



*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.

2nd Sunday Easter

7th April 2024

Year B

2nd Sunday of Easter – Thomas' Doubt

Like the disciples in that first Easter, we too might find ourselves imprisoned by fear and disillusionment – with ourselves, with our church, with God. It is often in such times that the risen Christ will appear in our midst in ways we do not expect.

Pope Francis “invites all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ... to do this unfailingly each day” [EG 3]. From our gospel today, we notice that Thomas was not in the room when the risen Jesus appeared to the disciples, and so missed out on any personal encounter with him, the words of missioning, and the bestowal of the gifts of peace and forgiveness in the Spirit. While the rest of the disciples affirm that “We have seen the Lord!”, Thomas cannot join them in this experience.

For eight days Thomas wrestles with his doubt and is wounded by the struggle. Finally, then, the wounded, risen Jesus and the wounded disciple stand before each other. Jesus invites Thomas to stretch out his hand to the wounds of his hands and side. There is no indication as to whether Thomas actually does this, but it seems that simply the invitation is enough to wipe every doubt from his mind. He responds with the most profound and personal assent of faith in all the gospels: “My Lord and my God!”

For the future generations who will listen to this gospel – us! – in the presence of the physically absent Jesus, the last beatitude that Jesus then addressed to Thomas is our greatest hope: “Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

Let me finish with a quote from Thomas Merton:

“Faith means doubt. Faith is not the suppression of doubt. It is the overcoming of doubt, and you overcome doubt by going through it. The man of faith who has never experienced doubt is not a person of faith. Consequently, the monk is one who has to struggle in the depths of his being with the presence of doubt, and has to go through what some religions call the Great Doubt, to break through doubt into a certitude which is very, very deep because it is not his own personal certitude; it is the certitude of God Himself, in us.”

~ 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.*

PARISH INFORMATION

HELP NEEDED at Holy Spirit Church this Sunday

Following 8.00 am Mass **THIS Sunday** (7 April), the Church will be prepared for the replacement of the roof. If you can spare an hour or so to assist with packing up chairs, draping furniture with tarpaulins etc & moving items into container, your presence would be appreciated. Thank you.

Changes at Holy Spirit Church due to Roof works.

Holy Spirit Church will close **THIS Monday 8 April** while the roof is replaced. The period of closure is subject to weather but is likely to be for 4–6 weeks.

To keep in touch with the development, please make sure you are on the parish email list. Updates and advice on when Church will re-open will be advised via Parish's newsletter, website and Facebook page.

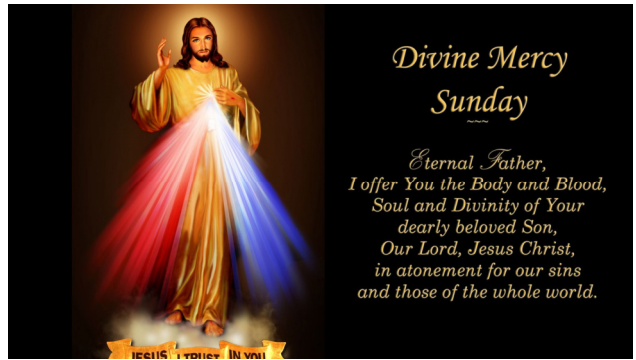
Unfortunately, there is no alternative option for 8 am Mass for the duration of the roof work on Holy Spirit Church. Parishioners who usually attend the Sunday 8 am Mass at Holy Spirit Church are encouraged to attend one of the other Masses in our 'Community of Communities' (refer back page of this newsletter), or a church in neighbouring Parish, ie Sacred Heart, Rosalie or the Cathedral (find Mass times here — <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/parishes-mass-times/>). However, if access to any of these options is too challenging, there is the online option, to view Mass each Sunday via **livestream, from 5 pm St Ignatius Church** (refer bottom of pg. 3 of newsletter), or 10am Mass at Cathedral of St Stephen — <https://www.youtube.com/@ArchdioceseofBrisbane/streams> or '**Mass on Demand**' from Lavendar Bay in Sydney — <https://www.northsydney Catholics.com/mass#Online> or '**Mass for You at Home**' on Channel 10 at 6am each Sunday, & also on Aurora (Foxtel Channel 173) at 10am (or access on their website, www.massforyou.com.au, from 7am Sundays).

ALSO, PLEASE NOTE FRIDAY 9AM MASS (HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH) will not be held during the above period.

Alternatively, there is 9am Mass on Fridays at Holy Family Church, Indooroopilly.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY is usually held during 8.00 am Mass (school terms only), however, it **will not resume** until Sunday's 8.00am Mass recommences at Holy Spirit Church. Watch this space for re-start date for Term 2.

This Sunday is **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** (7 April).



Divine Mercy Sunday

*Eternal Father,
I offer You the Body and Blood,
Soul and Divinity of Your
dearly beloved Son,
Our Lord, Jesus Christ,
in atonement for our sins
and those of the whole world.*

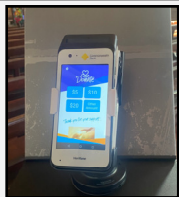
ATTENTION: 7AM MASS ST IGNATIUS CHURCH ATTENDEES.

Please note, **next Sunday 14 April** 'Tour de Brisbane', A bicycle race, is being held; the organisers have made us aware of road closures in our vicinity, some of which may impact those who attend 7am Mass, particularly if you use Western Freeway / Centenary Highway, or travel around Mt Coot-tha or Toowong Cemetery. To check if your usual route to Church may be impacted that morning, please refer to event website for detailed road closure info. & times, including map: <https://tourdebrisbane.org/roads/>.



THANK YOU !

Sincere appreciation & gratitude is expressed to all those who contributed in many and varied ways for our Parish's Easter Triduum ceremonies — to Master of Ceremonies, Musicians & Choir, Roster co-ordinators, Altar Servers, Ministers of the Word and Eucharist, Projector and Livestream operators, Sacristans and those who prepared the churches, Collectors and Money Counters. Thank you all for your contribution ministering to the extraordinary congregations which graced our Easter Liturgies.



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

After a successful trial of the electronic payment device at St Ignatius Church Toowong, we will now be trialling one at Holy Spirit Church Auchenflower.

The devices are positioned at church doors at weekend Masses, to receive your electronic donations. It's great option for those wanting to give, but not carrying cash to put in the 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: 2nd Sunday Easter: Acts 4:32-35. 1 John 5:1-6. John 20:19-31.

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday Easter: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19. 1 John 2:1-5. Luke 24:35-48.

Entrance Antiphon: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow in salvation, alleluia.

Spoken Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Sung Response: Let All of Israel (Version 1)

Toowong Parish SET 018



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Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love endures forever.

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Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe. 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 Dimauuro, 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, Linda McCarthy, Cornelia 'Nora' King, Hubert Bonesch, Meagan Bowtell, Bernie Kunkel.

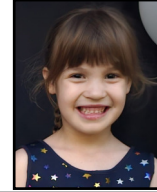
RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Kathleen Persley, Eric Rodrigues, Bob Hulett, Mervyn Samaratunga, Auguste Cavalerie, Patricia Murray, Michael Crawley, Margaret Khoo, Katrina Roberts, Robert Colbran, Michael Wallis.

BAPTISM: Faith Sewell, Amelia Meekels, Ryan Meekels.



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

7 1st Sunday Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

Baptisms: 10.30am—St Ignatius

'Expect-a-Cuppa' following Masses—St Ignatius

8 *The Annunciation of the Lord*

Holy Spirit Church closed for roof replacement (all Masses cancelled until further notice).

9 7.15 SvDP meeting—Horstmann Room

10 7.30pm PPC meeting—Horstmann Room

11 *Saint Stanislaus*

11am bell ringing—St Ignatius

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH COLLECTIONS: \$4,966.50, *Other: nil; *Holy Land (Good Friday): \$1,724.25.

EXPECT-A-CUPPA' (at St Ignatius Church) will be held **this Sunday** (7 April) following Masses. Parishioners and visitors are invited to stay after Mass for a cup of tea or coffee.

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

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS. During these school holidays Parish Secretary will be out of the office on **Tuesday 9th** and **Friday 12th April**. Thank you for your understanding.

ST. IGNATIUS PEACE THROUGH JUSTICE GROUP. Members are planning to be ringing the St Ignatius 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 **Thursday 11 April** or better still come & join in!

PHONE FOUND. Did you attend Easter Sunday Mass at Holy Spirit Church and leave a phone behind? If so, please email parish office, identify make & model to claim it. (collect from Toowong Parish Office by arrangement). Thank you.

NEW POSITION: COOK. Jesuit Community are looking for a cook for Tuesday (dinner) and Wednesday (lunch). Please contact Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ 0487 778 154 or email jacobsg@bne.catholic.net.au for more information.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

2nd Week Easter (II)

1st Reading Gospel

Mon: Isiah 7:1—14,8:10. Luke 1:26-38.

Tues: Acts 4:32-37. John 3:7-15.

Wed: Acts 5:17-26. John 3:16-21.

Thurs: Acts 5:27-33. John 23:31-36.

Fri: Acts 5:34-42. John 6:1-15.

Sat: Acts 6:1-7. John 6:16-21.

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.



THANK YOU.



Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2024. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit caritas.org.au/project-compassion and donate online.

Your generosity will empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger & lift themselves out of poverty.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations.**

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



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/UCLghy4aXqqJRrUliXPjoSA?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).

'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

Mission: Transform Lives - theirs...and yours

Have you been considering whether an overseas professional placement with Palms is for you? Wanting to share your skills with communities in the Pacific, Asia or Africa to help develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty? Come to Palms' Discovery info. session at Garden City Library, on Saturday 27 April, 2—3pm. Meet our director Soraya and former Palms participants to find out more about Assignments Aboard.



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ST IGNATIUS PRIMARY SCHOOL INFORMATION

St Ignatius School is taking enrolments for Prep 2025. Please visit www.stignatiustoowong.qld.edu.au to submit an enrolment application online. Interviews will take place soon so please ensure you have completed your application.



Twilight Tours
1st May & 24th July
5:00pm to 6:30pm



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

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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.bneatholic.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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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.

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Superior

Parish Office Staff

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