

In an article in the Courier Mail last week, Br. Ted Magee was described as a "household name" across Queensland due to his role as Principal of four Catholic Colleges across the state, and his work in the caring for other Christian Brothers and the development of the mission of the congregation.¹ For us in Bundaberg, he was a close family member, friend, and colleague and we were blessed by his generous service to our parish community. So at this time, we feel a deep sense of loss and especially offer to Jan and all of Br. Ted's family, and the Christian Brothers, our prayerful support. Fittingly, Br. Ted's funeral mass will take the place of the parish mass of the day, on Wednesday at 12.15pm at Holy Rosary Church.

Each morning Br. Ted was always the first person in the parish office to kick-start the day and to prepare and help others prepare for the day ahead which could take in many activities, meetings, and celebrations. As Executive Officer he was involved in many aspects of parish life, and I acknowledge his support to myself and the other priests, and the parish staff with whom he worked collaboratively. So, we will miss him as a friend and a parish leader. Our parish will take time to discern how best to fill the gap that Br. Ted leaves. When Br. Ted assumed the role of Stewardship Co-ordinator in September 2022, he wrote in this bulletin how the parish community of Bundaberg had helped to shape him though faith and example. From his early beginnings here in Bundaberg, he went on to serve as a Christian Brother for 65 years, a wonderful life of dedicated service to Christ and to so many people he

by: Fr Don White Parish Priest

encountered in that time. He also wrote, "Now is the time for me to give back to the community that formed me and I am indeed fortunate that the position of Stewardship Co-Ordinator was offered to me here in my home city.... Each of us is born with a song in us that needs to be sung; each of us is a diamond in the rough....my wish in this role is to hear the songs sung loudly; see all the diamonds show their sparkle and lustre... and to rejoice in the relationships of this faith community...²" Br. Ted truly lived out his words.

Thank you, Br. Ted, for your service over many decades, and we pray for him, *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace, Amen.*

² Catholic Parish of Bundaberg Bulletin 11/12th September 2022.



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.

¹ The Courier Mail, 30/04/2025.

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CHURCHES

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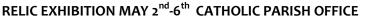
St Patrick's Church 14 Powers Street

St James' Church 38 See Street Bargara

Parish News and Announcements

VISIT OF THE RELIC AND EXHIBITION OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS:

Blessed Carlo's Canonisation has been postponed to a date to be set when a new Pope is announced. The visit will be an opportunity to understand the life of this young man and to pray for all teenagers in our world as they live out their Faith. As a parish community we look forward to this special time and encourage all to rekindle our love of the Eucharist.



MAY 2nd 5.30pm Holy Rosary Church– Ritual of welcome.

Following the ritual the relic will be bought to the Parish Office Conference Room where it will be placed with an exhibition of his life's work on the miracles of the Eucharist. The exhibition will remain open until 9.00pm. Refreshments will be served in the Novakoski Centre at 6.00pm.

May 3rd and 4th-Exhibition will be open 9.00am-5.00pm.

May 5th-Exhibition will be open after 9.00am Mass until 11.00am.

May 6th-Exhibition will be open 9.00am-4.00pm Mainly for schools (in groups of approx thirty) members of the Parish are welcome to come.

MAY CALENDAR AMENDMENTS: Please note there will be **NO Solemn Masses in May** at 8.00am as listed on the calendar. They will be listed in the bulletin when they are scheduled.

BLANKET BUDDIES CANCELLATION : There will be no Blanket Buddies on Wednesday 7th May.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE CWL FUNDRAISER—Western Queensland Flood Recovery: Join in the fun of a Devonshire Tea and Continuous raffle to raise money for the Western Queensland Flood recovery. Bookings through the Parish Office on **41516666**. Tuesday 6th **May** at **St Patrick's Hall** for a **9.30am** start. **\$10 per person (Paid on the day)**, bring a Friend or two.

INVITATION TO ALL HEALTH CARE WORKERS: The Parish will celebrate the **Jubilee of Health Care Workers** on International Nurses Day, **Thursday May 15.** Fr Don wishes to invite All involved in the Health and Wellbeing of everyone in our community to come together on this day. Mass will be celebrated at **St Patrick's at 12.15pm** followed by hospitality. This will be a wonderful opportunity to express our gratitude to you all and to thank God for the gift of each one in this caring and compassionate ministry. Parishioners are welcome to attend the Jubilee event also. May God bless all who care for us in our time of illness and need.

SEMINARY APPEAL 10th/11th MAY: Envelopes are on the end of each pew. We ask you to take them home and bring them back next weekend. Let us support these young men who are discerning their vocation to priesthood.



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MEMORIAL SERVICE: Thank you to those who contributed to making the Memorial Service a prayerful night to allow us to reflect upon those who have passed. Thankyou to the Bereavement Team who supplied the refreshments on the night and thankyou to Browns Funerals for the donation of the Roses.

WEDNESDAY ADORATION AT HOLY ROSARY: The Adoration between 6.00pm and 7.00pm begun during Lent will continue. However, there will be <u>NO</u> Adoration on Wednesday May 14th – the Teaching Mass in the Sacramental Program is being held at 5.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

ECUMENICAL OPPORTUNITY: We are invited to join a prayer service at Christ Church Anglican Church at **12noon** on **Saturday 17th May.** This is a part of the Anglican Church of Australia's "Hope25", which seeks to empower their parishes and communities in an intentional season of sharing hope in Jesus from Easter to Pentecost this year. A great opportunity to express our own yearning for Hope during our Jubilee Year.



RECENTLY BAPTISED: May Nguyen Khong and Maily Nguyen Khong.

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WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED IN PRAYER

RECENTLY DECEASED: Br Lionel "Ted" Magee, Catherine Harding, Ignaz (Ian) Hollauf, Jim Roberts, Nu Thi Nguyen, May McFarlane, Martin Galea (Sydney), Rahleen Ryan (Welshpool/ Brisbane), Wendy Foster, Ikin Nasio, Laurie McKeown, Joe Formosa (Malta).

MASS OFFERED FOR ANNIVERSARIES: Norma Brosnan 5.05.2022, Willemina Drent 6.04.2019, William Drent 8.05.2011, Len Schmeider 8.04.2021, Isobel Aplin 6.04.2019, Ron Cook 5.04.2006, Jack McGlynn & Mavis Simons 25.04.2017, Muriel Magee 10.04.1995, Rita Hyde 27.04.2024, Sharlee Catherine Arkinstall 19.04.2023, Michele Grosso 4.04.2007, Teresa Brillante 27.04.2009 John Wildenberg 8.04.1982, Rhian Elsmore 1.04.2010, Nel Van Laerhoven 7.04.2013.

MASS OFFERED BY REQUEST: Joseph Galea, Antonia Cutas, Emiliano Cabatuan, Sofera Alesna, Deceased members of the Formosa Family including Paul and Lawrence Formosa, Carmen Grima, Giseppa Formosa, Margaret Healey, Terence James Cagney, Sheelah Margaret Cagney, Margaret Mary Cagney, Gloria May Collins, Deceased members of the Cagney, Cross, Collins & Martins Family, Rosa A Andres, Ramon D Andres, Bill and Jess Noble, Noel Chio Jr, Arnel Legarta Sr, Margaret Healey, Giuseppe Matteo Marin , Paul Galea, Joseph Attard, Lavene Bailey, Joyce Galea, Forte & Theresa Galea, Mick and Mary Galea deceased relatives of the Galea & Zahra Families. Kevin and Doris Whalley.

LITURGIES

Monday 5 May 2025 9.00am Holy Rosary - Mass

> **Tuesday 6 May 2025** 9.00am St James' - LWC 5.30pm St Patrick's -LWC

Wednesday 7 May 2025 8.00am Shalom—LWC 12.15pm Holy Rosary Funeral Mass –Br Ted Magee

Thursday 8 May 2025 7.00am St Patrick's -Mass

Friday 9 May 2025

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

Saturday 10 May 2025

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

Sunday 11 May 2025

7.00am St James' - Mass 8.00am Holy Rosary 9.00am St Patrick's -Mass 5.30pm Holy Rosary- Mass

SCRIPTURES

First Reading Acts 14,43-52 Second Reading Revelation 7: 9,14-17 Gospel John 10:27-30



for the life of

June Beckhouse Friday 9th May 2025 9.30am Holy Rosary Church



Jim Roberts Friday 16th May 2025 2.00pm St Patrick's Church

St Mary's Sunday School

When: Each Sunday after 9.00am Mass.

Where: St Patrick's Hall.

For children and youth 3yrs old —16years.

Contact: <u>Dr Preshy Vaughese</u> (Principal) and Josmy Jithin (Vice Principal).

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Response Line: 1800 830 113 (free call)

Email: pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.

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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.



I eat breakfast. If I don't have something substantial, I'm fading by midmorning. Breakfast is my key meal because it sets up my physical wellbeing for the rest of the day.

Spiritually speaking, we need sustenance to get us going. This is true for the Apostles in this Sunday's remarkable Gospel reading. The risen Jesus makes his third appearance to them in the early morning light and calls, "Come, have breakfast" (John 21:12). The exhausted and cold fishermen sit, and he feeds them bread and fish as the dawn breaks. They are overwhelmed by his presence to the point of awestruck silence. As they eat, their bodies and their hearts come alive. Once refreshed by their morning meal, they will be ready to feed others — indeed, the whole world — with the love of the risen Jesus. But first, they need breakfast from him.

Do you realize how essential early morning prayer is? Jesus desires to refresh us every morning with his word of love, with his grace-filled presence. This week, hear Jesus calling to you: "Come, have breakfast!" Embrace some form of spiritual, meditative practice each morning for spiritual strength to get you going.

_ Father John Muir ©LPi

