

THE BULLETIN

ST THERESA'S PARISH

30TH AUGUST 2020

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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.

FACE TO FACE MASSES AT ST THERESA'S PARISH

On **Weekday Masses** and **Sunday Morning masses**, sit in rows with a red ribbon

On **Saturday Vigil Masses**, sit in rows without a red ribbon.

Please leave 3 chairs between households.

Weekend Masses—booking required. Bookings close 5pm on Saturday

St Theresa's regular weekend masses continue (unless otherwise directed) at 6pm Saturday vigil and 9.30am Sunday morning. For **each weekend**, parishioners will need to either purchase a ticket online from the **Trybooking** website, by right clicking on the link or double-clicking on the link provided <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=640220&> and choose open link command **OR** contact the parish by phone 46394688 to register for your preferred mass.

If you forget to do this, you can still attend mass as we have yet to have reached our number quota.

If you are unwell or not comfortable to join the weekend masses, St Pat's Cathedral will always be streaming 9am mass each and every Sunday. **Toowoomba Diocese**

www.twb.catholic.org.au

Bulletins, Seating and Reception of Communion directives

Bulletins will continue to be emailed to parishioners now. Paper copies can be collected at the end of mass as you are leaving or from the office during the week. If you do not receive an emailed copy of the bulletin and wish to have a bulletin emailed to you each week, please contact the office with your email address. Seating will be in alternate rows for each mass. Rows are marked with red ribbon or no ribbon. Households can sit together with 3 chairs between households. Communion will only be received via the centre aisle and only under one species. The priest will generally be the sole minister of communion.

Weekday Masses—no booking required

St Theresa's will be having mass on **Wednesdays and Fridays at 9am**.

Wednesday's mass will not be recorded at the present time.

The St Theresa's CovidSafe plan only allows 108 people in the parish centre following the 4m² rule.



FIRST EUCHARIST

This weekend, through the Sacrament of First Eucharist, we welcome to the table of the Lord;

Edward Beverland, Toby Dampney, Lucas Montgomery, Harry English, Louis Marr, Matthew Gordon, Baxter Hamilton, Caleb Foster, Hannah Redinger, Alex Burke, Sophie Coonan and Imogen Murphy.

Congratulations and God's blessings to you all.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Michael Green

HEALING FOR THE SICK

Parishioners:

Pauline Frederick

Joan Power **Francois Frichot**

Len Pauli **Brian Carter**

Neville Preece **Moya Schaefer**

Friends and Family

Betty Duncan (Glen & Bernadette Whisson's friend)

Phil Connolly (Glen & Bernadette Whisson's friend)

Kim Ireland (Kathy Sternes friend)

Peter Brown (Denis Brown's Brother)

Kate Sturgeon (Rita Sturgeon's Granddaughter)

Bernadette Welch

(friend of Bette Flamsteed)

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)

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

Frank Hicks

Jim Pigott

Kath Noel

Fr Merv Ziezing

Leslie Boland

Doreen Hoystead

Maureen Hudson

Tom Lutton

Ned Spies

Bon Mahoney

Bill Ward

Bob Triggs

MASSES

MON	NO MASS
TUE	NO MASS
WED	9AM MASS
THU	NO MASS
FRI	9AM MASS
SAT	6PM MASS please book
SUN	9.30AM MASS please book
RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE BEFORE MASS OR BY APPOINTMENT	

If you are Gluten intolerant and require a special host, please advise the coordinator.

READINGS

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

First Reading: *Jerimiah 20: 7-9*

The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.

Responsorial Psalm: *62: 2-6, 8-9*

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Second Reading: *Romans 12: 1-2*

May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Gospel Acclamation: *cf Ephesians 1: 17-18*

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel: *Matthew: 16: 21-27*

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.

Next week's readings.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Ezekiel 33: 7-9

Romans 13: 8-10

Matthew 18: 15-20

BAPTISMS

This weekend through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome into our parish

Eden Isabelle Fuller



Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month after Mass at 11.00am. Please contact the office for further information.



FIRST RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in our parish on 3rd September. Children who are baptised Catholic, in Year 3 or older are welcome to participate in the program in preparation for the sacrament. An information night for parents/ carers was held on Wednesday 22nd July 2020. If you were unable to attend or were unaware of the meeting, please contact Monica Brennan at the parish office or ph 4639 4688 or email: monica@sttheresas.org.au

Information letters and enrolment forms are available through the parish office.



SYCHAR SPIRITUALITY LIBRARY

To facilitate the process of sanitization of the library area, Tuesday mornings between 9.00 am and midday will be set aside for returning library books previously borrowed or for borrowing new books. Those unable to visit during these times may arrange in advance to access the library at another more suitable time by phoning Elaine Morzone on 0458 020 906.



IT'S NOT OVER UNTIL IT'S OVER FOR EVERYONE.

COVID-19 continues to impact parts of Australia, while around the world, millions of people are dealing with the impacts of the virus. Many of these communities were already facing poor sanitation, overcrowding and limited access to healthcare. How can you combat COVID-19 without access to adequate sanitation and healthcare?

Caritas Australia has joined churches and aid agencies for #EndCOVIDForAll, a pledge of support that will be taken to government to show our support for vulnerable communities, because **it's not over until it's over for everyone.**

For more information on #EndCOVIDForAll or to sign the pledge go to www.caritas.org.au/end-covid-for-all



#END COVID FOR ALL

It's not over until
it's over for everyone.

Pledge your support





Congratulations to the children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation during the week.

Eloise Bell, Indianna Bennett, Ruby Bertolotti,
Edward Beverland, Alex Burke, Riley Burke, Lily Cameron,
Maya Cameron, Harper Clarke, Sophie Coonan,
Georgia Cumming, Toby Dampney, Jessica Day,
Daisy Egan, Harry English, Caleb Foster, Louis Fitzpatrick,
Hudson Gane, Charlie Gladwin, Matthew Gordon,
Harrison Haddin, Baxter Hamilton, Sophie Hick,
William Holzheimer, Erin Irvine, Charlotte James,
Annabelle Jones, Grace Lattimore, Louis Marr,
Lou McDonagh, Lucinda Mills, Aemilia Moar,
Lucas Montgomery, Maeve Morison, Imogen Murphy,
Noah Primus, Hannah Redinger, Alice Rossini, Sienna Ryan,
Cooper Selby, James Statton, Elizabeth Thompson,
Poppy Von Pein, Madden Wann, Mason Winter,
Rosemary Wilson

DIOCESAN FEAST DAY



A joyous and happy feast day to everyone in the Toowoomba Diocese for Tuesday 1/9/20! These tense and unprecedented times have kept us apart for much of the year and impeded the usual way we might celebrate our feast day. However, we join in prayer to our diocese's



Living gospel

Have you got what it takes?

For some people, to be a Christian is a 'soft option' – they see being Christian as being a bit 'fluffy'. This week's gospel is a reminder of the real challenge of being a Christian. Jesus reminds us that to be one of his followers we must be prepared to pick up our cross – whatever our particular cross might be – and still follow his example. To be a Christian means that we don't fall in a heap when difficulty comes our way; we take up the burden – our cross – and continue to look forward with hope. To live like Jesus is no easy option.

**Scriptural
Context**

This passage immediately follows the passage of last week's gospel which featured Peter's confession of faith – his inspired revelation that 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God.' The reader might think, 'Aha, the disciples have finally got it!' But in a very clever piece of writing, the author of Matthew's gospel follows this revelation of faith immediately with an example of the lack of clarity that the disciples, including Peter, still possess. This happens throughout the gospels. Whenever the disciples have a bit of an insight, they are almost immediately shown to only have a partial understanding of the truth. The full revelation of Jesus' mission and ministry is not easy to grasp and even the disciples were not quite there until they had seen the 'full story' played out before and within them.

**Historical
Context**

At the time of the writing of Matthew's gospel (around 75-80 CE), Christians were being persecuted and put to death for their beliefs. They were literally giving up their lives for their faith. These persecuted Christians saw Jesus' triumph over death as a sign of great hope and trust in the future for themselves. Jesus' words in the gospel – 'whoever loses his life for my sake will find it' – would give hope to those under persecution that ultimately they too would triumph and that the deaths of their friends were not in vain.

CONTACTS

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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

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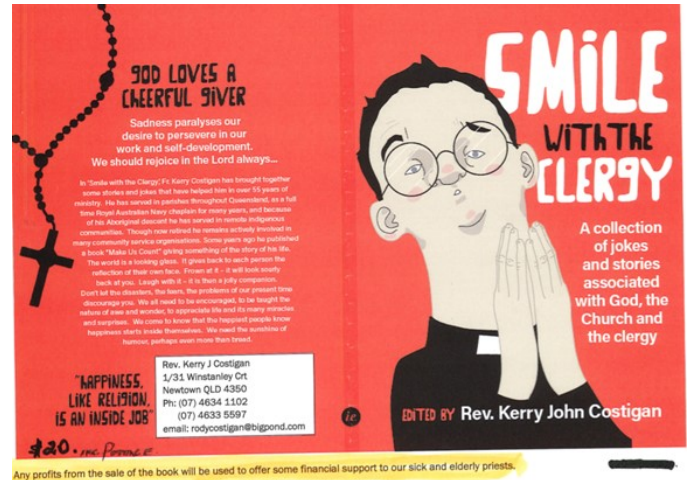
Coordinator: David Wilson



NOTICE

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

If you have not received/collected your Planned Giving envelopes, they are available for collection in the foyer.



Fr. Kerry's book is available at the Parish office.

\$20 for a signed copy. Proceeds of book sales used to offer financial support to sick and elderly priests.

RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES

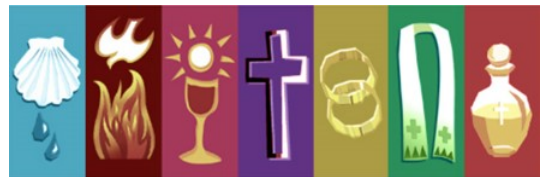
In the light of a number of restrictions being reviewed regarding CovidSafe practices, as of 10 July, we are now allowed to celebrate:

Baptisms- baptisms with 100 people attending can now be celebrated in the Church

Weddings – can be celebrated with up to 100 people attending

Funerals – can be celebrated with a maximum of 100 people attending

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



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 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



Path to opening churches in our diocese

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.



FIND YOUR PARISH

Visit www.twb.catholic.org.au to find contact details for your parish.



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.

