



# St Mary's Catholic Parish Warwick

## Vision Statement

To live the Gospel by celebrating together, sustaining a welcoming parish and serving Jesus Christ through the joys and sorrows of our wider community.

18th & 19th November 2023

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

### PARISH OFFICE

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### St Mary's

Catholic Parish



### Parish Priest

Fr Franco Filippetto

### Assistant Priest

Fr Bony Abraham

### Semi-retired Priest

Fr Terry Hickling

4661 8227

### Administration Officer

Melissa Cooper

### PPC Deputy Chairman

Justin Walsh

### Safeguarding Reps.

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## Courageous Traders

My humble life experience so far convinces me that the secret to our existence is right in front of us. It manifests itself as those things we know we should do but are avoiding. Jordan B Peterson once said, Rejection of the unknown is like joining forces with a mythical enemy called the devil, who is always against anyone exploring new things. This refusal and teaming up with the devil happen when someone is too proud to admit that they don't need to learn more. That kind of pride means thinking you know everything, which is like trying to be as powerful as a god using only reason or you don't trust God because of what and how you perceive God to be. But this attitude leads to a life that feels like being stuck in a place similar to hell, both personally and socially. This happens because exploring new things, which is only possible when we admit we don't know everything, is what helps us build a safe and meaningful life.

The parable of Talents (originally the word "talent" designated a weight; its later usage in English concerning a person's innate qualities or skills is an extended sense derived precisely from this parable) paints a person who buries his talent. We could say he is avoiding or in the word of Jordan, he is rejecting the unknown. I am not sure whether he or she is doing it out of pride that he or she doesn't have to explore their talents further. It seems from the parable that the person is rejecting to accept the unknown possibilities of the future, because of fear which comes out of that person's engraved image of God within. For him or her, God is a hard employer, reaping where he hasn't sown and gathering where he hasn't scattered. Thus, his response to the invitation of God to possibilities and unknown by exercising his talents was, "I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground".

The way we see God at our core, the teachings we receive about God, and our personal beliefs regarding God all shape how we see ourselves, understand the world, and utilize the talents and gifts we've been given. When these images, doctrines, and beliefs about God are negative, false, or imposed on us, it can lead to a desire to steer clear of God and a fear of confidently using the gifts given by Him. Yet, the God revealed through Jesus isn't severe, unjust, or demanding. Instead, this God deeply loves the world to the extent of fully immersing Himself in our lives, even to the point of embracing death. When the story we believe in says that our lives gain deep significance by connecting with a kind, knowledgeable, and caring God, it sets us on a whole new path. Our society shifts course dramatically, and the world transforms into something entirely distinct. We become confident disciples, who would take the risk of loving, being kind, forgiving, letting go, etc.

May God give us all the grace never to sell ourselves—or God—short, **Fr. B.**

*NB: somebody said to me once, the way we relate to God in Christianity is the way we relate to our own fathers. I guess probably because we call God in Christianity "father".*

PLEASE PRAY FOR



MASS TIMES

**THIS WEEKEND**

18th & 19th November

**St Mary's**

Saturday 6pm  
Sunday 8:30am

**Lay-Liturgies**

**Yangan**

Saturday 6pm  
**Gladfield**  
Sunday 10am

**REGULAR**

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

**Monday** Mass 9am  
**Tuesday** Mass 9am  
**Wednesday** Mass 7am  
**Thursday** Mass 9am  
**Friday** Mass 9am  
**Saturday** Mass 9am

*Regular Mass Times could change if there are any special celebrations for the week, please see inside the Bulletin for any updates.*

**St Mary's Sunday**

*8:30am Masses are live-streamed from St Mary's on YouTube or the website.*

**Reconciliation**

**St Mary's**  
Every Saturday 9:30am after mass

**FEAST DAYS**

Tue: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Wed: St Cecilia  
Fri: St Andrew Dung-Lac & companions

**NEXT WEEKEND**

25th & 26th November

**St Mary's**

Saturday 6pm  
Sunday 8:30am

**Lay-Liturgies**

**Killarney**

Sunday 8am

**Texas**

Saturday 5pm

**Inglewood**

Sunday 9am

**RECENTLY DECEASED:**

**ANNIVERSARIES:** John McGuinness, Wilma & Tom Crawford, Mary & Joe Ryan, James & Edna Mullins, Basil Nolan, Monica Mahoney, Lila Cuneo, Glad Greene, Mary Bourke, Rev Frs William McGovern, Cornelius Cahalane, Charles Daly, Francis Leonard, Peter Murphy, John Dowd, William McCormack, Ven A/Deacon Leo Hayes, *and all relatives and friends.*

**SICK:** Christie-Lee Krause, John & Lyndell O'Mara, John McMahon, Maurice Ryan, Joanne Small, Tom Willett, Mary & Douglas Hough, Karen Hynes, Michael Bunch (Bne), Paul Ryan (Bne), Jack & Marie Beard, Barry Donnelly, Angela Gannon, Des & Jan Buchbach, Anthony White and residents of Akooramak, The Oaks, Churches of Christ and patients at the Warwick Hospital.

*Names for anniversaries & the sick will remain on our list for 4 weeks unless otherwise advised.*

**Covid-19:** Please use the hand sanitizer provided at the doors

| ROSTERS                    | THIS WEEKEND<br>18th & 19th November 2023     |                                       | NEXT WEEKEND<br>25th & 26th November          |  |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
|                            | Vigil 6pm                                     | 8:30am                                | Vigil 6pm                                     | 8:30am                                   |
| <b>Bell Ringers</b>        | Brian Collins                                 | Marty & Sue Harris                    | Brian Collins                                 | Marty & Sue Harris                       |
| <b>Welcomers</b>           | Megan Kajewski                                | Dave Carr                             | Justin Walsh                                  | Barry Scanlan                            |
| <b>Altar Server</b>        | Lachlan & Patrick Kajewski                    | Tom Lawton                            | Polly Young                                   | Thomas & Felicity Madsen                 |
| <b>Children's Liturgy</b>  |   | Megan Kajewski                        |   | Emma Timmins                             |
| <b>1st Reader</b>          | Sally Lancaster                               | Emma Timmins                          | Family Mass                                   | John Telfer                              |
| <b>2nd Reader</b>          | Tim Kajewski                                  | Sue Harris                            | Family Mass                                   | Jill Hume                                |
| <b>Prayer of Faithful</b>  | Denise Ryan                                   | Mary-Jane Cook                        | Family Mass                                   | Maureen Dunn                             |
| <b>Gifts</b>               | Tim & Megan Kajewski                          | Nancy Ford                            | Family Mass                                   | Plummer Family                           |
| <b>Communion Ministers</b> | Mary Noble<br>Lyn Noble<br>Brian Collins      | Jill Hume<br>Tom Lawton<br>Paul Maher | Lyn Noble<br>Brian Collins<br>Cheryl Collins  | Tom Lawton<br>Paul Maher<br>Monica Maher |
| <b>Powerpoint</b>          | Andrea Curoopen<br>(Marie)                    | Gemma King                            | Erin Walsh                                    | Harriet Plummer                          |
| <b>Musician</b>            | Tom Hodgson                                   | Michael, Rey & Val                    | Debbie Cleary<br>Regina Henry                 | Tom Hodgson                              |
| <b>Money Counters</b>      | Group 3—Paul Maher                            |                                       | Group 4—Chris O'Brien                         |  |
| <b>OTHER ROSTERS</b>       | <b>WEEK COMMENCING<br/>19th November 2023</b> |                                       | <b>WEEK COMMENCING<br/>26th November 2023</b> |  |
| <b>Akooramak</b>           | Mick Gaffney & Carolyn Abood                  |                                       | Bernice Furness & Michael Dwan                |  |
| <b>Home Communion</b>      | Maree Ryan & Patti Hemmings                   |                                       | Fr Bony & Len Doyle                           |  |
| <b>Morning Tea</b>         | Val Gray & Maree Ryan                         |                                       | Bethany Family                                |  |

**GIVING**

Thank you for the continued financial support of our parish through your giving. Please see our details below for ways to give. **Ways to Give:**

**1.** Envelopes **2.** One-off deposit or credit card payment **4. Direct Debit - All NEW Direct Debits** will be via Archdiocesan Development Fund. Please contact the Parish Office for the form.

**GIVING APP**

You can now make a donation on your mobile phone. This can be a one-off donation or a recurring donation.



## Parish Administration & Communication System

We have been advised that our database & communication system (PACS) will be discontinued. The Melbourne Arch Diocese is offering PACEM as an alternative. We hope to transfer next week. In the meantime there may be some email issues.

The **Mass Sheets** for daily Mass are once again available and are placed at the side doors as usual. However, there is one important change which needs to be noted. The Response and the Psalm is to follow the same procedure as at Sunday Mass. This is the correct way. Hence the Response is said by the Congregation, but the Psalm is said by the Reader ONLY. The congregation is not to recite the Psalm.

### HELP WANTED

John Telfer is writing of history of the former C.B.C Warwick's Roll of Honour. John is looking for assistance in locating relatives or friends of:

JOHN WILLIAM MORRISEY, son of Michael & Kate Morrisey, formerly of Canning St, Warwick.

CYRIL CATON, son of James & Elizabeth Caton, formerly of Water Road, Mill Hill Warwick. Both died in New Guinea in 1942 with the A.I.F.

Please call John if you can help out: 0437607184

## ST MARY'S BELL RINGERS CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER

### DATE CLAIMER:

Tuesday 19th December 2023  
At Sovereign Hotel Beer Garden  
6.00pm until late

### LOST PROPERTY

We have a many pairs of sunglasses and reading glasses in lost property. Please see the office if you are missing a pair. Also a few items of clothing.

### ALL READERS

All readers are requested after Mass on Sunday 19th for microphone use workshop.

### The Word Among Us Publication

The December edition of **The Word Among Us** is now available from the Parish Office. Please see parish office between Wednesday and Friday. Thank you.

### Bulletin Submissions Deadlines

Please note the deadline for any submissions to our weekly Parish Bulletin is 12.00pm Thursday of each week.

ST MARY'S YOUTH INDIA  
MISSION 2023 FUNDRAISER

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

Donate your collected cans and bottles to help fundraise for St Mary's Youth Mission 2023

Containers for Change Depot:  
Citywide - 119 McEvoy Street Warwick  
SCAN the Code to register your cans and cash with St Mary's Parish Youth Group.

REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE

## 2024 Columban

Calendars are now available from the Parish Office. Cost \$8.00 each

## CHURCH OPENING TIMES

**PRIVATE PRAYER** -  
Tuesday & Thursday  
3.45pm - 4.45pm

### PARISH GROUPS

**The Parish Rosary** is said each day a half hour prior to Mass. Except the 1st Saturday of the month when it starts at 7.45am. Anyone who has intentions or wish to join us are most welcome.

**PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUPS**— If you are interested in joining our groups please contact Marguerite 0411 092 841

**FIL-HAROMIX**— Choir practice 1st Sunday & 2nd Saturday of each month.

### PARISH GROUPS MEETING AT ASSUMPTIO PLACE

**MEDITATION GROUP** meets on Fridays at 9am. Contact Mary 4661 9907

**FATHER'S PRAYER GROUP** meets on Tuesdays from 4:00-5:0pm. Contact Kev Seaby— 4661 3133

**LAY CARMELITES** meet on 3rd Tuesday of each month following morning Mass. Contact Maria 0427 644 108

**MEN ALIVE GROUP** meets on Thursdays at 4-5 pm. Contact: Paul 0412 115 618

**MOTHER'S PRAYERS GROUPS** meet on **Thursdays** at 9:30am after Mass in the church Maria 0427 644 108

**PARISH LADIES GROUP** meets on 1st Tuesday of each month at 9:30am, New members are warmly invited to join this group. Contact Rita 4661 8144 or Bernice 4661 1107

**Sychar Rural Library Service** is available during Morning Tea on Sundays.

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

“Success is liking yourself, liking what you do, and liking how you do it.” — Maya Angelou.

**First Reading** Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31

*Give her a share in what she has worked for.*

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 127:1-5.R. v. 1

*Happy are those who fear the Lord.*

**Second reading** Thessalonians 5: 1-6

*The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.*

**Gospel Acclamation** Jn 15: 4, 5

*Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;  
my branches bear much fruit.*

*Alleluia!*

**Gospel** Matthew 25: 14-30

*Because you have been faithful over a few things; enter into the joy of the Lord.*

### St Mary's Catholic Debutante Ball

Calling all girls interested in making their debut at the Catholic Debutante Ball to be held on Friday, 14th June, 2024 in St Mary's Hall.

An information evening will be held on Sunday, 25th February, 2024 in Assisi Place at 7pm. All prospective debutantes and an accompanying family member will be most welcome to attend.

For more information please contact

Sue Harris mobile; 0428619562 or

email : [tellsue@gmail.com](mailto:tellsue@gmail.com)

Christine Smith : email : c.smith3andersens.com.au

We are currently in need of **Religious Instructors** to teach in our State Schools.

If you would be interested, please make contact with Fr Franco.

### CHILD SAFE PARISH: Ours is a Child Safe Parish

All children, young persons and vulnerable adults, visiting or resident, have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned by any form of abuse that is immediate, you should call 000. A significant risk or harm, whether or not you have formed this belief on reasonable ground, should immediately be raised with our Parish Safeguarding Officers

**Toni Cox 0419 613 278 or Denise Ryan 0456 154 277**

### Men's Choir

New members of all ages are invited to join the St Mary's Men's Choir. No previous experience is necessary, and certainly, no audition is required. The choir sings at the Saturday vigil mass on the first weekend of the month.

A short rehearsal is held before mass. The choir sings only well-known hymns.

You are welcome to join us not just for the collegiality and friendship, but to elevate your appreciation of, and participation in the liturgy.

Contact Kevin Seeby 0457 739 332

### WEBSITE:

A new website has been designed and activated. It is still under construction and some errors need to be corrected. Once again it might take some time.



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### INVITATION TO WITNESSES OF FAITH TOUR THIS NOVEMBER

ACN will be touring around Australia & NZ with International Guests for our 2023 Witnesses of Faith Tour. The guests include: His Beatitude, Patriarch Joseph Absi of the Melkite Greek Catholic Church - Patriarch of Antioch, Alexandria, Jerusalem, and all the East Mr Xavier Stephen Bisits, ACN Head of Projects, Lebanon, Syria and Egypt Sr Majella Dogonyaro OP, Dominican Sister, Northern Nigeria. The event will be held in **Brisbane on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of November, 6.30pm - 8.30pm at the Australian Catholic University, Banyo Campus.** Find out more and or register you interest at [www.aidtochurch.org/2023-tour](http://www.aidtochurch.org/2023-tour)

# St Mary's Christmas Party

*All Welcome*

**When: Saturday 25th November 2023**

**Time: 7pm after Mass**

**Where: St Mary's Hall**