

# 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 ASCENSION OF THE LORD [Year B]

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2021

**First Reading:** Acts 1:1-11 Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

**Responsorial Psalm:** God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 4:1-13 To the measure of the full stature of Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel.**

**I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!**

**Gospel:** Mark 16:15-20 The Lord Jesus was taken into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God.

The community of St Patrick's Cathedral Toowoomba is committed to the implementation of the **Toowoomba Diocese Safeguarding Policy** through its related procedures and practices. This revised and updated policy prescribes contemporary best practice to enable the prevention of harm to, and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults. Our efforts in safeguarding children, young people and adults at risk are guided and measured by the ten **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards** (May 2019) based on the **ten Child Safe Standards** developed by the Royal Commission into Child Sexual Abuse (Final Report, December 2017). These Catholic Safeguarding Standards are aligned with the Australian Government's **National Principles for Child Safe Organisations** based on the work of the Royal Commission. **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards** provide a framework for Catholic Church entities to build child-safe cultures through:

1. Committed leadership, governance and culture:
2. Children are safe, informed and participate:
3. Partnering with families, carers and communities:
4. Equity is promoted, and diversity is respected:
5. Robust Human Resource management:
6. Effective Complaints management:
7. Ongoing education and training:
8. Safe physical and online environments:
9. Continuous improvement:
10. Policies and procedures support the safety of children and adults:

Training, implementation of this policy, monitoring and regular auditing for compliance is ongoing work for all members of the Diocesan Safeguarding Ministry. In recent months clergy, employees and volunteers in diocesan and parish ministries have taken part in safeguarding training and education provided by the Diocesan Safeguarding Ministry and/or the Parish.

A revised **Toowoomba Diocese Safeguarding Code of Conduct** (22 March 2021) has been developed, discussed and shared with the members of the various Parish ministries and employees. This Code of Conduct names and affirms standards of respectful and responsible behaviour expected of all personnel and volunteers in their relationships with children, young people and adults at risk. In our efforts to create an environment that is welcoming, culturally safe and inclusive; I encourage all members of our community to take the time to read (and if required as an employee or member of ministry sign) this document as a means of showing an understanding that the whole community is responsible for the safeguarding of children, young people and adults at risks in our midst. To ensure that all members of the parish community have access to the policies referred to in this bulletin and resources to assist in developing an understanding of safeguarding procedures and practices (including reporting responsibilities); in the following weeks a Resource Page will be added to the website to provide further information.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide further clarification on any of the information provided in this bulletin.

Go Gently, Ann Marie

### ***Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility***

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✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Varkey Valappan, Thea Sheriff and those who have died from Covid-19. 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:** Fr Garrett Murphy [1962], Fr Michael Herbert [1970], Msgr Thomas Nolan [1950], Msgr Edward Concannon [1987].

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially,** Daniel Ligon, Rohitha Jayamanna, Ray Frelek, Patsy Quinn, Brian Machin, Graham McGovern, Madeline Gray, Loan Smith, Maria Brown, Kim Ireland, Christine [Faus] Barron, Greta Berge, Matt Vlietstra, Dr Peter Reiter, Elijah Rolls, Hayden Smith, Patricia Whyte (nee Stark), Margaret Walker, Rita Blacker, Kristina Dawidowicz, Nora Machin, Mary Allen, Tina Hobson, Bev Boundy, 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, Teresita Pamulaklakin, and those in our nursing homes and hospitals, and those suffering from Covid-19

**BUS TRIP MARIAN VALLEY:** Saturday 22nd May, bus departs St. Pats Cathedral Neil St. at 7:30 am, cost \$35. Bring own lunch. For bookings contact Theresa on 0434 528 904.

**TRY BOOKING:** On the parish website ([www.stpats.org.au](http://www.stpats.org.au)) you will find TryBooking is now available for the month of May and 5/6 June. **YOU MAY BOOK ALL OF THESE EVENTS IN ADVANCE.** Any queries please phone St Pat's office on 4637 1500.

**DATE CLAIMER:** St. Patrick's Cathedral and St. Saviour's Race Day will be held on Derby Day, Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October. Featuring free entry to the Twilight races and musical entertainment. Dinner included. More information and pricing will be revealed later. If you would like to be a sponsor on the day please contact Sam Hannant at St Saviour's school on 4637 1600. **Please put this date in your calendar NOW!**



**Unit for Rent:** One bedroom unit for an actively independent person 60 years or older at St Patrick's Community Village is available for rent. Applications are to be made in writing to the Secretary, Board of Management, St Patrick's Cathedral, PO Box 7062, Toowoomba 4350 or may be dropped in at the Parish Office.

**ADORATION** – spend some quiet time with the Blessed Sacrament each Thursday 5pm-6pm at St Pats.

**The St Patrick's Conference of St Vincent de Paul** is holding a **WINTER APPEAL** to raise money to purchase blankets and weatherproof jackets for those in need at this time. Demand for help is particularly high due to the rising levels of homelessness in this area. Envelopes are available on the table in the Eastern Transept and can be placed in the **SVDP Poor Box**. Thank you for your generous support. Terry Ryan, St Vincent De Paul Conference President.

**St Patrick's Choir** are looking for new members. Please come along to practice on Tuesdays 5.30pm – 7pm or phone Vicky 0428 781 209.

<b>Sunday 16 May</b>	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass <b>9am Live Streaming SPC</b>	<b>ASCENSION SUNDAY</b> 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
<b>Monday 17 May</b>	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC	
<b>Tuesday 18 May</b>	7am Mass SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	6.30am Rosary 5.30pm Choir Practice
<b>Wed 19 May</b>	7am Mass SPC	
<b>Thurs 20 May</b>	7am Mass SPC	<b>5pm – 6pm ADORATION at SPC</b>
<b>Friday 21 May</b>	7am Mass SPC 9am Mass STM	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
<b>Saturday 22 May</b>	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass	11am Baptism of Majella Bridget Maloney
<b>Sunday 23 May</b>	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass <b>9am Live Streaming SPC</b>	<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY (9am Mass – commission of Plenary Council Diocesan Delegates)</b> 11am Baptism of Samir Nirlep Bhatt 12pm Baptism of Margot Kate Purcell 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre

Planned Giving:\$1037; Loose: \$656; Paypoint: \$500. Pat Power, Leo McMahon, Eileen Stephen.  
Thank you for your generous giving to assist the works of St. Patrick's.