



St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [Year B]

Sunday 24 October, 2021

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9 I shall lead them back in mercy – both the blind and the lame.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6 You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52 Master, grant that I may see.

Celebrating All Saints and All Souls Day

Recently I celebrated the funeral for two men who, along with others, I would count as being influential in my life. Ray Bruton in Roma was someone who I have known all my life. Our families did many things together, from social events, to church events to community occasions. Ray was very involved in the community especially schoolboy football. His positivity and the encouragement of others was an important part of his life. I was reflecting on the goodness of his life and the support he showed to many people over many years. The other was Graham McGovern, in Goondiwindi who I have known for the last 16 years and have always admired his quiet, deep thinking. He had the ability to problem solve only after careful consideration. Graham was another person who was very involved in the community and church of Goondiwindi. Someone who you knew you could rely on and be supported by. Both men were faithful and loving husbands and parents.

As we approach the month of the Holy Souls I take the time to reflect on the lives that have influenced my journey of life and priesthood. When we take the time to stop and remember all those who have contributed in some way to who we are, we start to appreciate the way in which our lives are indeed a rich tapestry.

At Grahams funeral I said, *“If life can be described as the weaving of a tapestry, and our experiences and the people we meet are the threads that run through, creating images and colourful patterns, and every now and then there is a gold or silver thread that catches the light and the eye, then that thread is surely Graham and we give thanks for how much he has enriched so many lives as he weaved his way into our hearts.”*

The month of Holy Souls gives us the opportunity to remember all the “golden threads” that enrich our lives, for many different reasons. When I was reflecting on how I might make this month more meaningful I thought of my diaries. As I have said before I have 30 years of diaries dating back to 1982! During this month of November I intend to take time to remember someone each day and to reflect on how they may have fashioned my life.

How will you celebrate this November, month of the Holy Souls?

- Keeping a daily reflection of someone who has gone before....
- Including the remembrance of someone when praying grace before meals...
- Remembering someone when praying in the morning or evening....
- Visiting the cemetery and placing a flower on the grave of a family member....
- Take the time to tell your children about some family from the past....
- Pray this prayer everyone day of November...

God Bless, Fr. Michael

Prayer for the Deceased



Remember, Lord,
those who have died and
have gone before us marked
with the sign of faith,
especially those for whom
we now pray. May these
and all who sleep in Christ
find in Your presence light,
happiness and peace.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Peter Swan, Sidney Cotter, Sr Maureen Hickling, James Cook 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:** Rev Fr Edmund O'Donnell [1957].

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially;** Terry McMahon, Addison McEwan, Jenny Werth, Daniel Ligon, Rohitha Jayamanna, Ray Frelek, Patsy Quinn, Brian Machin, Madeline Gray, Loan Smith, Maria Brown, Christine [Faus] Barron, Greta Berge, Matt Vlietstra, Dr Peter Reiter, Elijah Rolls, Hayden Smith, 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.

RECONCILIATION – 1st Rite available every Saturday morning between 8am and 9am.

CARPARKING.....Please make use of the TCSO carpark, entrance off Lawrence Street. The carpark seems to be filling up with Bingo players on a Sunday night, so please use the TCSO carpark and walk through using the path near the bell tower.

ALL SAINTS/ALL SOULS MASS TIMES: November 1st – 9.00am (STM) and 5.30pm (SPC); November 2nd – 7.00am (SPC) and 5.30pm (STM).

ST PATRICK AND ST SAVIOUR'S RACE DAY This event is on the 30th October at Clifford Park beginning at 4pm with entertainment, dinner and auctions. Tickets now available from St. Saviour's School Office or via direct debit. Ticket prices: \$85 single, \$160 double.

Toowoomba Hospice is in need of volunteers, especially in the garden. If you can give any time please contact the Volunteer Coordinator on 4637 1500 or visit their website www.toowoombahospice.org.au

COLUMBAN CALENDARS – Now available from the office we have the Columban Art Calender for \$10. Please call in during office hours to purchase yours.

SPRED FUNDRAISING EVENING AT THE REPERTORY THEATRE– "One Slight Hitch" Monday 8th November 2021. 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets \$20.00 includes wine and snack on arrival, and raffle will be drawn. Tickets available at SPRED office Cnr. Hume & Jellicoe St. 9am – 3.30pm Mon – Thurs Ph: 4632 8427 / spred@twb.catholic.org.au

URGENT Sacristans needed: The Ministry of Sacristan is an important role in the parish. The duties are not onerous or heavy. If you can give one hour a week on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday to assisting with light cleaning, dusting etc please contact Gabrielle Saide on 46324778 (AH) for more information.

Social Justice Commision is holding its annual Melbourne Cup Fundraiser on the 31st October 2021. Bring a plate of food to share. Held at St Anthony's Parish Centre 3 Memory Street, Harristown. Book your free tickets here: <https://www.trybooking.com/BUQOK> OR Call – 46130895. Enjoy a night of Music, Trivia, Phantom Call, Bar & Shared Food. All money raised will go to support Refugees and Asylum Seekers living in the Toowoomba area.

Sunday 24 Oct	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass 9am Live Streaming SPC	11am Baptism of Remi & Ivy Ferguson 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Monday 25 Oct	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC	
Tues 26 Oct	7am Mass SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	6.30am Rosary SPC
Wed 27 Oct	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thursday 28 Oct <i>Saints Simon and Jude</i>	7am Mass SPC	7.30am – 8.30am Adoration SPC
Friday 29 Oct	7am Mass SPC 9am Mass STM	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Sat 30 Oct	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass	8-9am Reconciliation SPC
Sunday 31 Oct	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass 9am Live Streaming SPC	11am Baptism of Mireya Elizabeth Maloney 12pm Baptism of Stella White Pavão Catholic Mission Sunday 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Planned Giving:\$1171; Loose:\$878; Paypoint:\$560. Sandra & Peter Daly, Jan-Nell & Errol Chase. Thank you for your generous giving to assist the works of St. Patrick's.		