



St Ignatius Church
Kensington Terrace, Toowong



St Ignatius Parish TOOWONG



Holy Spirit Church
Harriett Street, Auchenflower

The Epiphany of the Lord

Second Sunday Ordinary

Third Sunday Ordinary



7th January 2024

14th January 2024

21st January 2024

Year B



This Sunday, 7th January 2024, Fr Wrex will celebrate his final Masses in our parish, at the 8am Mass Holy Spirit Auchenflower and 5pm Mass St Ignatius. Please note, after-Mass hospitality will be held at both these Masses. We wish Fr Wrex all the best and we thank him for his time & service to our community over the past six-years.



Also, we welcome the Jesuits Fathers including Fr Greg Jacobs sj (who was a part of the Jesuit Toowong community in 2009-2010 & 2012) who will be Parish Administrator of the Parishes of Toowong and Indooroopilly and Parish Priest for St Lucia, and joined by Associate Pastor, Fr Paul Fyfe sj & Community Superior, Fr Frank Brennan sj.

FAREWELL & GOD BLESS FR WREX. YOU WILL BE MISSED!

ENJOY YOUR WELL DESERVED RETIREMENT!

The Twelve Days of Christmas

The twelve days of Christmas, celebrated in song, refers to the period from Christmas Day to the Feast of the Epiphany on January 6th which commemorates the Visit of the Magi who bring the gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh.

While on the surface, the carol seems to celebrate a series of unusual gifts given by 'my true love', there is a suggestion that the song has a deeper meaning. It has been proposed that the carol was written as a catechism song for young Catholics, with each of gifts being a code word for a religious reality, which the children could easily remember. -

- My true love:** refers to God the Father who is the ultimate lover of the human race.
- The partridge in a pear tree:** refers to Jesus and his death on the cross. The partridge is a bird that is willing to sacrifice its life if necessary to protect its young by feigning injury to draw away predators.
- The two turtle doves:** refers to the Old and the New Testaments.
- The three French hens:** stand for the great Christian virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity.
- The four calling birds:** are the four Evangelists - Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.
- The five golden rings:** represent the first 5 books of the Bible, the Pentateuch.
- The six geese a-laying:** stands for the 6 days of creation.
- The seven swans a-swimming:** represent the 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit: Wisdom, etc.
- The eight maids a-milking:** are the 8 Beatitudes.
- The nine ladies dancing:** are the 9 fruits of the Holy Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, etc.
- The ten Lords a-leaping:** are the Ten Commandments.
- The eleven pipers piping:** stand for the 11 faithful apostles who take Christ's message to the world.
- The twelve drummers drumming:** symbolize the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed.

So, maybe when you hear yourself humming the tune of "the Twelve Days of Christmas", you might be reminded of the richness of the gifts our true love gives to each of us.

Please note, new Parish Mass times commenced as of Monday 1 January 2024, additional Mass times on back page.

PARISH WEEKDAY MASSES: ST IGNATIUS Toowong: 5.30pm Tuesdays and 9.15am Thursdays.

HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: 9am Fridays.

PARISH WEEKEND MASSES: ST IGNATIUS Toowong: Sunday 7.00am & 5.00pm.

HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: Sunday 8.00am.

We respectfully acknowledge the Turrbal/Jagera people, as the traditional custodians and caretakers of the land which is the Toowong Catholic Parish.

We acknowledge the Elders, past and present and emerging. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

Christmas Masses- Thank You

Sincere appreciation and gratitude is expressed to Roster co-ordinators, Readers, Eucharist Ministers, Altar Servers, Welcomers, Projectionists, Musicians and Choir, Sacristans, Collectors and Money counters, for your contribution ministering to the extraordinary congregations which graced our Christmas Liturgies this year. Special thanks to Fr Wrex, Janine Curcuruto and all the children involved in the Nativity pageant on Christmas Eve for a special celebration. You did Mary, Joseph & Jesus proud!



GIVING TREE



Please remember the St Vincent de Paul Society's Toowong Conference at the "Giving Tree" in both churches, until Epiphany (7/1/2024).

Please take an envelope from under the 'Giving Tree' (either for a cash offering or credit card) and place on collection plate (please do not leave money in envelopes at the tree).

Tax deductible, receipts will be issued, if name and address is supplied. Your support is much appreciated.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER



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New CBA Smart Terminals are being trialed at St Ignatius Church.

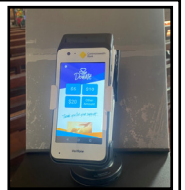
Our Parish has now received two devices, to be positioned at church doors at weekend Masses, to receive your electronic donations. A great option for those wanting to give, but not carrying cash to put in collection basket.

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.



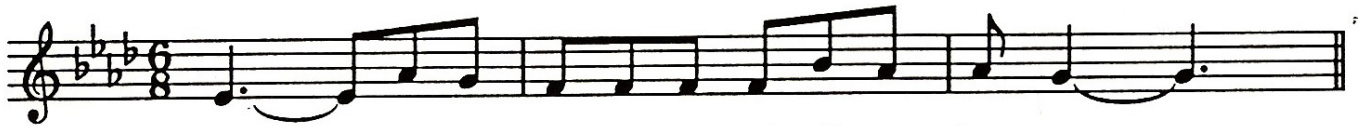
Readings: Epiphany of the Lord (7 January): Isaiah 60:1-6. Ephesians: 3:2-3, 5-6. Matthew 2: 1-12.

Entrance Antiphon: Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Spoken Response: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Sung Response: O God, Give your Judgement.

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Lord, ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a - dore you.

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Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

Readings: 2nd Sunday Ord. (14 January): 1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19. 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20. John 1: 35- 42.

Entrance Antiphon: All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

Spoken Response: Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Sung Response: Come Ring out Our Joy to the Lord

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If to - day you hear his voice! Hard - en not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth. Alleluia!

Readings: 3rd Sunday Ord. (21 January): Jonah 3:1-5, 10. 1 Corinthians 7:29-31. Mark 1: 14-20.

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendor, strength and hour in his holy place.

Spoken Response: Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Sung Response: Lord, Make me know Your Ways

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To you O Lord I lift up my soul.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News. 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, Nina Starkey, Lyndal & Grant Mitchell, Sr Marie Patrice rsm, Judy Hijin, Glenice Dickinson, Hannah Sinead, Susi Hopkins, Leigh Victoria, Adriana Meneses, Paul Massingham, Fr Michael Lowcock, Isabella Shand, David O'Connor, Liam O'Brien, Denise Dimauro, Allison King, Zeneida Feril, Eugene Carniel, Allan Doxey, Patrice McKay, Margaret Twomey, Nat Lentz, Deb Galbraith, Melissa Grimsgard, Jeremy Ross, Teresa Galarza, Ange Beasley, Adrian Duffy, Marie Anne Colman, Michael & Christine Hynes, Kevin Anderson, Amy Frances Nugent, Josephine Cunningham.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Teresita D. Cabangis.

ANNIVERSARIES: Wing Cheung Au, Sr Marion Liddy, John Fanning, Ferna Whyte, Paul Rush, Alfio 'Fred' Nicolosi, Derek Marchant, Petronela Bodner, Helen McMahon, Helen Laurelin, Judy Hanlon, Elise Neville, Norma Dhu, Annie Jones, Jack Barrett, Adam Wilson, Tony Feeney, John Peter Byrne, John Joseph Costello, Barbara Gallagher, Bernadette Burns, Monica Lawlor, Warwick McEvoy, Patrick Gaynor, Peter Lynch.

Diary Dates

January 2024

- 7** The Epiphany of the Lord
*‘Expect-a-Cuppa’ after Masses—
St Ignatius
*After-Mass Hospitality—Holy Spirit
- 8** The Baptism of the Lord
Parish Vacation Care resumes
- 9** 7.15pm SvDP meeting
—Horstmann Room
- 14** 2nd Sunday Ordinary
- 17** Saint Anthony
- 21** 3rd Sunday Ordinary
After-Mass Hospitality—Holy Spirit
- 23** 7.15pm SvDP meeting
—Horstmann Room
- 24** Saint Francis de Sales
- 25** The Conversion of Saint Paul
- 26** Australia Day Public Holiday

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH COLLECTIONS: (for 24/12/2023, Christmas, 31/12/2023: \$6,801.35,
*Other: \$400.00.

REMINDER: PARISH MASS TIMES changed as of Monday 1 January 2024 (refer back page).

AFTER—MASS HOSPITALITY Sundays 7 & 21 January, after 8 am Mass at Holy Spirit Church.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL, TOOWONG CONFERENCE will be meeting on Tuesday 9 & 23 January, at 7.15pm in the Horstmann Room.

WORKS ON ST IGNATIUS CHURCH. Works are continuing (repairing surface of the church's front stairs and verandah area), completion has been delayed and is now not expected to be completed until mid to late January. At this time the only access to St Ignatius Church will be by the side—entrance door. Temporary fencing has been installed preventing any access to stairs from both carpark—side and front-side of church (& hall's front entrance).

PARISH OFFICE HOURS. Parish Office 'opening hours' (days / times) will vary from the 'usual', due to school holidays, until Term 1 commences (Tuesday 23 January). Therefore, if you need to visit the parish office please call first (3870 7818) to check if it is attended. Emails will be checked regularly during this time. Thank you for your understanding.

Also, office will be closed for Australia Day Public Holiday on Friday 26 January.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY is held during Holy Spirit's 8.30am Sunday Mass, fortnightly during school terms only. Scheduled to resume for Term 1 2024. Watch this space.

ST IGNATIUS PEACE THROUGH JUSTICE GROUP will not meet in January; next meeting will be held on Monday 5 February 2024. New members welcome.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL will not meet in January; next meeting: Thursday 8 February.

CWL TOOWONG BRANCH will not meet in January. Also, monthly meeting will likely change to a Friday in 2024, due to change in Weekday Mass schedule at Holy Spirit Church. Watch this space. New members welcome. Enquiries: Del Doherty 3371 7746.

BE AWARE—SCAM EMAILS. The Archdiocese of Brisbane emailed parishes this week with this message "... I'm writing to make you aware that we've received reports from local parishes that scammers are continuing to target parish volunteers whose contact details (email address or phone number) are listed in the parish newsletter. Scammers look for parish newsletters online and use the contact details in the newsletter to contact volunteers pretending to be the parish priest asking them to purchase gift cards or send money. ..."

NB. we have forwarded their full email message to those parishioners who have their contact email/mobile numbers appearing in our parish newsletters (recently and/or regularly), however we ask that all parishioners to be wary of emails (or sms), asking for assistance for the parish priest, particularly if they have not come from the parish email address—toowong@bne.catholic.net.au. If in doubt please do not respond to their message and contact the parish office to clarify validity of message received.



DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

1st week Ordinary (II)

1st Reading Gospel

Mon: Isaiah 55:1-11. Mark 1: 7-11.
Tues: 1 Samuel 1: 9-20. Mark 1: 21-28.
Wed: 1 Samuel 3:1-10,19-20. Mark 1: 29-39.
Thurs: 1 Samuel 4:1-11. Mark 1:40-45.
Fri: 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22. Mark 2:1-12.
Sat: 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1. Mark 2:13-17

2nd week Ordinary (II)

1st Reading Gospel

Mon: 1 Samuel 15:16-23. Mark 2: 18-22.
Tues: 1 Samuel 16:1-13. Mark 2:23-28.
Wed: 1 Samuel 17: 32-33,37,40-51. Mark 3:1-6
Thu: 1 Samuel 18:6-9, 19:1-7. Mark 3:7-12.
Fri: 1 Samuel 24:3-21. Mark 3:13-19.
Sat: 2 Samuel 1:1-4,11-12,17,19,23-27.
Mark 3: 20-21.

3rd Week Ordinary (11)

1st Reading Gospel

Mon: 2 Samuel 5:1-7,10. Mark 3:22-30.
Tues: 2 Samuel 6: 12-15, 17-19. Mark 3: 31-35.
Wed: 2 Samuel 7:4-17. Mark 4: 1-20.
Thu: Acts 22: 3-16. Mark 16:15-18.
Fri: Isaiah 32:15-18. Matthew 5:2-12.
Sat: 2 Samuel 12:1-7,10-17. Mark 4:35-41.

Where to find YOUTUBE on Parish's new website (top of screen) select '**Our Parish**' and (from drop-down list) select '**Parish YouTube Recordings**' click on it and 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.

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;

***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).

Sunday Mass times, commencing 6/7 January 2024

Day	Church	Time
SATURDAY	St Thomas Aquinas, St Lucia	6.00 PM
SUNDAY	St Ignatius, Toowong	7.00 AM
SUNDAY	Holy Spirit, Auchenflower	8.00 AM
SUNDAY	Holy Family, Indooroopilly	8:30 AM
SUNDAY	St Thomas Aquinas, St Lucia	9:30 AM
SUNDAY	St Ignatius, Toowong	5.00 PM
Weekday Mass times commencing 1 January 2024		
MONDAY	St Thomas Aquinas, St Lucia	5.15 PM
TUESDAY	St Ignatius, Toowong	5.30 PM
WEDNESDAY	Holy Family, Indooroopilly	5.00 PM Prayer, 6.00 PM Mass
THURSDAY	St Ignatius, Toowong	9.15 AM
FRIDAY	Holy Spirit, Auchenflower	9.00 AM
FRIDAY	Holy Family, Indooroopilly	9.00 AM

St Thomas Aquinas Church, St Lucia 87 Central Avenue, St Lucia
Holy Family Church, Indooroopilly 37 Ward Street (cnr Central Avenue), Indooroopilly

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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<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>
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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)

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Website: www.stignatiustoowong.org.au **Facebook:** St-Ignatius-Parish-Toowong **Instagram:** st.iggysouth

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 tba

Jesuit Community Qld

**Fr Greg Jacobs sj—
Parish Administrator**

Fr Paul Fyfe sj—
Associate Pastor

Fr Frank Brennan sj—
Superior

Parish Office Staff

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

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults

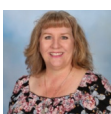
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