

THE BULLETIN

ST THERESA'S PARISH

28-29 SEPTEMBER 2024

26th 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.

Reflection for 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2024

Every journey has a leader. For the Israelite people, who were living as slaves in Egypt, that leader was Moses. With God's prompting, and the support of Aaron and Miriam, Moses courageously led the people on their exodus journey to the Promised Land. However, even the best human leader cannot replace God. In the story from Numbers, God's Spirit empowered seventy elders to share Moses's burden of leadership. On their way to the Promised Land, a shared and commissioned leadership was better able to address all of their difficulties and challenges. When the Israelites were about to finally arrive, Moses himself reached the end of his life and was instructed not to go on. As Joshua took up his new position, Moses reassured the people, "it is the Lord your God who goes with you; he will not fail you or forsake you." (Deuteronomy 31:6) Pope Francis's theme for the 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "God walks with his people". He says that "Many migrants experience God as their traveling companion, guide and anchor of salvation". Through their exile, wilderness journey and final arrival, the people who were following Moses discovered that they were really following God, who went before them and walked alongside them. The meeting tent that protected the ark of the covenant was a symbol of this presence; of a God who stayed close along the journey. So many migrants and refugees face such challenges and difficulties along their way. They can be separated from families and loved ones, lost, bereaved, exhausted, hurt or afraid of the future. They can experience people who are unwelcoming or hostile to them in their time of vulnerability. James in his letter today reminds us that God sees the disregard and injustice of the rich and comfortable. Our relationship with those who are suffering has eternal implications. Yet Jesus reminds us that the opposite is also true. Those who offer merely "a cup of water to drink" will not lose their reward. Our kindness and generosity brings life to both the giver and receiver. As Pope Francis says, God not only walks *with* migrants and refugees, but *within* them. God "identifies himself with men and women on their journey through history, particularly with the least, the poor and the marginalized." In serving the least of our brothers and sisters, we encounter Jesus himself. Therefore, as a Church walking a synodal journey together, we recognise God as our true guide along the way. We see the value in shared leadership and our responsibility to welcome the stranger. And in the symbols of our liturgy, we remember God's enduring presence, walking alongside and within each one of us.

HEALING FOR THE SICK

Parishioners:

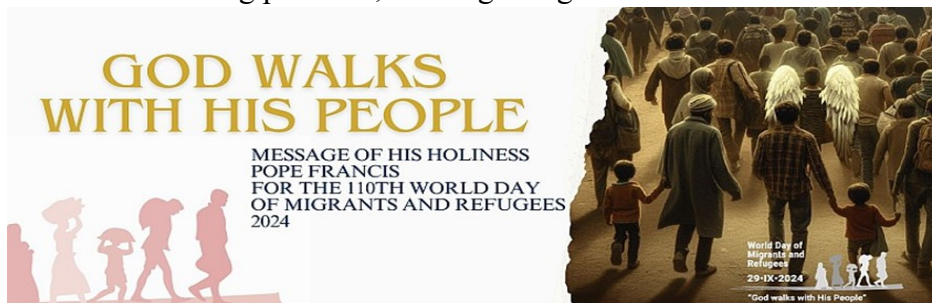
Noel and Mary Murphy
Susan Quirk Anne Thomas
June Murphy

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

Winifred Walsh Max Osmond
Mary Catterall Glen Frith
Simon Gilliland Rose Mullen
Heather Lowein Ruby Doyle
Jackson Ryan Reg Liersch
Maureen Ryan Ray McClure
Kath Mulligan Ruth Nash
Patrick Dunne Helen Ansell
Robert McNaught
Michael O'Davis
Vidio Marchetti
Jean Wilkinson
Laurence Conaghan



St Theresa's Parish

MASSES		READINGS	NOTICES
MON	NO MASS	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B First Reading <i>Numbers 11: 25-29</i> Are you jealous on my account? Who decrees that all people may prophesy. Responsorial Psalm: <i>18:8 10, 12-14 R</i> The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart. Second Reading <i>James 5: 1-6</i> Your wealth is rotting. Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia! Gospel: <i>Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48</i> Anyone who is not against us if for us. if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off. Next week's readings: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B <i>Genesis 2: 18-24</i> <i>Hebrews 2: 9-11</i> <i>Mark 10: 2-16</i>	This weekend we welcome into our parish Luna Lil Cubby through the Sacrament of  Baptism Baptisms are celebrated on the second and fourth Sunday of the month either during Mass at 9.30am or after Mass at 11.00am 
TUE	NO MASS		
WED	9AM MASS		
THU	NO MASS		
FRI	9AM MASS		
SAT	6PM VIGIL		
SUN	MASS 9.30AM		
If you are Gluten intolerant and require a special host, please advise the coordinator.			

ADVENT GOSPEL REFLECTION BOOKLETS

The year is rolling along and Advent starts 1st December – about 9 weeks away. Both Diocese of Wollongong and Brisbane have created Gospel reflection booklets for 2024-2025 Year C Advent season.

EVANGELISATION BRISBANE has produced "**Hope Reigns**". **Hope Reigns** is a new **25-day reflection resource** that can be used during Advent by individuals and groups. Our guest writer Br. Damien Price cfc (Christian Brother of the Oceania Province) has written heart-warming and mission-oriented daily reflections. Each weekday is tailored for individual reflection and includes a short scripture text, a reflection, some questions to ponder and a concluding prayer. With small groups in mind, we have purposefully reformatted the Sunday reflections to make this resource more open to use in an Advent small group setting. Each Sunday has a longer format including small group prompts, an opening prayer, the Gospel reading, a Sunday reflection, discussion questions and a closing prayer. **Cost - \$6/book**

WOLLONGONG'S PROGRAM is "**The Light**". **The Light** is a beautiful 88-page book of daily reflections designed to deepen your spiritual journey from the beginning of Advent (1 December 2024) through to the Baptism of the Lord (12 January 2025), offering profound insights and contemplative thoughts that invite you to explore the depths of your faith and anticipate the joy of God's presence in the world.

The Light is more than just a guide; it is a beacon of hope and renewal, leading you through the enduring narratives of Advent and Christmas that have touched the hearts of the faithful across generations. Whether you are looking to deepen your understanding, find spiritual solace, or celebrate the essence of the seasons, this book is an invaluable companion for your spiritual path.

The Light also features beautiful religious artworks from the Masters such as Hunt, Van Dyck, Breenbergh, Giordano, Luini, Raphael, Stom and Bellini, with enlightening "Artwork Spotlight" reflections written by the popular Monsignor Graham Schmitzer. **Cost - \$6/book**

More information and an order form is in the foyer for you to register to buy one or both and multiple copies can be ordered. Orders need to be in by Wednesday 9 October so that we are able to have the books before Advent commences. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office Ph 4639 4688 or email monica@sttheresas.org.au

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE APPEAL

During the month of October, Joann Hodal is generously giving of her time to organise the collection of items which she will then make into the domestic violence packages from St Theresa's. Thank you Joann for the tremendous gift of your time and energy for these precious packages of dignity. Toiletries, toothpaste and personal hygiene items etc are ideal donations. Cash donations are also gratefully accepted. Baskets will be available in the foyer for you to place your donations into or they can be left at the parish office during office hours.

We thank you all sincerely for your continuing support for this community outreach project.

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JUBILEE OF ORDINATION MASS

Date: 16/10/24 Wednesday

Time: 11:00am

Where: St Patrick's Cathedral, Tmba

Bishop Ken Howell warmly invites all parishioners to celebrate milestone Jubilees of Ordination for some of our priests at a special Mass. Fr Kerry Costigan will mark 60 years of Ordination. Frs Jim Cronin and John Maher will mark 50 years of Ordination. Frs Jamie Collins and Michael O'Brien will mark 25 years.

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



BUS TRIP: MARIAN VALLEY

Opening and Blessing of the Devine Mercy Chapel

Saturday 5th October 2024

Bus departs: 7.30am Neil St Toowoomba – Outside St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Office

Cost: \$50 RSVP: Theresa 0434 528 904

UNIVERSAL SISTERHOOD PODCAST PRESENTS

KNOWN

Womens Day Retreat Saturday, 2nd November 2024

9am to 5.30pm 8.45am Registration Holy Name Parish, Toowoomba

REGISTER VIA <https://www.trybooking.com/CSMKN>

Contact Jane Naug on 0437 233 314 with any inquiries RSVP 21/10/2024

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.



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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 Kathy Doherty, Greg Hallam, Gerard Hore, Julie Raitelli,
 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

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

Sunday	1 Sept - 4 Oct Season of Creation
Thursday	3 Oct PPC Meeting
Saturday	5 Oct Liturgy with Communion Infin8 @ 10.30am all welcome
Monday	7 Oct Public Holiday Kings Birthday
Friday	1 Nov Parish Trivia Night Parish Centre 5.30pm
Sat-Sun	9-10 Nov Scrolling of Names

COLLECTION 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Envelopes:	\$ 469.00
Loose:	\$ 375.75
Direct Debits:	\$ 831.00
Tap & Go:	\$ 335.00
Direct Deposits	\$ 50.00
Total	\$ 2060.75



DATE CLAIMER – PARISH TRIVIA NIGHT – FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

St Theresa's Parish will be holding a Family Trivia Night.

When: Friday 1st November in the Parish Centre.

Time: 5.30pm for 6pm start

Where: Parish Centre

Cost: \$10/person over 10years OR \$80 for a table of 8
 A Sausage Sizzle will be operating \$2/snag and a drinks bar will be available.

Tea and coffee will be available for no cost.

Patrons are welcome to bring nibblies for their table.

Bookings to made through the parish office

PH: 4639 4688

PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY

Date: 12/10/24 Saturday

Time: 2:00pm-4:00pm

Where: Queens Park, Cnr Margaret & Lindsay Street, Tmba

All are welcome to join a public praying of the Rosary in Queens Park. This is part of a nationwide Rosary held each year on the Saturday closest to the 13 October, being the date of the final apparition of Our Lady of Fatima in 1917.

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

