



# St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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

## **NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Year C** **Saturday 10 August/Sunday 11 August 2019**

- First Reading:** Wisdom 18:6-9 – *Just as you struck our enemies, you made us glorious by calling us to you.*
- Responsorial Psalm:** Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. [Psalm 32]
- Second Reading:** Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 – *We will look for the city designed and built by God.*
- Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!
- Gospel:** Luke 12:32-48 – *See that you are prepared.*

### **Vale Fr. Peter Schultz 1961 – 2019**

There once was a Grade 9 student in a western town in Queensland who loved nothing more than being the class clown. He loved to make people laugh – it often didn't go down well with the teachers! In that same community arrived a young man who was involved in the life of the parish and school. He was there for a year before he was going to the Seminary in Brisbane. The parish priest there at the time told him outright, that he would never make a priest. This didn't dampen his resolve, if anything it made it stronger. He spent time with the family of the mischievous little boy. He showed him an example of energy in faith and a desire to make the world a better place. That young boy in 1983, was myself and the priest to be was Peter Schultz. When Peter went to Pius XII Seminary the following year we continued to write and explore our faith and understanding of life. Peter had a lot to do with my desire for priesthood. In his own way Peter led me from thinking about going to the Seminary to actualising what I was feeling. Before he left for the Seminary, he gave me a copy of a book that helped inspire him – *“Jonathan Livingston Seagull”* by Richard Bach. It's a complex and exhilarating story of a seagull by the name of Jonathan, and I think it goes some way to understanding Peter. The story involves a seagull that suddenly realizes there is more to life than simply flying out to boats for a crumb to survive another day. He realises that to fly is the greatest quest. So he begins to practice and discovers new ways of screaming down from a great height and landing unhurt. The other gulls see him and decide he is dishonoring his flock – for that is not the reason they were created. So he is cast out. His understanding of life doesn't fit in with the other gulls. So he continues to practice until one day the inevitable happens – he crashes and life comes to an end. But rather than there being nothing he rises to a higher level of consciousness whereby he is invited to continue his discovery of learning with other seagulls in another world. Eventually Jonathan returns to his original seashore and finds another outcast whom he teaches the perfection of flight. They gather others and fly down to the flock that threw them out. The flock are warned not even to look at them or they will themselves be cast out. But during the night in the shadows they listen, and gradually are convinced by the beauty of what Jonathan speaks of. They all join together to go beyond the limits that their minds place upon them – to dream beyond this moment and world – to be what God truly created them to be – to hope. In this story, there is a great analogy of Jesus. And of his followers who were cast out because of their faith. I believe it is also part of an understanding of life that Peter held. The ways that Peter often went about life was different to others. He strove to find his own place and to share that understanding, particularly through his preaching, with others. Sometimes like Jonathon, he was misunderstood, but without a doubt he believed, as the story says, *“The only true law is that which leads to freedom.”* He wrote on my Christmas card that year, *“May the Lord enter your heart and show you His will. Remember like Jonathon always follow your heart not your head or others for I believe that is where you will find our God.”* Peter certainly followed his heart and love of God. Dr. Tony Ferris, who generously spent time walking with Peter, gently reminded him of something that Peter had said some time ago. He had told Tony about a lecture by Wrex Woolnough during his time at the Seminary – *“There's only one question in life that you have to be able to answer and it is this - when God asks you, when you are dying “Can you accept my love?” If you can say Yes, everything else you've done in life is insignificant.”*

Thank you Peter for being **you** – strong in conviction – listening to your heart – bringing joy through the sacraments – being a friend – go now in peace!

*Shalom, Father Michael*

✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Fr Peter Schultz, Don Haidley, Mary Bennett. *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:** Deceased members of the Collins, Martin and Logan families.

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially** Graham McGovern, Jo Phillips, Fr Don Murray, Margaret Walker, Rita Blacker, Kristina Dawidowicz, Michael Brady, Nora Machin, Mary Allen, George Pardon, 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: Bodhi Angelo and Nathaniel Oscar Welldon** children of Peter and Peta, **Bonnie Veronica Herron** daughter of Andrew and Amanda, **Archie Henry Phillip Humphrys** son of Curtis and Georgina, **Lachlan Daniel Williams** son of Daniel and Lhea and **Stella Ailsa Zoboli** daughter of Alberto and Sarah. *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: 21/08**

**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.

**Pray for those needing rain:** As we hear on the news the growing desperation nearby at Stanthorpe and district for life giving rain, please keep those affected by drought in your prayers and thoughts.

**Unit for Rent:** A one bedroom unit for an elderly person at St Patrick's Community Village is available for rent at **\$315** per fortnight. 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.

**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.

**Money Counters Needed.** Anyone who is able to spare an hour, usually once a month, to assist in the counting of the collection monies, please contact the parish office on 4637 1500.

**Priestly Appointments:** **Fr. Thomas Duncan** is appointed to St Patrick's Cathedral as Assistant Priest and remains as Chaplain at USQ, from 2<sup>nd</sup> September. **Fr. Nandana Saparamadu** is appointed to St. Anthony's Parish from 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Fr. Nandana will continue to reside at St Patrick's. **Fr. Peter Dorfield** is appointed Executive Officer, Professional Standards and Safeguards Office from 1<sup>st</sup> August. **Fr. Warren Padilla** is appointed Assistant Priest at St. Mary's, Charleville and **Fr. Gerry Tubis** as Assistant Priest at All Saints, Roma both commencing 14<sup>th</sup> August. **May God bless those communities in which each of these Priests minister, as they share their unique gifts and talents.**

**St Patrick's Cathedral Spring Ball:** St Patrick's Cathedral SPRING BALL – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September. \$40 per ticket. Tickets On Sale Now in Parish Office. If you would like to join our Parish Tables – Book Now!

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| <b>Sunday 11 August</b>   | 7am Mass<br>9am Mass<br>5.30pm Mass   | 11am Baptism of Harrison and Riley Ford [FM]<br>4.30pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre   |
| <b>Monday 12 August</b>   | 9am Mass STM                          |   |
| <b>Tuesday 13 August</b>  | 7am Mass<br>5.30pm Mass<br>STM        | <b>1.00pm Funeral Mass – Father Peter Schultz</b><br>8.45am Mass SSC [HR]<br>12.15pm SPC Indoor Bowls                                 |
| <b>Wednesday 14 August</b>  | 7am Mass                              | 9.30am St Patrick's Prayer Group in Boardroom<br>6.00pm SPC Parish Council Meeting – Parish House.<br>7.15pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre |
| <b>Thursday 15 August</b>   | <b>7am Mass</b><br><b>5.30pm Mass</b> | <b>FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION</b>  |
| <b>Friday 16 August</b>   | 7am Mass<br>9am Mass STM              | 9.30am Ladies Friendship Group in Parish Centre<br>7.15pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre  |
| <b>Saturday 17 August</b>   | 7am Mass<br>6pm Vigil                 | 9am-10am First Rite of Reconciliation<br>11am Baptism of Madison Richardson [FM]  |
| <b>Sunday 18 August</b>   | 7am Mass<br>9am Mass<br>5.30pm Mass   | 11am Baptism of Darby Williams [Fr Marty Larsen]<br>2pm Rosary Crusade in Cathedral<br>4.30pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre                |
| Planned Giving \$1628.75; Loose \$2215.50 : Jabour Hanna, Kate Gilloway, Craig/Amanda Hogan |                                       |   |