



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 20 October 2024

First reading: Isaiah 53:10-11 If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs and have long life.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16 Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.

Alleluia, alleluia! The son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all! Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45 The son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.

In our parish community, we are filled with gratitude as we celebrate the priestly jubilees of six extraordinary men who have devoted their lives to God's calling. This year, we honour Kerry Costigan (60 years), James Cronin and John Maher (50 years), Michael O'Brien and Jamie Collins (25 years), Hal Ranger (65 years), and Ted Hanlon (40 years). These priests have served in parishes across our diocese and beyond, bringing the Gospel to countless individuals and accompanying many on their spiritual journeys. Through their dedicated ministry, they have lived out Christ's command to serve and have become true shepherds for their flocks.

In his homily, Bishop Ken reminded us that priesthood is not about being perfect or powerful; it is about embracing the weaknesses and strengths of humanity, constantly depending on God's grace. As these men celebrate their jubilees, we recognize the trials they have faced, but more importantly, how they have remained steadfast in their commitment to serve Christ and His Church. Their journeys have been a profound testament to Mark 10:35-45, where Jesus teaches that true greatness lies in service, not in positions of authority. Just as the Jubilarians have done, we are all called to lead through humble service, following the example of Jesus who came "not to be served, but to serve."

This festive occasion beautifully reflects Pope Francis message, for **World Mission Sunday 2024 when he urges us to "go out and extend invitations to everyone for the feast" (cf Mt 22:9)**. The Jubilarians have exemplified this mission through their efforts in churches and various ministries by inviting individuals to embrace the happiness of God's realm. Their dedication transcends beyond their community. Extends to regions worldwide as they answer the summons to represent Christ's compassion and service, in the global arena.

Pope Francis emphasizes that the mission is not assigned to a few but is a shared responsibility, for all baptized Christians universally called upon to fulfill it. As we reflect on the theme of "**Communion, Participation, Mission**" this year let us draw motivation from the dedication of our Jubilarians. Let us also step forward and extend invitations to others to join in experiencing the love of God while collaboratively contributing towards establishing a Church that spreads the message of the Gospel to every corner of the world.

FHEAR BRIAN REDONDO



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✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:**

✠ **We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Harry Moses, Cecily Gleeson.

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community:** John Evers, Sharon Keats, Bernard Bartetzko, Vicky Coccozza, Jibran Mardini, Richard Stritzel, Rita Irwin, Kate Gibbs, Christine 'Saus' Barron, Alyshia Morris, William Garrahy, Bev Smith, Louise O'Connor, Sheryl Grunke, Noel Roshan Francis, Therese Odri, Kath Smith, Freddy Nield, Ray Frelek, Blake Cusato, Braxton, Greg Coddington, Jamal Abraham, Judy Moloney, Perlita Torrecampo, Teresita Pamulaklakin, Madeline Gray.

Seeking an opportunity to deepen your spiritual journey? We invite you to consider attending the **PRAY AND PAINT** experience being offered in November and December. The essence is to open your creative pathway in expressing the essential and personal understanding of a biblical scene through art. The morning would begin with a reflective process with a biblical scene that speaks to you. You are required to bring a picture of that scene or encounter with you. From the deep listening of the message that is present in that scene, for you, leads to the second part of this experience. After some time of guided reflection and deepening of the spirit you will be invited to paint the understanding of what is presented. An example may be that you have chosen the Prodigal Son story. You are led to an understanding of forgiveness in the story as you reflect. The picture you paint may be simply the road on which the father and son were reunited, as you see that as the most important aspect, and the journey we all take. There will be artists to help with the sketching and painting of your image. You do not have to be a painter to be part of this experience. To make it easier to be guided by the artists the attendance will be limited to 25 people/session. There will be more details to come. Please give this some thought and ways of enrolling will be given in coming weeks.

Parking at the Cathedral: Due to the ongoing cleaning of the Cathedral building, over the next 2 weeks [15th – 26th October] access will be restricted to the Neil St gate only. There will be no access from the rear carpark via the Marion Garden walkway. Feel free to make use the street parking that is available in the early morning. This applies only to week day masses. Freedom of access will be available on the weekends.



SVDP: will not be collecting produce for hampers this year, due to the fact many have differing needs. Instead we are requesting donations of supermarket gift cards or cash donations which will be given to those in need. Donations of cash/cards are to be placed in an envelope marked **VINNIES**. Please leave these in the collection plate/St Pat's office. Donations will continue until 15/12/2024. Thank you for your generosity.

Our annual Anointing Mass with lunch will be held in the Cathedral Centre at 11.00am on Thursday, 28th November, 2024. Please pass this invitation onto anyone who you feel would like to attend. For catering purposes please let the office know on 4637 1500 or admin@stpats.org.au before Tuesday, 26th November.

Jubilee booklets: are available on the table for you to take.

Parking Alternatives – Please remember there are 3 parking opportunities over the weekend – Firstly our carpark at the rear of the Cathedral, secondly parking in the Toowoomba Catholic Schools carpark with access to the Cathedral via the path near the bell tower, and thirdly the designated carpark opposite the tennis courts on the corner of Lawrence and Neil, with a short walk to St Patrick's. **At all times please be aware of safety and the keeping clear driveways, entrances and exits for everyone. There are plenty of parks in all these areas, so there is no need for any double parking or parking on footpaths.**

HOLY SOULS MONTH, as you are aware is during the month of November and it provides an opportunity for us to remember our loved ones who have passed from this world to the next. As we did last year we invite you to bring a photo to place on our memory banner. Please feel free to bring any photo into the parish office to make a copy of and then take a quiet moment to place them onto the banner, from the beginning of November. *May they rest in peace.*

Sunday 20 October 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time [SPC – St Patrick's] [STM – St Thomas More's]	7am, 9am, 5.30pm. Live Stream 9am Fr Roger Burke	Catholic Mission Sunday 10am Morning Tea – Grounds Committee 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Monday 21 October	5.30pm Mass SPC 9.00am Mass STM	9.30am Rosary Beads making in Parish Conference Room
Tuesday 22 October	9am Mass SPC	5.30pm – 6.30pm CHOIR PRACTICE
Wednesday 23 October	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thursday 24 October	7am Mass SPC	7.30am-8.30am Adoration at St Patrick's 10am – Mass Numylo
Friday 25 October	7am Mass SPC 9.30am Mass STM	9am Ladies Friendship Group in Parish Conf. Room 7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Saturday 26 October	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC	6.30am Rosary at St. Patrick's 8am – 9am Reconciliation SPC 11am Baptism Lottie Isabella Warren 12pm Baptism Cleo Seaniger
Sunday 27 October 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Live Stream 9am	11am Baptism Hazel Louise Langerak 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre

Planned Giving: Thank you for your donations. Loose \$2419 Planned Giving \$772 Donation Point \$1140

Money Counters this weekend: Sandra and Peter Daly, Jan-Nell and Errol Chase

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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 or name in donating. Thank you.