



Holy Spirit Church Harriett Street, Auchenflower



# **St Ignatius Parish** TOOWONG



Easter Sunday Year A



9th April 2023

# The Miracle of Spring

It was when young Cockatoo, so full of life, splendid in white feathers and proud yellow crest, fell from the nest and lay lifeless on the ground, that living things gathered together to solve the mystery of death.

There was a tumult of noise and chatter as animals and insects discussed the matter. It was another cockatoo that called for silence. "These may be wise words", he said, when at last he could make himself heard. "But who can tell whether Mullian the Eagle-Hawk is right in saying that Ouyarh has gone to another world and, when his body is wasted away, we will not see him again, like a stone dropped in a pond, or whether Wahn the Crow has the words of wisdom in saying that Ouyar's spirit lives in another world and may appear from time to time in this world, like a stick dropped in a fast-flowing stream. Sticks and stones are all very well, but no one knows where the truth lies until it is proved by some living that Baiame has made". Silence fell at once, for it was obvious that what Cockatoo had said was right.

Warreen the Wombat was the first to volunteer. "I will go to the other land," he said. Then he gurgled deep in his throat and they knew that he was laughing. "It's one way to prove something. If I don't come back, you will know that Mullian is right, but the only one who knows what has happened will be me." "We'll go too", said Beewee the Goanna, Bilbie the Bandicoot, and Ouyouboolooey the Black Snake. "We shall return in the springtime, when Yarrageh fastens the flowers on the trees and carpets the grass with colour. The meeting dispersed, and Wombat, Goanna, Bandicoot and Black Snake disappeared in the ground and hollow trees, curled up tightly and went to sleep.

When Yarrageh spread flowing colours over mountain and plain with a lavish hand, and the daring animals returned, everybody was disappointed. They were the same old Wombat, Goanna, Bandicoot and Black Snake, but thinner and bedraggled. All the winter they had been living on their own fat. There was no new life, no spirit that Wahn had told them would arise from their dead bodies. "My words have not been proved," Wahn admitted, "but neither have they been proved wrong. Nor do we know if Mullian was right or not." "Look at me", said Ouyouboolooey. "At least I have a new skin." He wound sinuously among the animals, showing off his bright new scales. "What do we do now?" someone asked sadly. There came a sharp shrill piping from the insects. "We want to help!" they cried. The birds and animals laughed. Kookaburra's laugh went on so long that it seemed as though it would never stop. The insects were angry. "You despise us because we are tiny; but you will never understand the mystery unless we help you." Finally, all the other animals agreed.

When Autumn came, the grubs and insects burrowed into the soil, crawled up the tree trunks and hid in the crevices in the bark, or swam under water and clung to the stalks of water plants. But no one really took them seriously. It was a long cold winter. Yarrageh had scarcely begun another season's labour of love when the Swifts came flying down to earth, chirping excitedly and calling the animals and birds together. "We have seen something new, something new" they sang. "We have followed the path of Yarrageh, and now he has come to you, to you, to you." The animals gathered together expectantly. Presently, they saw little specks of colour on the ground. They were the tribe of Beetles, resplendent in flashing metallic armour. Then a sharp-eyed bird saw a grey chrysalis hanging from a tree. The chrysalis opened, a butterfly emerged and spread its delicate wings, fanning them slowly to and fro as if to dry them in the warm breeze. Something climbed out of the water and hung from a swaying stem. Wings, almost transparent, gradually unfolded and a long shining body stiffened and came to life in the sunshine. With a whirr of wings, it flew up, hovering like a rainbow above them. Butterflies and moths and insects of every shape and size, resplendent in their new dress, fluttered and swooped, and ran among the birds and the animals.

"So it is true" Wahn shouted triumphantly. "These are new insects. They have been born again with new spirits and new bodies. There IS another world, and they have come to tell us that death is not the end of life!"

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**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 DATE CLAIMER: FR FRANK BRENNAN SJ

Fr Frank Brennan si has recently published a book titled "An Indigenous Voice to Parliament – Considering a constitutional bridge".

Fr Brennan will be at St Ignatius Church on Thursday 27 April, to speak on the topic (6.30pm for 7pm).

This is a free event—no booking required. All welcome.



Books are available now, for purchase through St Ignatius Parish at the discounted price of \$20 per copy.

At the event, cash only. Prior to 27<sup>th</sup> April, order and pay online via parish website, go to https://rebrand.ly/q9jq49j

For purchase of 5 or more copies please contact the parish office for alternate payment options.

Flyers available now from the rotary stands (at both churches) please take one to put on your fridge or share with a friend.

PPC ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) has been considering the future of the parish & how we can sustain the vibrancy of the community across both churches. To help the PPC understand the expectations of parishioners and the people who connect with the parish, we are asking for your input to two questions:-

i) what do I need from this parish community? and ii) what am I prepared to do for the parish community?

Please provide your response either via email to parish office toowong@bne.catholic.net.au or by completing a form located at the back of both churches now.

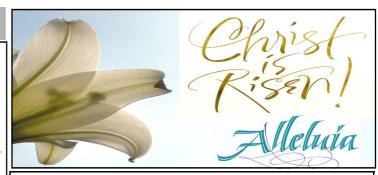
Please provide your responses prior to our next PPC meeting, to be held on Thursday 20 April. Thank you.

## PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2023: SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST.



St Ignatius Parish invites all children in Year 4 and above, who have completed their Sacrament of Confirmation, to enrol in the SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST.

Enrolments will open next week (to be completed online, via parish website, https://www.stignatiustoowong.org.au, our-sacraments/first-eucharist/. More info next week, but IMPORTANT DATES: \*ENROLMENTS CLOSE: Wednesday 3 May. \*Parent Information Meetings: to be conducted by Fr Wrex on Tuesday 2 May, & REPEATED Thursday 4 May, (both) at 6pm in Parish Hall (below St Ignatius Church). \*RITE OF ENROLMENT: weekend 6/7 May (any parish Mass)





**Easter Sunday** 9 April 2023



## Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2023 Lenten appeal.



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You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.



for ALL past students of any year from

## SACRED HEART CONVENT SCHOOL ROSALIE

Saturday, 26 August 2023 Date

1pm - 5pm Time

Where The Paddo

Sync Function Room 186 Given Terrace Paddington, Qld 4064

\$40 per person, including hot and Price

cold canapés, tea and coffee

Drinks available for purchase at bar

Bookings Name: ROSALIE REUNION 2023 via Bank BSB: 734-090 ACCT: 590018 Transfer Please provide name as a reference

Please share! We're sure you understand that your



prompt booking is crucial to the success of this event. We need to establish numbers as soon as possible in order to move forward with the planning. Thank you

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: Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34,37-43. Colossians 3:1-4. John 20:1-9.

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday Easter: Acts 2:42-47. 1 Peter 1:3-9. John 20:19-31.

Entrance Antiphon: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

**Spoken Response**: This is the day the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad.

Sung Response: This is the day.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.



## 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, 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, Adriana Meneses, Paul Massingham, Fr Michael Lowcock, Isabella Shand, David O'Connor, Liam O'Brien, Marie O'Sullivan, Glenice Dickinson, Denise Dimauro, Allison King, Michael Hynes, Wally Rovera.

**RECENTLY DECEASED**: George Herrick, Gabrielle Emery-Reece.

**ANNIVERSARIES**: Bob Hulett, Auguste Cavalerie, Patricia Murray, Michael Crawley, Margaret Khoo, Robert Colbran.

**RCIA: Sacraments of Initiation**: Tiamber Kalocsai, Athena Eckart-Watts, Jacqui McInally.

Received into the Catholic Church: Sarah Gardner, Margaret Walker.

**BAPTISM:** Esther Hiu-Ching Tang.

#### 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.

## **Diary Dates**

## April

- 6pm Easter Vigil Mass, Including Baptism & RCIA —St Ignatius
- Sunday of the Resurrection (normal Mass times)
  - after-Mass hospitality—Holy Spirit
- Easter Monday Public Holiday
  (Parish Office Closed)

No 9am Mass at Holy Spirit

11am Bell ringing—St Ignatius (St Ig. Peace Through Justice Group

7.15pm SVdP—Horstmann Room

2nd Sunday Easter
(Divine Mercy)

Baptisms: 10.30am—St Ignatius

- **17** School Term 2 commences
- **20** 7.30pm PPC meeting
- 23 3rd Sunday Easter

# **DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS** within Octave of Easter (1)

	1st Reading	<u>Gospel</u>
Mon:	Acts 2:14, 22-33.	Matthew 28:8-15
Tues:	Acts 2:36-41.	John 20:11-18.
Wed:	Acts 3:1-10.	Luke 24:13-35.
Thu:	Acts 3:11-26.	Luke 24:35-48.
Fri:	Acts 4:1-12.	John 21:1-14.
Sat:	Acts 4:13-21.	Mark 16:9-15.

#### 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.

## **PARISH INFORMATION**

PARISH COLLECTIONS: \$4,106.25, Other: nil.



<u>RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)</u>. Parish's catechumens will be received into Full Communion with the Roman Catholic Church this Saturday (9 April) during Easter Vigil Mass at St Ignatius Church.

~ Parishioners are asked to please pray for candidates during this time as they each prepare to be fully initiated into the Church.

<u>AFTER—Mass Hospitality</u> (8.30am Sunday Mass at Holy Spirit ) **this Sunday** (9 April). Parishioners and visitors are welcome to stay after Mass for a cuppa.

CHANGE TO WEEKDAY MASS. No 9am Mass (Holy Spirit Church) on Easter Monday (10/4)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS. Due to school holidays parish office hours may vary from the usual, therefore if you need to visit the parish office please call first (3870 7818) to check if it is attended. Emails will be monitored during this time. Thank you for your understanding. Also, please note the parish office is closed Easter Monday (10 April). ~ For any urgent matters or in an emergency please call Fr Wrex on his mobile.

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 on Tuesday 11 April or better still come and join in!

<u>ST VINCENT DE PAUL, TOOWONG</u> meeting at 7.15pm on **Tuesday 11 April** in the Horstmann Room.

<u>THANK YOU</u> to all who assisted with preparations for our Parish's *Palm Sunday* Masses last weekend.

'PROJECT COMPASSION' LENTEN OFFERINGS. Please return your envelopes and/or box via collection plate at weekend Masses (receipt available if required). Thank you.

<u>EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES</u> are available in TG envelope packs & will be available on church pews &/or rotary stands over Easter weekend (place on collection plates).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY is held at 8.30am Mass at Holy Spirit Church, Auchenflower during school terms only and will recommence after the school holidays.

PPC. April meeting will be held on Thursday 20 April at 7.30pm.

2023 PRAYER CALENDAR FOR SEMINARIANS are now available from rotary stands at both churches. Please take one and pray for the men from Queensland in various stages of formation at Holy Spirit Seminary and pray for our church leaders—Pope Francis, Archbishop Mark Coleridge and Fr Neil Muir, Rector, Holy Spirit Seminary.



Limited copies of <u>APRIL edition</u> are available now 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 Newsletter and a new page 'Sunday Liturgy' contains that Sundays Readings and Fr Wrex's latest homily;

\*VIEW Parish's YouTube, <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLghy4aXqqJRrUILiXPjoSA?view\_as=subscriber">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLghy4aXqqJRrUILiXPjoSA?view\_as=subscriber</a>, 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 <a href="http://archbne.org/bzw">http://archbne.org/bzw</a> \*View '2 MINUTE HOMILIES' for Sunday's Gospel (featuring clergy from parishes around Archdiocese of Brisbane).

## A Century for Sheila Corcoran

Sheila will achieve 100 years on April 9, Easter Sunday 2023. Sheila Plunkett, the belle of Tamborine Village was snapped up by the handsome Tom, but they had to wait until Tom returned from World War 2 to marry. Tom was a RAAF Observer/Navigator seconded to the RAF Bomber Squadron. They were among the first residents of Walter St, Toowong in 1951. Six little Corcorans arrived and in turn attended St Ignatius School. Sheila joined The Ignatians when it started in the 1970s and sang the Duchess of Plaza Toro in the first production, 'The Gondoliers'.

(Ever after it was difficult to avoid addressing Sheila as 'Duchess' for her elegance and grace).

For many years thereafter Sheila's rich contralto graced many solo roles in Ignatian productions and she richly deserves her life membership. Georgina, Michael, Terry from time to time trod the boards with their mother, with Mark back-stage. The home in Walter St gradually expanded and was the venue for many happy gatherings and Ignatian

Sheila was deeply involved in Parish ministries over many years: the Mothers' Committee, tuck shop, a Reader of the Word, and as Ignatians' President. In 2016 Sheila moved from Walter St to live closer to her family.

When Sheila reached the age of 90 she bought a new car, and admitted that she'd always wanted a red one. She drove that red car fearlessly (as she happily said 'it has been blessed by a Jesuit') on many occasions to the family seat at Canungra. A special Mass was celebrated to honour Sheila on that birthday and, as the guest speaker, she paid tribute to her dear late Tom and to the confident faith and family love that has sustained her. On this birthday ten years later many old Ignatians will join the Corcoran family at Canungra to honour the centenarian and will sing a musical tribute to her. I suspect that 'Hail Poetry thou heav'n born maid' from 'Pirates of Penzance' will be in the programme!







TWILIGHT TOUR **Tuesday 3 May** 5pm-6:30pm

Visit stignatiustoowong.qld.edu.au to register for a Twilight Tour



## **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 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

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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)

Phone: 07 3870 7818. **Email:** toowong@bne.catholic.net.au Postal Address: 30 Kensington Terrace, Toowong Qld 4066.

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

Emergency Contact 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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#### **Parish Office Staff**

Monica Florence (Tues-Fri) - PARISH SECRETARY (including Newsletter)

#### Safeguarding Children <u>& Vulnerable Adults</u>

Janine Curcuruto -



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**Anthony Young** 

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