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Welcome to the Parish



Jan Aplin

Parish Safeguarding Representative

Safeguarding in Ministry

As our yearly Safeguarding Training approaches, I thought I would like to revise some key points regarding Safeguarding.

What can each of us do to create an extended culture of guardianship?

- Respect the dignity of each child, young person and adult in the community
- Be aware, not overly suspicious of the possibilities of abuse
- Trust our instincts, avoid gossip and consult with appropriate persons
- Be open to acquiring a deeper understanding of the harm caused by abuse
- Undertake willingly the checks required by State and Church agencies
- Abide by the Code of Ethical Behaviour
- Work to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults in our community
- Make a personal commitment to ensuring that our church is a safe community for all

Safeguarding Office

The Diocesan Professional Standards and Safeguarding Office is responsible for ensuring the safety of children, young people and the vulnerable within the confines of the Catholic Church across the Diocese of Rockhampton. This includes responding to disclosures, educating the Catholic community on child protection and protective behaviours and establishing Parish Safeguarding Representatives within parishes across the Diocese.

The Diocesan Pastoral Response

The Diocesan Pastoral Response is the first point of contact for individuals with complaints or concerns pertaining to abuse or/and harm experienced within the Church.

The Diocese responds with compassion, concern and care in the first instance, as well as the provision of ongoing pastoral care and support, including the facilitation of referrals to other appropriate services and human sector professionals.

The Diocesan Pastoral Response reports to the Diocesan Professional Standards and Safeguarding Manager, who is directly accountable to the Bishop of Rockhampton.

On WEDNESDAY 5 JUNE at the Parish Office, sessions will be conducted by our Diocesan Professional Standards and Safeguarding Manager Ms Judy Pidcock. <u>EVERY PERSON</u> in the Parish who does a <u>MINISTRY</u> is asked to attend either session at 10.30 am or 5.30 pm for approximately 1 hour.

PLEASE NOTE change of Mass time.

Thursday May 30th is Bundaberg Show Holiday. As our priests will be travelling back from Rockhampton on that day, Mass will be celebrated at **5.30pm at St Patrick's**

The Catholic Parish of Bundaberg respectfully acknowledges the Taribelang Bunda, Gooreng Gooreng, Gurang, and Bailai Peoples as the Traditional Custodians of the country in which we live. We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev Don White PP

Parish Priest

Rev Sijo George Associate Pastor

Br Ted Magee E.O/ Visitation, Property & Stewardship

Ms Pauline Leahy Lit, Mus, Sac & RCIA Co-ordinator

Mr Jeffrey Caluag Finance ,Marketing & Property Officer

> Mrs Jan Aplin Safeguarding Representative & Bereavement Co-ordinator

Mrs Sandra Fox
Receptionist

PARISH STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Mrs Kaye Beston
Acting-Chair

Ms Nadene Pettett

Secretary

Members:

Mr David Batt
Mr John Begeda
Ms Madonna Davitt
Dr Preshy Varghese
Mr Michael Walker

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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St Patrick's Principal Mrs Kim O'Shea-Hard spboffice@rok.catholic.edu.au Ph: 4152 1380

> Shalom College Principal Mr Dan McMahon

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CHURCHES

Holy Rosary Church Cnr Barolin & Woongarra Streets

St Patrick's Church
14 Powers Street

St James' Church 38 See Street Bargara

Parish News and Announcements

At Masses this Sunday we are mindful of three significant events.

- The last day of Laudato Si week Seeds of Hope
- National Sorry Day Remembers the mistreatment of Aboriginal peoples.
 (Bringing Them Home report was published 1997 regarding forced removal of Aboriginal children.)
- The Beginning of National Reconciliation week A time for Australia to reinforce connection to Aboriginal culture, share histories, unite through actions, opportunities, and achievements.

The Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace provides a reflection on the synergy between the three events and celebrations.

Laudato Si Week gave us examples of how we can learn from our Indigenous cultures of "Care for our Common Home". National Sorry Day brings with it the hope that we act always with universal brotherhood and sisterhood to all humanity. National Reconciliation Week calls us to be one in the hope we share as members of one humanity, one creation.

As we celebrate these three events, let us make our prayer the prayer for Jubilee 2025 "Pilgrims of Hope".



"May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth."

Amen

Alpha starting soon!

For the Young, or not so young. We all have questions. Ask them at Alpha. There's always a seat for you at Alpha!



PENTECOST-CHURCH CRAWL: Approximately 180 people took part in the walk to celebrate Unity and the Birth of the Church. Led by Fr Don, Mother Kate, and Rev. Stuart, the faithful united in prayer, scripture, and song at each of the three Church stops.

A delightful afternoon tea followed at the Novakoski Centre.

Thanks to all who made the pilgrimage and to the many people who prepared and served the afternoon tea

It was more than a "feel-good" exercise; it was a great demonstration of Christian Unity and fellowship.

CHILDRENS' MASS AND MORNING TEA: The next Childrens' Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's on Sunday, May 26th at 9.00am.

Morning Tea will follow the Mass. Please bring along a plate to share with all, as we gather after Mass for fellowship and sharing.

BEREAVEMENT TEAM MEETING: will be held in the Parish Office on Friday, May 31st at 11.15am. Anyone wishing to know more is welcome.

ONLINE YOUTH GROUP FOR YEARS 8-12: This term the diocese is offering an online youth group for anyone in years 8-12. We will be going through 'The Search Begins' video series which is tailored for teens wanting to explore the big questions like what is the meaning of life? And is God real? We will meet over Zoom on Tuesday afternoons from 4:15pm to 5:30pm concluding on June 18th. For more info and to register scan the QR code.



DIRECT DEBIT GIVING: If you wish to make a donation to the Parish by direct debit, please scan the QR code and follow the prompts. **Thank You.**



Parish News and Announcements

INVITATION TO PAPAL NUNCIO'S CONCELEBRATED MASS: On May 27th, His Excellency, Archbishop Charles Balvo, Papal Nuncio in Australia, will concelebrate Mass with Bishop Michael and the Priests of the Parish at 11.30am at Holy Rosary. Following the Mass, there will be the opportunity to meet the Archbishop and to congratulate Bishop Michael on his tenth anniversary as our Bishop. All are welcome.

MEMORIAL SERVICE – HOLY ROSARY CHURCH WEDNESDAY 12th JUNE, 2024 – 7.00 PM

Over the past years in our Catholic Parish of Bundaberg, it has been a wonderful custom to hold a Memorial Service twice a year for family and friends who have lost a loved one in the six (6) months prior to the service.

"We have loved them in life, let us not forget them in death" - St Ambrose

On Wednesday 12th June at 7 pm in Holy Rosary Church we will gather to pray with our families and friends. Invitations have been posted, but we also extend an invitation to other members of the Parish, who would like to remember their loved ones. You are all very welcome. A light supper will be served after the service in Novakoski Hall. Please register your attendance by contacting the Parish Office (in person) or call 4151 6666. BEREAVEMENT COORDINATOR—Jan Aplin.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE: The Parish Office will be closed between 11.00am and 2.00pm on Monday, June 27th.

CHRISTIAN UNITY PRAYER GROUP: Will gather for Prayer and fellowship on Tuesday, May 28th at the Christ Church Anglican Church 10.00am. All are welcome.

TERM 3 ROSTERS: The compiling of these rosters will begin soon. If you would like to be added to this roster or are unavailable on certain dates, please email Sarah at the Parish Office, wbundaberg@rok.catholic.net.au **before June 21**^{st.}

WE PRAY FOR THOSE BAPTISED: Hugo Stephen Olsen, Toby Alexander Olsen, Veeran

Eric Rajathurai and Tyler Rombo-Johnston.

FUNERALS

Stephen Smith Holy Rosary Church

Monday June 3rd 11.00am

Carmelina Lemura Holy Rosary Church

Thursday June 6th 1.30pm

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED IN PRAYER

RECENTLY DECEASED: Lorna (Wendy) Cassell (Brisbane), Stephen Smith, Carmelina Lemura, Paul Schleger, Roy McGuiness, Pedro Latina (Philippines), Francis Gil Cruz (California), Mary Burton, Rita Hyde, Lobinki Militano.

MASS OFFERED FOR ANNIVERSARIES: Annette Sutton 23.05.2022, Tonino Crawford 9.06.2020, Franceso Cafolla 22.06.1948, Lawrence Formosa 2.06.2014, Norman Dutton 23.05.2023, Norma Brosnan 5.05.2022, Robert Potter 25.02.1983, Len Potter 23.11.2019, David Potter 2.02.2024, Josephine Formosa 18.04.1999, Leone Munckton 29.03.2023, Paul Formosa 05.03.2021, Robert Potter 25.02.1983, Joe Attard 25.01.2023, Len Potter 23.11.2019, Susan Bromwich 11.04.2013.

MASS OFFERED BY REQUEST: Sunny Joseph, Ross Joseph, Paul Formosa and Family members, Zillah Geiger, Joseph Formosa, Joyce Galea, William Moss, Dorothy Swiatczyk, Phil Marano, Joe Attard, Frank Attard, Mary Jane Theuma, Forte and Theresa Gales, Mick and Mary Galea deceased

LITURGIES

Monday 27 May 2024

St Augustine of Canterbury

11.30am Holy Rosary - Mass

Tuesday 28 May 2024

8.30am St James' - Penance 9.00am St James' - Mass 5.30pm St Patrick's - LWC

Wednesday 29 May 2024 St Paul VI

8.00am Shalom – LWC 12.15pm Holy Rosary – LWC

Thursday 30 May 2024

5.30pm St Patrick's-Mass

Friday 31 May 2024

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11.00am Holy Rosary -Exposition 11.30am Holy Rosary -Penance 12.15pm Holy Rosary -Mass

Saturday 1 June 2024

7.30am St Patrick's – Mass 9.00am Holy Rosary – Penance 6.00pm St Patrick's – Mass

Sunday 2 June 2024

Corpus Christi

7.00am St James' - Mass 8.00am Holy Rosary - Mass 9.00am St Patrick's- Mass 12 noon Baffle Creek-Mass 5.30pm Holy Rosary- Mass

SCRIPTURES

First Reading

Exodus 24:3-8

Second Reading

Hebrews 9:11-15

Gospel

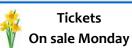
Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

A Stewardship Thought

Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?

From

"The Summer Day"
Mary Oliver





PRAYER GROUPS

United Hearts Catholic Charismatic Group

Next gathering will be held on Tuesday 2nd June commencing at 7.00pm in Novakoski Centre.

ROSARY GROUP

The Rosary Group meets every Tuesday at St Patrick's Church 5.00pm and Thursday at Holy Rosary Church 5.30pm.

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton

abides by the principles of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (2022), and is committed to safeguarding, with a specific focus on protecting children and vulnerable adults. For further information or support please contact the Diocesan Professional Standards and Safeguarding Office:

Response Line: 1800 830 113 (free call)

Email: pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.

Diocesan website for more information:

https://rok.catholic.net.au/ourdiocese/safeguarding/

To view the Diocesan Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk commitment statement and policy: www.rok.catholic.net.au/safeguarding -policies.html

OTHER CONTACTS

Ms Judy Pidcock: 4887 3080 Diocesan Safeguarding

Catholic Care: 1300 523 985 St Vincent de Paul: 4339 3700 Ozcare: 1800 692 273 Mater Hospital: 4153 9539 Towards Healing: 1800 337 928

AFTER HOURS

Anointing of the Sick for Medical Emergencies Phone 4151 6666 & follow the prompts

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH OPEN HOURS

Holy Rosary Church will be open weekdays from 9.00am - 3.00pm.

On weekends and Public Holidays, it will be open a short time before and closed soon after any liturgies or rituals in the Church.

REFLECTION AND RECOLLECTION

A CHRISTIAN PRAYER IN UNION WITH CREATION

(Laudato Si Movement)

Father, we praise you with all your creatures. They came forth from your all-powerful hand; they are yours, filled with your presence and your tender love.

Praise be to you!

Son of God, Jesus, through you all things were made. You were formed in the womb of Mary our Mother, you became part of this earth, and you gazed upon this world with human eyes. Today you are alive in every creature in your risen glory.

Praise be to you!

Holy Spirit, by your light you guide this world towards the Father's love and accompany creation as it groans in travail. You also dwell in our hearts, and you inspire us to do what is good.

Praise be to you!



NATIONAL SORRY DAY PRAYER

(Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace)

Almighty and loving God,

You who created ALL people in your image, lead us to seek your compassion as we listen to the stories of the violence in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories.

You gave your only Son, Jesus, who died and rose again so that sin is forgiven. We place before you the pain and anguish of dispossession of land, language, lore, culture, and family kinship that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have experienced.

We live in faith that all people will rise from the depths of despair and hopelessness, and in particular Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families who have endured the pain and loss of loved ones, through the separation of children and their families.

Touch the hearts of the broken, homeless, and inflicted and heal their spirits. In your mercy and compassion walk with us as we continue our journey of healing to create a future that is just and equitable.

Lord you are our hope.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT PRAYER

(Diocese of Rockhampton)

We acknowledge and thank our God, the creator of the land on which we gather – the creation that gives us life and love, and feeds our creativity, experiences, sharing and memories.

We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the original custodians of God's land, who have enriched our lives by sharing their knowledge, their customs, their cultures and their connection to the lands and waterways of Australia.

We acknowledge those who for many years have continued to care for and work on the land and provide us with sustenance, stories, and a richness of tradition.

As people who believe in the healing and redeeming power of Jesus Christ for all peoples, we pray for a deep reconciliation where it is needed and healing in the lives of all who may be hurting.

Amen