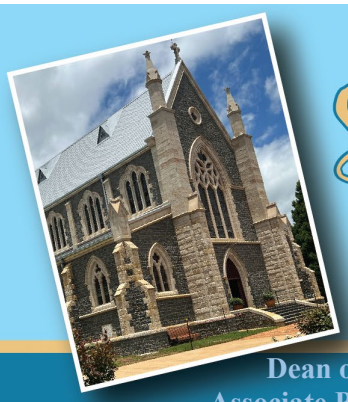

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We Acknowledge and respect the Traditional Owners of this place, the Jarowair and Giabal Peoples

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 20 September 2026

First reading: Isaiah 55:6-9 My thoughts are not your thoughts
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is near to all who call him.
Second Reading: Philippians 1:20-24, 27 For me to live is Christ.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son. Alleluia!
Gospel: Matthew 20: 1-16 Why are you jealous because I am generous?

SYNOD TOOWOOMBA DIOCESE 2026

As the flowers bloom throughout Toowoomba this weekend, and as the lovely Spring weather inspires us to praise the One who continues to give His people such a gift in creation, we are mindful of those who cannot rejoice as we do. In particular we hear the call to be generous and grateful for what we have been given, for all things are gift from God. We hear this in the question posed to us by the Lord in the parable this Sunday: "Why be envious because I am generous?" We pray that we would participate in God's generosity and that through us all those who lack safety, shelter, food, clean water, and the basic necessities of life would come to rejoice in the gifts of God. This week, we are invited to partner with Catholic Mission and the Church in Malawi as we support families rebuilding after devastating floods and help children access education close to home. Through projects like St Peter's Nyamikuta Primary School, the Church is creating a place where children can learn, be nourished, and grow with dignity, regardless of their background or beliefs. As we celebrate 100 years of World Mission Day, we are reminded by Pope Leo XIV that we are 'One in Christ, United in Mission'.
Join with us in celebration and action by supporting this work with a compassionate gift.
Use the provided appeal envelope, scan the QR code, or visit catholicmission.org.au/united
Every blessing for the week ahead, Fr BJ

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St Patrick's Floral Display
Friday, 18th – Tuesday, 22nd September 2026
9am – 5pm Daily
Cash Donations greatly appreciated - Please use the envelopes provided on the tables & Place on the collection plate.

Organ Society of Queensland Concert - Come along and listen to BACH TO BACHARACH
St Pat's Tuesday 22nd September 10am – 11am – Free admission

✞ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Maxwell Goldman.
✞ **We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially:** Lucy Amalemba, Victor Colella
✞ **For all those who are ill in our community:** Carol Barnwell, Clive O'Kelly, Danny Fitzpatrick, Noel Cook, Patti Twidale, Mary Neylon, Bernie Reis, Anette Schaefer, Kate Gibbs, Katherine Manktelow, Therese Odri, Austin Amalemba, Brenden Canning, Ted Philippa, Justin O'Donnell, Kathy Bermingham, Carole Symons, Elizabeth Soutar, Patrick Eldridge, Donna Vallely, John Gurney.

Reconciliation is offered in the 1st Rite on Saturday mornings from 8am to 9am. Please be aware the priests at the Cathedral may have many other commitments on Saturdays – Baptisms, Weddings and even some funerals. Please **do not** arrive after 9am due to these other calls on our priest's pastoral needs.

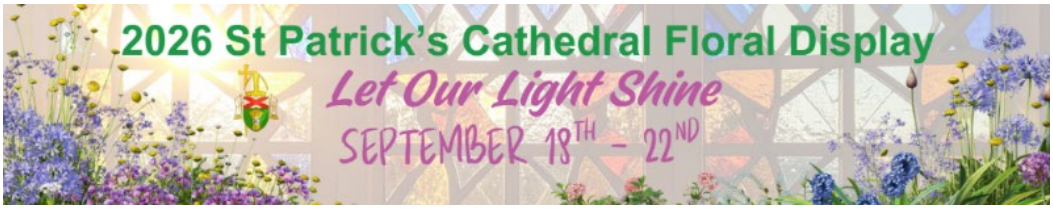
Sacristan's Duties: Volunteers to help with light cleaning duties in the Cathedral one hour each week (preferably Friday). Two people working together is recommended. Please contact Gabrielle Saide on 0402 307150 for more information.

Variety Sale The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver are holding a Variety Sale at 71 Margaret St to raise funds for the Missions. The Variety Sale is on Saturday 26th September from 7.00am - 1.00pm. There will be antiques, collectables, china, books, crafts and linen for sale. We will also have a sausage sizzle and cake stall. Please call the Sisters on 07 46321818 if you require any further information.

"I take this opportunity to welcome you to St Patrick's Cathedral. We are currently in the process of restoring this sacred space as we approach the celebration of 100 years since the creation of the Diocese of Toowoomba. We acknowledge and thank the work of the St Pat's Carnival of Flowers committee who have coordinated this year's beautiful displays, and all the volunteers, schools and community organisations who have worked tirelessly to bring to you the joy of 'Letting Our Light Shine' for all to see.

Enjoy, and may you have a wonderful experience of Toowoomba's premier event - the Carnival of Flowers 2026."

Every blessing, Bishop Ken Howell DD



Sunday 20 September **25th Sunday in Ord. Time** **[SPC - St Patrick's & STM - St Thomas More's]**	7am, 9am, 5.30pm. **Live Stream 9am** **[Priest ann. in green]**	**World Mission Sunday Appeal** 11am Baptism Marlowe Hazel Clapham 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre ***SPEND SOME TIME ADMIRING THE FLORAL DISPLAYS***
Monday 21 September **St Matthew**	5.30pm Mass SPC 9.00am Mass STM **Fr Lino Valente**	9.30am Rosary making group in the Parish Centre **FLOWERS DISPLAY CONTINUES AT ST PATRICK'S** 6pm Parish Council meeting in Staff Room
Tuesday 22 September	9am Mass SPC	**FLOWERS DISPLAY CONTINUES AT ST PATRICK'S**
Wednesday 23 September **St Pius of Pietrelcina**	7am Mass SPC 5.30pm Mass STM **Fr Frances Burke**	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thursday 24 September	7am Mass	7.30am-8.30am Adoration 6pm Choir Practice
Friday 25 September	7am Mass 9.30am Mass STM **Fr Michael Skehan**	9am Friendship Group in the Parish Centre 7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Saturday 26 September	7am Mass 6pm Mass	6.30am Rosary in Cathedral 8-9am Reconciliation 10.30am Baptism Alexander Yrwin Griffin
Sunday 27 September **26th Sunday in Ord. Time**	7am, 9am, 5.30pm **Live Stream 9am**	11am Baptism Juan Mateo Esparza Hammermeister 12pm Baptism Aidan Alexander & Andrew Jamie Thomsen 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Collections
Collection for 13/09/2026 – Loose $3145 Planned Giving $701 Donation Point $2150
Money Counters this weekend: Michelle Betros, Mick Cuskelly, Karen Holtham
Money Counters next weekend: Wendy Heelan, Jabour Hanna, Rod Slatter
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.