



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-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Year C Saturday 05 October/Sunday 06 October 2019

Readings this weekend:

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Responsorial Psalm: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. [Psalm 94]

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord stands forever; it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 17:5-9 [Increase our faith!]

Finance Report – Financial Year 2018/2019

As you will have noticed around and inside St Patrick's there has been much work done over the last year – painting of office and Cathedral Centre, new liturgical banners, some new lighting, new computer system in the office, use of lighting behind reredos and front windows. These endeavors have been instigated to assist the life of the parish to continue to be functional, inviting, welcoming and to deepen a sense of prayer and presence. The cost has mainly been sourced from money held in reserve, but as always there is a need to try to maintain as balanced financial situation as possible.

St Patrick's Cathedral's overall operations are divided into different areas for easier financial cooperation. These are: Cathedral, Parish House, Parish Office, Cathedral Centre/Bingo, Units (Ave Maria and Hill Street) and Rentable Office Space. The Cathedral's primary source of income is planned giving. This income lessens each year, but is truly the backbone of our endeavors and shows your willingness to be part of our continuing mission. The Parish House runs at a loss each year, as there is no income as such except for a contribution from the Diocese to cover the expenses of weekly clergy lunches and visiting clergy. There is the expense of a cook/cleaner – Jess, three days a week. Essentially the Parish Office runs at a loss, with contributions from the Cathedral Centre/Bingo activities used to pay staff and operational expenses, however on the plus side the Cathedral Centre and Bingo raises substantial monies in order to balance our expenses each year. This is assisted by the income of rent from the units. The units at both places are purposely kept at a low and affordable rent and have their associated maintenance expenses.

Unfortunately this coming financial year's budget (2019/20) will be affected by the reduction in rent usually sourced from the main vacant office area and the building that was previously "TRAMS". Both buildings were occupied by the Toowoomba Catholic Schools Office, but with the construction of their new office they have sufficient room to accommodate their entire staff. We have been fortunate in having the Cancer Council renting the premises until the end of this year. However currently there has been little interest by new tenants, as at the moment it is a very competitive market.

Should you wish to see a more complete statement of our 2018/19 financial reports, don't hesitate to enquire at our parish office. The current members of our Financial Committee are: Bob Wiemers, Celia Waters, Shane Kennett, Kerry Shine, Basil Dass, Jim Whitney, Kate Gilloway and myself – if you have any questions or ideas, please talk to one of these.

How can you help our parish?

Remember us in your will, *help find and promote bookings for Cathedral Centre functions*, help find people/businesses to rent our larger spaces, *volunteer to assist*, increase your planned giving, *give a one off donation when you have a windfall*, making use of the pay point each week, *take a friend to enjoy a night of Bingo*, suggest some fund raising ideas.

Please keep our financial needs in your thoughts as we strive to be a community that makes a difference.

God Bless, Fr. Michael

✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Frank Costello, Faith Elizabeth Golledge, Jean Dick. *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:** Albert Isaac, Cyril Isaac, Kevin Beasley, Ruby Curnow [Adelaide], Fr Thomas Murphy.

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially** Maria Brown, Patricia Whyte (nee Stark), Annie Makim, Margaret Walker, Rita Blacker, Kristina Dawidowicz, Nora Machin, Mary Allen, George Pardon, Leo Ryan, Tina Hobson, Michael Cuskelly, Vince Stephens, Bev Boundy, Roslyn Pardon [nee Kearney], Joanne Essey [Sydney], Braxton Rayner, Kate Gibbs, Max Shearer, Saturnino Bustamante, Hannah Marie Marasigan, Stephanie Shine, Andrew Supple, Mary-Ann Hine, Kathy Allan, John Morgan, Patricia McCracken, Reggie James, Morgan O'Brien, Teresita Pamulaklakin.

✠ **Congratulations to these newly weds: Steven Kirby and Alice Bambling.** *May the Holy Spirit bless their lives together.*

✠ **For all those recently baptised: Amand Anotida and Imani Anashe Mandikiza** children of Lenon and Roseline, **Amy Mary Schubel** daughter of Peter and Denise and **Beau Rafferty Beveridge** son of Aaron and Carolyn. *May the gift of the Holy Spirit grow throughout their lives.*

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: 16/10.**

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.

At church without any change for the plate? You will now find a **Pay Point** located on the table at the Neil Street entrance. Simply tap your card – credit or debit – and you will donate \$10.00 to St. Patrick's Parish Community. Please consider an ongoing donation to assist us in our good works as a community.

St Patrick and St Saviours' Race Day – Saturday, 2nd November – *Derby Day* at Clifford Park, 3pm to 10pm. Tickets available from St Saviour's Primary School office, or through the parish office. \$75 each or two for \$140. Your ticket entitles you to free entry to Clifford Park, free drink on arrival, continuous food throughout the afternoon/evening and live entertainment.

This is a wonderful opportunity to join with the parents and friends of St. Saviours to enjoy a day at the races. It would be lovely to have a good representation from the parish at this day. It is a fund raising day for the parish also!
Look forward to seeing you there.



St Mary's College Old Boys Dinner. Saturday 19th October. Contact the College on 4631 7333.

St Saviour's College: The 1969 Year 10 St Saviour's past pupils will be holding a 50 year reunion over the weekend of 12-13 October 2019 and the organising committee is hoping to get as many past pupils involved as possible. Please come along if this means you!

Sunday 06 Oct	7am Mass 9am Mass 5.30pm Mass	4.30pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre
Monday 07 Oct	9am Mass STM	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday 08 Oct	7am Mass 5.30pm Mass STM	Start of School Term 4 12.15pm SPC Indoor Bowls 6.00pm SPC Parish Council Meeting in the Micah Centre.
Wednesday 09 Oct	7am Mass	9.30am SPC Prayer Group in Board Room [except school hols] 7.15pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre
Thursday 10 Oct	7am Mass	9am Mass at Yukana 5.30pm SPC Liturgy Meeting
Friday 11 Oct	7am Mass 9am Mass STM	9.30am Ladies Friendship Group in Board Room 4.00pm Safeguarding Meeting – Staff Room 7.00pm Little Rock Scripture Program in Board Room 7.15pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre
Saturday 12 Oct	7am Mass 6pm Vigil	9am-10am First Rite of Reconciliation 11am Baptism of Felicity Hensler [TD]
Sunday 13 Oct	7am Mass 9am Mass 5.30pm Mass	11am Baptism of Amelia Menhinnit and Hallie Case [FM] <i>Father Michael commences 3 weeks annual leave</i> 4.30pm Bingo – Cathedral Centre
Planned Giving \$1442.80; Loose \$2322.30 : Sandra and Peter Daly and Jan-Nell and Errol Chase		