

THE BULLETIN

ST THERESA'S PARISH

10-11 JULY 2021

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B

THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

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.

Many centuries ago the Pope decided that all the Jews had to leave Rome. Naturally there was an uproar from the Jewish community. So the Pope made a deal. He would have a religious debate with a member of the Jewish community. If the Jews won, they could stay. If the Pope won, the Jews had to leave. The Jews realised that they had no choice. Problem was that no one wanted to debate the Pope. The only volunteer was a poor, simple, old man named Moishe who opened the door to the synagogue each Friday night. Not being used to words Moishe asked for only one addition to the debate – that neither side be allowed to talk. The Pope agreed.

The day of the great debate came. Moishe and the Pope sat opposite each other. The Pope raised his hand and showed three fingers. Moishe looked back at him and raised one finger. The Pope waved his hand in a circle around his head.

Moishe pointed to the ground where he sat. The Pope pulled out a wafer and a glass of wine. Moishe pulled out an apple. The Pope stood up and said, 'I give up. This man is too good. The Jews can stay.'

Later, the Pope explained what happened: 'I held up three fingers to represent the Trinity. He responded by holding up one finger to remind me that we believe in the same one God. Then I waved my hand around my head to show that God was all around us. He responded by pointing to the ground, showing that God was present right here. I pulled out the bread and wine to show that God has given us the Eucharist. He pulled out an apple to remind me of original sin. He had an answer for everything. What could I do?'

Meanwhile, Moishe explained to the Jewish scholars how he won the unwinnable debate. 'Well', said Moishe, 'First he said that the Jews had three days to get out of Rome. I told him that not one of us was leaving. Then he told me that this whole city would be cleared of Jews. I let him know that we were staying right here.' 'And then what clinched the debate?' asked the Rabbi. 'I don't know', said Moishe. 'It was strange. He took out his lunch, and I took out mine!'

Life always depends on how we read the signs!

In today's Gospel Jesus tells the twelve apostles that they should embody three signs: simplicity of lifestyle, dependence on others and hospitality. These instructions are such a contrast to what most of us value today, where it is often the rich and powerful, the independent and the inhospitable who are thought to be the best leaders. For Jesus, however, the one truly sent in his name is the one who knows that another's worth comes from who they are, not what they have. It doesn't matter whether we're rich or poor. It's the way we use our money for others which reveals whether our wealth possesses us or not.

For Jesus, being 'a rock and an island' was not a sign of strength but one of fear and despair. A strong Christian is the one who rejoices in our dependence on each other, and is always grateful for the interconnectedness of life.

For Jesus, making room for others, especially toward those in legitimate need and even when it makes a large claim on us, is a pre-eminent sign of his Kingdom.

The Christian life is about reading the signs of the times. May our Eucharistic signs of his presence amongst us, the bread and wine, change us today, to match it with the best in being simple in lifestyle, happily dependent and extravagantly hospitable with our time, talent and energy for the sake of the Kingdom of God.

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HEALING FOR THE SICK

Parishioners:

Marie AhSee
Anne Thomas
Brian Carter
Len Pauli

Brian Stevens
Brian Wilson
Moya Schaefer

Margaret Barry (past parishioner)

Friends and Family

Jenny Menso (Aileen Collins' friend)
Will Wildig (Meg Hicks' Brother in Law)
Geoff Doyle (Mary Otto's brother)

Tony Rosenthal

(Friend of John & Thérèse Erbs)
Anna O'Toole (Maryanne Long's friend)

Madeline (Sally) Gray

(Kathy Sternes' Mother)

Stella Artuso (Paul & Kathryn

Marangelli's Niece)

Phil Connolly (Glen & Bernadette
Whisson's friend)

Kim Ireland (Kathy Sternes' friend)

Kate Sturgeon (Rita Sturgeon's
Granddaughter)

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 Bangart (Lina Pervan's friend)

Peter Dillon (Vivienne Price's father)

Patricia Jenkins (Thel Jelley's cousin)

Simon Riethmuller (Shirley's son)

Max Shearer (Grandson - Judy Shearer)

John Mullen (Helen McNaught's nephew)

Rev. Brian Sparksman

Fr Peter McGrath .CP

John Morgan (Kathy Sternes' Uncle)

Molly Schmidt (Aileen Collins' friend)

ANNIVERSARIES

Vera Dillon

Edna Boden

Adele Corderoy

Peter Arnold

Vince Turner

Collin Briggs

Brendan Flynn

Bayley McNamara

John Ede

Catherine Long

Jim Monohan

Noel Gainey

St Theresa's Parish

MASSES

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| MON | NO MASS |
| TUE | NO MASS |
| WED | 9 AM MASS |
| THU | NO MASS |
| FRI | 9 AM MASS |
| SAT | 6 PM MASS |
| SUN | 9.30AM MASS |
| <p>If you are Gluten intolerant and require a special host, please advise the coordinator.</p> | |

READINGS

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
First Reading: *Amos 7: 12 - 15*
 Go, prophesy to my people.
Responsorial Psalm: 84: 9 - 14
 Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.
Second Reading: *Ephesians 1: 3 - 14*
 Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.
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: *Mark 6: 7 - 13*
 He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.
Next week's readings.
The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6
Ephesians 2 13 - 18
Mark 6: 30 - 34

NOTICES

BAPTISM

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

Audrey Eve Tomlinson & Adeline Mary Mullins



Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month either during Mass at 9.30am or after Mass at 11.00am.



St Vincent's Care Services (Lourdes Home)

St Vincent's Care Services (Lourdes Home) in Spring Street is looking for kind-hearted parishioners who may wish to contribute some time as a volunteer with our residents here at STVCS Spring Street in the following areas:

- **Communion Ministry and Rosary Groups.**

If you are willing and available on a Tuesday morning, please contact Pastoral Care on 0447 720 604 or email: paul.howard@svha.org.au or ursula.watson@svha.org.au

FIRST RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in our parish in August. 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 will be held on **Thursday 15th July 2021 at 6pm in the Parish Centre.**

Only parent/parents are need to attend the information night.

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

If you have any queries, please contact Monica Brennan at the parish office or ph 4639 4688 or email: monica@sttheresas.org.au

ST URSULA'S COLLEGE

Apply now for Year 7, 2022 & 2023 Enrolment
 Arrange a personal College tour ahead of Orientation on 14 September 2021
enrolment@st-ursula.qld.edu.au



ST VINCENT DE PAUL

St Vincent De Paul winter appeal is now open.
 Donation envelopes are available in the parish foyer.



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The new Planned Giving envelopes are available in the foyer. If you are able to help by delivering a box to another parishioner, it would be greatly appreciated and will save the Parish postage.

If you would like to be involved in the Planned Giving program, you are able to do this by direct debit or the envelope system please contact the office on 46394688.

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Excerpts from the Apostolic letter – 'Patris Corde' from Pope Francis

The Polish writer Jan Dobraczynski, in his book *The Shadow of the Father (Cien Ojca, Warsaw 1977)*, tells the story of Saint Joseph's life in the form of a novel. He uses the evocative image of a shadow to define Joseph. In his relationship to Jesus, Joseph was the earthly shadow of the heavenly Father: he watched over him and protected him, never leaving him to go his own way. We can think of Moses' words to Israel: "In the wilderness...you saw how the Lord your God carried you, just as one carries a child, all the way that you travelled" (Deut 1:31). In a similar way, Joseph acted as a father for his whole life.



MASSES AT ST THERESA'S PARISH

Weekend Masses—booking required. Bookings close 12noon on Saturday

Bookings online from the **Trybooking** website, by right clicking on the link or double-clicking on the link provided <https://www.trybooking.com/BKLBW> and choose open link command **OR** contact the parish by phone 46394688 to register for your preferred mass.

St Theresa's is using the new **Check In Qld app** to help keep you COVID safe. The **Check In Qld app** has been developed to help the Queensland Government with contact tracing in the event of a COVID-19 outbreak. St Theresa's is adopting the app to help us collect your details quickly, easily and electronically as you arrive. When you next visit, you'll have the option to register your details using the **Check In Qld app**.

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS - Fr Mick Carroll and Fr Mick Peters

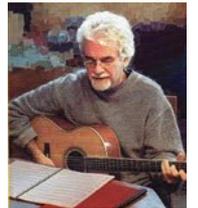
"Each year we take a moment to celebrate the life of Priests who have reached a milestone in their Priestly life. This year we celebrate two – Fr. Mick Carroll (60 years) and Fr. Michael Peters (50 years). Bishop Robert extends an invitation to you to attend the Mass and light lunch to follow. The Jubilee celebration will be on the 7th September at St Patrick's Cathedral commencing at 11.00am. You will be required to have the Queensland Check In App ready to use to register your attendance on the day. If you are unable to use the app, provision will be made for your attendance.

For catering purposes please call the Cathedral office on 4637 1500 or email admin@stpats.org.au if you wish to attend the light lunch which will follow the Mass. All arrangement subject to current Covid 19 restrictions."

PETER KEARNEY CONCERT

Tuesday 3rd August 6.30pm. Peter Kearney Concert: 'SIGNS OF HOPE - PEOPLE OF FAITH'. **St. Patrick's Cathedral Centre, 123 Neil Street, Toowoomba.** Donations welcome at conclusion. Peter's concert weaves songs, stories and reflections about people whose faithful lives have brought compassion and hope into our world. Refreshments at interval. Mainly for adults though older students could also enjoy.

Peter Kearney is a songwriter/singer and guitarist whose hymns and songs, published in fifteen albums, include 'Fill My House', 'The Beatitudes' and 'Where is Your Song my Lord?'. RSVP to parishleader@stthomasmores.org.au or phone 4635 9555.



ROSIES FRIENDS ON THE STREET

Is a not for profit organisation with a volunteer base of over 900 across Queensland. Rosies provide unconditional acceptance and friendship to people who are marginalised within our community, especially those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. St Theresa's Parish volunteer for Rosies once a month, if you would like to be involved in this program, please contact the Parish Office 4639 4688



LOURDES HILL COLLEGE BRISBANE REUNION

Date: 16/10/21 Saturday

Where: Lourdes Hill College, Brisbane

All students who attended Lourdes hill College in 1966 – Year 8, 1967 – Year 9 , 1968 – Year 10, 1969 – Year 11 and 1970 – Year 12 are invited to attend the Reunion of the 1966-1970 Cohort on Saturday 16 October at Lourdes Hill College. For enquiries, please contact Maree Foley (Stanton) maree_foley@hotmail.com or events@lhc.qld.edu.au or phone Mary at LHC on 3399 0411.

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Parish Pastoral Council

Fr Brian Noonan, Tim Burgess, Bernadatte Zimbwa,
 Gailene Jurgs, Matt Boyd, David Wilson, Trish Kennedy-
 Lee, Kathy Doherty, 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, 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, Angela
 Irvine, Jane Burgess, Catherine Cooper.

Sacramental Team:

Monica Brennan, Kathy Doherty, David Wilson,
 Gay Jorgensen.

Consolation Team:

Fr Brian Noonan, Lyn McRae, Peter Kenny,
 Bette Flamsted, Pam Merritt, 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:

RCIA

Coordinator: David Wilson



NOTICE



DATES TO REMEMBER FOR JULY/AUGUST

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| Monday | 12 July School Term 3 Starts 12 July 6pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting. Parish office meeting room. |
| Thursday | 15 July 6pm First Reconciliation Parent Information night |
| Wednesday | 21 July Council of Priests Meeting St George |
| Sunday | 25 July Bible Sunday World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly |
| Friday | 30 July Bishop's Inservice Day Toowoomba (St Joseph's College) Mater Dei pupil free day |
| Tuesday | 3 August Peter Kearney Concert |
| Sat - Sun | 7-8 August Pax Christi National Conference via Zoom |
| Sunday | 8 August Feast Day Mary of the Cross MacKillop |

RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES

Masks - it is no longer mandatory to wear masks in the church.

We are now allowed to celebrate:

Baptisms- baptisms with 200 people attending can now be celebrated in the Church

Weddings – can be celebrated with up to 200 people attending

Funerals – can be celebrated with a maximum of 200 people attending. All church services will need to comply with the requirements of the parish CovidSafe Plan.



Second & Fourth Tuesdays /month

St Vincent de Paul St Theresa's
 Conference, 4pm, Contact 0408 808 437



First Wednesday /month

Parish morning tea at 9.45am, Cobb & Co Museum

Second Sunday

Mad Toowoomba Group from 7.00pm at St Anthony's.
 Parish Centre.
 (Grade 7-12 people) PH: 4636 0461