



St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16 October 2022

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17 Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. [Psalm 97]

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13 If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia! *For all the things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!*

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19 It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.

St Patrick's Cathedral Financial Report - 2021 / 2022

The 2021/2022 Financial Year has finished with a surplus and enabled us to replenish our parish reserves in a small way. Whilst finances continue to be a challenge, we are more than ever grateful to all those who have been able to contribute to the continuing life of the Cathedral through donations of any kind.

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish, your generosity enables our good works and endeavors to continue, and to grow.
A SINCERE THANK YOU FOR WHATEVER YOUR CONTRIBUTION MAY BE!*

Following is a brief summary of the operational areas of St Patrick's Cathedral. *Previous year's amounts will be shown in brackets.*

Cathedral income from planned giving, loose plate and donation point was \$197,316 (2020/2021 - \$184,476 and 2019/2020 - \$199,752) and \$10,800 from weddings. Through your generous support, we were also able to forward \$19,190 in special collections to our various appeals throughout the year. After all the Cathedral expenses, a deficit of \$-1,644 was recorded. This deficit includes the costs of the new trees and gardens of \$14,741. *In this financial year, more maintenance and upgrade is occurring in relation to the church and driveway lights, quotes for this work - church lights \$7,000 driveway lights \$30,500, and also the purchase of a new ride on lawn mower.*

In the area of the **Parish Office and Parish House**, there is a deficit of \$258,792 (2020/2021 - \$195,222 and 2020/2020 - \$207,017). The income areas of these two areas is very limited, so a deficit is a yearly expectation.

The two sets of **Units** – Hill Street and Ave Maria in Ruthven Street continue to provide a good yearly income for the parish. The surplus for this financial year was \$43,468. (2020/2021 - \$48,017 and 2019/2020 - \$52,348). We have now refurbished five of the 14 units at Hill Street and will continue to refurbish units as they become vacant. This financial year \$70,563 was spent refurbishing three units. The funds to cover this costs come from previous years profits (unit reserves).

Bingo continues to be the main source of income to the Parish and has brought in the highest ever ticket sales for the 2021/2022 year. Anthony King's continued careful management has again provided a much needed surplus to cover the above mentioned parish deficits. We thank our Bingo patrons for their continued attendance and support of St Pats Bingo. We also make special mention of thanks to Anthony King, his staff and team of volunteers for all their hard work in making sure this occurs each year for the parish. *Anyone wishing to become a volunteer, please contact St Patrick's Office.* This year's surplus was of \$404,027 (2020/2021 - \$268,704 and 2019/2020 - \$104,385).

Around the Bingo operations, the **Cathedral Centre** is also hired out for functions. These functions, run by Anthony King and his team have made a surplus of \$55,279 this financial year (2020/2021 - \$21,730 and 2019/2020 - \$25,261). These funds are put aside to cover maintenance of the Centre and replacement of equipment. This year's surplus will be used to replace the commercial ovens in the kitchen at an approximate cost of \$60,000.

Thankfully with all this taken into account we were able to secure an overall profit of \$242,338 for the year. Should you wish to be provided with a more detailed report, don't hesitate to call into the office at St. Patrick's to pick up a copy. Thank you to the wonderful team on the Finance Committee – Celia Waters, Kerry Shine, Shane Kennett, Basil Dass and Jim Whitney, working with myself.

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Thank you once again for your thoughtfulness toward the continued stability of our parish. At the bottom of this page are some suggestions for ways to give, should you wish to consider an alternative system. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers at St. Patrick's for their wonderful sense of teamwork, especially during these trying times.

*God Bless, and may your gift be returned to you in life's many varied surprises!
Father Michael, and all those who staff our office, offering exceptional assistance to all.*

✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** June Glass, Bernard McGlynn. 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:** Members of Martin, Collins and Logan families, Joe O'Neill, John Koop, Mary Koop, Cecily Gleeson and Fr Roger Burke [1948].

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially:** Jamal Abraham, Pam Cavalachini, Madelaine Morris, 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, 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, Patricia McCracken, Reggie James, Teresita Pamulaklakin.

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

Join us to farewell Fr Nandana with morning tea on Sunday 30 October after 9am Mass. Please bring a plate to share. Fr Nandana will begin in Crows Nest Parish on 7 November.

ARBOUR REPORT: At this stage the Bishop has decided to postpone a decision on the creation of an arbour at St Patrick's, citing the following reason, *"At present we are engaged in discussion with the Heritage Council about issues regarding the Cathedral structure itself. These matters will need to be progressed and works completed before proposal by the Grounds Committee is further considered. My thanks to the Committee for the work that they are doing at this time."*

ANNUAL SERVICE FOR PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION. This prayer service refers to our Covenant that was signed and supported between the Anglican Diocese of Brisbane, Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane and the Catholic Diocese of Toowoomba, which presently hangs to the right as you enter St Patrick's Cathedral. You are invited to be part of this annual service. As is the tradition, the host Diocese invites the other Diocese to preach, so this year we welcome Bishop Cameron Venerables to share his thoughts with us. So please put in your diaries **Wednesday, 2nd November, 7.00pm at St. Pat's.** Thank you.

ANNUAL ADVENT ANOINTING MASS will be held in the Cathedral Centre on **Thursday 24 November at 11am**, followed by Christmas Lunch. Please RSVP to the parish office admin@stpats.org.au or 46371500.

2023 COLUMBAN CALENDARS now available from Parish Office. Cost \$10.00.

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| Sunday 16 October [SPC – St. Patrick's] [STM – St. Thomas More's] | 7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass 9am Live Streaming | 11am Baptism of Olivia and Tasha Mills with Stephanie Storey and Ella Wilkins 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre |
| Monday 17 October Saint Ignatius of Antioch | 9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC | 10am Rosary making group |
| Tuesday 18 October Saint Luke | 9am SPC 5.30pm Mass STM | 5.30 – 7pm Choir practice 5.30pm Finance Meeting SPC |
| Wednesday 19 October | 7am Mass SPC | 6pm SVdP Meeting in the Parish Centre 7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre |
| Thursday 20 October | 7am Mass SPC | 7.30am – 8.30am Adoration at St. Patrick's |
| Friday 21 October | 7am Mass SPC 9am Mass STM | 10am Friendship Group in Parish Office Boardroom 7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre |
| Saturday 22 October | 7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC | 6.30am Rosary at St. Pat's 8.00am – 9.00am Reconciliation |
| Sunday 23 October | 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: \$1045 Loose: \$1674, PayPoint: \$590. Jim Harris, Kevin and Judy Lindores.

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.