclaim the scriptures and for **Communion Ministers** to assist with distribution of Holy Communion during weekend Masses. To enquire, please contact the parish office on 4637 1500. Training, both initial and ongoing, will be given for these ministries.

**Prelude to Peace Concert. Sunday 20 August, 2.30pm St Patrick's Cathedral.** An enchanting afternoon listening to handbells, chimes and choirs in the magnificent acoustic of St Patrick Cathedral. Toowombells Handbell Choir, Fairholme College choirs and organist Eduarda van Klinken present a very special concert. \$25 (full) \$20 (concession) Students free. <https://www.trybooking.com/events/eventlist/eventListingURL?aid=188940>

**PLEASE, PLEASE** be aware of parking in the driveway of St Patrick's (Neil Street side). It becomes dangerous and difficult if cars try to squeeze into that driveway. If you are mobile, please have the courtesy to park either at the rear of the Cathedral or in the TCSO (via Lawrence St) carpark and walk across. The driveway parking is really for those who are elderly or have difficulty walking. I **urge** you to be considerate of your fellow parishioners. Fr. Michael.

### TIME TO CONSIDER PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

The time has come to give some consideration regarding nominations for membership of the Parish Council. The current members, Rex Miguel, Sharon Collins, Anna Rees and Anne-Marie Pawsey have been instrumental in preparing and producing our Parish Strategic Vision and Plan. This is an opportune time for us to seek 6 new members to bring this vision to life.

In the next couple of weeks you will be invited to nominate someone, or yourself to be a voice for the St Patrick's community. Take some time over this fortnight to look around, and search inwardly for those you believe would be suitable for this important parish role. You will be asked to nominate that person without asking them, as we will approach them on your behalf and answer any questions they have in relation to membership. Let us together continue to bring life to our community. Let us keep each other in prayer as we consider the pathway forward together.

*God Bless. St Patrick's Parish Pastoral Council and the Priests of our Parish.*

<b>Sunday 13 August</b> [SPC – St Patrick's] [STM – St Thomas More's]	7am, 9am, 5.30pm. <b>Live Stream 9am</b>	11am Baptism of Xander Julian Acquisto 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
<b>Monday 14 August</b>	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC	9.30am Rosary bead making in Cathedral Board Room 4.15pm Rosary for the Assumption SPC <b>5.30pm VIGIL FOR THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION</b>
<b>Tuesday 15 August</b> <i>Feast of the Assumption</i>	9am Mass SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	5.30pm Choir practice
<b>Wednesday 16 August</b>	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
<b>Thursday 17 August</b>	7am Mass SPC	7.30am – 8.30am Adoration at SPC
<b>Friday 18 August</b>	7am Mass SPC 9.30am Mass STM	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
<b>Saturday 19 August</b>	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC	6.30am Rosary at SPC 8am – 9am Reconciliation 11.00am Baptism of Charles James Argue and Trident Lazuras Frias
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**Planned Giving:** Thank you for your generous donations. Loose \$1999 Planned Giving \$1114 Donation Point \$720 Money Counters this weekend: Jabour Hanna, Michell Betros and Mick Cuskelly.  
Money Counters next weekend: Sandra and Peter Daly with Jan-Nell and Errol Chase.  
**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.





*You are invited to  
**SAVE THIS DATE!***

As you would be aware, every couple of years we join with St Saviour's Primary School to hold a fundraising event. This year we are holding a "Race Day" in the Cathedral Centre. Tickets are only \$25.00 which include nibbles and entertainment.

We hope this will be a great opportunity to have a simple day out enjoying each others company. Although the day starts at 2pm, you can come at anytime after that. Maybe a nice afternoon together before 6pm Mass? Simply come into the office to purchase your ticket, or use this QR code.

*St Saviour's Primary & St Patrick's Cathedral  
cordially invite you to...*

*Derby Day*  
...reimagined...

4 November 2023

TICKETS \$25 per person  
includes Canapes & a Light Supper

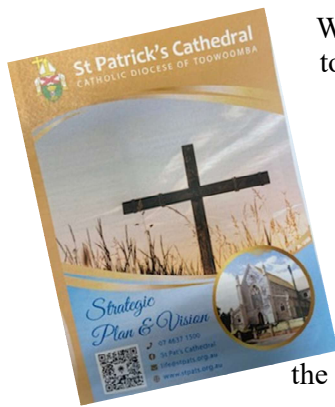
Hosted at the St Patrick's Cathedral Function Centre  
123 Neil Street, Toowoomba

Bar available  
Watch the races on the big screen  
Calcutta for the Main Race

2pm to Late



## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Toowoomba



With the launch of the St Patrick's Strategic Plan and Vision it seems an opportune time to begin the process of inviting nominations for membership of the Parish Council.

At this time there are a number of members whose service has come to completion and we are extremely grateful for their contribution and work around the Strategic Plan and Vision. This will mean that 6 new members will be sought.

The process for nomination is simple. After you discern people from within our community that you believe have a contribution to make to the continuing life of our parish, you simply complete the nomination form below. You don't have to ask them as the current members will approach the nominee and answer any questions that they have.

Something to keep in mind is the role of the Parish Council, which is outlined below. Overarching all activity within the parish will be the implementation of the Strategic Plan and Vision that originated from the survey/comments this community provided. We would hope that any incoming Parish Council members would be energised and enthusiastic about seeing this vision come to life for our community at St Pat's.

### **Role of the Parish Pastoral Council**

Our Pastoral Council's role is to promote the Church's mission of living and communicating the love and values of Christ in the world around us, through prayerful and thoughtful pastoral leadership and service.

Our Pastoral Council shares in the responsibility for the ongoing life and development of our parish community, working together with parishioners to provide support for their efforts to live as followers of Christ.

Our Parish Pastoral Council seeks to:

- listen and respond to the hopes, ideas, needs and concerns of parishioners;
- encourage and support the continuing good work of existing pastoral groups;
- provide opportunities for parishioners:
  - to grow in their relationship with God and with each other
  - to support and encourage them in their continuing efforts to be a Christian influence in the wider community;
- set short-term and long-term pastoral goals for our parish community within the framework of diocesan priorities;
- contribute towards making parish decisions that reflect the values of the Gospel and the teachings of the Church;
- provide support for our Pastors, working collaboratively with them.

*✂✂...Please cut along this line, place in an envelope and put into the collection box.....✂✂✂✂✂*

## **NOMINATION FORM FOR ST PATRICK'S PARISH COUNCIL**

**Name of person you wish to nominate:**

**Nominated by:**

**Contact details, if you can:**

**Reasons for nominating this person:**