

THE BULLETIN

ST THERESA'S PARISH

27 - 28 MAY 2023

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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.

Today we celebrate the great event of Pentecost, in which the Holy Spirit filled the hearts of the apostles. It has almost become cliché for someone to say about another person "they're just filled with the Spirit." But I often ask myself what this means; what does it mean to say that someone is filled with the Spirit? How can I tell if I am? The answer, unsurprisingly, is quite simple. If someone is filled with the Spirit they will be living a life of virtue, of "love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control" (Gal 5:22-25). The seven gifts and the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit are the 'proof' and evidence for a Spirit-filled way of life. That is why baptism and confirmation are so important, for by them we receive God's grace in the power of the Holy Spirit to sanctify us and give us all that we need to be a saint. St Irenaeus of Lyon, writing in the second century AD describes this better than I ever could:

"Luke says that the Spirit came down on the disciples at Pentecost, after the Lord's ascension, with power to open the gates of life to all nations and to make known to them the new covenant. So it was that men of every language joined in singing one song of praise to God, and scattered tribes, restored to unity by the Spirit, were offered to the Father as the first-fruits of all the nations. This was why the Lord had promised to send the Advocate: he was to prepare us as an offering to God. Like dry flour, which cannot become one lump of dough, one loaf of bread, without moisture, we who are many could not become one in Christ Jesus without the water that comes down from heaven. And like parched ground, which yields no harvest unless it receives moisture, we who were once like a waterless tree could never have lived and borne fruit without this abundant rainfall from above. Through the baptism that liberates us from change and decay we have become one in body; through the Spirit we have become one in soul. The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and strength, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of God came down upon the Lord, and the Lord in turn gave this Spirit to his Church, sending the Advocate from heaven into all the world into which, according to his own words, the devil too had been cast down like lightning. If we are not to be scorched and made unfruitful, we need the dew of God. Since we have our accuser, we need an advocate as well." (*Against the Heresies*)

This Pentecost may we strive to cooperate with God's grace in our lives and be faithful to the Spirit who has sealed us in confirmation. Come Holy Spirit! **BJ Perrett** - *I am always happy to discuss my reflections and warmly welcome your feedback*

THANK YOU WINTER SHELTER OUTREACH

A huge thank you to all the people who have promised donations or cash.

Please place all **non perishables** either in the container in the church foyer or drop them to the parish office.

Please bring all **perishables eg:** butter, bread, cheese or slices to the office on **Monday 19 June**.

Thank you



Holy Hour with Adoration. Fridays at 4.30pm in the Parish Centre Chapel. All are welcome.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Allan Lynch (Neil's brother)

Ray Young (Highfields)

Patricia Hundt (Highfields)

HEALING FOR THE SICK

Parishioners:

Doug Meiklejohn

Elizabeth Curtis **June Murphy**

Brian Powell **Anne Thomas**

Brian Carter **Glenda Walsh**

Bert Pervan **Murray Doyle**

Friends and Family

Geraldine Hurley

(Gay Jorgensen's Sister)

Iain Bruce

(Rylee & Joseph Hunt's Grandfather)

Jennifer Fogarty

(Beverley Patterson's Friend)

Di Winterton

Erica Armagnacq (Bill Armagnacq's Daughter in Law)

Margaret Chiesa

Janette Ansell (Patricia Stevens sister)

Will Wildig (Meg Hicks' Brother in Law)

Fr Phil Hicks MSC (Meg Hicks's Brother)

Geoff Doyle (Mary Otto's brother)

Anna O'Toole (Maryanne Long's friend)

Madeline (Sally) Gray

(Kathy Sternes' Mother)

Phil Connolly (Glen & Bernadette

Whisson's friend)

Kate Sturgeon (Rita Sturgeon's granddaughter)

Shona Kraayvanger

(Gabrielle Adam's daughter)

Indiana Harman

(Ray & Madeline Taylor's (Granddaughter)

Louis Gandini (Lina Pervan's brother)

Connie Bamgart (Lina Pervan's friend)

Simon Riethmuller (Shirley's son)

Max Shearer (Grandson - Judy Shearer)

John Mullen (Helen McNaught's nephew)

Rev. Brian Sparksman

Fr Peter McGrath .CP

Molly Schmidt (Aileen Collins' friend)

Peter Brown (Denis' brother)

The Dowling Family

Reg Parsons (Powell family group)


Glynis Grosskopf (Powell family group)

ANNIVERSARIES

Anniversaries are on the back of the bulletin for this week.

Thank you

St Theresa's Parish

MASSES		READINGS	NOTICES
MON	NO MASS	<p>Pentecost Sunday Year A</p> <p>First Reading: <i>Genesis 11: 1 - 9</i> It was named Babel because there the Lord confused the language of the whole earth.</p> <p>Responsorial Psalm 103: 1 - 35 Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.</p> <p>Second Reading: <i>Romans 8: 22-27</i> The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.</p> <p>Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!</p> <p>Gospel: <i>John 7: 37 - 39</i> From his breast will flow fountains of living waters.</p> <p>Next week's readings, The Holy Trinity Year A <i>Exodus 34: 4 - 6, 8 - 9</i> <i>2 Corinthians 13: 11 - 13</i></p>	<p>Baptisms</p> <p>Baptisms are celebrated on the second and fourth Sunday of the month either during Mass at 9.30 or after Mass at 11.00am</p> 
TUE	NO MASS		
WED	9AM MASS		
THU	NO MASS		
FRI	9AM MASS		<p>Consolation Message</p> <p>When a person passes, it's like a ship passing beyond the horizon. It's still there, we just can't see it anymore</p>
SAT	6PM VIGIL		
SUN	9.30AM MASS		
<p>If you are Gluten intolerant and require a special host, please advise the coordinator.</p>			

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

We are coming towards the end of the financial year. There are several planned giving envelopes that remain uncollected from the 22/23 year. If you no longer require Planned Giving envelopes and prefer to give via other methods e.g. tap n go, direct debit or direct credit, please let Janet at the parish office know so that the number of planned giving envelopes ordered for the 23/24 year can be reduced. This will save on costs for the Parish.

POPE FRANCIS NAMES NEW BISHOP FOR CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF TOOWOOMBA

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Ken Howell, currently an Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Brisbane, as the seventh Bishop of the Diocese of Toowoomba. Pope Francis made the official announcement in Rome at noon (8:00 pm local time) on Wednesday, 24 May 2023. The appointment follows the retirement of Bishop Robert McGuckin, who has served the Toowoomba Diocese since his Episcopal Ordination on 11 July 2012.

"I am deeply humbled to be called by Pope Francis to shepherd this local Church and I thank him sincerely." Bishop Howell said of his new role. "I realise that I have been given a great responsibility to care for the faithful and to engage in the life of the broader community across the Diocese."

Bishop Ken Howell hails from Brisbane, born and bred. In 1977 he entered Pius XII Regional Seminary and was ordained 24 June 1983.

Post ordination, Bishop Howell has served many different communities in the Brisbane Archdiocese.

On 29 March 2017, Pope Francis appointed Bishop Howell as Auxiliary Bishop of the Brisbane Archdiocese. His Episcopal Ordination was held on 14 June 2017.

Bishop McGuckin's retirement comes in the lead up to his anniversary as Bishop of the Toowoomba Diocese. "I have been privileged to have been the Bishop of Toowoomba for these past 11 years," he said. "I am very pleased to congratulate Bishop Ken Howell on his appointment to Toowoomba by Pope Francis. I wish Bishop Ken every blessing as he takes up his pastoral ministry in this vast and special Diocese."

The diocesan community is thankful for Bishop McGuckin's guidance and commitment to the local church community.

Bishop Howell doesn't come to the Toowoomba Diocese as a stranger, citing family ties to the region and knowing many of the priests.

"Can I ask all the people of the Diocese to pray for me as I prepare to be with you. Your prayer will be my greatest support." He said.

Bishop Howell's installation as the seventh Bishop of Toowoomba will be held on 11 July 2023 at

St Patrick's Cathedral, Toowoomba.

FEDERAL INTERDENOMINATIONAL PRESENTS
BELOVED
WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT



BELOVED: WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT

Date: 17 June 2023, Saturday @ **Time:** 8:30am to 8:30pm

Where: Holy Name Church, 190 Bridge St Tmba

Register via WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/CHSRB

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WINTER SHELTER OUTREACH

Some information regarding the Winter Shelter

St Theresa's Parish Centre will be hosting our 10 guests on Monday 19th June,
Monday 31st July
Monday 21st August.
St Thomas More's Parish Church will be the hosts on Monday 10th July.



NOTE: There has been a change in dates since our original information.

Every person who is volunteering in any capacity – washing, cooking, being present during the evenings needs to register.

First step for volunteers is the register via the QR code. Put Matt Boyd or David Rogan down as Referee. They will be sent a link to the app once they have been approved.

If they aren't able to do QR Code, just give their name, mobile, email and address to the office or me or David
Please ask if you need any help.

Jobs to volunteer for include:

Washing bed linen,

Being present in the afternoon to set up bedding and welcome the guests with a cuppa and a chat

Helping to serve meal and eating with the guests, cleaning up after the meal and enjoying the company with some games/cards/general conversation.

Being part of the night shift crew from 10pm-6am

Being part of the morning shift, providing continental breakfast, packing up beds and returning parish centre to usual rows of chairs.

Not everyone needs to volunteer. Other ways that you can be involved is providing some food stuffs and other items.

A list is available in the foyer.

Winter Shelter is a Toowoomba activity and volunteers can come from many church congregations so if you are not comfortable volunteering this year, do not feel any pressure.

Support the program with your prayers and generosity of spirit.



PILGRIMAGE IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop"

commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

I am happy to answer any questions and provide an itinerary and application form, and may be contacted at nationl.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or on 02 89124818.



CATHOLIC MISSION: DONOR RELATIONS OFFICER

Full-time Permanent role, Based in Brisbane, Supporting Dioceses in Queensland

This is an exceptional opportunity to join the international mission agency of the Catholic Church in Australia, which supports children, communities and church leaders both in Australia and overseas. This position requires someone who has a passion for making a difference by harnessing the generosity and philanthropy of others.

[Click here to find out more and how to apply.](#)

The Annual SPRED Appeal, 'Ministry in Action', is currently underway.

For 35 years the mission on SPRED in the Diocese of Toowoomba has been to be a bridge for our Friends living with intellectual disability. A bridge that takes them from being isolated and hidden, to being participating members of our parish communities. The bridge that is SPRED is built of parishioners like yourselves, who are willing to share faith and friendship with another person. While

we continue to need more building materials for our SPRED bridges, we also require funds to ensure the vital work of SPRED can continue. For details on how you can donate, please take one of the flyers located in the foyer.

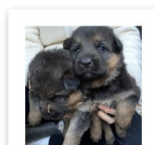
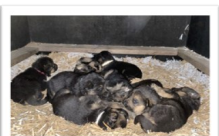


PUPPIES FOR SALE

German Shepherd Puppies – 5 males and 3 females. Born 13/4/23.

Interested?

Please contact Clint Perrett 0428652575 or speak to BJ



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Parish Pastoral Council

Fr Brian Noonan, Tim Burgess, Matt Boyd, David Wilson, Kath Doherty, Trish Kennedy-Lee, Glen/Bernadette Whisson, Greg Hallam, Elizabeth Curtis, Monica Brennan, David Rogan, Jo Meacle.

Finance Committee

Fr. Brian Noonan, Warren Dredge, Ray Taylor, Shane Blakeley, Pat Richardson, Tim Burgess.

Liturgy Team

Fr. Brian Noonan, Jan Mayo, Peter Kenny, Peter Nolan, Monica Brennan, Gay Jorgensen, Elizabeth Stewart.

Musicians

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

Baptism Team:

Jenny Ryan, Tracy George, Bernadette Hede, Anne Anderson, Jan Watkins, Jane Burgess, Catherine Cooper, Tracy Stinson, Elizabeth Curtis, Monica Brennan

Sacramental Team:

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

Consolation Team:

Fr Brian Noonan, Peter Kenny, Josephine Nolan, Monica Brennan

Welcome & Hospitality Team:

Paul & Kathryn Marangelli, Maureen Burke.

Family Groups:

Contact Parish Office 4639 4688

Care & Concern Team

Coordinator: Damian Carroll

RCIA

Coordinator: David Wilson
 0451 131 849



NOTICE

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR MAY/JUNE

Sun-Sun	21-28 May Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Sat - Sat	27 May - 3 June National Reconciliation Week (www.reconciliation.org.au)
Thursday	1 June 6pm Reconciliation liturgy for Confirmation candidates
Saturday	3 June Pot luck dinner—Soup & Bread
Sunday	4 June Parish morning tea after mass
Thursday	8 June 6pm Sacrament of Confirmation

ANNIVERSARIES

<i>Mary Minogue</i>	<i>Cecelia Lyons</i>
<i>Carmel Cross</i>	<i>Gerard Carroll</i>
<i>Debbie Gordon</i>	<i>Timothy Brady</i>
<i>Mary Murphy</i>	<i>Nancy Wilson</i>
<i>Ron Beauchamp</i>	<i>Mary Smith</i>
<i>Eric Leonardi</i>	<i>Kaylene Otto</i>
<i>Mat Long</i>	<i>Lindsay Otto</i>
<i>Ann Gainey</i>	<i>Lesley Sternes</i>
<i>Margot Meiklejohn</i>	<i>Vonnie Fry</i>
<i>Zeta Schaumberg</i>	<i>Yvonne Conroy</i>
<i>Bennett Zeller</i>	<i>Archie Clark</i>
<i>Ross Jeppesen</i>	<i>Pat Coonan</i>
<i>Alan Grünke</i>	
<i>Josephine Ragg</i>	



POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY 2023

For church movements and groups
 We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.



First Sunday of the Month

Parish Morning Tea 1st Sunday of the month after 9.30am Mass

Care & Concern Meeting

Care & Concern Meeting 8 May 2023 @ 3pm

Second & Fourth Tuesday of the 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

