

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 Diocese of Townsville

MESSAGE FROM MODERATOR

Easter is the centre of our Church year with the Easter Triduum which commenced on Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper. The Triduum continued with Celebration of the Passion of the Lord on Easter Friday afternoon and continued through to Mass of the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening. At the Easter Vigil, we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord.

Participating in the ceremonies for the full Easter Triduum, focuses our faith and gives us a grounding to strengthen us on our faith journey. Many attend our churches for Easter Sunday Masses and we need to welcome the stranger and invite them into our Parish community.

We welcome all who join us for our Easter ceremonies. We recognize, in the busyness of our lives, that there is a time to recognize the spiritual part of who we are and connect our lives to the life, passion, death and resurrection of Christ as our way of connecting with God.

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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. Winner of the Easter Raffle: Jan Le Feuvre.**

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.



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**

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
31 March 2024: Christ has become our Paschal Sacrifice.
Your ultimate purpose, to live and to breathe, is the eternal Jesus. Go forth to announce to the world - Christ, our hope, has risen, Alleluia!



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

PARISH NOTICES:



The parish warmly welcomes:

Evelyn Harlow Grady & Lainey Opal Sky who will be baptised in Sacred Heart Cathedral Church, and Tucker Perry Jackson who will be baptised in St Mary's Church, West End this Sunday.



Mary Help of Christians Parish SVD Conference

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

Liturgy of the ✠ WORD ✠



First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel 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. (R.)

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Sequence

The sequence is said or sung on this day. On the weekdays of the Octave of Easter, its use is optional.

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
and Christ, the undefiled,
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.
Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!
Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.
Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.
The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!
The angels there attesting;
shroud with grave-clothes resting.
Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.
That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.
Victorious king, thy mercy show!

Gospel Acclamation: 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself.

Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

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. 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 :

Easter is the season of mystagogical catechesis, that instruction that unpacks the hidden mystery of the experience of the sacraments of initiation received or renewed at Easter. The readings of each Sunday concentrate on some aspect of this mystery. The central theme of this Sunday is newness of life in Christ. This newness is not without its historical context. It burst forth first in the resurrection of Christ, and then through the preaching of the first Christians.

The readings testify that if we die with Christ, we will appear with him in glory; if we cast out the old yeast, we will be fresh dough. And when this wondrous transformation takes place, everything is new; everything is fresh. To what newness are we called? To what must we die in order to rise transformed? What old yeast of corruption must be cast out in order that we might be fresh dough? At Easter we renew our baptismal vows. What is it that we really renounce? Ours is a world of violence, of prejudice, of indifference. Too often we harbour feelings of anger and resentment, of selfishness and disdain. Easter proclaims that Christ has died and has risen; with him we die to all of the wickedness in our lives and in our world, and we set our hearts on higher things, on sincerity and on truth.

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:

06 / 07 April 2024: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

<u>CATHEDRAL 10am</u> Coordinator: Lee-Ann Barton 1st Reader: Deborah Millard 2nd Reader: Philomena Xavier Prayer of the Faithful: Margaret Crowther Collection: Lee-Ann Barton	<u>CATHEDRAL 5pm</u> Coordinator: Carmelina Mamawal 1st Reader: John Gabriel Davis 2nd Reader: Vien Garcia Prayer of the Faithful: Mai Luarca Collection: Grace Davis	<u>ST MARY'S CHURCH 8:30am</u> Coordinator: TBA 1st Reader: TBA 2nd Reader: TBA Prayer of the Faithful: TBA Collection:	<u>ST FRANCIS XAVIER 7am</u> Coordinator: Aathu Wilson 1st Reader: Mary McAuliffe 2nd Reader: Sue Winter Prayer of the Faithful: Sue Winter Collection:
<u>ST JOAN OF ARC 5:15pm</u> Coordinator: TBA 1st Reader: TBA 2nd Reader: TBA Prayer of the Faithful: TBA Collection: TBA Music: TBA Pickup / Drop off Priest: TBA	<u>ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, North Ward 6pm</u> Commentator: Geraldine Eggleton 1st Reader: Geraldine Eggleton 2nd Reader: Greg Jameson Extraordinary Minister of Communion: TBA	<u>ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, North Ward 8:30am</u> Commentator: Maria Frasson 1st Reader: Maria Frasson 2nd Reader: Maureen Dougherty Extraordinary Minister of Communion: Joe Droguet; Liz Tillack; Lisa McDonald	<u>ST PATRICK'S CHURCH 5pm</u> Coordinator: Mary Jameson 1st Reader: Mary Jameson 2nd Reader: Lena Williamson Prayer of the Faithful: Paul Lucas Collection:
<u>CATHEDRAL COUNTERS:</u> Tuesday 02 April: Ruby Franklin; Bob Farrell; Terry McAuliffe.		<u>CATHEDRAL PIETY:</u> Pam Rush and Tom Rush	<u>ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, North Ward: CLEANERS:</u> Team #8

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

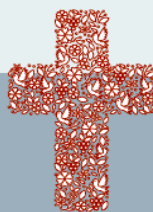
28th July - 8:30 - 10:30am

Mass & Preparation

4th August - 8:30 - 11am

Mass, Preparation & Liturgy Practice

18th August - 10am - First Communion Mass



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DIOCESAN BASED NOTICES:

PROJECT COMPASSION – EASTER SUNDAY: Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia! Thank you for your continued support through Project Compassion. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, for all future generations. Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2024 Lenten appeal. 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.

ANNUAL GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL FOR HOLY PLACES: The Annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, 29th March. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing, Parishes, and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. The Franciscans of the Custody of the Holy Land have the unique responsibility of caring for the Holy Places as well as caring for the Christians living in the Holy Land – the 'ancient stones' of our Christian heritage and the 'living stones' of our present and future Christians. In 2023, Australian Catholics were extremely generous and we were able to send nearly \$1.4 million to the Holy Land. The reality for the Holy Land mission is that they will continue to face challenges financial and spiritual and so we again ask Catholics around the world again to be as generous as possible, with their financial support as well as the spiritual support. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday.

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.

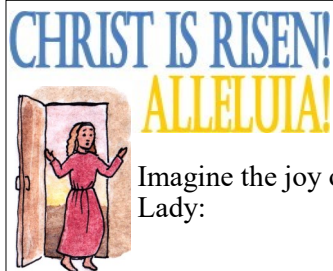
All Churches of Cathedral Parish Sunday Mass collections from 23 / 24 March 2024

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	\$550.15	\$209.25	\$105.10	\$231.40	-	\$87.50	\$145.50	\$444.95	\$1,773.85
Second	\$195.60	\$43.10	\$95.25	\$65.30	-	\$46.50	\$93.20	\$125.90	\$664.85
P/Giving Cash/DD	\$190.00	-	\$305.00	\$341.00	-	\$85.00	\$265.00	\$320.00	\$1,506.00
Total Collections for the Week	\$935.75	\$252.35	\$505.35	\$637.70	-	\$219.00	\$503.70	\$890.85	\$3,944.70

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

Parish Bulletins can be accessed via the Townsville Catholic Diocese website. <http://www.tsv.catholic.org.au> and Facebook

St Joseph's Day Morning Tea Photos - Part 2



Easter is the time when we celebrate Jesus' rising from the dead.

Early in the morning the day after the Sabbath, the women went to the tomb and found it empty! They went and told the disciples, who went and saw it was true. Jesus' body was gone! He has risen from the dead!

Imagine the joy of Our Lady that her Son was alive again! Here is a Special Easter prayer to our Lady:

*Queen of Heaven, rejoice! Alleluia!
For the Son Whom you were privileged to bear. Alleluia!
Has risen as He said. Alleluia!*

*Pray to God for us, Alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad, Virgin Mary. Alleluia!
For the Lord has truly risen! Alleluia!*



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