



*St Ignatius Church
Kensington Terrace, Toowong*



*Holy Spirit Church
Harriett Street Auchenflower*



St Ignatius Parish TOOWONG

in the care of the Jesuit Fathers,
in a 'Community of Communities' with
Holy Family Church, Indooroopilly 37 Ward Street, Indooroopilly and
St Thomas Aquinas Church, St Lucia 87 Central Avenue, St Lucia.

Sixth Sunday Ordinary

11th February 2024

Year B

Jesus Includes

The Hebrews did not have the medical knowledge we have today, but they knew what they saw – people getting sick from eating pork. So they made various laws to protect themselves from all sorts of diseases, not just leprosy. Leprosy was uniquely despised because it was so ugly and lepers were repulsive, unlovable, even perceived as evil.

Lepers had no hope of receiving love, no hope of being accepted as persons, no hope of enjoying ordinary human companionship.

Yet our Leper today came to Jesus with his pleading prayer: "If you want, you can make me clean." He had obviously heard of Jesus' power, but equally he heard that Jesus cares about those no one else cares about. He heard that Jesus includes the excluded, and who was more excluded than himself?

So, to the chagrin of the onlookers, the leper moved closer. To their double horror, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched the man. (Famously some saints have imitated this gesture: St Francis of Assisi, St Aloysius Gonzaga to name two.) In place of isolation Jesus gave companionship. In place of rejection Jesus gave acceptance. In place of disgust Jesus gave compassion. That must have been as beneficial to this man as any physical cure.

Yes, the real power of this gospel is not that a sick man was made healthy, but that a person universally held to be repulsive, unlovable, even evil, is in fact loved, is the object of God's mercy and compassion. The leper brought the dark and frightened side of his nature and laid it out before Christ and was touched. Is there anyone here who would not do the same?

The medical profession has done a lot for body leprosy and other communicable diseases. It has done less for soul leprosy, the leprosy of rejection and exclusion, for bullying. If, for example, you have ever felt anonymous, abandoned, a non-person, you have had a feeble hint of what it was like to be a leper in days of yore. And if you have subsequently felt an inclusion, acceptance of yourself, recognition, then you again know feebly what Jesus offered to this leper.

In a world torn by individualism, we would do well to find more ways to include others in our circle who may need love and compassion and companionship at this time as a community.

~ Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ

Please note, new Parish Mass times commenced as of Monday 1 January 2024.

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.

Reconciliation / Confession: by appointment.

*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.*

NEWS FROM ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH, ST LUCIA.

Concert One of the St Lucia Cantors, Eleanor Adeney, runs One Equal Voice, an outstanding professional Brisbane choir. Their first concert this year will be held at St. Brigid's Church, Red Hill on **Friday 16 February** at 7pm. Entitled "Lamentations", the concert will feature works by Tallis, Howels, Purcell, Lobo, MacWilliam and Tesch-Muller. Those wishing to musically reflect on the start of Lent with fine music are encouraged to attend. Tickets are available through QTIX www.trybooking.com/COVST or at door.

NEWS FROM HOLY FAMILY PARISH, INDOOROOPILLY.

Offering Two Lenten groups—

***Friday Group** commencing **16 February** at 7.30pm using the guide published by Wollongong Diocese. Contact Trevor Lambkin, 0408 643 068.

***Tuesday Group** commencing **20 February** at 5.00pm using guide published by Archdiocese of Brisbane. Contact Deacon Russ Nelson, 0427 743 534.

Both groups meet in the lower ground floor at Holy Family Church, 37 Ward St. Indooroopilly. All are welcome to attend. Please make contact.

Ash Wednesday Masses - 14th February 2024



(extra) **6.00pm Mass—St Ignatius Church**

Please note:

8.00am Mass—St Thomas Aquinas, St Lucia,
6.00pm Mass—Holy Family Church, Indooroopilly, or
Cathedral of St Stephen: 8am, 10am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm.

'COMMUNITY OF COMMUNITIES' MASS TIMES (as of 1/1/2024)

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
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

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2024 — SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (FIRST RECONCILIATION)

St Ignatius Parish invites all children in **Year 5 and above**, who have completed their Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist, to enrol in the **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** (preparation will be held during Lent, and Sacrament during Holy Week).

Enrolments are now open AND are to be completed online via parish website -

<https://www.stignatiustoowong.org.au/our-sacraments/reconciliation/>

Please note, you will be required to attach a copy of your child's Birth Certificate, plus Certificates for each of their earlier Sacraments, namely Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

Important Dates to note in your family diary:

ENROLMENTS WILL CLOSE (online) at midday on Tuesday 12 March.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION will be held on Thursday 14 March at 3.30pm in St Ignatius Church.

'RITE OF ENROLMENT' will be held on Sunday 17 March during Parish Mass (parent & child attend one, either 7.00am or 5.00pm Mass at St Ignatius Church Toowong or 8.00am Mass at Holy Spirit Church Auchenflower).

PREPARATION SESSION (for parent and child) will be held on Thursday 21 March at 3.30pm in St Ignatius Church.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE will be held on Wednesday 27 March at 5.30pm in St Ignatius Church.

All meetings in this short programme are VITAL, please transfer to your family diary.

If unable to attend any of these times, please contact me ASAP.

At least one parent of each child enrolled must attend the Parent Meeting to obtain important information, to ensure their child is part of this year's Preparation Programme.

- Janine Curcuruto, Sacrament Co-ordinator.

Please direct all enquiries via email to pw.toowong@bne.catholic.net.au



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

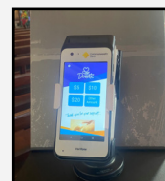
Our Parish has now received two devices, to be positioned at church doors at weekend Masses, to receive your electronic donations. A great option for those wanting to give, but not carrying cash to put in collection basket.

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.



Readings: 6th Sunday Ordinary: Leviticus 13:1-3, 44-46. 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1. Mark 1:40-45.

Next Sunday: 1st Sunday Lent: Genesis 9:8-15. 1 Peter 3:18-22. Mark 1:12-15.

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: I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Sung Response: My soul gives thanks to the Lord.

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The Lord is kind and mer-ci-ful: bless his ho - ly name.

Toowong Parish SET 018

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Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. 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, 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, Margaret Twomey, Nat Lentz, Deb Galbraith, Melissa Grimsgard, Teresa Galarza, Ange Beasley, Marie Anne Colman, Michael & Christine Hynes, Adrian Duffy, Amy Frances Nugent, Kevin Anderson, Josephine Cunningham.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Ray Willans, Colin Haworth.

ANNIVERSARIES: Elio Socal, Peter Currie, Marguerite Sanchia Rotondo, Marc Vanderham, Roma Barnes, Dawn Wildman, Colleen Rowe, Anthony Day.

Diary Dates

February

- 10** *Saint Scholastica*
- 11** *Sixth Sunday Ordinary*
- 13** *7.15pm SVdP meeting*
— Horstmann Room
- 14** *Ash Wednesday*

(extra) 6pm Mass—St Ignatius

7.30pm PPC meeting
—Horstmann Room
- 15** 5pm Finance & Development
meeting—Horstmann Room
- 16** CWL meetings following 9am Mass
—Holy Spirit
- 18** 1st Sunday Lent

'Colour Club' during 8am Mass
—Holy Spirit



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DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

6th week Ordinary (II)

	1st Reading	Gospel
Mon:	James 1:1-11.	Mark 8:11-13.
Tues:	James 1:12-18.	Mark 8:14-21.
Wed:	Joel 2:12-18.	Matt. 6:1-6,16-18.
Thurs:	Deut'omy 30:15-20.	Luke 9:22-25.
Fri:	Isaiah 58:1-9.	Matthew 9:14-15.
Sat:	Isaiah 58:9-14.	Luke 5:27-32.

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: 28/1 and 4/2 combined: \$4,354.15, *Other: nil.

PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY—11 FEBRUARY.

Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to
support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people
around the world, now and **for all future generations.**

Project Compassion 2024 reminds us that the good that we do today
will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. Together, we can help
vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow
for all future generations.

PARISH 'KEY REGISTER' AUDIT. With the arrival of Jesuits Fathers, as our new Parish
Administrator, the parish records need to be updated/current; therefore an audit of
the *Parish's 'Key Register'* needs to be completed. All parishioners / volunteers
holding key/s to any parish property (ie church, hall, parish office) are requested to
please complete the form (clipboard) which will be left in both churches sacristy
(both churches) and parish office, or E: toowong@bne.catholic.net.au, by no later
than **Friday 16 February**. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to same.

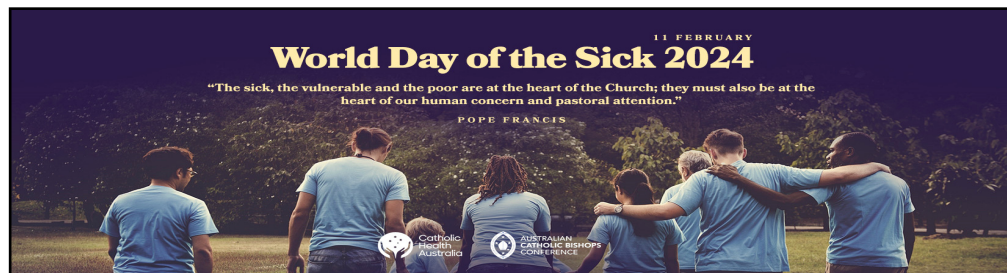
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL meeting on **Wed. 14 February**, 7.30pm in the Horstmann Room.

CWL TOOWONG BRANCH meeting following 9am Mass at Holy Spirit Church, Auchenflower
on **Friday 16 February**. New members welcome.

PARISH LENTEN PROGRAMME. Details on this year's programme are still being finalised.
More details will be available in next weekend's parish newsletter.

THE COLOUR CLUB. Lenten activities for young people of all ages (primary and
secondary) will be offered during Children's Liturgy **each Sunday during Lent** at (new
time) 8.00 am Mass at Holy Spirit Church commencing next **Sunday 18 February**.
We encourage young people to attend any or all of these sessions.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA). St Ignatius Parish invites
expressions of interest for adults considering becoming Catholic. Please speak to
Fr Paul Fyfe SJ or email: toowong@bne.catholic.net.au to register your interest.



This year, the *World Day of the Sick* is commemorated this **Sunday 11 February**.
The World Day of Prayer for the Sick was initiated by St John Paul II in 1992. It coincides
with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Pope Francis' messages for this year's World Day
of the Sick can be found <https://www.vatican.va/.../20240110-giornata-malato.html>

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).

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING NEWS~ Review of Safeguarding Training.

The Archdiocese will be implementing a new Safeguarding Policy. The draft has been reviewed with new framework developed and will apply to all Archdiocese parishes, ministries, services, and agencies. The new Policy will include a Child and Youth Risk Management Strategy, to promote the safety and well-being of children and young people who interact with the Archdiocese, to help protect the children and young people from abuse and harm. The Strategy will consist of eight requirements- addressing Codes of Conduct, Policies & Procedures, written procedures, risk management plans, and Blue Card compliance.

Hopefully, formal approval is achieved by end of February.

Only one safeguarding module.

Upon approval, the training will consist of only one module.

Volunteers can access the module via the Archdiocese website at <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/>

This training takes approx. one hour to complete, and must be completed every two years.

Volunteers must register completion with their parish for compliance purposes. Volunteers will also soon be able to access the training via Archdiocese e-learn, volunteers will be advised when available.

Safeguarding Training webinars and face to face learning also will be available after hours soon for volunteers wishing to undertake – further information will be distributed via parish newsletter.

Thank you to all volunteers for your time and efforts in volunteering for our Community of Communities, it is much appreciated.

- Janine Curcuruto
Local Safeguarding Representative

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.bncatholic.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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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 0487 778 154.

Jesuit Community Qld

**Fr Greg Jacobs SJ—
Parish Administrator**

Fr Paul Fyfe SJ—
Associate Pastor

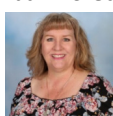
Fr Frank Brennan SJ—
Superior

Parish Office Staff

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

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults

Janine Curcuruto -



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