



*St Ignatius Church
Kensington Terrace, Toowong*



St Ignatius Parish

TOOWONG



*Holy Spirit Church
Harriett Street, Auchenflower*

16th Sunday Ordinary

23rd July 2023

Year A

KINGDOM! WHOSE KINGDOM?

As we now know, the world as the Gospel writers knew it was not to come to an end, either in the lifetime of their hearers or beyond. Mind you, there was a bit of a scare and a renewed interest in the idea of the coming of the Kingdom in 70A.D. when the Romans laid waste Jerusalem, leaving literally not one stone upon another (*Mark 13/2*). As fortune would have it, this was when Mark decided to write the first of the Gospels and, apart from the clear expectations of impending disasters, his original conclusion to the Gospel with the women running away from the tomb in terror, leaves the reader wondering with them what will come next! However, before we get too carried away, if he really thought the world was going to end tomorrow, he would hardly have bothered writing a Gospel, for who would be around to read it!

But, by the time the next Gospel writers sit down to put pen to paper (or the 1st century equivalent), another 15 years have gone by, and the world is much as it has always been. So what about this kingdom that was supposed to be coming in the lifetime of Jesus' hearers? Jesus himself has been dead for over 50 years and so there aren't too many left who have personal memories of him and what he said. Paul is definitely dead, as is Peter and most of the original disciples.

There are two distinct realities these Gospel writers have to face. The first is that the Kingdom isn't coming (at least, not in the way they thought it would) and the second thing is that many of those who had got caught up in the early fervour of being part of the Kingdom have grown impatient, and started to look elsewhere for the answers to life. Being unwilling to believe that the Kingdom is a furphy, Matthew and Luke decide they have been looking in the wrong place or for the wrong thing when it comes to the Kingdom and they decide to change their outlook, but in very different ways.

Matthew, for instance, comes up with the ingenious insight that there is, in actual fact, not one Kingdom, but TWO! We have all experienced the first Kingdom because it is the Church, **the Kingdom of Jesus**. The trouble is that this first Kingdom, the community of believers, is a bit of a mixed bunch, far from perfect. So it needs to be sorted out! This will happen at the end of time when the members of Jesus' kingdom will be sifted and only the good will make it into the second kingdom, **the Kingdom of the Father**. Matthew uses three well known parables to make the point. There is the parable we hear in the Gospel this weekend, the **Parable of the Weeds and the Wheat** (*Matthew 13/24ff*), next week's **Parable of the Fishing Net** which drags in all kinds of flotsam (*Matthew 13/46ff*), and the famous **Parable of the Sheep and the Goats** (*Matthew 25/31-46*). They are worth another read! If you think back to the Parable of the Sheep and Goats, when the Son of Man (Jesus) comes at the end of time as the Lord of Glory, he will divide **HIS** subjects into sheep on his right hand and goats on his left. Then he will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom **my Father** has blessed, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Only those of the Son's Kingdom found worthy (the sheep!) will inherit the Kingdom of the Father. A similar message is found in the explanation of this week's parable: "The Son of Man will send his angels and gather out of **HIS** Kingdom all things that provoke offence and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace ... Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the Kingdom of the Father".

J. Doe

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

WOMEN'S NIGHT OF SPIRITUALITY

THIS **Tuesday 25 July** at 7pm in St Ignatius Church. The event will take the format of a panel to discuss "Nurturing the nurturer" – how does a person in a nurturing role, sustain their own spirit? Please mark the date in your calendar.

Further details on event flyer below or on parish website & flyers available from rotary stands at both churches.

Nb. Event will be livestreamed on the night (YouTube channel link is available via parish website — <https://www.stignatiustooowong.org.au/2023-womens-night-of-spirituality/>)

This event is co—presented by The Grail in Australia, who will be selling copies of "In her Voice", a unique Australian book that showcases the often unheard voices of Christian women.

It is powerful and ground-breaking. A limited number of copies will be available for purchase at the event at \$25 each.

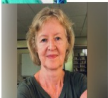
Women's Night of Spirituality presents

Caring for the Carers

Through history women have been the nurturers. Today, we dominate both paid and unpaid health and social care. But who cares for the carers? This year Kate O'Brien speaks to five women who have invested their lives in nurturing others. Where do they find the strength?



Queensland Local Hero **YASMIN KHAN** is founder of Eidfest and Director of the Bangle Foundation, a domestic abuse support service for South Asian Women.



Faber Centre Director **MARY ROBSON** worked in finance before the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises set her on a new path.



Highly qualified Plenary Council Member **TONI JANKE** is a Wuthathi, Meriam and Yadhigana woman and a singer-songwriter.



Inspirational Toowong Parish elder and centenarian **SHEILA CORCORAN** shares her deep faith and joyous life-giving spirituality.



Associate Professor **CAROL DOUGLAS** first worked in palliative care in Kota Kinabalu. Today she guides the training of Qld's palliative medicine specialists

7pm Tuesday 25 July - St Ignatius Church, Kensington Tce, Toowong

Entry by donation
includes supper

For more:
www.stignatiustooowong.org.au

Co-presented by St Ignatius Parish and The Grail

Dear Parishioners of Toowong Parish, St Ignatius Catholic Primary school is celebrating 120 years of Catholic education in our parish next **Sunday 30 July**. The 120 years includes St Michaels and Holy Souls / Toowong Convent School in Holland St from 1893—1930 & on our current site here on Grove St. We wish to celebrate the contributions of the many religious and lay people who have built and lived our community over the years at 5pm Mass at St Ignatius Church. We are also hosting school tours and will have a display of memorabilia in the Hall. Our school is but an arm of our parish & both have been inextricably intertwined for the last 120 years. We as a school community whole heartedly invite you as parishioners to come and take a tour of our school, enjoy the memorabilia and join us for Mass. Student led tours are being offered from 3pm – 4:30pm. Memorabilia will be on display from 3pm in the Hall & also after Mass for anyone who would like to share in the rich history of our school and parish. There will be sausage sizzle on Susan Palmer Field following Mass. We hope to see you here. - Duncan Maitland, Principal.



JOIN US IN CELEBRATING 120 YEARS OF

Catholic education in the Toowong Parish

CELEBRATIONS

JULY 30TH | COMMENCING AT 3PM IN THE SCHOOL UNDERCOVER AREA

PERFORMANCES BY SCHOOL CHOIR AND BAND

TOURS OF THE SCHOOL LEAD BY CURRENT SENIOR STUDENTS

MASS AT 5PM

FOLLOWED BY BBQ AND PLAY ON THE SUSAN PALMER FIELD

RSVP: ptooowong@ne.catholic.edu.au OR PH: 3371 1094

ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL TOOWONG
Lift up your hearts

CELEBRATING 120 YEARS 1903 - 2023

St Ignatius Parish TOOWONG

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: 16th Sunday Ordinary: Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19. Romans 8:26-27. Matthew 13:24-43.

Next Sunday: 17th Sunday Ordinary: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12. Romans 8: 28-30. Matthew 13: 44-42.

Entrance Antiphon: See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Spoken Response: Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Sung Response: Oh Lord you are Good and Forgiving.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

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

SICK: Maria Duque, Susi Rieder, Pat Clohessy, Ricardo Pacheco, Louis Nunan, Elvira Pertudo, Mia O'Donnell, Betty Andrews, Elizabeth Teresa, Tandina Gabriel, Cathy Mamata, Melissa Acosta, Doreen Waller, Matthew McKay, Lyndal & Grant Mitchell, Fran Lewis, Nina Starkey, Sr Marie Patrice rsm, Judy Hijin, John O'Rourke, Glenice Dickinson, Marianne Andrews, Hannah Sinead, 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, Zeneida Feril, Eugene Carniel, Allan Doxey, Ron McKeirnan, Patrice McKay, Margaret Twomey, Nat Lentz.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Earle Denning, Edna Yango, Johanna Soeharni, Peter Lawson, Baby Teddy Secis.

ANNIVERSARIES: Jeff Jamieson, Patricia Edwards, Frank O'Gorman, Flo Bambrick, Brian Stiling, Kay Pratt, Donny Moore.

WEDDING: Joshua De Jesus & Nica Camille Villanueva.

BAPTISM: Frances Donaldson.



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 July

- 22** Wedding: 12.30pm—St Ignatius
- 22-23** Sacrament of Confirmation—
'Rite of Enrolment' —all Masses
- 23** 16th Sunday Ordinary
Baptism: 10.30am—St Ignatius
- 25** 7pm Women's Night of
Spirituality—St Ignatius Church
Saint James
- 26** *Saints Joachim & Anne*
- 28** 9am St Ignatius School Feast Day
Mass—St Ignatius
- 29** *Saints Martha, Mary & Lazarus.*
- 30** 17th Sunday Ordinary
3pm St Ignatius School tours;
5pm Mass celebrating 120 Years
Catholic Education in Toowong—
St Ignatius Church,
Following by BBQ & play—
Susan Palmer Field

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH COLLECTIONS: \$3,670.05, Other: nil.

ST IGNATIUS PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME: SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
Enrolments have now closed. Fr Wrex held two *Parent Information Sessions* during the past week providing further details on the children's preparation for this year's *Sacrament of Confirmation*.

This weekend (22—23 July) we will welcome the 62 children enrolled, and their families, to our parish Masses for **Rite of Enrolment**.

Parishioners are asked to pray for these children (& their families) during this time as they begin preparation to receive *Sacrament of Confirmation* in two ceremonies on **Tuesday 5 September** at St Ignatius Church, at 5.30pm and 7.30pm.

SCAM COMMUNICATIONS. Parishioners are asked to be wary of emails & text messages claiming to be from Fr Wrex (or other clergy or the parish), particularly if they have not come from parish's email address: toowong@bne.catholic.net.au or via a 'text message'. We are again aware of emails / messages being received by parishioners, suggesting they are from Fr Wrex & he is in a meeting & needs a favour, but they are not. Please ignore, report text message as spam and then delete.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL, TOOWONG meeting scheduled for next Tuesday 25 July has been cancelled. We will next meet on **Tuesday 8 August** in the Horstmann Room.

DATE CLAIMER: CHORAL CONNECTION CONCERT—Sunday 27 August in St Ignatius Church.

PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE. Search *St-Ignatius-Parish-Toowong* and click *Like to follow*.



DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

16th week Ordinary (1)

1st Reading Gospel

Mon. Exodus 14:5-18. Matthew 12:38-42.
Tues: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15. Matt. 20:20-28.
Wed: Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15. Matt. 13:1-9.
Thurs: Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20.
Fri: Exodus 20:1-17. Matthew 13:10-17.
Sat: 1 John 4:7-16. John 11:19-27.

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.

Are you interested in helping frame the Parish's future ?

The Pastoral Councils of Indooroopilly, St Lucia and Toowong met recently with the Archbishop, Bishop Tim Norton, Fr Greg Jacobs S.J., Fr Frank Brennan S.J and various key figures of the Archdiocese to discuss steps towards the smooth changeover of leadership in the three Parishes over the next twelve months. It was decided to create a Task Force comprising 2 members from each of the communities and a representative from in town to initiate the transition, focusing on Leadership options, Sacramental provision, Pastoral ministry and Administration. If you feel you could contribute to this process, would you please contact Fr Wrex or the Parish Office, so that we can make the choice that would be most beneficial and creative for this process. There is so much talent in this Parish and we feel that you may be someone who could make a significant contribution in this area. Of course, one of the tasks will be to tap into the wisdom of the whole community to make the best decisions for the future.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Limited copies of **JULY edition** are available now 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 Newsletter and a new page 'Sunday Liturgy' contains that Sundays Readings and Fr Wrex's latest homily;

***VIEW** Parish's YouTube, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLghy4aXqqJRrUilXpjoSA?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).

ARCHDIOCESAN INFORMATION



World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

Pope Francis last year established the *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*, which this year is being celebrated this **Sunday 23 July**.

The day is marked near the feast of *Saints Joachim and Anne*, the grandparents of Jesus.

Pope Francis instituted this Day in 2021 to recall grandparents, who he says are often forgotten, though they "are the link between generations, passing on the experience of life and faith to the young."

This year's theme "*His mercy is from age to age*" (Lk 1:50), which highlights the link with *World Youth Day* to be held from August 1 to 6 in Lisbon, Portugal.

Centacare — Hospital Pastoral Care.

Spending time in hospital – whether it be overnight or for a longer period of time – can be an overwhelming and worrying experience. Away from their usual environment, with lots of new information to absorb, many people find they need a little extra support during their hospital stay.

A visit from a pastoral carer can be an opportunity to make sense of things, by talking through what you are feeling and experiencing with someone who will sit quietly with you and listen without judgement.

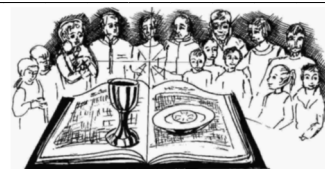
Centacare pastoral carers are located in hospitals across South East Queensland. Patients can request a visit with a pastoral carer through the hospital's chaplaincy department or their nurse unit manager.

<https://centacare.com/community-and-pastoral-care/chaplaincy-pastoral-care/hospital-pastoral-care/>

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: A0B@stopline.com.au | Online: www.bneccatholic.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



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Instagram: st.iggysyouth

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

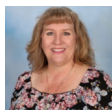
Monica Florence (Tues-Fri)

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(including Newsletter)

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