



*St Ignatius Church
Kensington Terrace, Toowong*



*Holy Spirit Church
Harriett Street, Auchenflower*



St Ignatius Parish TOOWONG

6th Sunday Ordinary

12th February 2023

Year A

After the Apology, What Next?

(Fr Andrew Hamilton sj) writes this piece reflecting on the Anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations which is on February 13th)

In recent years the Anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations has been seen in the light of the debates about the appropriateness of the date of Australia Day. This year the Apology will help frame the conversation about the referendum on the Indigenous Voice to Parliament. The content and the shape of the Apology are a proper starting point for conversation about the Referendum and the way in which we should engage in it.

In the Apology the Australian Government spoke on behalf of all Australians in recognising that Australia had acted wrongly in removing Indigenous children from their parents. The removal was dictated by the disrespectful claim that the children were defined, not by their shared humanity, but by their race. This disrespect caused lasting damage to the children affected, to their families and their descendants. It was possible only because of the Indigenous experience after the colonisation of their land. This was one of invasion, massacres, displacement, expulsion from land and the cultures it nurtured, violation of sacred places, the taking away of their children, discrimination enshrined in law and in custom, racism and condescension within Australian life, and imposed marginalisation. It obscured the heroic story of endurance, resistance, guarding of culture and language, organisation, pride and constant struggle for justice that were also part of Indigenous experience. Recognition of this history must be the starting point for conversation about the referendum.

The choreography of the Apology is also relevant to the Referendum. It was not a talking about Indigenous issues but a conversation between representatives of the Australian nation and Indigenous representatives. The Prime Minister made the Apology in person to representatives of the Stolen Generations. In doing so he emphasised that all Australians are equally entitled to respect, and that the Government is responsible to ensure that all Australians are treated equally regardless of their race and history. The Apology also recognised that Indigenous Australians have a special place in Australia as the first peoples. They are not the objects of Australian policy but the subjects of their own history.

The dignity and respect involved in the Apology need to be kept in mind as the Referendum becomes a reality. Already there are signs that it will still be exploited for political gain and will feature voices of prejudice and hatred, voices of activists who wish to harness the Referendum to other causes, and voices of confusion. These contrast with the voice of the Uluru Statement on the Voice, a disciplined, encouraging, respectful and modest voice.

The Referendum and the Voice are further steps toward reconciliation. To us at Jesuit Social Services, as to so many other communities, the prospect of the Voice, like the memory of the Apology, brings joy and hope both to our Indigenous members and others. But its ritual and its words both made clear that reconciliation will demand great change. To accept and to implement that is our common challenge.

PARISH WEEKDAY MASSES: HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: 9am Mondays and Fridays.

ST IGNATIUS Toowong: 5.30pm Tuesdays & Wednesdays & 9.15am Thursdays.

PARISH WEEKEND MASSES: HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: Sunday 8.30am.

ST IGNATIUS Toowong: Saturday 6.00pm Vigil and **Sunday** 7.00am & 5.00pm.

Nb. RECONCILIATION remains suspended 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)

Enrolments have now closed for this year.

Fr Wrex held two Parent Information Sessions during the past week to provide further details on the preparation programme for this Sacrament.



Children enrolled in this programme will Attend a 'Rite of Enrolment' at any parish Mass on weekend **25/26 February** (children to bring Blue forms to Mass).

Preparation Sessions (for parent and child) will be held by Fr Wrex during **March**.

Sacrament of Penance (for enrolled children) will be held during week of **March 26—April 1**.

Any queries please email toowong@bne.catholic.net.au

~ Parishioners are asked to please pray for these children and their families during this time. ~

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA).



Candidates will meet regularly with Fr Wrex to prepare to receive Sacraments at Easter time.

~ Parishioners are asked to please pray for candidates during this time.

BRISBANE WEST DEANERY INFORMATION

World Day of Prayer 2023—Taiwan



Theme:

"I Have Heard About Your Faith"

Invitation from
Our Lady of the Rosary Parish
who will host
**World Day of Prayer 2023—
Taiwan**
on
Friday 3 March at 10:00am
at OLR Kenmore.

Hui-Wen HSAIO, 2023 WDP Artist

The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action," and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. The movement aims to bring together women of various races, cultures and traditions in a yearly common Day of Prayer, as well as in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year.

More details on WDP

<https://www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org/>

World Day of the Sick is a Catholic Church awareness day, or observance, on **Feb. 11**, aimed at praying and sharing, sacrificing one's suffering for the welfare of the church, and urging everyone to see the face of Christ in his or her ailing brother or sister. The day falls on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, and it is an important occasion for individuals in the Catholic health ministry to reflect on caring for those who are sick as well as those who care for them. ~ Pope's message: <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/20230110-giornata-malato.html>



Where to find YOUTUBE on Parish's new website (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: 6th Sunday Ordinary: Sirach 15:15-20. 1 Corinthians 2:6-10. Matthew 5:17-37.

Next Sunday: 7th Sunday Ordinary: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18. 1 Corinthians 3:16-23. Matthew 5: 38-48.

Entrance Antiphon: Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

Spoken Response: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Sung Response: The Law of the Lord is Perfect.

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Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life. 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, Denise Dimauro, Allison King.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kevin Stanton, Marie Webster, Geoffrey Fry.

ANNIVERSARIES: Dawn Wildman, Colleen Rowe, Anthony Day, Ross Dick, Marc Vanderham.

WEDDING: Glen Fernandes & Alisha Vaz.



Diary Dates

February

- 11** 11am Bell ringing—St Ignatius
(St Ig. Peace Through Justice Group)
Our Lady of Lourdes
- 12** 6th Sunday Ordinary
8.30am Children's Liturgy &
after-Mass Hospitality—Holy Spirit
- 14** Wedding: 4.15pm - Holy Spirit
7.15pm SVdP—Horstmann Room
- 15** 6.30pm RCIA meeting
—Horstmann Room
- 19** 7th Sunday Ordinary
Baptism: 10.30am—St Ignatius
- 20** CWL meeting (following 9am Mass)
- Holy Spirit
- 22** *Ash Wednesday*
Masses:
9am—Holy Spirit and
5.30pm—St Ignatius
6.30pm RCIA meeting
- 25-** 'Rite of Enrolment' (for Sacrament of
26 Penance) - any parish Mass
- 26** 1st Sunday Lent



DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

6th Week Ordinary (1)

	1st Reading	Gospel
Mon:	Genesis 4:1-15, 25.	Mark 8:11-13.
Tues:	Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10.	Mark 8:14-21
Wed:	Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22.	Mark 8:22-26.
Thu:	Genesis 9:1-13.	Mark 8:27-33.
Fri:	Genesis 11:1-9.	Mark 8:34-9:1
Sat:	Hebrews 11:1-7.	Mark 9:2-13.

PLEASE NOTE:

PARISH OFFICE will be CLOSED on Mondays until further notice.

Please note:

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.

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH COLLECTIONS: \$3,739.25, Other: nil.

ST. IGNATIUS PEACE THROUGH JUSTICE GROUP. 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 this **Saturday 11 February** or better still come and join in!

AFTER—MASS HOSPITALITY (8.30am Sunday Mass at Holy Spirit) **this Sunday** (12 February). Parishioners and visitors are welcome to stay after Mass for a cuppa.

'CHILDREN'S LITURGY is held during Holy Spirit's 8.30am Sunday Mass, fortnightly during school terms only. Children of all ages are welcome to attend **this Sunday** (12 February); it is an enjoyable way for our children to participate in the liturgy.

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

CWL TOOWONG. First meeting of 2023 will be held following 9am Mass at Holy Spirit Church on **Monday 20 February**. New members always welcome.

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.

ST IGNATIUS CHOIR. St Ignatius loves to sing and we invite you to join in. You can sing from your seat or you can sing in the choir. Our choir is a teaching choir with not one—not two—but three highly trained conductors! And our choir motto is, anyone can sing. The choir meets 45 minutes before weekend evening Masses ie 5.15pm for 6pm Vigil Saturday and 4.15pm for 5pm Mass Sunday.

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS are available for those who are gluten intolerant or celiac. Please alert sacristan or priest prior to Mass.

DATE CLAIMER: INVITATION TO ATTEND CONCERT by St. Laurence's College Old Boys and Community Choirs including Old Boys Guitar & Strings. Performance will be held at St Ignatius Church on **Monday 13 March** at 7—8.30pm. Entry is free. Cashless collection will be available to support the Jesuit school in Myanmar.

BE AWARE—NEW SCAM. The Archdiocese has provided the following alert last week - "Jubilee Parish have advised us of what seems to be a scam "Go Fund Me" page purporting to be set up by Fr Fortune Okoro, who until recently had been ministering in the parish. The page suggests it is raising funds for a roof on a church building in Papua New Guinea. One parishioner has already been taken in by the ruse which comes in as a fairly non-descript email".



Ash Wednesday Masses - 22nd February 2023

(extra) **9am** Holy Spirit Church **and**
5.30pm St Ignatius Church

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

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

PARISH WEBSITE, <https://www.stignatiustooowong.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, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIghy4aXqqJRrUilXpjoSA?view_as=subscriber, 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).

Extract from Majellan Media email dated 8/2/2023: "The massive earthquake in Turkey and Syria has been devastating for millions of people. At the time of writing there are over 7000 dead with that number rising by the minute; tens or even hundreds of thousands injured and countless others homeless. It is winter and bitterly cold, families are separated and many unable to find their loved ones, not knowing if they are alive or dead. We also hear of many people trapped alive in the rubble. So let us pray together:

Pray for the people of Turkey and Syria

Gracious God, we pray for the victims of this disaster in Turkey and Syria.

Lord, bring comfort to those whose lives were spared and care for those who perished.

Be with the rescue workers and keep them safe as they make heroic efforts in dangerous situations to rescue those in trouble.

Help family members to be reunited.

God of healing and mercy, we come before you with our hearts filled with grief as we see the devastation. We pray that your presence would be felt by those who are grieving, who are injured, who have lost their homes and livelihoods.

We pray through your loving son, Jesus. Amen."



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OUR MISSION PRAYER

We, the St Ignatius community, are called to live the good news.

We pray that we become the people that Jesus Christ called us to be.

We pray that we know the Father, by the power of the Holy Spirit through knowing Jesus in prayer, scripture and liturgy.

We pray that we give hope to others by a practical, personal kindness, affirming each person's dignity, worth and destiny in Christ. May we live out this mission of our Christian vocation in the spirit of St. Ignatius.



The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

Archdiocese of Brisbane's Office for Safeguarding -
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>

Privacy Policy -

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/privacy-policy>

STOPline Service. STOPline is an external service provided for the Archdiocese to receive confidential disclosures. Disclosures can be made anonymously. Phone: 1300 304 550 | Email: AOb@stopline.com.au | Online: www.bneatholic.stoplinereport.com

When making out your will please consider the needs of the parish.

Parish WEBSITE www.stignatiustoowong.org.au **Current Newsletter now on our website!**

PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION

Parish Office Hours: Monday* to Friday 10am—3pm (* closed on Mondays until further notice)

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We are part of the Brisbane West Deanery ~ website: www.brisbanewestdeanery.com.au email: bwdeanery@bne.catholic.net.au

EmergencyContact If you require a priest in an emergency, please phone the parish priest on 0402 049 017.



*** Fr Wrex Woolnough,**
PARISH PRIEST

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Monica Florence (Tues-Fri)

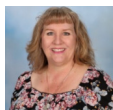
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