



# St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – Year C - Saturday 11 May/Sunday 12 May 2019

<b>First Reading:</b>	Acts 13:14, 43-52 – <i>We are now turning to the gentiles.</i>
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b>	We are God's people, the sheep of his flock. [Psalm 99]
<b>Second Reading:</b>	Revelation 7:9, 14-17 – <i>The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.</i>
<b>Gospel Acclamation:</b>	Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!
<b>Gospel:</b>	John 10:27-30 – <i>I give my sheep eternal life.</i>

### Temples and Cathedrals

Never a day goes by without someone, often a family, stopping by to visit our Cathedral, open as you know, all day every day. The sight of the building, the quietness within, the reminders of God, the Tabernacle, altar, statues, stations, the place of Baptism, the burial place of Denis Fouhy...all combine to awaken the Spirit within the visitor. For many visitors and locals of course there's more! They come to remember...a wedding 50 years ago, the place of their Baptism, to recall a parent's funeral, to pray again in a familiar place.

The Cathedral is, of course, primarily a place of prayer, a quiet place to be open to God and listen; a space for groups both small and large to listen to God's word, to be embraced by God's love, to celebrate Sacraments, especially Eucharist each day.

These thoughts and the day to day experience from which they flow are being especially highlighted this weekend:

- a] Because the Gospel we'll listen to this weekend is part of Jesus' reflection at an annual feast in Jerusalem commemorating the Dedication of their Temple and recalling the famous original Temple built by Solomon and the restoration of the Temple following Israel's return from exile in Babylon. The feast celebrated God's special presence among them in the grand structure and God's dwelling within the hearts of His chosen people. **Jesus invites His listeners to embrace God's presence, in a new and deeper way, by LISTENING to the voice of His teaching about a God of faithful love, by embracing His way of living and dying, by being open to His Spirit and Rising to new life. The voice that is not just a sound from His mouth but everything about Him - His way of living, His loving, His teaching, His dying, His being raised to life.**
- b] Something quite extraordinary is happening right now in Europe that also speaks to us of Temples and Cathedrals. A few weeks ago, Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April, there was a terrible fire in the heart of Paris. This accidental fire caused severe damage to Notre Dame Cathedral and brought about deep heartache in France and beyond. It seemed like the death of a very old and dear friend, who had seen everything, heard everything, felt everything, forgiven everything involved in the life of Paris and France for the past 850 years!

Notre Dame reminds the French people of who they are and what France is...and that means Catholic in the best sense of the word, standing for Faith despite the Reformation, the age of Enlightenment, world wars...

Jesus continues to speak through our Cathedral, through Notre Dame in Paris, through the Temple in Jerusalem. He speaks Words of Life and Mercy, to lift up our hearts beyond selfishness. **Our buildings are sacred signs of His presence among us!**

*Fr Hal*



✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Laurie Ford, Year 12 student at St Ursula's College\*, Brigid Reis. *May Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them, May They Rest in Peace.*  
[\*In keeping with sensitive, respectful cultural needs, the student's name is not published]

✠ **We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Leonard Fitzgerald, Fr Michael Herbert, Fr Garrett Murphy, Msgr Thomas Nolan, Msgr Edward Concannon.

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially** Leo Ryan, Tina Hobson, Michael Cuskelly, John Smith, Vince Stephens, Bev Boundy, Roslyn Pardon [nee Kearney], Joanne Essey [Sydney], Mr Rene Perla, Braxton Rayner, Kate Gibbs, Max Shearer, Saturnino Bustamante, Hannah Marie Marasigan, Robert Badger, Stephanie Shine, Susie Rolls, Andrew Supple (Robina), Mary-Ann Hine, Antony Dunbarr, Kathy Allan, John Morgan, Patricia McCracken, Reggie James, Morgan O'Brien, Teresita Pamulaklaklin.

✠ **For all those recently baptised: Mikaela Elizabeth Sutton** daughter of Timothy and Talisa. *May the gift of the Holy Spirit grow throughout their lives.*

**Reconciliation:** 1<sup>st</sup> Rite available every Saturday, 9.00am – 10.00am at St Patrick's Cathedral.

**Parish Council:** As you would have noticed in the bulletin last weekend, it is time to give some thought to recommendations for new members on the St Patrick's Parish Council. Please give this some consideration by looking around and seeing who, through your experience, you believe would make a good representative of the community on our Council. On the tables you will find a form for recommendation. You do not have to approach the person as one of the current councilors will speak with them at a later date. This is simply a recommendation. Please place the form in the box provided, or hand it to a priest or current member. Please complete the form and return before the 3<sup>rd</sup> June. It is **all** our responsibility to give this due consideration.

**Holy Hour at the Cathedral:** Each third Wednesday between 5pm and 6pm there will be adoration at St Patrick's Cathedral. Consider some quiet time each month to reflect on life and faith. **Next time: 15/05.**

**Holy Hour/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Every Friday from 2pm at the convent of Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver, 71 Margaret Street, Toowoomba.

**Gospel of Luke:** On the tables you will find copies of Luke's gospel for anyone to take. This coming year the readings are taken from this gospel.

**St Saviour's College Boarders Car Wash:** Sunday 12 May 10am. Sausage sizzle and drinks for sale.

**St Saviour's College Open Evening** Tuesday 21 May 3.00pm - 6.00pm. All families are welcome to attend. For more details please phone the College on 4637 1600 or visit our website: [www.ssctwb.catholic.edu.au](http://www.ssctwb.catholic.edu.au)

**St Ursula's College Open Day:** Sunday 26th May 2019 from 10am to 2pm.

**ALL THOSE ON ROSTERS: PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR EMAIL ASAP AND ADD TO LIST IN THE SACRISTY. THANKS**

**St Mary's College Open Day:** Sunday 26 May 2019 from 10am to 1pm.

**Catholic Leader:** Sadly after 90 years as "The Catholic Leader" and 37 years before that as "The Age", due to financial needs, the paper will no longer be sent to Parishes. For many it has been the standard part of Sunday Mass – pick up "the Leader" on the way home! You are able to have a copy posted to you, or a digital copy both by subscription, via [www.catholicleader.com.au](http://www.catholicleader.com.au), but unfortunately not at the parish Mass [from 25<sup>th</sup> May].

**BUS TRIP MARIAN VALLEY:** Saturday 18th May, Celebrant Archbishop Mark Coleridge. Bus departs St Patricks, Neil St at 7.30am. Cost \$25. For bookings contact Theresa on 4564 9805, mobile 0434 528 904.

"Crossing Delancey" - Repertory Theatre Fundraiser evening for the Missionary sisters of St Peter Claver - Tuesday 14/5/19 - phone 0416 055 976.

<b>Sunday 12 May</b>	7am Mass 9am Mass 5.30pm Mass	<b>10.15am Confirmation Preparation Cluster – Cathedral Centre</b>  4.30pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre
<b>Monday 13 May</b>	9am Mass at STM	10.30am Mass at Brodribb <b>No</b> Choir practice until 27 May 2019
<b>Tuesday 14 May</b>	7am Mass 5.30pm Mass STM	8.45am SSC Year 11 Mass [HR] 12.15pm SPC Indoor Bowls
<b>Wednesday 15 May</b>	7am Mass	9.30am St Patrick's Prayer Group in Boardroom 5-6pm Holy Hour 7:15pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre
<b>Thursday 16 May</b>	7am Mass	<b>3.30pm Confirmation Preparation Cluster – Cathedral Centre</b> 5.30pm SPC Liturgy Committee Meeting
<b>Friday 17 May</b>	7am Mass 9am Mass STM	9.30am Ladies Friendship Group in Parish Centre 7.15pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre
<b>Saturday 18 May</b>	7am Mass 6pm Vigil	9am-10am First Rite of Reconciliation 11am Baptism of Deborah Gopio
<b>Sunday 19 May</b>	7am Mass 9am Mass 5.30pm Mass	<b>10.15am Sacramental Preparation Cluster – Cathedral Centre</b>  4.30pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre
St Patrick's weekly collection: Planned Giving \$1897.50; Loose Collection \$2507.50		