

THE BULLETIN

ST THERESA'S PARISH

14-15 SEPTEMBER 2024

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B

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.

Francis' Focus

'Today's Gospel passage,' Pope Francis says, 'turns to the question that permeates the whole Gospel of Mark: who is Jesus?'

The Pope points out that Jesus 'is not interested in the opinions and gossip of the people'; nor is he fishing for 'pre-packaged formulas'. In fact, as the Pope notes, 'a faith that is reduced to formulas is a short-sighted faith.' This is not what Jesus seeks.

Rather, as the Pope puts it, Jesus 'wants his disciples of yesterday and today to establish a personal relationship with him' in a way that has practical implications. In asking who he is, Jesus is also asking us who we want to be. 'Each person is called to respond, in his or her heart,' the Pope says, 'allowing each one to be illuminated by the light that the Father gives us.' But this can be challenging. Like Peter, we can easily and reflexively recoil at the idea of a Christ whose mission 'contrasts with our expectations, with worldly expectations.' We switch easily from recognition of Christ to rejection of his real mission. The Pope affirms that 'the profession of faith in Jesus Christ cannot stop at words.' Our thoughts and words about Jesus must translate into action that is 'characterised by God's love' and expressed through 'an abundance of love for neighbour.' © Nick Brodie

Season of Creation Reflection

After Jesus spoke of a future involving personal suffering and political rejection Peter remonstrated with him. Jesus in turn rebuked Peter, explaining that such thinking was not of God. Much of the import of this short exchange seems to hinge on the openness of Jesus' assertions. Peter reacted not only to what Jesus said but the way he said it. Jesus' warnings were not given in secret but declared openly. It is rather understandable that Peter was worried. Perhaps he thought that Jesus would attract unwanted attention from the authorities, or that his gloomy talk would put off potential followers. Either way, Jesus was having none of it. The truth, however dangerous or unpopular, should not be hidden. Hearing this Gospel during the Season of Creation we might contemplate what truths get hushed up today. Do we encourage our leaders to speak openly about pollution and climate change, or do we collude in their silences? Does our society condemn or condone littering? Are our parishes in environmental denial, or models of sustainability and ecological responsibility? Ultimately, facing even the darkest future with hopeful action is a key part of Jesus' message. Christ's followers are called to bear their share of the cross and face tomorrow's problems today. © Nick Brodie

CARNIVAL OF FLOWERS AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

Date: 13-16/9/24

Friday to Monday

Time: 9:00am to 5:00pm daily

Where: St Patrick's Cathedral Tmba

All are welcome to come and experience the cathedral in an explosion of colour! Displays created by local Catholic schools and ministries



RECENTLY DECEASED

Sr Ellen Randle sgs

HEALING FOR THE SICK

Parishioners:

Noel and Mary Murphy

Susan Quirk Anne Thomas

June Murphy

Friends and Family

Imogen Atkins (niece of Lelia Fallon)

Mary Relf (Pat Powell's Sister)

Naser (Mary Tanous' brother)

Elke Windley

(Gailene Jurgs' Granddaughter)

Madeline (Sally) Gray

(Kathy Sternes' Mother)

Mary Gleeson

(Anne McNally's Sister)

Geraldine Hurley (Gay Jorgensen's Sister)

Iain Bruce (Rylee & Joseph Hunt's Grandad)

Jennifer Fogarty

(Beverley Patterson's Friend)

Erica Armagnacq (Bill Armagnacq's Daughter in Law)

Margaret Chiesa

Janette Ansell (Patricia Stevens sister)

Geoff Doyle (Mary Otto's brother)

Anna O'Toole (Maryanne Long's friend)

Phil Connolly (Glen & Bernadette Whisson's friend)

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)

Max Shearer (Grandson - Judy Shearer)

John Mullen (Helen McNaught's nephew)

Fr Peter McGrath .CP

Molly Schmidt (Aileen Collins' friend)

The Dowling Family

ANNIVERSARIES

Kathleen Hoysted

Roslyn Atzeni

Noreen Schaumberg

Agnes Thompson

Ignazio Ginardi

Anna Sinclair


Les Kreis

Brian Meacle

Des Lyons

Des Pauli

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MASSES		READINGS	NOTICES
MON	NO MASS	<p>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B First Reading <i>Isaiah 50: 5-9</i> I gave my body to those who struck me.</p> <p>Responsorial Psalm: <i>114: 1-6, 8-9 R</i> I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living</p> <p>Second Reading <i>James 2: 14-18</i> Faith without good works is dead.</p> <p>Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia!</p> <p>Gospel: <i>Mark 8: 27-35</i> You are the Christ ... the Son of Man was destined to suffer much.</p> <p>Next week's readings: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B <i>Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20</i> <i>James 3: 16 - 4:3</i> <i>Mark 9: 30-37</i></p>	<p>Baptisms are celebrated on the second and fourth Sunday of the month either during Mass at 9.30am or after Mass at 11.00am</p> 
TUE	NO MASS		
WED	9AM MASS		
THU	NO MASS		
FRI	9AM MASS		
SAT	6PM VIGIL		
SUN	MASS 9.30AM		
<p>If you are Gluten intolerant and require a special host, please advise the coordinator.</p>		<p>PARISH OFFICE NOTICE</p> <p>The parish office will be closed on the following days in September.</p> <p>Monday 16 September Wednesday 18 September Monday 23 September</p>	

PRAYERS FOR PALESTINE AND ISRAEL

Date: 18/9/24 Wednesday

Time: 12:30pm

Where: Online via Zoom,

The National Council of Churches in Australia invites you to join us as we pray for peace in the Holy Land during the Week for Peace in Palestine and Israel.

For further information please refer to flyer in the foyer.



Register here

RUMORS: MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST PETER CLAVER FUNDRAISER

The **Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver** are hosting the play, "**Rumors**", a comedy at the Repertory Theatre

Tuesday October 1st.

Doors open at 7.00pm and patrons must be seated by 7.25pm.

Tickets are \$25 each and can be purchased by contacting Sisters on 07 4321818 or Helen on 0416055976.

All proceeds go to the Missions.

DIOCESAN ARCHIVES UPDATE

Gabrielle Saide, Diocesan Archivist, wishes to advise that the archives at 68 Lindsay Street Toowoomba is now open for deposits, enquiries and research.

Opening hours are Tuesday 10.30am – 4.00pm and Thursday 10.30am- 4.00pm.

Phone number is 4632 7484. Email is dioarch@twb.catholic.or.au

REUNION: ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL JUNIOR CHOIR

Date: 28/9/24 Saturday

Where: St Patrick's Cathedral Tmba

Last Year's Reunion of the St. Patrick's Cathedral Junior Choir from the 1970s, 1980s and early 1990s was such a fantastic success it is on again! If you know of anyone who was a member of the Junior Choir during those years, would you kindly let them know of this and ask them to make contact with either Shelley Schweikert

on 0402 319 929 or Sr Margaret Norris on 0427 623 598 to find out the details.



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PRIESTS RETIREMENT FOUNDATION: FATHERS' DAY APPEAL

Each year on Fathers' Day, we ask parishioners to support our "Fathers" - our beloved clergy. The Priests Retirement Foundation provides assistance such as social welfare, maintenance, necessities of life and relief from poverty as priests may need in infirmity, sickness, incapacity, old age or other necessitous circumstances.



Please use QR Code provided or envelopes available in the foyer to make a donation to this worthy cause.

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE

Date: 5/10/24 or 26/10/24 (Both Saturdays)

Where: Mt Carmel Parish Coorparoo or All Saints Parish Albany Creek

Make a Joyful Noise! offers a valuable formation opportunity for singers, conductors, cantors, organists, pianists, guitarists and all involved in music ministry. Bring your whole music team to help all appreciate the vital role of music in vibrant, uplifting and welcoming parish worship. (Discounted parish tickets available)

Please refer to flyer in the foyer for further information.

ENGAGING YOUR FAITH

Date: October 2024

Where: Online

"Engaging Your Faith" is a series of short online presentations that invite participants to reflect on what it means to be people of faith in the contemporary world. Experienced lecturers from Catholic Theological College present on a variety of topics such as Philosophy, Spirituality, Biblical Studies, Christian Meditation, Theology, Interfaith Relations, and issues in Science and Religion



SAVE THE DATE: NATSICC SPIRITUALITY AND FORMATION RETREAT

Date: 9-12/9/24

Where: St Clements Retreat Centre, Galong NSW

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) Spirituality and Formation Retreat is open to all, both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and those that work in Ministry alongside First Nations Peoples. The retreat will provide an opportunity to pray, heal and grow in faith with one another whilst surrounded by the peace and stillness of country NSW. Moving away from the conference mindset, participants will experience the sharing of faith with one another and have ample time to reflect upon their own faith Journey.

Further details at [NATSICC's website](#); registrations will open shortly.

SEASON OF CREATION DEVOTIONAL

Queensland Churches Environmental Network (QCEN), a commission of QCT have produced a Season of Creation Devotional. The devotional will be available as an app, pdf and printed book. The new Season of creation Devotional contains a reflection, prayer and verse for each day of Season of Creation. The devotions are illustrated by beautiful photographs featuring the Australian landscape, flora and fauna.

About the Devotional

The devotional was developed by Queensland Churches Environmental Network (QCEN). QCEN sought contributions from a wide range of people, from different denominations and backgrounds, from all over Australia. The variety gives the devotions an incredible depth. At the same time, although each devotion is different, they all manage to portray a sense of awe at the wonder of creation. The devotions remind the reader of the interconnectedness of creation, of the peace we can feel when being in nature, and the beauty that is all around us.

How to Access the Devotional

By App using the Apple Store or through the Google Store - Free, just search for Season of Creation.

By PDF through the QCT website – Free go to <https://qct.org.au/images/QCEN/SoCDevotionsScreenVersion.pdf>

In printed form – a limited number of books have been printed and are available for \$10 each plus postage.

Contact admin@qct.org.au to order your copy.



The firstfruits of hope
(Rom 8:19-25)

**TO HOPE AND ACT
WITH CREATION**

SEASON OF CREATION 2024



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



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Parish Pastoral Council

Fr Brian Noonan, Monica Brennan, Elizabeth Curtis,
Kathy Doherty, Greg Hallam, Gerard Hore, Julie Ratelli,
David Rogan, Martin Stinson, Bernadette/Glen Whisson,
Dave Wilson.

Finance Committee

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

Liturgy Team

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

Musicians

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

Baptism Team:

Jenny Ryan, 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
0409 662 047

RCIA

Coordinator: David Wilson
0451 131 849



NOTICE

DATES TO REMEMBER SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

Sunday	1 Sept - 4 Oct Season of Creation
Sunday	29 Sept World Day Migrant & Refugees Sunday
Saturday	5 Oct Liturgy with Communion Infin8 @ 10.30am all welcome
Friday	1 Nov Parish Trivia Night Parish Centre 5.30pm

COLLECTION 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Envelopes:	\$ 1 887.00
Loose:	\$ 436.10
Direct Debits:	\$ 420.00
Tap & Go:	\$ 720.00
Direct Deposits	\$ 50.00
Total	\$ 3 513.10



ORGAN FIREWORKS

Date: 23/9/24 Monday

Time: 10:00am

Where: St Patrick's Cathedral Tmba

Cost: Free

St Patrick's Cathedral and Organ Society of QLD
present an organ recital featuring Brisbane organist
Dr Steven Nisbet OAM.

RUMORS: CROWS NEST PARISH FUNDRAISER

Date: 25/9/24 Wednesday

Time: Doors open at 7:00pm, seated by 7:25pm

*Where: Toowoomba Repertory Theatre,
Margaret St Tmba*

Cost: \$25 per person,

all/text 0418 152 073 to purchase

Enjoy a night of laughs at the theatre and support Crows Nest Parish to help upgrade their First Aid facilities. *Rumors* by Neil Simion (Comedy). The deputy mayor of New York has shot himself, but it's only a flesh wound. Still it sets off a series of chaotic events, lies and rumors.

Note, due to the age of venue, we are sorry to advise that there are no disabled toilet facilities. Access to auditorium is via two steps.

Care & Concern Meeting

Care & Concern Meeting Monday 14th October @ 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*

