



St Ignatius Church  
Kensington Terrace, Toowong



# St Ignatius Parish TOOWONG



Holy Spirit Church  
Harriett Street, Auchenflower

**21st Sunday Ordinary**

**27th August 2023**

**Year A**



The statement is being launched ahead of Social Justice Sunday on August 27 (ACBC)

**Social Justice Sunday  
~ 27 August 2023**

**“Listen, Learn, Love”**

Australia’s Catholic bishops have called on the nation to seek “a new engagement” with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in their annual Social Justice Statement. Since the 1940s, the bishops have published annual statements that urge the Catholic community to reflect and act on social, economic and ecological issues. The statements are published as a focal point for Social Justice Sunday, which will be marked on August 27 this year.

This year’s statement, “Listen, Learn, Love: A New Engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples”, was launched in Western Sydney on the morning of Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, by Bishop Vincent Long *OFM Conv*, chair of the Bishops Commission for Social Justice, Mission and Service. “One of the objectives of this statement is that we want Catholics to understand that Catholic social teaching and Catholic social action are not simply theoretical and academic exercises,” he said. “We hear what God is saying to us about justice by being with our sisters and brothers on the peripheries of society.”

While the Social Justice Statement is a teaching document of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, a large part of this year’s statement was written by members of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council. It is part of the message’s exhortation to “listen”. “Listening is hard. Hearing about young people taking their lives, about so many people ending up in jail, of children still being taken away from their parents and grandparents and about the ongoing racism is tough,” Bishop Long said. “It must be so much more difficult for these people to tell us about their painful experiences. We are deeply grateful to those who shared their stories of pain with us.”

The theme for this year’s statement was chosen in May 2022, well before the Voice to Parliament referendum was mooted and before the timing of a vote was proposed. While the bishops don’t suggest how people should vote, Bishop Long says “whatever the outcome of this year’s referendum, we ask the Church in Australia to make efforts to lead the way for our fellow Australians” in pursuing reconciliation. “Our attitudes and actions towards First Nations Peoples need to be grounded in justice, love and humility,” he said.

“We need to listen with deep respect and learn from them about what needs to be done to improve their situations. We need to walk with them, day by day, and work with them to bring about change for the better – for their people and for all of us. Strengthening our relationship with our First Peoples is integral and indeed critical to the strengthening of the whole nation.”

Statement is available online, go to <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2023/08/22/social-justice-statement-2023-24/>  
(or limited printed copies will be available from rotary stands at both churches).

**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/Jagera 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

### New CBA Smart Terminals are being trialled at St Ignatius Church.

Our Parish has now received two devices, to be positioned at church doors at weekend Masses, to receive your electronic donations. A great option for those wanting to give, but not carrying cash to put in collection basket.

To use, it is as simple as:

1. Choose the amount you would like to give, by touching the device screen (on \$5, \$10, \$20 or 'other amount'),
2. Then tap your credit card or smart phone over the device (as you would for any other electronic purchase).

As always, the Parish is forever grateful for any donation you are able to make and for your ongoing support of our parish. If you require any assistance with using the device, please speak to the Sacristan (at the Mass you are attending). Thank you.



### **St Ignatius Parish Sacramental Preparation Programme - Sacrament of Confirmation**



Parishioners are asked to pray for these children (& their families) as they finalise their preparation to receive the *Sacrament of Confirmation* on **Tuesday 5 September** at St Ignatius Church, to be celebrated by Very Reverend Peter Dillon, in two ceremonies at 5.30pm & 7.30pm.

**REMINDER:** Practice Sessions with Fr Wrex, will be held on **Wednesday 30 August** at 6.15pm **OR** **Saturday 2 September** at 3pm, (both will be held at St Ignatius Church).

### **CONCERT: 20 YEARS OF CHORAL CONNECTION.**

Parish musician Will Brown, conductor *Choral Connection* with special guest conductors present their 20th Anniversary concert **this Sunday 27 August**. Come & help them celebrate, 2.30pm at St Ignatius Church.

Tickets for sale via <https://www.trybooking.com/CKBCC> (Adults:\$30, Concession: \$25 and Children under 12: free).

Choral Connection with Will Brown and special guest conductors presents **CELEBRATION TIME!** 20 Years of Choral Connection

Sunday, 27th August 2023 at 2:00pm  
St Ignatius Church, Kensington Tery, Toowong  
<https://www.trybooking.com/CKBCC>

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### **Your gift today is a blessing to your local community**

The face of the Church can seem ordinary enough, as can the face of each of us. But if we open the door of faith and allow God's mercy to flow through us into the lives of those in need, people will see in the Church and in each of us the face of Christ himself. May God, who is the giver of all gifts, bless you in every way.



[catholiccampaign.com.au](http://catholiccampaign.com.au)



### **2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN—THANK YOU!**

Last weekend our parish held an appeal for the Annual Catholic Campaign in support of the important Catholic ministries in our Archdiocese of Brisbane.

Thank you to everyone who responded generously to the Archbishop Mark's call for support.

If you didn't get a chance to make a gift last week, there is still time.

If you took the envelope home, please pop it in the mail or leave it in collection basket this weekend.

Your tax-deductible gift will be put straight to work by funding the vital Catholic agencies in our local community.

Alternatively, donate online using our parish's **unique link**: <https://bit.ly/3vp5ZEa> or scan the **QR code** (located in the ACC image above).



**share the dignity**

### **REMINDER: 'SHARE THE DIGNITY' AUGUST 'DIGNITY DRIVE'**

During August our parish has had marked boxes at both churches and parish office, to receive your donations to this worthy cause. Please note, these boxes will be removed following Masses **this weekend**

(NB. All parish donations received will be delivered to collection point on Wednesday 30 August).

The purpose is to collect donations of sanitary items for women in the Australian community who are unable to meet the financial burden of their period.

For more information or to donate online please go to their website [www.sharethedignity.com.au](http://www.sharethedignity.com.au)

**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: 21st Sunday Ordinary:** Isaiah 22:19-23. Romans 11:33-36. Matthew 16:13-20.

**Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday Ordinary:** Jeremiah 20:7-9. Romans 12:1-2. Matthew 16:21-27.

**Entrance Antiphon:** Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

**Spoken Response:** Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

**Sung Response:** Lord, may your prayer rise like incense in your sight. May this place be filled with the fragrance of Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. 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, Elizabeth Teresa, Tandina Gabriel, Cathy Mamata, Melissa Acosta, Doreen Waller, Matthew McKay, Fran Lewis, Lyndal & Grant Mitchell, Nina Starkey, Sr Marie Patrice rsm, Judy Hijin, John O'Rourke, Glenice Dickinson, 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, Patrice McKay, Margaret Twomey, Nat Lentz, Deb Galbraith, Melissa Grimsgard.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Ron McKeirnan, Angela Stephens, Fran Lewis, Andy McGhee.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Ted Twomey, Peg Fisher, Judith Marks, Ailsa White, Rosemary Gallagher.

**Diary Dates**

**August**

- 27** 27th Sunday Ordinary  
8.30am Children's Liturgy during Mass—Holy Spirit  
2.30pm Choral Connection concert — St Ignatius
- 29** 6.30pm SLC Guitar concert—St Ignatius  
7.15pm SVdP meeting—Horstmann Room
- 30** 6.15pm Practice session (Sacrament of Confirmation) - St Ignatius

**September**

- 1** 'Season of Creation' commences.  
9am Anointing Mass—Holy Spirit
- 2** 3pm Practice session (Sacrament of Confirmation) - St Ignatius
- 2-3** 'Expect-a-cuppa' after all Masses (both churches)
- 3** 28th Sunday Ordinary  
*Fathers Day*  
  
Baptisms: 10.30am—St Ignatius
- 5** Sacrament of Confirmation - Ceremonies at 5.30pm & 7.30pm —St Ignatius  
  
(nb. there will be no 5.30pm Mass due to the above)

**PARISH INFORMATION**

PARISH COLLECTIONS: \$3,518.60, Other: nil.

**'CHILDREN'S LITURGY'**. Children of all ages are welcome to attend **this Sunday** (27 August). Held fortnightly during school terms only, during 8.30am Sunday Mass at Holy Spirit Church, it is an enjoyable way for our children to participate in the liturgy.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL, TOOWONG CONFERENCE** will meet on **Tuesday 29 August** at 7.15pm in the Horstmann Room.

**INVITATION TO ATTEND MUSIC PERFORMANCE.** Students from St Laurence's College will present a concert of Choral and Guitar **this Tuesday 29 August** at St Ignatius Church from 6.30pm. All are welcome. Free entry, however a collection will be taken up for St Aloysius Gonzaga Institute (school) in Myanmar ('Jesuit Mission').

**PARISH 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 1 September**. All are welcome.

**EXPECT-A-CUPPA** will be held **next weekend (2—3 September)** after all Parish Masses. All parishioners and visitors are invited to stay after Mass for a cup of tea or coffee.

**UPDATE ON PARISH GATHERING**

Approx. 70 people attended a meeting for all St Ignatius parishioners with representatives of Brisbane Archdiocese, on **Tuesday 22 August** in the Parish hall. The Archdiocese was represented by Fr Gerry Kalinowski (Archdiocesan Consultor and Parish Priest at Jubilee Parish) and Lisa Forbes, Executive Assistant to the Vicar for Administration (Very Reverend Peter Dillon).

Parishioners were asked to work in groups to answer two questions:

1. What are the strengths of the parish?
2. What are the goals of the parish?

All the responses were collected so they can be collated into a report to be shared with the parish and the Task Force. The Task Force is comprised of 2 representatives from each parish. Toowong Parish will be represented by Stan Sielaff & Kath Gilmore. More information will be provided as it comes to hand.



**National Child Protection Week: 3—9 September & Child Protection Sunday** to be held on **Sunday 10 September.**

**DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS**  
**21st week Ordinary (1)**

- 1st Reading                      Gospel
- Mon: 1 Thess. :1-5,8-10. Matthew 23:13-22.
- Tues: Jeremiah 1:17-19. Mark 6:17-29.
- Wed: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13. Matt. 23:27-32
- Thurs: 1 Thess. 3:7-13. Matthew 24:42-51.
- Fri: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8. Matthew 25:1-13.
- Sat: 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11. Matt. 25:14-30.

**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.

**BRISBANE WEST DEANERY**

The Holy Family Parish, Indooroopilly would like to extend to the parishioners at St Ignatius Parish an invitation to attend the Multicultural Mass at the Holy Family Church, 37 Ward St, Indooroopilly at 8.30am on **Sunday 10 September**.

The Mass will be followed by a celebration of cultural diversity in the Holy Family School Multi Purpose Centre.

Attendees are invited to come in traditional dress and to bring a national dish for sharing.

For more info. please refer to invitation/flyer on noticeboards (at both churches).



Limited copies of **August edition** are available now at both churches for **\$4 each** (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, [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLghy4aXqqJRrUilXpjoSA?view\\_as=subscriber](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).



## Season of Creation

runs from the World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation, on 1st September to the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, on 4th October. This year, the theme for the season is 'Let Justice and Peace Flow'.

"The Christian family unites for the Season of Creation, a worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. Our wellbeing is interwoven with the wellbeing of the Earth and we rejoice in this opportunity to safeguard our common home and all who share it."

For more information on Season of Creation go to the website <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

Pope Francis has established 1 September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home. The day is inspired by Pope Francis' landmark encyclical Laudato Si', which calls on "every person living on this planet" to care for our shared Earth.

The theme for 2023 is "Let Justice and Peace Flow", inspired by the words of the prophet Amos: "Let justice flow on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream." (Amos 5:24)

In his message for the World Day of Prayer 2023, Pope Francis invites us to "the renewal of our relationship with creation so that we no longer see it as an object to be exploited but cherish it instead as a sacred gift from our Creator."

As well as transforming our own hearts and lifestyles, the Holy Father calls us to seek to transform public policies and to "raise our voices to halt this injustice towards the poor and towards our children, who will bear the worst effects of climate change."

The Pope also stresses the importance of synodality with the hope that "in this Season of Creation, as followers of Christ on our shared synodal journey, let us live, work and pray that our common home will teem with life once again."

### 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.**

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**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](http://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](http://www.brisbanewestdeanery.com.au) email: [bwdeanery@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto: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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