

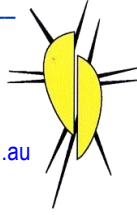
Cathedral Parish

Cathedral, Stanley Street, Townsville. **St Mary's**, West End.
St Francis Xavier, Railway Estate. **St Patrick's**, South Townsville.
St Joan of Arc, Magnetic Island and **St. Joseph's Church**, North Ward

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Parish Hours: West End: Monday thru Friday 9:30am - 5:00pm /
North Ward: Monday thru Thursday 9am - 12noon
Saturday and Sunday Closed



Moderator: Fr Rod Ward
Pastor: Fr Jan Szweda SVD and Fr Gideon Awudi SVD
Parish Staff: Juliet Walker and Jo-Anne O'Brien
Director of Music: Jackie Crocker, Catholic Diocesan of Townsville

MESSAGE FROM MODERATOR

Masses and liturgies at churches in Cathedral Parish during Easter ceremonies were well attended. Many were new to the Parish or were visiting Townsville from elsewhere. We welcomed parishioners who were new to the Parish and we offer them hospitality and support for the future.

The new Parish Leadership Team has already held its first meeting with the next meeting planned for Thursday 18 April commencing 6pm at St Mary's, Ingham Road, West End. The first meeting of the new Parish Mission Finance Council is planned for Tuesday 9 April at the same time and place.

The postponed first meeting of the Parish Mission Council is planned for Tuesday evening 23 April. The three Councils are key to future energy and new ideas for the Parish.

We continue in the Season of Easter with conclusion on Pentecost Sunday, 19 May. Cathedral Parish wishes all a faith-filled journey during this special time.

**FATHER ROD WARD, MODERATOR
CATHEDRAL PARISH**

PARISH NOTICES:



PARISH BAPTISM: Baptisms are held every Sunday at Sacred Heart Cathedral Church and 1st & 3rd Sunday at St Mary's, West End and 2nd, 4th and 5th Sunday at St Joseph's, The Strand Church. For further information and booking, please contact the Parish office on **4771 4461**.



CATHEDRAL PARISH WOMEN'S GROUP: Next meeting for the Women's Group will be on **Tuesday 9th April, 11am at the Parish Office, 28 Ingham Road, West End.**



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
Reconciliation
First Eucharist
and Confirmation

The Sacramental Program are for children from **8yrs and above** wishing to be baptised. Parents are supported through preparation sessions according to the age and development of the child. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to have your child enrolled in the Parish Sacramental Program.

R.C.I.A.



Do you BELIEVE?

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THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) is a process develop by the Catholic Church for prospective converts to Catholicism above the age of infant baptism. **For more details ring the Parish Office or Fr Rod Ward.**

Second Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
07 April 2024: Easter: resurrection and new life; to be begotten by God. A new life, achieved from a conquered tomb. This has been the meaning of life for people for thousands of years. Nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. "As the Father sent me, so I am sending you...".

2nd
Sunday
of Easter

This parish acknowledges the Bindal and Wulgurukaba peoples as the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work and we pay our respects to their Elders, past and present.

COMMUNION ETIQUETTE:

Out of consideration for the community, please do not receive Communion from the Cup if you are unwell. If you receive Communion on the tongue please ensure that you fully extend your tongue for the ease of the minister.

CATHEDRAL PARISH MASS TIME

WEEKDAY MASS

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

7:00 am St Patrick's Church, South Townsville

WEDNESDAY

7:00 am St Mary's Church, West End

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

7:00 am St Francis Xavier Church, Railway Estate

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY:

6:30 am St Joseph's Church, North Ward

Adoration: Monday 7am-12noon

Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am-10:30am

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY:

7:00 am St Mary's Church, West End
(Reconciliation after the Mass)

9:00 am St Joseph's Church, North Ward
(Reconciliation: 9:30am-10:30am)

5:00 pm St Patrick's Church, South Townsville

6:00 pm St Joseph's Church, North Ward

SUNDAY:

7:00 am St Francis Xavier Church, Railway Estate

8:30 am St Mary's Church, West End

8:30 am St Joseph's Church, North Ward

10:00 am Sacred Heart Cathedral Church, Stanley St

5:00 pm Sacred Heart Cathedral Church, Stanley St

5:15 pm St Joan of Arc, Magnetic Island



Mary Help of Christians Parish SVDP Conference

The Conference wishes to thank "ME" for their generous donation



The parish warmly welcomes:

Bianca Alexie Van Essen & Olive
Nellie Kovacick who will be baptised
in Sacred Heart Cathedral Church,
this Sunday.



Liturgy of the ✠ WORD ✠



First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35

The whole group was united, heart and soul.

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117:2-4. 15-18. 22-24. R. v.1

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' (R.)

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. I was punished, I was punished by the Lord, but not doomed to die. (R.)

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. (R.)

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world.

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth.

Gospel Acclamation: John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

Memorial Acclamation:

We proclaim your death, O Lord and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

Penitential Act:

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words. In what I have done and in what I have failed to do. Through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin All the Angels and Saints. And you, my brothers and sisters to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Nicene Creed:

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; Through him, all things were made. For us men, and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried and rose again on the third day, in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son, is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA :

Today we consider the presence of the Risen Lord. Where is he found? Each of the readings offers an answer to this question. The Risen Christ is found in the community of believers who follow the example of Jesus. Even non-believers recognised something marvellously different about the Christian community, and they exclaimed: These Christians, see how they love one another. The Risen Christ is found in those who accept the truth of the resurrection on the word of others. The word of God preached by others has often brought us out of darkness into light, from the stranglehold of death to the birth of new life. The preaching of the disciples has been not only instructive, it has also been transformative. The Risen Christ is found in the forgiveness of sin. Jesus made the frightened disciples ministers of divine forgiveness. The Spirit reconciles sinners with God and, thereby, with the rest of the believing community. Forgiveness is a tangible sign of Christ's mystical presence.

The Risen Christ is found in the physical manifestation of Christ's own wounds, the wounds that he offered to be touched. Since the community is the body of Christ, we touch the wounds of Christ when we touch the wounds of the community, when we go out to the sick and infirm, the dispossessed and the violated. As shocking as these wounds may appear, they are really glorious, because the Risen Lord has identified with them and has made them his own.

PARISH PRAYER LIST:

Please pray for the Sick: *Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servants: Sr Margery Daly; Jan Palmer; Rafael Zarate (2yo); Dorothy & Kevin Newman; Tom Fitzgerald; Peter Crossan; Sue Palmer; Peter Offermans; Deb Lowrie; Warwick Bull; Emma Moss (Luckel); Barry Robinson; Cecil Allen; Bernadane Morlin; Robert Tardini; Loreto & Bolton Clarke Nursing Home residents. For whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, they may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

PRAYER FOR THE SOULS OF THE DEPARTED: *Loving and merciful God, we entrust - Juana Arana Martinez; Luz Sarmiento Rayo & Josh Mills to your mercy. You loved her greatly in this life; now that she is freed from all its cares, give her happiness and peace for ever. The old order has passed away; welcome him/her now into paradise where there will be no more sorrow. No more weeping or pain, but only peace and joy with Jesus, your Son, and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen*

** Please be advised that the parish office requires individual and/or family permission for inclusion in the public prayer list under the Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Act 2012.*

Next Week's Parish Roster:

13 / 14 April 2024: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

<p><u>CATHEDRAL 10am</u> Coordinator: Lee-Ann Barton 1st Reader: Stephen Donohue 2nd Reader: Philomena Xavier Prayer of the Faithful: Darryl Antat Collection: Lee-Ann Barton</p>	<p><u>CATHEDRAL 5pm</u> Coordinator: Carmelina Mamawal 1st Reader: Mai Luarca 2nd Reader: John Gabriel Davis Prayer of the Faithful: Tom Rush Collection: Grace Davis</p>	<p><u>ST MARY'S CHURCH 8:30am</u> Coordinator: Alan Carman 1st Reader: Robyn Smedley 2nd Reader: Dianne Northey Prayer of the Faithful: Alan Carman Collection:</p>	<p><u>ST FRANCIS XAVIER 7am</u> Coordinator: 1st Reader: Belinda O'Donnell 2nd Reader: Sue Winter Prayer of the Faithful: Jim Stone Collection:</p>
<p><u>ST JOAN OF ARC 5:15pm</u> Coordinator: TBA 1st Reader: TBA 2nd Reader: TBA Prayer of the Faithful: Collection: TBA Music: TBA Pickup / Drop off Priest: TBA</p>	<p><u>ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, North Ward 6pm</u> Commentator: Matt Palmer 1st Reader: Anne Fisher 2nd Reader: Miriam O'Donnell Extraordinary Minister of Communion: TBA</p>	<p><u>ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, North Ward 8:30am</u> Commentator: Kieran Keyes 1st Reader: Anna Nicholls 2nd Reader: Toni Goodhew Extraordinary Minister of Communion: Tony Lanigan; Maureen Dougherty; Lisa MacDonald</p>	<p><u>ST PATRICK'S CHURCH 5pm</u> Coordinator: 1st Reader: Greg Jameson 2nd Reader: Paul Lucas Prayer of the Faithful: Antony Jobby Collection:</p>
<p><u>CATHEDRAL COUNTERS:</u> Monday 08 April: Elizabeth Shinnick; Tony Reddy; Terry McAuliffe.</p>		<p><u>CATHEDRAL PIETY:</u> Pam Rush and Tom Rush</p>	<p><u>ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, North Ward: CLEANERS:</u> Team #3</p>

DIOCESAN BASED NOTICES:

PROJECT COMPASSION – 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 and 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 available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

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MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AFTER DIVORCE: Often Catholics whose Marriage has ended in divorce would like to know what is required before they are free to marry in the church. If this is your situation, or if someone you know is in this situation, a member of the Marriage Tribunal staff would be happy to speak with you. There are several procedures used depending on individual circumstances. It is important to know that what applies to one person may not apply to another. Anyone wishing to arrange a confidential meeting to discuss this matter can phone 4726 3243 or email tribtsv@tsv.catholic.org.au usual office days are Wednesday and Thursday, but a message can be left at any time and your call will be returned.

All Churches of Cathedral Parish Sunday Mass collections from 30 / 31 March 2024

Sunday Mass Collections	Cathedral 10am	Cathedral 5pm	St Mary's 8:30am	St Francis Xavier 7am	SJArc 5:15pm	St Patrick 5pm	Cathedral Vigil	St Joseph's 6pm	St Joseph's 8:30am	TOTALS
First	\$910.50	\$387.25	\$466.25	\$369.80	-	-	\$366.70	\$786.65	\$965.40	\$4,252.55
Second	\$225.45	\$121.30	\$103.10	\$106.40	-	-	\$44.60	\$119.75	\$200.50	\$921.10
P/Giving Cash/DD	\$25.00	-	\$130.00	\$135.70	-	\$120.00	-	\$262.00	\$180.00	\$852.70
Total Collections for the Week	\$1,160.95	\$508.55	\$699.35	\$611.90	-	\$120.00	\$411.30	\$1,168.40	\$1,345.90	6,026.35

Thank you to all parishioners for your ongoing financial support of our parish and its good works. Your generosity helps continue the important ministries and services provided Across the many worshipping communities in our Parish - Centered in Christ. Missions - Maintenance - Ministries

Sacramental Program 2024

St Joseph's Church, North Ward

Reconciliation

24th March - 8:30 - 11am

Commitment Mass, Morning Tea & Preparation

21st April - 8:30 - 11am

Mass, Preparation & Liturgy Practice

2nd May - 6:00pm - Reconciliation Liturgy

Confirmation

5th May - 8:30 - 11am

Commitment Mass, Morning Tea & Preparation

12th May - 8:30 - 10:30am

Mass & Preparation

19th May - 8:30 - 11am

Mass, Preparation & Liturgy Practice

21st May - 6:30pm - Confirmation Liturgy with Bishop Tim

First Communion

21st July - 8:30 - 11am

Commitment Mass, Morning Tea & Preparation

28th July - 8:30 - 10:30am

Mass & Preparation

4th August - 8:30 - 11am

Mass, Preparation & Liturgy Practice

18th August - 10am - First Communion Mass



PLEASE CALL: 4721 3765

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The Kids' Bulletin



Second Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 7th, 2024



"Put your finger here,
and see my hands;
and put out your hand,
and place it in my side;
do not be faithless,
but believing."

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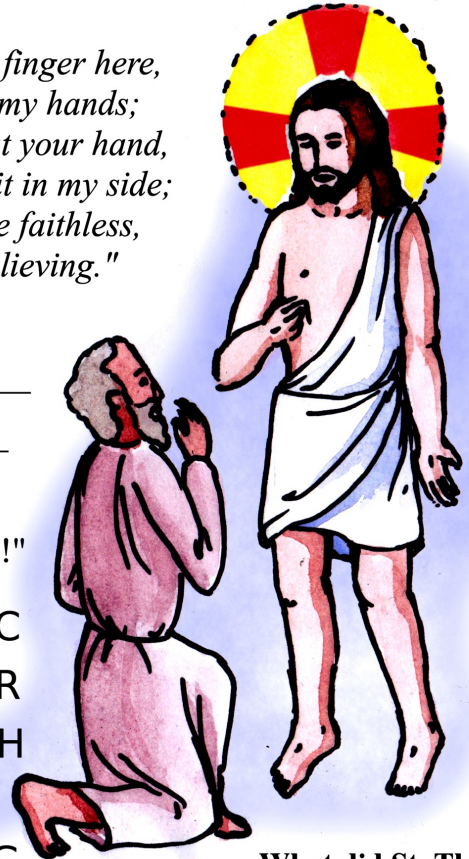
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M O N D O



What did St. Thomas
reply to Jesus? Use every second
letter to fill in the blanks!

Divine Mercy Sunday

Today the Church celebrates the feast of Divine Mercy. On this day we thank God for His forgiveness and love. It is the mercy of God that lets all of us come back to Him after we have sinned.



We know how much Jesus loves us because He suffered and died for us. When we have sinned, He wants us to be sorry and come back to Him. No matter how big of a sin you do, if you are sorry for it then God will forgive you. He wants to forgive you because He loves you!

Today we should thank God for His mercy and forgiveness and ask Him to look on us and our friends and the whole world with love and forgiveness! Here is a prayer we can say:

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.

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