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

Parish Office: 28 Ingham Road West End. Townsville Postal Address: PO Box 1510 Townsville, QLD 4810

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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

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 was held on Tuesday 9 April.

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.

Each of these three meetings are Formation meetings with the members taken through a sense of where they see the future of the Parish Spiritually, Pastorally and Financially. There is encouragement for members to share thoughts and decisions with parishioners in each community and to be available for those conversations. This is an opportunity to move forward with new ideas.

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.



The parish warmly welcomes:

Macey Annmarie Cowan; Angus James Halliday and Eli Robert Hutchinson who will be baptised in Sacred Heart Cathedral Church this Sunday.



The Sacramental Program are for children from SACRAMENTAL 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.



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

Third Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord 14 April 2024: Easter: What could convince someone to turn to God? That God became man and is the sacrifice that takes our sins away. Let us pray - Lord Jesus, make Your word plain to us and set our hearts on fire with love when You speak. Enable us to respond to the call to be witnesses of Your love.



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





CATHEDRAL PARISH WOMEN'S GROUP: Next women 7th May, 11am at the Parish Office, 28 Ingham Road, West End.

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE: Tickets on sale from 21 April at St Francis Xavier; St Patrick's and St Mary's. \$1 per ticket & drawn on Tuesday 7th May 2024 after mass at St Patrick's Church.

Liturgy of the **†** WORD **†**



First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15. 17-19 You have killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7 (R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)

'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5

Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

Gospel Acclamation: See Luke 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 24:35-48

It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

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:

The first sentence of the gospel reading sets the context for the themes of today: 'Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.' Who is the Jesus that they recognised? And what does this recognition require? Jesus is the servant of the God of the early ancestors, the long awaited messiah, and the innocent sufferer portrayed in the prophetic tradition. He is the fulfilment of our deepest aspirations. When we gather around the table for the sacramental meal, we encounter the Risen Lord. There the sacred traditions of our religious heritage are opened for us and we are enabled to recognise him in the traditions and in the breaking of the bread.

In order to encounter the Risen Lord in the breaking of the bread and in the breaking open of the word, we need docile hearts ready to embrace the deepest meaning of our religious heritage. We need hearts that have been purified in the love of God; hearts that have been totally transformed. The commandment of love requires nothing less.

Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people described in the first reading, must live reformed lives. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people addressed in the second reading, must be obedient to God's commandment of love. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the disciples portrayed in the gospel, must preach the good news of God's forgiveness to all nations. Easter faith assures us that all of this is possible.

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 & Angela Alagan 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: 20 / 21 April 2024: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B CATHEDRAL 10am CATHEDRAL 5pm ST MARY'S CHURCH 8:30am ST FRANCIS XAVIER 7am Coordinator: Mari McAuliffe Coordinator: Lee-Ann Barton **Coordinator:** Coordinator: 1st Reader: George 1st Reader: Mary McAuliffe 2nd Reader: Ruby Franklin 1st Reader: Deborah Millard Carmelina Mamawal 2nd Reader: Paul Rajnoch 1st Reader: Michael Clive 2nd Reader: Nila Crossan Prayer of the Faithful: Prayer of the Faithful: Prayer of the Faithful: 2nd Reader: Tom Rush **Margaret Crowther** Prayer of the Faithful: John Marie McAuliffe Aathu Wilson Collection: Lee-Ann Barton **Gabriel Davis** Collection: Collection: Collection: Grace Davis ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, North ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, North ST JOAN OF ARC 5:15pm ST PATRICK'S CHURCH 5pm Coordinator: TBA Ward 6pm Ward 8:30am Coordinator: Commentator: John Fraser Commentator: Greg Luckel 1st Reader: Antony Jobby 1st Reader: TBA 2nd Reader: TBA 2nd Reader: Lena Williamson 1st Reader: Helen McManimm 1st Reader: Maureen Dougherty Prayer of the Faithful: 2nd Reader: Connie Cairns 2nd Reader: Greg Reardon Prayer of the Faithful: Collection: TBA **Extraordinary Minister of Extraordinary Minister of** Michael Clive Music: TBA Communion: TBA Communion: Mary Molloy; Joe Collection: Pickup / Drop off Priest: TBA Droquet; Lisa MacDonald **CATHEDRAL COUNTERS**: **CATHEDRAL PIETY:** ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, North Pam Rush and Tom Rush Monday 15 April: Elizabeth Shinnick; Tony Reddy; Terry Ward: CLEANERS: Team #4 McAuliffe.

DIOCESAN BASED NOTICES:

Faciliating Open Couple Communication Understanding and Study (FOCCUS)©: Pre-Marriage Inventory, previously known as the Marriage Preparation Course Couples are invited to explore their relationship with each other and the marriage they would like to have, through discussions on topics; what strengthens and weakens relationships, communication and resolving conflict. Couples will be asked to consider a series of questions relating to their relationship in context of parenting, religion, spirituality, values, readiness, communication, problem solving, intimacy and family of origin. A second session may be required for further opportunity for couple to discuss the topics from the previous session with a qualified pre-marriage educator. Couples will receive a certificate on the successful completion of the course. FOCCUS© is an opportunity for discussion, not a test, predictor or compatibility assessment. LOCATION: Townsville, Burdekin, Charters Towers and Ingham

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Follow Townsville Youth Ministry on Social Media: Follow our Diocesan Youth Ministry page to stay updated on all youth events in the Diocese! We also have weekly quotes, fun facts and cool stories to share. Instagram & Facebook: @catholicyouthtownsville

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR?: The House of Prayer is welcoming interest and enrolments for their spiritual direction formation program beginning in May. The program will run part time over 3 years with 3 intensives each year. This formation is beneficial to anyone called to a listening ministry and those who would like to explore their own contemplative practices. To express your interest or for more information, please contact Brianne Falconieri at the House of Prayer on 4728 9861 or visit our website https://www.houseofprayertownsville.org.au/formation-program.html

HOSPITAL ADMISSION: Dedicated priests and trained volunteers visit as many of our sick parishioners as possible in all our hospitals. If you are admitted to hospital remember to ask staff to mark your religion as 'Catholic' if you would like the ministry of a priest or Catholic hospital visitor.

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 06 / 07 April 2024									
Sunday Mass Collections	Cathedral 10am	Cathedral 5pm	St Mary's 8:30am	St Francis Xavier 7am	St Joan of Arc 5:15pm	St Patrick's 5pm	St Joseph's 6pm	St Joseph's 8:30am	TOTALS
First	\$376.25	\$87.70	\$214.75	\$210.05	\$466.10	\$143.75	\$79.90	\$375.55	\$1,954.05
Second	\$171.30	\$34.00	\$79.40	\$44.70	\$179.15	\$22.00	\$68.00	\$214.45	\$813.00
P/Giving Cash/ DD	\$25.00	-	\$210.00	\$271.00	\$40.00	\$59.50	\$130.00	\$345.00	\$1,080.50
Total Collections for the Week	\$572.55	\$121.70	\$504.15	\$525.75	\$685.25	\$225.25	\$277.90	\$935.00	\$3,847.55

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

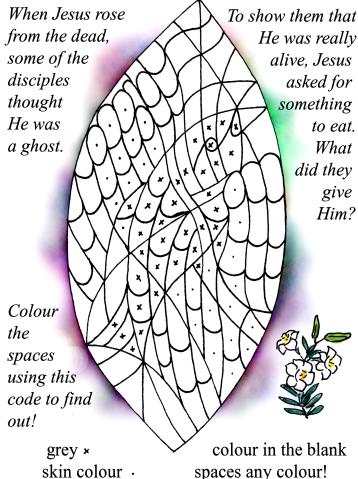


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The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday of Easter April 14th, 2024

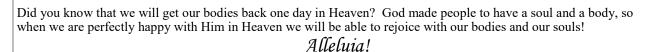


Jesus' Body Came Back to Life! When Jesus rose from the dead, was He just a spirit or did He have a real living body?



Some of the disciples thought He was just a spirit or ghost at first and were afraid. But Jesus showed them He was really alive again, with a real body, by eating some fish. Of course, a ghost can't eat anything because it doesn't have a real body.

When we die, our body will be buried in the ground and turn back into earth. But our soul will not die. At the end of the time we will get our body back, but not an old worn out body, but it will be a new and fresh, with no problems in it! Jesus showed us what it would be like when He came back to life after His death.





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