

# THE BULLETIN

ST THERESA'S PARISH

14 JUNE 2020

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

YEAR A

## MISSION STATEMENT

*St Theresa's Catholic Parish is a vibrant, inclusive and welcoming community committed to living and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. Under our baptismal mission and inspired by the Spirit, we are bread for one another and nourished we reach out to make a difference in the world.*

## Reflections from *Bread for the Journey* by Henri Nouwen

### Jesus Gives Himself to Us

When we invite friend for a meal, we do much more than offer them food for their bodies. We offer friendship, fellowship, good conversation, intimacy, and closeness. When we say, "Help yourself... take some more... don't be shy... have another glass," we offer our guests not only our food and our drink but also ourselves. A spiritual bond grows, and we become food and drink for one another. In the most complete and perfect way, this happens when Jesus gives himself to us in the Eucharist as food and drink. By offering us his Body and Blood, Jesus offers us the most intimate communion possible. It is a divine communion.

### The Most Human and Most Divine Gesture

The two disciples whom Jesus joined on the road to Emmaus recognized him in the breaking of the bread. What is a more common, ordinary gesture than breaking bread? It may be the most human of all human gestures: a gesture of hospitality, friendship, care, and the desire to be together. Taking a loaf of bread, blessing it, breaking it, and giving it to those seated around the table signifies unity, community, and peace. When Jesus does this he does the most ordinary as well as the most extraordinary. It is the most human as well as the most divine gesture.

The great mystery is that this daily and most human gesture is the way we recognize the presence of Christ among us. God becomes most present when we are most human.



**The parish office will be closed Wednesday 17 June.**

### ST THERESA'S MASSES ON YOUTUBE—new time slot

Wednesday mass each week is available on our YouTube channel at 9.30 am. Our YouTube channel is available on this link. Just click on the link printed here to access directly. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKTEMLMUB7sC4kfQ4V9oQ7Q>

### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

**My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,  
Come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already there,  
And unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

### RECENTLY DECEASED

**Morgan O'Brien**  
**Sandra Haycox**  
**Sister Patricia MacGinley RSM**  
**HEALING FOR THE SICK**

#### Parishioners:

**Francois Frichot** Len Pauli  
**Neville Preece** Brian Carter  
**Moya Schaefer**

#### Friends and Family

**Kim Ireland** (Kathy Sternes friend)

**Peter Brown** (Denis Brown's Brother)

**Kate Sturgeon** (Rita Sturgeon's Granddaughter)

**Anna Sellar**  
(Trish & Terry Sheely's daughter)

**Bernadette Welch**  
(friend of Bette Flamstead)

**Kathleen le Gras**  
(Sister of Sr Una)

**Shona Kraayvanger**  
(Gabrielle Adam's daughter)

**Joe Short** (Powell family group)

**Indiana Harman**  
(Ray & Madeline Taylor's Granddaughter)

**Louis Gandini** (Lina Pervan's brother)

**Robert Gandini**  
(Lina Pervan's brother)

**Connie Bamgart** (Lina Pervan's friend)

**Peter & Elaine Dillon**  
(Vivienne Price's father & mother)

**Patricia Jenkins**  
(Thel Jelley's cousin)

**Simon Riethmuller**  
(Shirley's son)

**Max Shearer**  
(Grandson - Judy Shearer)

**John Mullen**  
(Helen McNaught's nephew)

**Archie Mullen**  
(Helen McNaught's brother)

**Rev. Brian Sparksman**  
**Fr Peter McGrath .CP**

**John Morgan** (Kathy Sternes' Uncle)

**Molly Schmidt** (Aileen Collins' friend)

**ANNIVERSARIES**  
**Ray Lyons** Denice Risson  
**Colette Cooper** Ava Mackie  
**Tony McCosker** Lance Atzeni  
**Tony Logan** Deirdre Hicks  
**Paul Mitchell** Paul Howe  
**Colin Howe** Bill Darmody  
**Mary Powell** Ellen O'Dea  
**Agnes Campbell** Katie Gleeson  
**Nancy Preece**  
**John E Duggan**  
**Br John Carroll**

## ***The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ***

Today we celebrate the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. We cannot gather to receive Christ in the physical form of bread and wine but Eucharist is much more than this. Today gather together with friends and family around a table, share a meal.

*'When we gather around the table and eat from the same loaf and drink from the same cup, we are most vulnerable to one another. We cannot have a meal together in peace with guns hanging over our shoulders and pistols attached to our belts. When we break bread together we leave our arms –whether they are physical or mental- at the door and enter into a place of mutual vulnerability and trust.*

*The beauty of the Eucharist is precisely that it is the place where a vulnerable God invites vulnerable people to come together in a peaceful meal. When we break bread and give it to each other, fear vanishes and God becomes very close."* Henri Nouwen

**All: In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen**

### ***Gospel***

**Jn 5:51-58**

**Reader:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever;

and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said.

Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father,

so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord.



### **The Eucharist**

He was old, tired, and sweaty,  
pushing his homemade cart  
down the alley, stopping now and then  
to poke around in somebody's garbage.  
I wanted to tell him about EUCHARIST  
But the look in his eyes,  
The despair on his face,  
The hopelessness of somebody else's life in his cart,  
Told me to forget it.  
So I smiled, said 'Hi' – and gave him EUCHARIST

She lived alone,  
her husband dead, her family gone,  
And she talked at you, not to you,  
Words, endless words spewed out,  
So I listened – and gave her EUCHARIST

The city night,  
Lights change from red to green  
And back again,  
Flashing blues, pinks and oranges.  
I gulped in,  
Said, 'Thank you, Father,' – and made them EUCHARIST

I laughed at myself  
And told myself,  
'You, with all your sin and all your selfishness,  
I forgive you, I accept you, I love you.'  
It's good, and so necessary to give yourself EUCHARIST

My Father, when will we learn –  
You cannot talk – EUCHARIST –  
You cannot philosophize about it.  
YOU DO IT.  
You don't dogmatize EUCHARIST  
Sometimes you laugh at it,  
Sometimes you cry it, often you sing it.  
Sometimes it's wild peace, then crying hurt,  
often humiliating, never deserved.

You see EUCHARIST in another's eyes,  
Give it in another's hand held tight,  
Squeeze it in an embrace.  
You pause EUCHARIST in the middle of a busy day,  
Speak it in another's ear,  
Listen to it from a person who wants to talk.

For EUCHARIST is as simple as being on time  
And as profound as sympathy,  
I give you my supper,  
I give you my sustenance,  
I give you my life,  
I give you me,



**PARISH SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS**

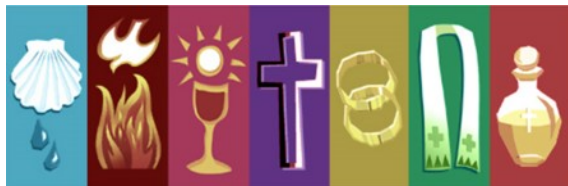
In the light of a number of restrictions being reviewed regarding CovidSafe practices, we are now allowed to celebrate:

**Baptisms** - single baptisms with 20 people attending can now be celebrated in the Church

**Weddings** - can be celebrated with up to 20 people attending

**Funerals** - can be celebrated with a maximum of 50 people attending

All church services will need to comply with the requirements of the parish CovidSafe Plan



**RESOURCE: SAYINGS FOR THE SOUL**

*Sayings for the Soul: Now I Have Put My Words in Your Mouth: Jeremiah 1:9: Themes for Personal and Communal Meditation* offers a mini resource for those who wish to deepen their spiritual journeys through prayer using mantras and sacred sayings. In a time of cultural turmoil and declining religious affiliation, at least in the West, Christians are called back to recover time-honoured approaches to prayer.

Flyer is attached separately from the bulletin.



**JOB VACANCY: COLLEGE CHAPLAIN - ASSUMPTION COLLEGE, WARWICK**

Assumption College, Warwick, is a welcoming and caring school community where the uniqueness of students is nurtured through holistic education programs. The role of the College Chaplain is to provide social, emotional, and spiritual support to students and/or staff.

For further details on this role, please visit [SEEK](#) or the [Toowoomba Catholic Schools website](#). Applications close Sunday, 21/6/20.



**PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS**

The Bishop's Office currently has printed copies of the Holy Spirit Seminary 2020 prayer calendar awaiting distribution once churches reopen. In the mean time we ask that you pray for the men studying at Holy Spirit Seminary, especially our own seminarians.

Prayer calendar is attached separately to the bulletin.

**FUNDRAISING SCREENING: DANCING AT THE VATICAN**

Australian Huntington's Disease Associations across the country are arranging an online screening on 12 June and 14 August of a documentary, "Dancing at the Vatican" which captures the story of a group of sufferers of the very rare, but crippling Huntington's Disease, who travelled around the world with their families to raise awareness about the illness in 2017 and which culminated in an audience with Pope Francis. All funds raised through the film screenings will go towards fighting Huntington's Disease.

To find out more about the documentary visit <https://www.dancingatthevatican.com/about>

Promotional flyer is attached separately to the bulletin.

**COVID-19 UPDATE**

**CONTACT YOUR PARISH**  
Each parish is required to submit a COVIDSafe Plan to Bishop Robert McGuckin for approval before reopening. Each parish will know how best to serve their community for Masses and Sacraments.

**FOLLOW CURRENT LIMITS ON GATHERINGS AND BUILDING CAPACITY**  
Your local parish will be monitoring people gathering for ceremonies and at all indoor venues the 4 square metres per person applies. Contact your parish if you wish to visit your church.

**FOLLOW QLD GOVERNMENT PUBLIC HEALTH RULES**  
Every parish and parishioner is required to follow these rules:  
\* Physical distancing  
\* Attendance is recorded for contact tracing  
\* Hand hygiene  
\* Respiratory hygiene  
\* Frequent cleaning and disinfection

**BE COMMUNITY MINDED**  
Stay home if you are feeling unwell or have flu-like symptoms. If you haven't done so, please consider downloading the COVIDSafe app on your phone.

**Path to opening churches in our diocese**

**FIND YOUR PARISH**  
Visit [www.twb.catholic.org.au](http://www.twb.catholic.org.au) to find contact details for your parish.

**Catholic Diocese of TOWOOMBA**

## CONTACTS

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**Parish Website** [www.sttheresas.org.au](http://www.sttheresas.org.au)

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Fr Brian Noonan, Michael Murtagh, Tim Burgess,  
Bernadette Zimbwa, Gailene Jurgs, Matt Boyd, David  
Wilson, Trish Kennedy-Lee, Lauren Newman,  
Monica Brennan.

**Finance Committee**

Fr. Brian Noonan, Pat Morton, Warren Dredge,  
Ray Taylor, Shane Blakeley, Brian Wilson,  
Pat Richardson, Alfia Ginardi.

**Liturgy Team**

Fr. Brian Noonan, Jan Mayo, Peter Kenny, Libby  
Rosentreter, Monica Brennan, Gay Jorgensen.  
Suzanne Cavanagh, Elizabeth Stewart.

**Musicians**

Norma Kenny, Kathy Sternes, Elizabeth Stewart,  
Libby Rosentreter.

**Baptism Team:**

Cath Kelly, Jenny Ryan, Tracy George, Bernadette Hede,  
Alison Daniel, Anne Anderson, Jan Watkins, Maureen  
Burke, Angela Irvine, Mary Otto, Jane Burgess,  
Catherine Cooper.

**Sacramental Team:**

Monica Brennan, Angela Martlew, David Wilson,  
Gay Jorgensen.

**Consolation Team:**

Fr Brian Noonan, Lyn McRae, Peter Kenny,  
Bette Flamsted, Pam Merritt, Alf Mason, Moya Schaefer,  
Josephine Nolan, Liz Phelan, Monica Brennan

**Welcome & Hospitality Team:**

Paul & Kathryn Marangelli,  
Maureen Burke.

**Family Groups:**

Contact Parish Office 4639 4688

**Care & Concern Team**

Coordinator: Pamela Merritt

**RCIA**

Coordinator: David Wilson



## NOTICE

**DAILY MASSES ON LINE**

**St Theresa's East Toowoomba—Mass Wednesday**  
Available at 9.30am through our youtube channel—St Theresa's  
East Toowoomba. [https://www.youtube.com/channel/  
UCKTEmLMUB7sC4kfQ4V9oQ7Q](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKTEmLMUB7sC4kfQ4V9oQ7Q)

**Archdiocese of Brisbane -** [https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/  
multimedia/web-cast-schedule/](https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast-schedule/) **8 am Mass daily**

**Diocese of Townsville –** [www.tsv.catholic.org.au](http://www.tsv.catholic.org.au) or  
[youtube.com/user/SacredHeartCathTSV](https://www.youtube.com/user/SacredHeartCathTSV) **10am Mass daily**

**Diocese of Rockhampton –** [www.rok.catholic.net.au](http://www.rok.catholic.net.au) or

[Youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton](https://www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton) **12noon Mass daily**

**Diocese of Cairns -** [www.cairns.catholic.org.au](http://www.cairns.catholic.org.au) OR YouTube  
Channel Diocese of Cairns **5.30pm Mass daily**

**Archdiocese of Sydney –** [www.stmarycathedral.org.au](http://www.stmarycathedral.org.au)

**9am Mass daily –** at the Cathedral.

See website for other parish masses

**Archdiocese of Melbourne –** [www.melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass](http://www.melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass)

**1pm Daily Mass Monday-Friday –** any changes of times can be  
viewed on website.

**8am Daily Mass Saturday**

**SUNDAY MASSES ON LINE**

**Toowoomba Diocese –** [www.twb.catholic.org.au](http://www.twb.catholic.org.au)

**9am Mass each Sunday** available through direct link via home  
page on web site OR search youtube – Catholic Diocese of  
Toowoomba OR Facebook- Catholic Diocese of Toowoomba

**Archdiocese of Brisbane -** [https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/  
multimedia/web-cast-schedule/](https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast-schedule/) **8am and 10am Mass each Sunday**

**Diocese of Townsville –** [www.tsv.catholic.org.au](http://www.tsv.catholic.org.au) or

[youtube.com/user/SacredHeartCathTSV](https://www.youtube.com/user/SacredHeartCathTSV) **10am Mass each Sunday**

**Diocese of Rockhampton –** [www.rok.catholic.net.au](http://www.rok.catholic.net.au) or

[Youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton](https://www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton) **9.30am Mass each Sunday**

**Diocese of Cairns -** [www.cairns.catholic.org.au](http://www.cairns.catholic.org.au) OR YouTube

Channel Diocese of Cairns **10am and 5.30pm each Sunday**

**Archdiocese of Sydney –** [www.stmarycathedral.org.au](http://www.stmarycathedral.org.au)

**10.30 am Mass each Sunday –**at the Cathedral. See website for

parish masses.

**5pm Liturgy of the Hours –** Vespers and Benediction

**Archdiocese of Melbourne –** [www.melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass](http://www.melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass)

**11am Mass each Sunday**

**PLANNED GIVING ST THERESA'S**

We have had a number of enquiries from parishioners  
asking how they can pay their Planned Giving contributions.

One way is to make a Direct Deposit if you wish.

The bank details are listed below.

CBA: Arch Diocese of Brisbane

BSB:064 786 Account Number: 100014392

Please reference your envelope number if you have one.

If you have transferred funds to the

account listed last week, can you

**please contact Janet at the office**

**PH: 4639 4688**

**OTHER RESOURCE SITES WHICH CAN BE  
ACCESSED DURING THIS TIME OF ISOLATION****MyParishApp**

Visit [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com) to download our parish app.

1. Download myParish App
2. Select St Theresa's Toowoomba after opening the App  
and you will receive the bulletin, messages and other useful  
resources.

**LiturgyHelp**

LiturgyHelp have created free access to individual and  
family prayer resources for Catholics in social isolation.

1. Go to [liturgyhelp.com/aus/pray](http://liturgyhelp.com/aus/pray). Once you are have  
gone to this site, follow the directions to create a login.
2. Liturgyhelp also have a facebook page which you can  
access if you are a facebook user.