



# St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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

## THE MOST HOLY BODY BLOOD of CHRIST [Corpus Christi] – Year C Saturday 22 June/Sunday 23 June 2019

<b>First Reading:</b>	Genesis 14:18-20 – <i>Melchizedek brought bread and wine.</i>
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b>	You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek. [Psalm 109]
<b>Second Reading:</b>	1 Cor 11:23-26 – <i>Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord.</i>
<b>Gospel Acclamation:</b>	Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!
<b>Gospel:</b>	Luke 9:11-17 – <i>They all ate and were filled.</i>

### Celebrating the Body and Blood of Christ – EVERY DAY!

When we think of this feast day, we often only think of the sacrament of the Eucharist. This weekend more than 50 young ones receive the sacrament for the first time in their lives. They know also that the presence of Christ is much more than this experience today. The picture below is from a series of books that were popular many years ago – “*The Coles Funny Picture Book*”. An endless source of amusement, filled with amusing stories, pictures and rhymes. One of my favourite pictures was always the one below. Hidden in the forest is a horse, a camel, an elephant, a giraffe, a kangaroo and a monkey.

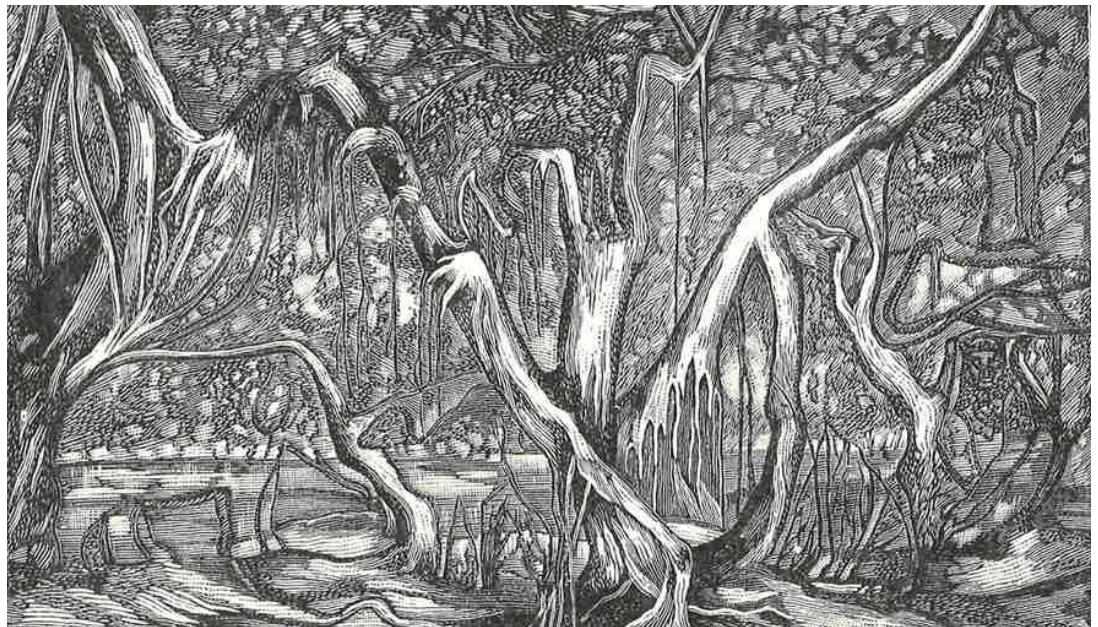
Some people will say they are easy to find, but some will struggle! The clue of course, is to sit and look for awhile and the hidden pictures will reveal themselves. The other option is to ask someone else if they can see them, and together you will make the discovery. So seeking the Body of Christ every day is also our task! It is often hidden in plain sight also!

We meet many people who we like and enjoy their company – we know their goodness and love – easy to see and feel the presence of Jesus within them. When we meet others, they seem to “rub” us the wrong way – their way of life clashes with our own – they demand too much from us – we disagree with everything they say – their attitude seems far from holy! These times it is a little harder to recognise the Jesus within – but he is there! Like the picture below, sometimes we have to look deeper and more carefully, and sometimes it takes time to see Jesus’ presence. Bishop Bill Morris used a phrase once that has always stayed with me – “The closest you will get to Jesus today, is the person you are sitting beside!” That can be a big challenge in itself. We sometimes forget that the experience of one person and ourselves, can be vastly different when that person is encountered by someone else. That’s when we need to ask another, so that we too can discover the hidden Christ in the other.

*Take a moment to hold in your heart those people who reveal Jesus to you.....then also take a moment to look deeply at those you find difficult in your life....ask God to reveal the hidden Jesus within them.*

So, like the gospel reading today of the feeding of the five thousand, may we, as the body of Christ, respond generously to the challenge, “*Give them something to eat yourselves*” when Jesus stirs within our hearts!

God’s Blessings, Fr. Michael



✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Veronica Post (Fr. Michael's Aunty), Patricia Osborn [nee Canavan], Kerry Donnelly, Hazel Pollard [Brett's Mother]. *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:** Vincent Coorey, Tony Haddad, Jennifer Gabbett, John Higgins, Nicholas Brennan, Fr Jeff Scully, Fr Thomas McCormack, Fr Simon O'Dea.

✠ **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, Stephanie Shine, Andrew Supple, Mary-Ann Hine, Antony Dunbarr, Kathy Allan, John Morgan, Patricia McCracken, Reggie James, Morgan O'Brien, Teresita Pamulaklakin.

✠ **For all those recently baptised:** **Celine Bui** daughter of Qui and Thy, **Chase David Petrie** son of Peter and Christina, **Brooklyn Terri-Mae Tickner** daughter of Andrew and Jessica and **Jack and Amber Heneghan** children of Brian and Nicola. *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.

**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: 17/07**

**Planned Giving Envelopes:** Please collect your 2019/20 envelopes from the tables in the middle of the Cathedral.

**St Ursula's College Toowoomba Past Students:** Dinner at the College on **Friday 26 July 2019**. Contact the College on 4632 7611 or via email on [stursulapsaa@gmail.com](mailto:stursulapsaa@gmail.com). Also on Facebook.

**Date Claimer:** St Patrick's Cathedral and St Saviour's RACE DAY! Please mark on your calendar this date – **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**. 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.

**Unit for Rent:** A 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**.

Part of next week's collection [29/30 June – Feast of Ss Peter and Paul] will make up the **Peters Pence Collection** which will enable Pope Francis to assist disadvantaged people and groups. If you would like to particularly give to this, please put an envelope on the collection plate and mark accordingly.

**St Joseph** has not been stolen but is away getting a make-over! He will be back soon!

Please contact Vicky Coccozza for practice dates if you wish to be part of the **Jubilee and/or Ordination choir**.

**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.

### **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 30<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30am in which everyone is invited to participate.

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

<b>Sunday 23 June</b>	7am Mass 9am Mass 5.30pm Mass	<b>9am Mass Celebration of First Eucharist</b>  4.30pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre
<b>Monday 24 June</b>	9am Mass at STM	5.30pm Choir Practice
<b>Tuesday 25 June</b>	7am Mass 5.30pm Mass STM	12.15pm SPC Indoor Bowls
<b>Wednesday 26 June</b>	7am Mass	9.30am St Patrick's Prayer Group in Boardroom 7.15pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre
<b>Thursday 27 June</b>	7am Mass	School Term 2 Ends
<b>Friday 28 June</b>	7am Mass 9am Mass STM	Pupil Free Day 9.30am Ladies Friendship Group in Parish Centre 6-7.30pm A Conversation with Fr Tom O'Loughlin in Conference Room 7.15pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre
<b>Saturday 29 June</b>	7am Mass 6pm Vigil	9am-10am First Rite of Reconciliation
<b>Sunday 30 June</b>	7am Mass 9am Mass 5.30pm Mass	Following 9am Mass <b>Morning Tea to celebrate Fr Hal's 60 Years of Priesthood and 125 years of St Vincent de Paul in Australia</b> 11am Baptism of Cameron Pollard, Noah Wallace and Patrick Flynn [PD] 4.30pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre
St Patrick's weekly collection: Planned Giving \$1,234.60; Loose Collection \$2,208.50; Money Counters: Kevin and Judy Lindores, Jim Harris		