



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.



TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 21 August 2022

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21 They will gather all of your people from all nations.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 116 Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7 The Lord disciplines those he loves.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! *I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!*

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30 From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

Listening to Jesus this week

A group of interested people were taking a walk beside a famous river. They had heard many stories about this river – about people whose lives had flourished because of its presence, about people who had perished because of it....

The group was accompanied by a wise elder, and they pestered him with questions, for he knew a lot about the river;

Where does the river come from?

Where is it going?

How fast is it flowing?

How deep is it?

How warm or cold is the water?

Can you drink its water?

Is it safe or dangerous?

How many have ever swum in the river?

What would happen to us if we got into the river?

The wise elder became exasperated with all the questioning and issued an invitation “Let’s all jump into the river!” and there they gradually, happily, sometimes painfully discovered the answers to their questions and explored the mysteries of the river!

So it is with us in regard to the new way of living Jesus proposes in the Gospels and calls us into –

Expressing interest from a DISTANCE, from the ‘river bank’, from the grandstand as onlookers... is not what believing in Him is really about.

Believing in Jesus and following His way is not the stuff of debate and argument.

He calls us to “jump into the river with Him”, there to find the real questions and answers to the things that really matter in life.

“To enter through the narrow door” difficult as that often will be.

To open our lives to all the other searchers and questioners “from the East to the West”, “the North and South”.

To explore and **EXPERIENCE** the value of mercy and faithfulness, justice and compassion, the emptying of oneself in all our relationships and encounters.

Lets keep jumping in together in faith,

Hal Ranger

✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Trudy-Anne Dodd, Marilyn Hayes and Patricia McKenna. 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:** Joan Hannant, Deborah Cole, Beryl Draper, Doug Fordes (20 years), Fr Charles McDonald [1970]

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially:** 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.

Security Cameras – Please be aware, for your safety and protection there are a number of constantly recording cameras located around the Cathedral precinct including the Cathedral, Office areas and walkways. Thank you.

Jubilee - Bishop Robert McGuckin and the Toowoomba Council of Priests cordially invite you to the Jubilee Celebration of Ordinations – **60 years:** Fr. Michael McClure, **50 years:** Fr. Peter Dorfield, Fr. Ray Johnson, Fr. John Peard, Fr. Michael Cooney, Fr. Ray Crowley, Fr. Rod MacGinley, Fr. Sean Lynskey CSSp and **25 years:** Fr. Shane Carr, MSC. Mass will be held here on Monday, 12th September, 2022 at 11am. **All are welcome to attend.**

Plenary Council – For up to date information regarding the decrees being sent to Rome for approval please access via www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au or call into our office for a copy.

Catholic Mission Appeal will be on the weekend of 10/11 September. Envelopes will be available on that weekend.

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver are holding a Rare and Beautiful Variety Sale at 71 Margaret St Toowoomba on Saturday September 3 from 7.00am to 12.00 noon. Goods include antiques, collectables, china, royal doulton, crystal, linen, craft, books and much more. There will also be a sausage sizzle and cake stall with home made goods.. All proceeds go to the missions.

Did you know you may make a donation or contribute towards planned giving simply by phoning the office with your card details? Please call 4637 1500 to speak with any of our helpful office staff.

SERVICE @ ST PAT'S - *"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received"* – 1 Peter 4:10. You are invited to consider the call to put your gifts at the service of the parish community through liturgical ministry at St Pat's. This is not about locking yourself into a never-ending or onerous roster; it's about your gifts and responding to the invitation to serve through them. At present, there is a real and regular need for readers and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Assistance with the sacristy cleaning on a less regular basis would also be welcome. For more information, please contact the parish office (admin@stpats.org.au; 4637 1500; or online), speak to one of the priests or current volunteers, or call Gabrielle Saide on 4632 4778 (a.h.). Training is given for each of these ministries. Also, the regularity and responsibilities of the roles can be adjusted to meet your circumstances and calling. *"Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen"* – 1 Peter 4:11-12.

Sunday 21 August [SPC – St. Patrick's] [STM – St. Thomas More's]	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass 9am Live Streaming	4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Monday 22 August The Queenship of the Blesses Virgin Mary	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC	10am Rosary making group in Parish Board Room
Tuesday 23 August	9am SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	5.30 – 7pm Choir practice
Wednesday 24 August Saint Bartholomew	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thursday 25 August Saint Clare	7am Mass SPC	7.30am – 8.30am Adoration at St. Patrick's
Friday 26 August	7am Mass SPC 9am Mass STM	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Saturday 27 August Saint Monica	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC	6.30am Rosary at St. Pat's 8.00am – 9.00am Reconciliation
Sunday 28 August	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: \$905 Loose: \$1180 PayPoint: \$650. Pat Power, Leo McMahon and Eileen Stephen..

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.