

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph

Incorporating the worshipping communities of:
St Joseph's Cathedral, St Peter's, St Paul's & Sacred Heart (Mount Morgan)

July 18th and 19th
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Bishop

Most Rev. Michael McCarthy DD

Fr Bill Senn

Parish Priest and Dean of St Joseph's Cathedral

Very Rev. Fr Bryan Hanifin V.G.

Associate Pastors

Fr Matthias Ogwo

Today's Liturgy - Year A

Wisdom 12:13. 16-19

God rules with justice and expects us to be merciful and kind to others.

Responsorial Psalm 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16



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Romans 8:26-27

The Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness,

Matthew 13:24-43

The kingdom of heaven is likened to good seed being sown in the field the potential in a tiny mustard seed, and the yeast in the dough.

Next Weekend's Readings:

1st: 1 Kings 3:5. 7-12

2nd: Romans 8:28-30

Responsorial Psalm: 118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

Parish Schools



4994 8230



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Parish Mass Times for this coming week

Monday 20th July

St Joseph's Cathedral 7:00am

Tuesday 21st July

St Joseph's Cathedral 5:30pm

Wednesday 22nd July

St Joseph's Cathedral 12:10pm

Thursday 23rd July

St Joseph's Cathedral 8:00am

Friday 24th July

St Joseph's Cathedral 12:10pm

Saturday 25th July

St Joseph's Cathedral 9:00am

Vigil Masses

Sacred Heart, Mt Morgan
4:00pm

St Joseph's Cathedral 6:00pm

Sunday 26th July

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St Joseph's Cathedral 6:30am

St Paul's, Gracemere 8:00am

St Joseph's Cathedral 9:30am

Livestreamed Mass

<https://www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton/featured>

St Joseph's Cathedral 6:00pm

To avoid disappointment, book for weekend mass at the following link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BKBZJ>

Ordinate Masses

St Peter's Church, Allentown
Sunday 9.30am

Remember, if you are unwell, please stay safe at home.

DIOCESAN AND REGIONAL NOTICES

FOCUS by Fr Bill Senn

"Let them both grow until the harvest ... "

In our Gospel Reading today we hear a series of parables from Jesus. With these (and indeed any) parables, Jesus invites us to view a seemingly ordinary situation through a specific God-centred lens; so that we may arrive at a more comprehensive & enriched understanding.

In the parable of the sower, the sower advises his labourers to allow both the weeds and the wheat to grow together until harvest time. This is to be done so as to maximise the growth potential of the wheat, lest the maturity and productivity of the wheat be harmed. At harvest time the weeds & the wheat can then be harmlessly separated with the wheat gathered into safe storage in the barn (for future sale) and the weeds to be gathered together to be burned.

And, so it can be with life. That at times, we need to 'hang in there' with the various difficulties that come our way; while at the same time nurturing the goodness and beauty of life .. both of which seem to co-exist together at different points in our life journey.

Our willingness to allow ourselves to live with both the weeds and the wheat can reap a rich harvest .. something we may not have initially expected when we became aware of the weeds .. and, perhaps wanted to expel the weeds & keep only the goodness of the wheat.

May we allow the love of God & his light to guide us in all things! Amen!

Spotlight: Celebrating the communities within The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph

Catechists in State Schools

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph has a group of volunteers who teach the good news to children in local state schools. As catechists we help towards forming mature faith lives that, in Christ, can both celebrate the joys of life and weather life's storms to live lives of thanksgiving.

What is the role:

- Be a living witness of Christ and a witness of God's love
- Adapt to the needs to students
- Exercise due care for the safety and good behaviour of students in your care
- Have a current Blue Card
- Cooperate willingly with the parish priest in fulfilling your duties for catechesis
- Attend training workshops and opportunities in classroom management, safeguarding and use of the approved curriculum
- Use the authorised curriculum programs and support resources
- Be available for a minimum 30 minutes each week during school terms for SRE lessons

As catechists we have the privilege of sharing the 'joy of the gospel' with our parish children.

As a catechist we try to live the following as a Christian

- Being called to spread the good news
- Sharing the faith is a privilege
- Delivering the message with fun and integrated with life
- Value religious education
- Time commitment—stewardship each week

- Being a role model
- Evangelizing

Pope Francis states Catechesis is about a relationship, not just information. He continues, "I thank you for the work you do with dedication every day, and I invoke upon you the gifts of the holy Spirit to give you strength in your delicate ministry of education..." (25 June 2020). If you feel called to carry out the ministry of teaching in our local States schools please contact Cathedral Centre 4927 6744.

ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering 2020 - Kevin Castles Centre 22nd August

The ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2020 is a national event which aims to inspire and encourage all Catholic men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish, diocese and the world. We will be gathering together here in Rockhampton at the Kevin Castles Centre on the 22nd of August. Arrive at 8:30am for a 9:00am start. The event is free and will include lunch and refreshments however donations are welcome. Due to social distancing there will be a limited number of places so please RSVP to Michael at michael.otto@rok.catholic.net.au or 0433 897 973.

Cathedral Parish of St Joseph Planned Giving Program

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph is extremely grateful for any financial contributions made to our parish and welcome parishioners who would be interested in joining our Planned Giving Program to take the blue sheet available at the front of the church.

PARISH NOTICES

Recently Deceased

We pray for those who have recently passed into eternal life:

Karen Gilliland, Loretto Marsh, Peter Ross, Juanita Tolentino Lalla, Rev Fr Paul Jackson (SJ) (Patna, India), Peter Mills, Sr Julian McKie & Gwen Kennedy (Brisbane)

Congratulations Fr Matthias Ogwo!

Congratulations to Fr Matthias who celebrates his 6th anniversary of priestly ordination this Sunday!

Rockhampton Churches Together

This week we pray for Calvary Lutheran, Berserker

Weekly Prayer

Don't worry about what will happen in the future.

Know that the Father who is taking care of you today will take care of you tomorrow.

If there will be hardships to bear, trust that He will give you the strength to carry it.

If even you won't be totally spared.

Put aside fearful thoughts and imaginings.

Rather, continually pray.

The Lord is your strength and your shield.

Let your heart trust in Him.

Fundraiser for Cathedral continues to grow!

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph thanks you for your loyalty and support by using your key tags when shopping at Drake's IGA!

Our June cheque was \$2,047

Our grand total is \$43,196!



St Vincent de Pauls Society, Virtual School Sleepout Friday 24 July 2020, 5:30pm

Every night in Queensland there are 3,372 children under the age of 12 who have no place to call home.

Any school student from year 6 to 'previously was a school student' can join Vinnies in standing together to advocate for those who are experiencing homelessness with the hope of bringing about social change. Rather than gather at school, students can participate from home in ways that represent common forms of homelessness; sleeping outside in the backyard, sleeping on the couch, or even sleeping in the family car!

To register interest and learn further information please visit the Vinnies Virtual School Sleepout Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Vinnies-Virtual-School-Sleepout-105708377888371>

The Cathedral Centre Parish Office

Find us on 

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Matthew Pettett & Jody Murphy

Grounds Staff:
Cliff & Debbie Broom

St Vincent de Paul
Assistance & Welfare
4927 6026

Call between 9.00am - 9.30am to
avoid disappointment.

In a medical emergency (after hours) to contact a priest, phone 1300 555 555, ask for pager no 26933 and leave a brief message

Baptisms & Marriages

Bookings are made through the Parish Office.

Advance notice and preparation are required.

Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month after 9.30am Mass.

St Joseph's Cathedral Gift and Bookstore

Open 9am–4pm Monday to Friday

Phone: 4921 2170

cathedralbooks@bigpond.com

www.cathedralbooks.com.au

Manager: Jo-Anne Whitfield

Assistant: Helen Hoolihan

A quote from Saint Bernard

“I believe though I do not comprehend, and I hold by faith what I cannot grasp with the mind.”