

 St Ignatius Parish TOOWONG

St Ignatius Church Kensington Terrace, Toowong



4th Sunday Ordinary Year A

Holy Spirit Church Harriett Street, Auchenflower

I'm Free

(The following poem was written by Amy who was born with Spina Bifida. It was read out, at her request, at her funeral a number of years ago)

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. I'm following the path that was laid for me. I took a hand when I heard the call, I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day To laugh, to love, to work or play, Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found my peace at close of day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy: A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss. Ah yes! These things I will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow; I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow; During my life, I've savoured much: good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief. Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts and share with me. I was wanted now - I've been set free

Thank you, Amy

Blessed are the poor in spirit,

Theirs is the Kingdom of God!

J. Dera

29th January 2023

PARISH WEEKDAY MASSES: HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: 9am Mondays and Fridays. STIGNATIUS TOOWONG: 5.30pm Tuesdays & Wednesdays& 9.15am Thursdays.

PARISH WEEKEND MASSES: HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: Sunday 8.30am. <u>ST IGNATIUS</u> Toowong: Saturday 6.00pm Vigil and Sunday 7.00am & 5.00pm. Nb. <u>RECONCILIATION</u> remains <u>suspended</u> until further notice.

We respectfully acknowledge the Turrbal people, as the traditional owners and caretakers of the land which is the Toowong Catholic Parish. We acknowledge the Elders, past and present. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

### PARISH INFORMATION

### PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2023— SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (FIRST RECONCILIATION)

Fr Wrex and St Ignatius Parish invites all children in Year 5, 6 and above, who have completed the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist, to enrol in the **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**.

<u>Please note</u>, this year enrolment will be online via parish website, go to <u>https://www.stignatiustoowong.org.au/our-sacraments/reconciliation/</u> Also, you will be required to attach a copy of your child's Birth Certificate plus Certificates for each of their earlier Sacraments, namely Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

### Enrolments close: Wednesday 8th February 2023.

### Important Dates to note:

\*<u>PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS:</u> Tuesday 7th February at 3.30pm <u>or</u> Thursday 9th February at 6.15pm (both held in Parish Hall, below St Ignatius Church, Toowong).

<u>NB</u>. Further details on dates for preparation sessions will be provided by Fr Wrex at the Parent Sessions

\*<u>RITE OF ENROLMENT</u>: (children to bring Blue forms to Mass) will be held at any parish Mass on **weekend 25/26 February**.

If you have any queries please email <u>toowong@bne.catholic.net.au</u> or phone: 3870 7818.

### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

St Ignatius Parish welcomes expressions of interest for an *Enquiry Session* for adults considering becoming Catholic, to be held on Wednesday 1 February at 6.30pm in the Horstmann Room.

The RCIA is best described as a journey of faith which passes through a number of different phases and focuses on conversion of heart and mind to Christ. It is a gradual journey tailored to the needs of the individual! Candidates meet regularly with a group of people from the parish to

learn about Catholic belief and practice.

Various rituals are held in the church at important points along the journey. People may or may not choose to embark on the RCIA journey after this period of enquiry.

If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a Catholic Christian or would be willing to journey with an enquirer, the first step is to make contact with the Parish Priest.

~ Please register your interest via clipboard located at church doors or Email: <u>toowong@bne.catholic.net.au</u> or Phone: 3870 7818

The **St. Laurence's Community Choir** starts its season of rehearsals on **Monday 30 January** at 6pm in the St. Laurence's College Chapel (South Brisbane). The choir is conducted by our own William Brown who plays piano at the 5pm Mass. Will is a highly regarded conductor who runs the choral program at St. Laurence's College and Co-Conducts the internationally famous Brisbane Birralee Blokes. If you would like to be involved, use this link to register <u>https://forms.gle/Zhyn1HunuuXDxARN6</u> or talk to one of the musicians at Mass.

All singers are welcome (no experience is necessary).

Also, the concert for the season is at St. Ignatius Church on the evening of Monday 13 March.

### ST IGNATIUS PRIMARY SCHOOL INFO.

Our **Welcome BBQ** will be back, bigger and better than ever in 2023. This is the St Ignatius P&F's annual kick-off event to start the school year in style. It's a great way to meet new people and catch up with old friends - & the kids love it! Food & beverages will be available for sale.



<u>Where to find YOUTUBE on Parish's new website</u> (top of screen) select '**Our Parish'** & (from drop-down list) select '**Parish YouTube Recordings**' click on it & it will take you to the Parish's YouTube page (or alternatively scroll down page to the blue footer along bottom and click on the 'arrow' icon, which will take you to the Parish's YouTube page), from there you can select to stream Sunday 5pm Mass or view other parish recordings.

**Readings: 4th Sunday Ordinary:** Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13. 1 Corinthians 1:26-31. Matthew 5:1-12. Next Sunday: 5th Sunday Ordinary: Isaiah 58:7-10. 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. Matthew 5:13-16.

Entrance Antiphon: Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

Spoken Response: Happy the poor in spirit, the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Sung Response: Praise, Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord my Soul.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; Your reward will be great in heaven. Alleluia!

### Your Prayers Are Requested For All Parishioners & friends who are sick & in need

SICK: Maria Duque, Susi Rieder, Pat Clohessy, Peter Lawson, Ricardo Pacheco, Louis Nunan, Elvira Pertudo, Mia O'Donnell, Betty Andrews, Elizabeth Teresa, Tandina Gabriel, Cathy Mamata, Margaret Twomey, Melissa Acosta, Doreen Waller, Lyndal & Grant Mitchell, Matthew McKay, Fran Lewis, Elio Socal, Nina Starkey, Sr Marie Patrice rsm, Judy Hijin, Yohanna Suharni, John O'Rourke, Marianne Andrews, Glenice Dickinson, Hannah Sinead, Ronald George Herrick Susi Hopkins, Leigh Victoria, Teresa Galarza, Adriana Meneses, Paul Massingham, Fr Michael Lowcock, Isabella Shand, David O'Connor, Peter Anthony, Darrin Edkins, Liam O'Brien, Marie O'Sullivan, Glenice Dickinson.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Des Purcell sj (former PP, 1992-93), Cardinal George Pell, Norma Dhu, Fr Peter Chappell.

ANNIVERSARIES: John Moore, Ann Gordon, Guido Mattiazii, Nick Rolfe, Roberta Robinson, Kevin McKennariey, Mary Nelson, Waltraud Lwow, Richard White, Judith Boyle, Bernie Walsh, Daniel David Winkel, Carmen Byrnes, Andrew McDevitt.

BAPTISMS: (held on 22/1): Emmett Tomlinson, Memphis Sewell.

## **Diary Dates**

January

29 4th Sunday Ordinary

8.30am Children's Liturgy & after-Mass Hospitality—Holy Spirit

### February

- 2 Funeral: 11.30am—St Ignatius
- 3 9am Anointing Mass—Holy Spirit
- 'Open Door' at St Thomas' Anglican
- *'Expect-a-Cuppa'* after all Masses-St Ignatius 4-5
- 5 5th Sunday Ordinary

Baptisms: 10.30am-St Ignatius

7.30pm St Ignatius Peace Through 6 Justice Group meeting -Horstmann Room

7.30pm PPC meeting 9

- 11am Bell ringing—St Ignatius 11 (St Ig. Peace Through Justice Group
- 12 6th Sunday Ordinary
- 14 Wedding: 4pm Holy Spirit

7.15pm SVdP—Horstmann Room

<b>DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS</b> 4th Week Ordinary (1)		
	<u>1st Reading</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
Mon: Tues: Wed: Thu: Fri: Sat:	Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7. Hebrews 2:5-12. Hebrews 2:14-18. Hebrews 3:7-14. Hebrews 4:1:1-5, 11. Hebrews 4:12-16.	Matt. 3:13-17. Mark 1:21-28. Mark 1:29-39. Mark 1:40-45. Mark 2:1-12. Mark 2:13-17.

PLEASE NOTE: PARISH OFFICE will be CLOSED on Mondays until further notice.

<u>Please note</u>: Any inclusions for the Parish newsletter should be marked to the attention of Parish Secretary & received, by email or note, at Parish Office no later than 12noon Thursdays. Thank you.



#### A Baptismal Prayer Heavenly Father, In your love you have called us to know you, led us to trust you, and bound our life with yours. Surround this child with your love, protect it from evil. Fill it with the holy spirit and receive it into the family of your church, that it may walk with us in the way of Christ, and grow in the knowledge of your love.



### PARISH INFORMATION

### PARISH COLLECTIONS:

\***8/1/2023**: \$4,606.70, Other: nil; \*(additional): 'Advent Appeal for Ukraine': \$70.00; \***15/1/2023**: \$3,378.70, Other: nil; \*(additional): 'Advent Appeal for Ukraine': \$100.00; \*22/1/2023: \$3,291.40, Other: nil; \*(additional): 'Advent Appeal for Ukraine': \$30.00.

AFTER—MASS HOSPITALITY (8.30am Sunday Mass at Holy Spirit ) this Sunday (29 January). Parishioners and visitors are welcome to stay after Mass for a cuppa.

<sup>•</sup>CHILDREN'S LITURGY is held during Holy Spirit's 8.30am Sunday Mass, fortnightly during school terms only and will resume for Term 1, this Sunday (29 January).

ANOINTING MASS is celebrated on the first Friday of the month at 9am Mass at Holy Spirit Church; next one will be held on Friday 3 February. All are welcome.

CHANGE TO 'OPEN DOOR' INITIATIVE. Frequency of our fellowship has changed and will now be held monthly, on first Friday each month from 12 noon to approx. 2pm. Held at St Thomas', Jephson St, Toowong. Next gathering planned for Friday 3 February. For further info. please email: notKummer2019@gmail.com This is a joint outreach by parishes of St Ignatius & St Thomas Anglican Toowong.

EXPECT-A-CUPPA (at St Ignatius Church) will be held next weekend, 4—5 February, after all Masses. Parishioners and visitors are welcome to stay after Mass for a cuppa.

ST. IGNATIUS PEACE THROUGH JUSTICE GROUP meeting this Monday 6 February at 7.30pm in the Horstmann Room. New members always welcome. Also, members will be ringing the church bell at 11am on 11th of each month to signal the impending environmental crisis confronting all of God's creation. Listen for St Ignatius Church bell ringing on Sat. 11 February or better still come and join in!

PPC. First meeting of 2023 will be meeting to be held on Thursday 9 February at 7.30am.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL, TOOWONG meeting at 7.15pm on Tuesday 14 February in the Horstmann Room.

PARISH NAME BADGES (for those who recently ordered) are available for collection from the church you usually attend. Please email parish office if you cannot locate yours.

More Volunteers Needed. More people are required at St Ignatius Church for roster for Readers & Communion Ministers, please consider, they are a vital part of our Liturgy! Training will be provided. Please contact parish office if your able to assist.

Please note: The Archdiocese of Brisbane Parish Volunteer Requirements Matrix lists 'Reader/Lector' & 'Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (Mass)' as Low Level Risk (Active Involvement) therefore requires volunteers for these roles need to complete: (watch) Safeguarding Training (Level 1 video) and sign documents:-\*Stat. Dec., \*Prior Conduct Statement and \*Safe Conduct Statement. Thank you.

# CATHOLIC LEADER

Limited copies of **FEBRUARY edition** will be available soon at both churches for **<u>\$4 each</u>** (please place your payment in money-box provided).

**PARISH WEBSITE**, https://www.stignatiustoowong.org.au/, provides links to: \*READ Parish's weekly editions of Newsletter & E-news (which include the Sunday readings and Fr Wrex's latest homily) plus \*View Parish's YouTube, <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLghy4aXqqJRrUILiXPjoSA?view\_as=subscriber</u>, to STREAM 5PM SUNDAY MASS from St Ignatius Church each Sunday (or watch previous MASS OR EVENT RECORDINGS).

ARCHDIOCESAN LINKS: \*WATCH MASS live from St Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane (8am Weekdays, 8am & 10am Sundays) go to http://archbne.org/bzw \*View '2 MINUTE HOMILIES' for Sunday's Gospel (featuring clergy from parishes around Archdiocese of Brisbane).

