



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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4 September 2022

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18 Who can comprehend the will of God?

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 89:3-6 In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Second Reading: Philemon 9-10 Receive him, not as a slave anymore, but as a very dear brother.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! *Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws. Alleluia!*
Gospel: Luke 14:1,7-14 All who exalt themselves shall be humbled and all who humble themselves shall be exalted.

One of the areas the Grounds Committee has been working on and giving much consideration to, is a practical space for gathering in the grounds of St Pat's. As you know when we have a morning tea or other gathering it has to be in the entrance area on the Neil Street side of the Cathedral.

It would be good to have an alternative area that is designed for that purpose. We would like to propose to the Bishop the possibility of constructing an arbour similar to that at Laurel Bank Park (below). Whilst it will naturally take years to get it to the same standard it would be a great place to gather, not only for morning teas, but for those waiting for a baptism, wedding or funeral. Also just a quiet place for reflection. In preparation for putting the proposal before the Bishop we would hope to show that there is considerable parish support for such a project. The cost is substantial, given the value of steel at the moment – estimated at \$50,000, hence needing the Bishop to approve the outlay. The measurements would be 18 metres length, 5 metres across and 3 metres high. This allows plenty of room for a good number of people to gather comfortably. It would become a beautiful place within our grounds and enhance the space.



We invite you to have a think about this project over the coming week.

Next weekend we simply request a YES/NO to the following question – ***Do you believe that the addition of an arbour at St Patrick's will enhance the beauty of the grounds and be of practical use to St Patrick's Parish Community?***

We would hope to encourage the purchase of monogrammed bricks to create the floor within the arbour, at a later stage of the project.

Thanking you, God Bless, Fr. Michael and the Grounds Committee.

✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Terrence Fitzgibbon, June Harland, Joan Shearer, Dorothy Beresford, Graham Somerfield. 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:**

Aaron Preston, Lena Coelho, Edward (Ted) Gill, Lidia Aguilar and Hector Luna, Fr Mervyn Ziesing [2017], Bishop Edward Kelly [1994], Fr Sydney Kattie [2004], Fr Myles Patrick Smith [2011].

✠ **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 Blue Room which has been operating for a number of years will no longer be offering its services. This is due to the space being needed for rent to assist with the finances of St Patrick's. The issues around Covid have made it difficult to effectively operate as a place to gather over these last number of years, however those who have used the room have found it to be a great place to spend time looking at their future community possibilities. Thank you to Fr. Hal, Dave Rutter and Fran Mitchell for the time, energy and gentleness in which you contributed to the idea of the Blue Room space. Much appreciated.

The Grounds Committee was mentioned on the front page of the bulletin, so just in case you were wondering who is part of that committee, they are: David and Christine Harpham, Angela Travers, Catherine Blackmore, Peter Kennedy, Mike McCosker, Michael Geraghty (Landscape Consultant) and Fr. Michael.

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.

Sunday 4 September [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 5 September The Passion of Saint John the Baptist	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC	10am Rosary making group in Parish Board Room
Tuesday 6 September	9am SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	5.30 – 7pm Choir practice 6pm St Pat's Parish Council Meeting in Parish House
Wednesday 7 September	7am Mass SPC	5.30pm St Pat's Grounds Committee Meeting 6pm Meeting of SVdP 7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thursday 8 September The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	7am Mass SPC	7.30am – 8.30am Adoration at St. Patrick's
Friday 9 September	7am Mass SPC 9am Mass STM	5.30pm St Pat's Liturgy Meeting in Parish House 7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Saturday 10 September	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC	6.30am Rosary at St. Pat's 8.00am – 9.00am Reconciliation
Sunday 11 September	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass 9am Live Streaming	11am Baptism of Sophia Catane 12pm Baptism of Dexter Man 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thank you for your generous giving to assist the works of St. Patrick's. Planned Giving: \$1462 Loose: \$1628 PayPoint: \$450. 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.		