



Ministerial Region of the Good Shepherd Parish

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR B 14TH AND 15TH APRIL 2024

Food for the heart

Anything to eat, Mum?

You stop what you're doing to hear the same words that Jesus asks his shocked friends in today's Gospel. Well, maybe not the same words, but the same request. Actually, the words are more like, "Mum, I'm hungry. We got anything to eat?" It's your seven-year-old with a couple of his friends, foraging in your kitchen after a busy afternoon of playing football, hiking through the swamp and tearing up the street on their bikes. But you hear the words with the same love and care and joy as if it was Christ himself asking. Because it is Christ asking.



Would you like bread with that?

A soup kitchen open every night in your town? Really? You never imagined the number of people who are living on the edge until you were recruited to volunteer a couple of nights a month to help cook and serve supper for the hungry and homeless. You'll never forget that first night when you ladled stew into a bowl and placed it in the dirty, scarred hand of a homeless woman. In that moment, you realised that the hand that gratefully took the stew from yours was the hand of Christ.



The rumbling in your stomach that you can't satisfy . . .

Sometimes the pangs of hunger and the parched throat are your own — but it's not the kind of hunger that can be satisfied with a Big Mac or a thirst that can be quenched with a Coke. It's the hunger we all experience at some point in our lives for a sense of belonging, for the reassurance that our lives matter and mean something, that there is a point to our existence besides just existing. The only "food" that will satisfy this hunger is the sustenance of your loving and patient care that can nourish and sustain the soul and spirit of someone broken or in despair — food that is the very love and care of Christ, the Christ who gives himself to us as bread for life, as wine for hope, as the lamb for our redemption.

Just as the Risen Jesus asks the Eleven for "something to eat," he asks the same of us today in the cries and pleas of the poor and needy in our midst. In imitating his humility and compassion, we, in turn, discover meaning and purpose in our own lives that "feed" our own hunger for fulfillment, for purpose, for God. To become witnesses of Christ's resurrection is to embrace his peace in our own lives and work joyfully to bring that peace into the lives of others, both for them and for ourselves. Let this Easter season open our eyes and hearts to see the many ways we can bring resurrection to every traveller we encounter, every decision we make, every challenge we face.

Peace

Parish Pastoral Team

Act Justly, Love tenderly and Walk Humbly with God. Micah. 6:8

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR B

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, let Your face shine on us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:

make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL RESPONSE

My Lord, My God, Hear our Prayers.

READINGS

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

Resp. Psalm: Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7

Second Reading: 1 Jn 2:1-5

Gospel: Lk 24:35-48

P.G: \$452.20 **Loose:** \$550.65

Raffle: \$23.00

*Thank you for your support of the Parish
Your support is greatly appreciated.*



MASS TIMES

Good Shepherd:	Saturday	6.00 pm
Good Shepherd:	Sunday	7.30 am
Ryan:	Sunday	9.30 am
	Sunday	5.00 pm
Good Shepherd:	Wednesday	6.30 am
	Friday	(No Mass)
Ryan:	Monday	8.00 am
	Tuesday	8.00 am
	Wednesday	10.00 am
	(Adoration after Mass)	
	Thursday	8.00 am

Parish Office Times

Monday – Friday **8.00am – 4.00 pm**
(Closed on Public Holidays)

BAPTISMS IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK:

OLIVIA WIGHT, ISABELLA MONSLAVE
ARIA & RILEY PURTON, EMARLIE PYE
FRANCIS MILLICAN



MOTHERS PRAYERS meet on Monday morning at 9 am and Thursday evenings at 7.00 pm (except for Public Holidays) Room 5, at the Ryan Community Centre. For further information see church noticeboard or contact Janice on 0401 581 925.



Our Parishioners meet for coffee at Baker & Barista, Willows at 9.00 am every second Tuesday. Next get together 23rd April

RECONCILIATION: Our Parish Priests are available for Reconciliation each weekend before & after Mass Other times to suit can be arranged by phoning the Parish Office on 4723 9844 to make an appointment.



Please remember the recently deceased and their families in your prayers:

Mick Mulroney, Daphne Slattery, Kevin Shephard, Matthew Varkey, Edward Rasie, Shirley Franks, Agnes Sariman, Graham Jordan, Peter Allen, Graham Beckwith, Mary McMahon, Yvonne Vasta, Vailea 'Eteaki

ANNIVERSARIES: Jenny Gimm, Stan Hartley, Joy Newman, Agnes White, Mary Greer, Kellie Keir, Luigi Parison, Margaret Manser, Michael White, Nathaniel Sloan, Olive Carey, Isidoro Rodrigues, Frank Vella, Mary Hinchcliffe, Phyllis Hartley, Declan Jordan,



Please pray for the sick in our community & for all those in need of our prayers:

Colin Burke, Andrea Coulton, Lesley Griffin, Elena Brosnan, Winfred Santos, John Parker, Peggy Brazel, Boston Gallagher, Tom Raleigh, Michelle Gosper, Timothy Sherrington, Vincent Bray, Annie Clay, Madonna Reinke, Wendy Dowd, Marion Baxter, Douglas Graham, Dylan Bagley, Patricia Antony, Don Forrest, Martin Jordan, Helen Spokes, Larissa Hartnell, Connah Brazel, Jacqui Conn, Peter Miller, Andy Murphy, Kenneth Brand, Toby Kelly, Carmel Thompson, Sean Sibson, Cassie Brazel, Bronwyn Rust-Jones, Warwick Bull, Maureen Graham, Catarina Nisha, Marg Ryan, Telia Casey, Mary Butler, Daniel Davies, Graham Collins, Allister Holland, Tony Seeto, Robyn Gorry, Kevern Kennedy, Maree Stark, Kelly Hartley, Helen Bray, Marion Marschall, Ron Fletcher, Jon Loncar, Bob Haynes, Elsa Venturato, Duane Harrison

If your loved one no longer needs our prayers, please contact the office.

ROSTERS 20TH AND 21ST APRIL 2024

GOOD SHEPHERD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Saturday 6.00pm

Welcome:

Readers: Ken Theodore
Ferisita Perez

Eucharistic: Carmen Leung
Pieta Phillips
TBA

Sunday 7.30am

Christine Brooks

Rae Millington
Marian Manser

Harry Bisley
Lucy Johnson
Anne Hanson

RYAN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Sunday 9.30am

Readers: Sacramental
Program

Eucharistic: Sacramental
Program

Offertory: Sacramental Program

Cuppa Sacramental Program

Baptism No Baptism

Sunday 5.00pm

Paula Duffy

Charles Derlagen

Donna Clarkson
Leisa Ham

Maureen Gates

We acknowledge & respect the traditional owners & custodians of the land on which we stand, The Wulgurukaba people. May we walk gently together.

- 21st April** **Sacramental Program Confirmation and First Eucharist – 9.30 am Emmaus Hall**
(All are welcome). There will be no Mass at Ryan Centre, we will celebrate our Parish Mass with the young people receiving their Sacraments at Emmaus Hall.
- 24th April** Baptism Preparation Meeting 7.00 pm Ryan Community Centre
- 25th April** ANZAC Day

Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group

You go to church but is that enough for you? Maybe you feel like something's missing? Maybe you want to get closer to God? Maybe you want to be surrounded by people who love you and support you? Maybe you just want a place where you can belong or a space where you can just, be? Come and be a part of our Catholic Charismatic Prayer Community. Come and be transformed!! We meet every Sunday night at 7pm at Ryan Community Centre, Morindo Drive, Kirwan. Contact Trudy 0418 726 109 or email townsville.ccr@gmail.com

HOUSE OF PRAYER

PRAYING OUR EXPERIENCES - PRAYING WITH CHANGE, FEAR AND GRIEF.

Change can be both confronting and exciting. Where is God in all this we may wonder. In this day of prayer, we will explore our fears and griefs at the changes that have occurred in our lives. There will be some shared prayer and time for silent contemplation. Please join us at the House of Prayer on Wednesday 17th April 9am-3pm. Please bring your lunch. Suggested donation is \$10-\$20.

CREATIVITY & SPIRITUALITY

Exploring the depth and richness of the movement of the Sacred in our lives like leaves in a stream. We will reflect with scripture and our life experiences, using acrylic paints, canvas board and leaves. Sunday 28 April.

SILENT MUSIC RETREAT - 11TH OF MAY 2024

Please join us in our Silent, Spiritual Music Retreat. Embrace Stillness, Contemplation, Calm and Peace. An opportunity to withdraw from Worldly chatter and Nourish your Spirit

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>

To register for any of these events, please contact the House of Prayer. Ph 4728 9861

PRESBYTERY CLEANER

We are looking for a cleaner for the Presbytery. This involves cleaning of the Presbytery and ironing for the Priests. This is for 5 hours per week. Please contact the Parish Office.



VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

We are looking for volunteers to assist with Children's Church. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

VOLUNTEERS FOR MASS READERS, EUCHARIST MINISTERS ETC.

We are looking for volunteers to assist at all of our Masses, with Reading, Eucharistic Ministers etc. If you would like to assist, please contact the Parish Office.

FACILITATING 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

Safeguarding Website

Respect, Protect and Report

Your involvement and support to our parishes is critical to ensure we put into action, our commitment to protect our most vulnerable and to create a safer environment for everyone. Our Church community seeks to respect our diverse circumstances and backgrounds, and to provide support and respond effectively to those who are vulnerable and at risk of being harmed. The Catholic Diocese of Townsville believes that children and vulnerable adults (adults at risk of being harmed) are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical, emotional, spiritual and psychological harm. Please visit www.tsv.catholic.org.au/safeguarding to access the safeguarding policy, its procedures and resource documents. Your feedback, via the webpage, is welcome and is directly submitted to the Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator. You can also speak directly with your Parish Priest or Safeguarding Representative.

For more information regarding the Safeguarding policy and our procedures, please contact Mr Craig Brereton on 4726 3264 or cbrereton@tsv.catholic.org.au

STOPline Service

The Diocese of Townsville has recently enhanced its Whistle-blower Program, which enables all workers, volunteers, parents of students and parishioners to play an active role in eliminating improper conduct in the Diocese. The Diocese has contracted an independent external whistleblower service STOPline to allow for confidential reporting. The Diocese has defined *Reportable Conduct* in the Policy, which can be found on the Diocesan website. Reportable conduct includes suspected abuse, misconduct, mismanagement and policy breaches. The Whistleblower Policy applies to the Diocese (including parishes), Townsville Catholic Education, Mary MacKillop Childcare North Queensland, Centacare North Queensland, Saints Catholic College and NWQICSS. Information can be shared anonymously. P: 1300304550

E: tsvcatholic@stoline.com.au W: tsvcatholic.stolinereport.com

AL ANON FAMILY GROUPS meet in Room 5 at the Ryan Community Centre on Saturday mornings. 9.00am – 10.00am. This group is for anyone who has a problem in their family with alcoholism. Al-Ateen will soon commence meetings in Townsville in the near future. Any enquiries call 1300 252 666.

GET YOUR LIFE AND SANITY BACK AFTER THE RAVAGES OF LIVING WITH AN ADDICT – Nar-Anon Family Groups are for those who know or have known the feeling of desperation concerning the addiction of someone close. We too have travelled this unhappy road and through the program found answers that can lead to serenity and peace of mind. When you become part of a Family Group you are no longer alone but among friends who understand your problems as few others can. Contact Brian Headford on 0415 290 965 or Christine on 0402 471 904 for meeting details.

Survivors Of Suicide Bereavement Support Association Townsville Grief from the loss of a loved one through suicide is hard to bear. A support group for survivors of suicide meets the first Monday night of every month at 7:00pm at 7:00pm at Selectability House 59A Cambridge Street Vincent. The group also catches up for coffee on the third Saturday morning of each month. To find out more about the group visit www.sosbsa.org.au/townsville or find us on Facebook, or call Ray on 0407 490 965 or Lowell on 0438 604 744.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS OFFICE

Those affected by abuse and misconduct by Church personnel need to be supported and encouraged to speak their truth. Their voices need to be heard. To report a concern about abuse and/or other misconduct concerning church personnel, the options for reporting the abuse are: contact the Diocese of Townsville directly on (07) 4726 3264 or diocese@tsv.catholic.org.au; or make a disclosure to the Professional Standards Office, Queensland (PSOQ) by downloading a [disclosure form](#) from our website at psoqld.catholic.net.au, and forward by mail to PO Box 3264, Brisbane Q 4001, or email to psoqld@catholic.net.au. Alternatively, contact PSOQ on (07)3324 3070 or 1800 337 928 (free call).

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