MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK:

Monday 7.00 am, Tuesday 9.00 am, Wednesday 5.30 pm, Thursday 7.00 am, Friday 5.30 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church Chapel 3.00 - 5.00 pm Friday



Evening Prayer — Liturgy of the Hours:

Every Wednesday after 5.30 pm Mass

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 11.00 am - 11.30 am

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK Your prayers are asked for Leon Garner, Mary Brander, Michelle Newton, Jan Fagan, LITURGY ROSTER for next weekend: 26.01.20 Joe Ryan, Seth Green, Ronni Rosenthal, Peter Corfield, Antonio Harmer (Great Grandson of Doreen Garrahy), 9.00 am P Tobin, E Hehir Mary Merrin, Basil Garner, Joe Costello, Katrina Murdoch, Marie-Therese Los, Maree Walker, Ruth Webb

THE DECEASED: Let us remember in our prayers 9.00 am R Campbell, P Dodt, T Bushell those loved ones who died recently especially, Maureen 5.30 pm T Hallam, K Lisle, J O'Brien Piggott, Terry Campbell, Rosa Ryan and those whose Ministers of Holy Communion: anniversaries fall around this time.

(Terry is a brother of Peter)

Reminder: to all those who require gluten free hosts to please notify priest prior to Mass beginning. Thank you

Hearing Loop in St Pat's. For those who are wearing hearing aids, the hearing loop is situated in the middle of the church to the columns on the outer. You will need to turn your hearing aid to T.

Holy Communion at St Patrick's Church.

As a mark of respect for our senior brothers and sisters and those with disabilities who sit in the "comfy" chairs at the front, we shall offer Holy Communion to them first. Please wait until this is finished before approaching the communion ministers. Fr Adrian

Collections in St Patrick's Church

We now take up the first collection at the preparation o the gifts (as we do now) and take up the second collection after communion and before the final prayer. Can we also try passing the plate to the pillars and then handing over to the row behind.

Are You a Musician? We (your parish) need you

If you are a keyboard player, a guitarist, flautist, violinist, saxophonist, singer etc your parish needs you. Please let the office know you are interested.



MASS TIMES FOR NEXT WEEK-END Saturday (Vigil) 25.01.2020

Rainbow Beach 6.00 pm

> Sunday 26.01.2020

Tin Can Bay 7.00 am Gympie 9.00 am Gympie 5.30 pm

> Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion 7.00 am Gunalda

Welcomers:

5.30 pm J Garner

Ministers of the Word:

9.00 am * T Tierney, J McCabe, D Curtain

* D Leidel, A Towner

5.30 pm * K Garner, B Doak, N Adams,

* E Shields, C Smith

Altar Servers:

9.00 am 5.30 pm

Musicians:

9.00 am E Carroll 5.30 pm iPad

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Isaiah First Reading: 8:23-9:3 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13. 17 4:12-23 Matthew

CATHOLIC PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS LIMITED (CPSL) AUDIT REPORT

Earlier this year the Archdiocese participated in the Catholic Professional Standards Ltd. (CPSL) audit on the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards.

The auditors' report was released on Tuesday, and can be accessed online at www.cpsltd.org.au/media/1590/brisbane cpsl-final-audit-report-december-2019.pdf.

I am pleased to share that the Archdiocese of Brisbane obtained an excellent result of 84% compliance with the standards. I would like to thank all clergy, employees and volunteers for their efforts in ensuring that professional standards are upheld across our parishes, ministries and cultural communities.

Community Bus: Urgently needed Drivers with LR (light rigid licence) to take people to and from Church Sunday Mornings. Please ring Marie 5482 5595 if you can assist.

We welcome Sophia Grace Sami into the Church through Baptism today



Family Candles

The feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the temple falls on a Sunday this year—2 February.

Traditionally this is a day for the blessing of candles which we keep in our homes and light on special occasions throughout the year.

At St Patrick's we shall bless the candles in the parish centre then process with candles lit into the church.

At St Therese and St Vincent de Paul we shall bless the candles at the start of mass.

At St John Vianney and St Peter the Fisherman a prayer of blessing can be prayed by all.

PowerPoint Operators

We need a team to operate the PowerPoint presentations at Sunday mass in St Pats. Upper primary to senior citizens are eligible for selection. Send your name to the parish office. Fr Adrian



PRAY FOR AUSTRALIA

With Bruce Downes (online)

Australia is currently being devastated by Fire! It is time to Pray powerfully together!

Pray for the firefighters and emergency workers

Pray for the victims and families

Pray for the homes and businesses destroyed

Pray for the burnt land and death and injury of our animals

Pray for rain, so much rain needed!

Pray for healing

Join me and Pray each night at 8pm AEDT on Facebook, Instagram and Youtube!

Facebook.com/TheCatholicGuyBruceDownes

Instagram.com/TheCatholicGuy

Youtube.com/TheCatholicGuytv

Or pray with me wherever you are!

May we experience God's power and love amidst the tragedy!

Parish Office Hours

07 5482 1213 Office Phone: Monday 8.30 am - 1.00 pm Tuesday 8.30 am - 1.00 pm Wednesday 8.30 am - 11.30 am Thursday 8.30 am - 3.00 pm Friday 8.30 am - 3.00 pm

St. Patrick's Pious Goods Store

Open Sunday mornings from 8.30, closed during mass, open after mass until 10.15 am and Sunday afternoons before mass from 5 until 5.30 pm. In addition to our usual range of goods to enrich your faith we now have the Columban calendars for \$9 each and a range of items available for gifts and personal enjoyment.



ST PATRICK'S MORNING TEA

You are all welcome to share morning tea and fellowship after the 9.00 am Mass each Sunday.

The hosts for next Sunday:

"All Stars"

Everyone is very welcome.

Family Groups Renewal

Thank you for your recent registration and expression of interest in the St Patrick's Parish Family Groups. We welcome you and will shortly be in touch regarding your group contact person, and will provide you with their contact details. St Patrick's Family Groups. Parish Office Phone 54821213 Still interested in registering please contact the Parish office or come to the morning tea after Sunday Mass



MOTHER'S PRAYERS

Our Women Parishioners are invited to pray together

Prayers will resume after the finish of the school holidays.

The Men's Afternoons are held on the Third Thursday of the Month from 12.45 pm until 2.45 pm Next is **Thursday 16th January** for transport assistance please contact the parish office, 5482 1213.

Community Coffee Club

Gympie community Centre 18 Excelsior Road Come and join us for a coffee and chat Everyone welcome.

Every Friday between 9.00 am and 11.00 am More information ring David 0427 800 277

> LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS Total 2nd Collection \$1840.20 **Total 1st Collection** \$1433.55 Thank you

Gloria Mass Shalom

R: Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of goodwill.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give thanks for your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly king, O God almighty Father. R Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. R

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **R**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Here I am Lord: I come to do your will.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God. Alleluia!

Holy Holy:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

The mystery of faith: When we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again

AMEN: Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen,

LAMB OF GOD:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace

In time of bushfires

Hear our prayers, O God, for the efforts to quench the fires that rage in our land; and, sustaining our spirits, keep us graciously from all harm and give success to the work of our hands. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. Watch this space for updates

Sacramental Program - Eucharist first half of this year **Joy of the Gospel** - Pope Francis. Possible lent study

Do you know the date of your baptism?

This is the foundational sacrament of our Christian life but we don't know it like our birthdays because we don't celebrate it annually. I want everyone in the parish to go searching, find it, enter it in the calendar or organiser and celebrate it. Email the parish if you have difficulty and we shall help. Fr A

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Iesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen

Our Lady help of Christian. Pray for us St Mary MacKillop. Pray for us.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - A

A VOCATION VIEW:



vocation Isaiah's vocation was to be a light to BRISBANE.com the nations. Nations and

neighbourhoods need missionaries - lay, clergy and religious. Listen to the call!

To talk to someone about your vocation, contact our office or visit our website 1300 133 544 / vocation@bne.catholic.net.au



PRAYER FOR RAIN

God of compassion, we wait and watch for your gift of rain to water the soil and make the barren land come alive again. We wait and watch for the gift of salvation to free us from hatred, greed and fear so that we may live again as people of faith, hope and love. We make this prayer in the name of our Saviour who comes to be with us. Amen.

ST PATRICK'S PARISH

Mass centres: Gunalda, Gympie, Imbil, Kandanga, Kilkivan, Rainbow Beach, Tin Can Bay, Widgee

As we gather we acknowledge the Gubbi Gubbi people and the Indigenous elders of this area, those who once lived here and into whose sacred space our forebears came, changing forever an older way of life.

Parish Staff: Parish Priest Fr Adrian Farrelly, Associate Pastor Fr Dominic Orih, Office Administration Mrs Anne Williams and Mrs Vi Brown, Parish Associate Mr Tom Bushell, Local Safeguarding Representative Mr Ian Laherty Ph. 0460 573 349, Pastoral Council Chair Mrs Maureen Rush, Finance Council Mr Ken Garner, Principals St Patrick's Primary Ms Sue Geaney, St Patrick's College Mr Mark Newton Contact details: Office Phone: 07 5482 1213; email: gympie@bne.catholic.net.au; Mail: PO Box 1, Gympie 4570; Parish website: www.stpatsgympie.net.au; Facebook: St Patrick's Parish Gympie

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 19th January 2020

Second Sunday in the Ordinary Time

Dear friends, once again we enter the Ordinary Time of the year in the Church's calendar. The fact that we call it the "ordinary time" doesn't mean that it is ordinary in the sense that nothing exciting is happening. It is rather a period when we are drawn into the living dynamic nature of the church as a living organism because the church is the Mystical Body of Christ.

Our readings today help us to reflect on this living dynamic nature of the church. From the beginning God wants to dwell with his people. This is the reason as Catholics we believe in a God who is not distant and far removed from creation but a God who is actively present and manifesting through all creation - God manifest Godself to and through us. This is why God is never tired of calling us, choosing us, speaking to us and radiating in us and through us the infinite Divine light.

The words from prophet Isaiah in our first reading comes to mind. "I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." The word of God from prophet Isaiah speaks of Israel as the chosen people of God through whom God's light will manifest to the whole world; which means that Israel is not chosen for itself alone, but to manifest God to the whole world. The Good News is, we are the new Israel. By adoption we have become sons and daughters of God. Through Christ we get to share in this Original Blessing and foundation.

It seems to me that God needs an access point to reach us; an access point that is tangible, material and real. This access point became fully manifest in the person of Jesus Christ who through his life and death brought us Jews and Gentiles into the inner dynamic life of the Trinity. A life where we live in the heart of God because all our sins are taken away by the precious blood of Jesus. The whole thing has been washed away from the beginning. Now you begin to understand why John would exclaim in our Gospel reading today when he saw Jesus coming towards him, "Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world."

Jesus is the Christ that has been in existence since the foundation of the world. It means that finally God gets to hang out with his people in flesh and blood in the person of Jesus Christ. The bible tells us that after his baptism, Jesus went about doing good. God was touching people, healing them, releasing them from their distress and setting prisoners free in flesh and blood. The reign of God becomes tangible in those whose life were touched by God. To simply put it, God was drawing us into the living dynamic nature of the church by showing us who God is through his liberation mission here on earth. As people who will continue that work of God here on earth, we are called to participate in the ongoing creation of our world in flesh and blood.

That responsibility includes taking care of our environment. With the recent bushfire crisis in our country we are called to take measures that will help preserve our environment for generations to come. It also includes taking care of one another, the sick, the lonely, the depressed, those struggling with different kinds of addiction, those dealing with mental health issues and many other things that has held people bondage in their lives. In fact, the whole mission of Christ as he went about doing good is our mission to keep going about doing good in our world. Why? Because we are the Body of Christ. What affect a member affects everyone. As a living organism, no part will claim more important than the other and no part will ignore the other who is suffering. We are all one in Christ and our world needs us today. So, may you become the access point for God to manifest through in our world; and may you like the prophet Isaiah shine so that God's Good News and liberation mission could reach the ends of the earth. Amen!

And may God bless you!

Fr. Dom