

St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter POR



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

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - Year C - Saturday 15 June/Sunday 16 June 2019

First Reading: Proverbs 8:22-31 – *Wisdom was born before the earth was made.* **Responsorial Psalm:** O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth. [Psalm 8]

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5 – *To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through*

the Spirit.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who

is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 16:12-15 – Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I

give and tell you about it.



Joseph Patrick Hall was born in Toowoomba on 20th March 1931, the youngest of nine children born to William and Mary [nee Gabbett]. "Joe" to some, "Pat" to many, grew up in Perth Street just a stone's throw from St Saviour's where he commenced his schooling and St Patrick's Cathedral where he was baptised and prayed daily as a young man.

Together with life-long friend John [Jack] Clancy, Pat continued his primary and most of his secondary schooling at St Mary's College in West Street. Both Pat and Jack finished their secondary education at Banyo Seminary, following in the footsteps of many other young men who were neighbours growing up – Pat's older brothers Bill and Frank, John Bennett, Tom Isaac, Pat Kelly, Neville Grundy, Bernie Kane, John Bergin...; not only neighbours but also participants every morning in daily Mass in our Cathedral.

Times change, life becomes more and more complex. One can only imagine and treasure the encouragement, inspiration, brotherly Spirit among these young men [and others before and after them] including many from other parts of Toowoomba. Growing up, playing together, schooling and praying together, played a big part in nurturing their faith and preparing them to offer their lives in service. If only it were as simple today!

The young Pat Hall, both at St Mary's and at the Seminary, was a bundle of energy. On the football field Pat was "The General", playing and <u>directing</u> each game accordingly. At the Seminary he was a live-wire and a very fast sprinter. Being an athlete was, incidentally, a valuable asset given that the Rector, Monsignor Vincent Cleary, had a major interest in athletics. Pat was ordained in the Cathedral, together with Peter Murphy, on 29th June 1955. He was appointed to Warwick and after some time there he became overwhelmed by a sense of unworthiness, lots of scruples, a feeling of insecurity as a person and as a priest. He suffered a major breakdown. But with the help of the St John of God Brothers and the fatherly accompaniment of Bill McCormack – together with the encouragement and support of family and fellow priests of the Diocese and his own courage in facing the truth of his life's journey – Pat recovered.

What had been and what in many ways continued to be a dark cloud hanging over Pat, became somehow a wonderful gift which he shared generously.

For the rest of his life among us he offered the hope and the way to recovery to hundreds and hundreds of other people; he gently challenged and inspired hundreds more to be more authentic in our lives; and regularly showed, through a witty, sharp, insightful remark, the leadership and spark of his younger days. He enjoys now, with our loving God, the fullness of the life for which he was created.



Father Hal

- **† We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Fr Pat Hall, Bridie Lynam [Fr Tom Keegan's sister]. May Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them, May They Rest in Peace.
- **†** We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time: George Saide, Mary Frost, Michael Gill, Fr John Sinnott.
- ♣ For all those who are ill in our community, especially Fr Don Murray, Christine Singh, Michael Brady, Nora Machin, Mary Allen, George Pardon, Rita Avenell, Leo Ryan, Tina Hobson, Michael Cuskelly, 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 McCraken, Reggie James, Morgan O'Brien, Teresita Pamulaklakin.

Reconciliation: 1st Rite available every Saturday, 9.00am - 10.00am at St Patrick's Cathedral.

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: 19/06**

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.

THE SWAG and Australian Catholics magazines – latest issue are now available. Please take a copy.

Date Claimer: St Patrick's Cathedral and St Saviour's RACE DAY! Please mark on your calendar this date – November 2nd. If anyone would like to donate a prize for a multi-draw raffle, please contact the office. If you wish to sponsor one of the races on that day, please call Sam Hannant on 4637 1555.

St Ursula's College Toowoomba Past Students: All past students are invited to rejoin the Association. First function will be dinner at the College on **Friday 26 July 2019**. Contact college on 4632 7611 or via email on stursulaspsaa@gmail.com. Also on Facebook.

Unit for Rent: One bedroom unit for elderly person at St Patrick's Community Village is available for rent. Applications to be made in writing to the Secretary, Board of Management, St Patrick's Cathedral, PO Box 7062 Toowoomba 4350 or dropped in at the Parish Office. Applications close on **Friday, 28 June 2019.**

Office Space for Rent: The building previously occupied by TRAMS located at the back of the Cathedral Precinct is available for Rent. All enquires to Celia Waters at the Parish Office on 4637 1500.

Important Upcoming Events

Fr. Hal's Jubilee Morning Tea: To celebrate his 60 years of Priesthood, Fr Hal will host a morning tea following the 9am Mass on 30th June. **All welcome.** Diocesan celebration of the Jubilee Mass [Bishop Bill Morris, Fr Brian Connelly and Fr Hal Ranger] will be held at St Patrick's on Wednesday 10th July at 10.30am, to which everyone is invited to attend.

Ordination: Deacon Tom Duncan will be ordained Priest at St Patrick's Cathedral on 18th July at 5.30pm. Everyone is invited to be part of this event in Tom's life and the life of the Toowoomba Diocese.

| Sunday 16 June | 7am Mass 9am Mass | 10.15am Sacramental Preparation Cluster – Cathedral Centre 11am Baptism of Celine Bui |
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| | 5.30pm Mass | 4.30pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre |
| Monday 17 June | 9am Mass at STM | 5.30pm SPC Finance meeting 5.30pm Choir Practice |
| Tuesday 18 June | 7am Mass 5.30pm Mass STM | 12.15pm SPC Indoor Bowls 5.15pm SSPS Board meeting |
| Wednesday 19 June | 7am Mass | 9.30am St Patrick's Prayer Group in Boardroom 5-6pm Holy Hour 7:15pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre |
| Thursday 20 June | 7am Mass | 3.30pm Sacramental Preparation Cluster – Cathedral Centre 6pm SPC Parish Council meeting 6pm SVdP meeting in Parish Centre |
| Friday 21 June | 7am Mass 9am Mass STM | 9.30am Ladies Friendship Group in Parish Centre 3.15pm Practice for First Eucharist 7.15pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre |
| Saturday 22 June | 7am Mass 6pm Vigil | 9am-10am First Rite of Reconciliation 11am Baptism of Chase Petrie and Brooklyn Tickner [FM] 3pm Baptism of Jack and Amber Heneghan [FM] 6pm Mass Celebration of First Eucharist |
| Sunday 23 June | 7am Mass 9am Mass 5.30pm Mass | 9am Mass Celebration of First Eucharist 4.30pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre |
| St Patrick's weekly collection: Planned Giving \$1370.40; Loose Collection \$2000.40; Money Counters: Sam and Fina Ginardi, Wendy Heelan | | |