

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph

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

August 15th and 16th Twentieth 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

Isaiah 56:1. 6-7

Isaiah's words tell of a final reconciliation of all peoples. All will be welcomed home.

Responsorial Psalm 66:2-3, 5-6, 8



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Romans 11:13-15. 29-32

Paul challenges those who think that they alone are God's favourites to think again.

Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus seems to reject the pleas of the Canaanite woman. His apparent change of heart is a lesson for his followers to do likewise.

Next Weekend's Readings:

1st: Isaiah 22:19-23

2nd: Romans 11:33-36

Responsorial Psalm: 137:1-3, 6, 8

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

**Parish
Schools**



4994 8230



4994 8225



4994 8235



4999 1300

Parish Mass Times for this coming week

Monday 17th August
St Joseph's Cathedral 7:00am

Tuesday 18th August
St Joseph's Cathedral 5:30pm

Wednesday 19th August
St Joseph's Cathedral 12:10pm

Thursday 20th August
St Bernard, abbot, doctor
St Joseph's Cathedral 8:00am

Friday 21st August
St Pius X, pope
St Joseph's Cathedral 12:10pm

Saturday 22nd August
*The Queenship of the Blessed
Virgin Mary*
St Joseph's Cathedral 9:00am
Vigil Masses
Sacred Heart, Mt Morgan
4:00pm
St Joseph's Cathedral 6:00pm

Sunday 23rd August
**TWENTY-FIRST 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](https://www.trybooking.com/BKBZJ)

Ordinariate 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 Matthias Ogwo

Today's gospel illustrates the universality of God's mercy and unconditional love to humanity. The Canaanite woman was desperate for Jesus to heal her daughter. Impressed both with the woman's great love for her daughter and her faith in what He can do, Jesus has no other option than to acknowledge and praise the woman's faith: you have great faith, woman. Let your wish be granted.

The woman's faith was acknowledged as great because it shattered the walls of prejudices. The earnestness of her prayer, her patience, her believing confidence, her willingness to overcome insults based on prejudice and division, and the answer that she receives, all makes her a model for us.

So, like this Canaanite woman, each one needs God's mercy. All we need to do, is to demonstrate our faith in Christ and, he will show us his mercy.

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

Sacristans

Each one of you has received a special grace, so, like good stewards responsible for all these different graces of God, put yourself at the service of others ... so that in everything God may receive the glory, through Jesus Christ, since to him alone belong all glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. (1 Peter 4:10)

"The sacristan diligently arranges the liturgical books, the vestments, and other things that are necessary for the celebration of Mass." General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), #105(a)

Most people who attend weekend Masses probably never give a thought to how much work has gone into preparing the vessels, vestments, books, and other items needed for the celebration and who carries out this important role.

The 'behind the scenes' ministry of sacristans who ensure that everything is in place before the liturgy commences is an essential service to the worshipping assembly. It is a serious job that one must undertake with care and wisdom.

The role of the sacristan, or of the group of volunteers who attend to the work of the sacristy, is an important ministry in any parish. These ministers not only assist the priest, but support the entire assembly to participate fully, consciously, and actively in liturgical celebrations. Sacristans are called to serve one another as members of the parish community. They are challenged by the example of Jesus to reach out in loving service to others, offering hospitality and welcome to the community at large.

If anyone feels called to participate in this essential ministry, please contact the Cathedral Office on 4927 6744.

Registrations for Mass

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph is pleased to see a gradual increase in mass attendances during our reopening phase. With this in mind, some masses are now regularly reaching capacity which may lead to unregistered attendees being turned away to ensure social distancing can be maintained. Therefore, we ask that to avoid disappointment, parishioners register by using TryBooking or contacting the Cathedral Office.

Weekly Prayer

"Let nothing disturb you,
nothing frighten you,
all things are passing,
God is unchanging.
Patience gains all;
nothing is lacking to those who have God:
God alone is sufficient."
St. Teresa of Ávila

Lord, each day poses new questions, new challenges that we do not always feel prepared for, particularly in these unprecedented times. During these times let us draw to mind that the light of the path will strengthen us to be builders of communities of acceptance, love, and mercy. May we continue to welcome strangers. Remind us always that the smallest act of kindness and hospitality can make a huge difference at all times.

Aid to the Church in Need Responds to Beirut Disaster

In response to the horrific explosion in Beirut on the 4th of August, the Australian office of the International Catholic Charity, *Aid to the Church in Need*, has launched a national emergency appeal to raise funds to support the people of Lebanon. To read more about this appeal, and to make a donation, please visit: www.aidtothechurch.org/lebanon or call 1800 101 201 during business hours: 8am - 5pm AEST.

PARISH NOTICES

Recently Deceased

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

Pat Galvin & Sr Andrina Ryan rsm

Anniversaries

George Keegan & Sr Judy Steer rsm

Rockhampton Churches Together

This week we pray for Scripture Union—The Ministry of School Chaplaincy.

Mercy Works Raffle Over \$500 Worth of Prizes Available

Prizes include dinner and jewellery vouchers as well as a patchwork quilt worth \$300! Tickets are \$2 each. Drawn on the 19th of September 2020. To enter and support the wonderful Mercy Works ministry please visit the Cathedral Office who will enter you into the draw. Please bring correct change.

New Way of Giving to the Parish

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph understands that paper and cash based planned giving is not convenient for some members of our community and therefore we are excited to unveil a new and efficient way of giving to our Parish through the Parish Giving App available for Android, Apple or via the web. Giving plans are fully customisable. If you would like to learn more about this new method of planned giving, please take home some of the information that will be available at the front of the Church.

Take me Home!

In these unprecedented times, The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph follows a COVID-19 Industry Plan that emphasises the minimisation of high touch areas. Therefore, we ask that if you pick up a bulletin that you take it home rather than returning it at the conclusion of mass.

Rockhampton Catholic Men's Gathering 22 August

The ACBC has asked Catholic men around Australia to gather in order to be inspired and encouraged with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission. We will be gathering here in Rockhampton at the Kevin Castles Centre (152 West Street) on the 22nd of August. Arrive at 8:30am for a 9:00am start and a 4:30pm finish. The event is free and will include lunch and refreshments however donations are welcome. For COVID tracing and catering purposes please RSVP to Michael at michael.otto@rok.catholic.net.au or 0433 897 973.

75th Anniversary of Victory in the Pacific (VP) Day

15 August 2020 commemorates the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II. We pray for those who have lost their lives in war and for our leaders to reflect on the terrible cost of war and strive for peace in our world.

The Cathedral Centre Parish Office

Find us on 

Office Hours:

Monday–Friday 9.00am–4.00pm

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Matthew Pettett & Jody Murphy

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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 Pope Pius X

"We put great confidence in the Holy Rosary for the healing of evils which afflict our times."

Please join us in song!

Procession

Gather Your People Bob Hurd/Ken Canedo

Gather your people, O Lord.

Gather your people, O Lord.

One bread, one body, one spirit of love.

Gather your people, O Lord.

1. Draw us forth to the table of life:
brothers and sisters,
each of us called to walk in your light.
2. We are parts of the body of Christ,
needing each other,
each of the gifts the Spirit provides.
3. No more harm on the mountain of God;
swords into plowshares.
Free us, O Lord, from hardness of heart.

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Communion

Take and Eat J Quinn & M Joncas

Refrain

Take and eat; take and eat:

this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink; take and drink:

this is my blood given up for you

1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
I am the seed that died to be
reborn;
I am the bread that comes from
heav'n above;
I am the vine that fills your cup with
joy.
2. I am the way that leads the exile
home;
I am the truth that sets the captive
free;
I am the life that raises up the
dead;
I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.
3. I am the Lamb that takes away
your sin;
I am the gate that guards you
night and day;
You are my flock: you know the
shepherd's voice;
You are my own: your ransom
is my blood.
4. I am the corner-stone that
God has laid;
A chosen stone and precious
in his eyes;
You are God's dwelling place,
on me you rest;
Like living stones, a temple
for God's praise.

5. I am the light that came
into the world;
I am the light that darkness
can not hide;
I am the morning star
that never sets;
Lift up your face, in you
my light will shine.
6. I am the first and last,
the living One;
I am the Lord who died
that you might live;
I am the bride groom,
this my wedding song;
You are my bride, come to
the marriage feast.

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Recessional

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus Traditional

1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His, the scepter, his the throne
Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone;
Hark! The songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus our of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.
2. Alleluia! King eternal,
thee the Lord of Lords we own
Alleluia! Born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil has entered,
robed in flesh our great High Priest;
thou on earth both priest and victim
in the Eucharistic feast.
3. Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
alleluia, to the Savior who has won the victory;
alleluia to the Spirit, font of love and sanctity;
alleluia!
Alleluia to the triune majesty.

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WILL BE OK?