



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.

17th & 18th February 2024
1st Sunday of Lent, Year B

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Warwick**

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Echoes of Calvary: Heartbeats around the Cross.

We embark on yet another springtime (Lent means springtime) in our Liturgical calendar. During this season of Lent, let us walk through the final words of Jesus from the cross. The words spoken at the moment of one's passing hold profound significance, serving as a key to unlocking the essence of their life's purpose. Jesus, in his final moments, sought to perpetuate his mission through his words.

There is always forgiveness.

Jesus cried out from the cross, "Father, forgive them; they know not what they do. From the Gospels we can decipher that "forgiveness is the default position of God". The Bible tells the story of those two brothers. Consider the biblical tale of two brothers: one deceived and betrayed the other cruelly. After many years, the deceived brother, Jacob, sought reconciliation with Esau. When his older brother came to see him, Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed, expecting the worst. But to his surprise, "Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck and kissed him, and they wept" (Genesis 33:4). Jacob confessed and professed at the same time, "if I find favour with you, then accept my present from my hand; for truly to see your face is like seeing the face of God—since you have received me with such favour" (Genesis 33: 10).

On the cross as Jesus forgives the world and those people who don't know (who don't get him), we see the face of God, except it was bloodied from the holes made by the crown of thorns. Can we, during this Lenten season, embody the face of God by extending forgiveness to those who remain oblivious to their actions? It is a formidable challenge, yet God's boundless forgiveness serves as our model. God forgives, forgives, and forgives. There is no end to his forgiveness. GOD IS FOR US. God embraces us, we feel his breath on our neck and his tenderness on our cheek. In God, through Christ, there is always forgiveness.

Forgiveness also means that nothing is lost. God does not let us be lost. May Christ be formed in us. Let us not allow anyone to be lost. Maybe for some of us, forgiveness is to let go of our hope for a different or better past. When it is hard to forgive those who hurt us so badly and very well know that they are hurting us, we would pray, "Father, forgiving feels nearly impossible, but I choose to align with You and with my well-being. Therefore, I release them from the burden of my resentment.". It is easier to write, but hard to practice... let us pray for each other.

Fr. Bony (FrB)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

MASS TIMES

THIS WEEKEND

17 & 18 February

St Mary's

Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8:30am

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.

Oakes: 1st Thursday 10.30am
Akooramak: 2nd Thursday 10.45am

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

FEAST DAYS

Thu: The Chair of St Peter

NEXT WEEKEND

24th & 25th February

St Mary's

Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8:30am

RECENTLY DECEASED: Dan Heenan

ANNIVERSARIES: Les & Connie Noye, Jimmy Ford, Marty Ford, Adam Ford, Bert & Joyce Noye, Frank Nolan, Catherine Roche, Tom Dwan, Paul & Brendehn McConville, Mick Brewer, Mary Brewer, Peter Watt, Graham Watt, Jack & Nell Cantwell, Jack & Mary Maher, Jack & Bridgee Ryan, Graham Ryan, Vince & Maree Phelan, Tom & Olive Fletcher, Rev Frs Thomas Concannon, William Hall, William Behm, Howard Crowe, Thelma Marshall, Marcosa Cabingab & Beatriz Ompoc *and all relatives and friends.*

SICK: John Bourke, Michael Cavanagh, Paul Ryan (BNE), Rylan Lean, Leo Ryan (Warwick), Kierstan Farrell, John & Lyndell O'Mara, John McMahon, Maurice Ryan, Joanne Small, Tom Willett, Mary & Douglas Hough, Karen Hynes, Michael Bunch (Bne), Jack & Marie Beard, Barry Donnelly, Angela Gannon, Des & Jan Buchbach, Anthony White, Madeline King and residents of Akooramak, The Oaks, Churches of Christ and patients at the Warwick Hospital.

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

ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 17th & 18th February 2024		NEXT WEEKEND 24th & 25th February 2024	
	Ministries	Vigil 6pm	8:30am	Vigil 6pm
Bell Ringers	Paul Scerri	Greg Brosnan	Paul Scerri	Greg Brosnan
Welcomers	Family Mass	Paul Coghlan	Phillipa Doherty	Val Gray
Altar Server	Lachlan & Patrick Kajewski	Thomas & Felicity Madsen	Polly Young & Clare Wooding	Tom Lawton
Children's Liturgy		Jenny McCray		Emma Timmins
1st Reader	Family Mass	Michael Gaffney	Justin Walsh	Mary Goyne
2nd Reader	Family Mass	Pat Sheil	Sharon Young	Margaret Lawton
Prayer of Faithful	Family Mass	Jill Hume	Tim Kajewski	Margaret Plummer
Gifts	Family Mass	Des & Cheryl Cantwell	Mary Henningsen	Nancy Ford
Communion Ministers	Mary Noble Justin Walsh Bernice Furness	Michael Gaffney	Lyn Noble Patti Hemmings Sharon Young	Marty Harris Pat Sheil John Telfer
Powerpoint	Alby & Poly Young	Monica Maher	Lachlan & Patrick Kajewski	Gemma King
Musician	Family Mass	Michael, Rey & Val	Debbie Cleary & Regina Henry	Tom Hodgson
Money Counters	Group 4—Chris O'Brien		Group 5—Vince Hemmings	

OTHER ROSTERS	WEEK COMMENCING 18th February	WEEK COMMENCING 25th February
Akooramak	Mick Gaffney & Carolyn Abood	Bernice Furness & Michael Dwan
Home Communion	Dianne Dawes & Maria Ryan	Maree Ryan & Patti Hemmings
Morning Tea	Emmaus Family	Rita Seed & Maureen Henry



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.



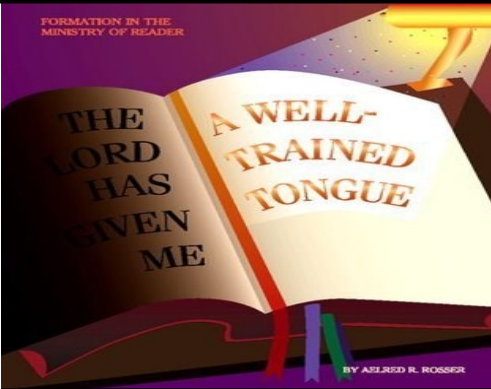
CHILD SAFE PARISH: Ours is a Child Safe Parish

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

Available from the Office:

Little Books for Advent & Christmas. The January & February edition of **The Word Among Us, the Australian Catholic Magazine, and Horizons magazine.**



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.

2024 Columban Calendars

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



Lenten Groups

Maria will host a Tuesday evening group at 7pm in Assumption Place.

From Thursday 15th February, Shirley Owens will be hosting a Lenten Group in Assumption Place after Mass.

Justin & Marg Walsh will host a Thursday night group 7pm in their home. Please call Margurite on 0411092841 for address details if interested.

Bernice will be hosting a Thursday afternoon group at 1:30pm in Assumption Place.

We have some baking trays and a container from the Parish Xmas Party. Please pick up from the office.

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 ASSUMPTION 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 at 10.00am. 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 Bernice 4661 1107

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



First Sunday of Lent 17 & 18 February



This year, Project Compassion brings you the stories of three resilient women: Ronita from the Philippines, Leaia from Samoa and Memory from Malawi. While from three different corners of the world and facing vastly different challenges, they are all united by one dream: to create a better world for all future generations.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

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.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies." —Mother Teresa

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.

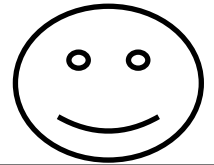
An information evening will be held on Sunday, 25th February, 2024 in Assisi Place at 7pm. All prospective debutantes and an accompanying family member will be most welcome to attend.

For more information please contact Sue Harris mobile; 0428619562 or email: tellsue@gmail.com

Sacramental Preparation

Classes for Reconciliation will commence Thursday 22nd at 4pm in Assumption Place Meeting Room (beside the church). Parents of students in year 3 can contact the office now to register your child for this program.

Email: warwick@ctwb.org.au



First Reading

Gen 9: 8-15 /

will recall the covenant between myself and you... the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24: 4-9

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth, to those who keep your covenant.

Second reading

1 Pet 3: 18-22

Be imitators of me, as I am Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 4: 4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone,

But on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel

Mk 1: 12-15

He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.

LOST PROPERTY

31/12/23: A small purse was left at the front of the church. Please collect from the office.

All lost property is kept in the office.

BLOKES HAVING COFFEE

Would you like to get out and about once a week to have a coffee and a few laughs with a bunch of other blokes?

COMMENCING:

9 A.M. EACH TUESDAY MORNING

LOCATION:

BELLE VUE CAFÉ, 119 Palmerin Street Warwick (opposite post office)

CONTACT:

PAUL 0412115618 BY PHONE OR SMS

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ASHES
PENANCE
GOOD FRIDAY
GIVING
CROSS
FORTY
PREPARE
HOLY WEEK
FORGIVENESS
FISH
PRAYER
PURPLE
SACRIFICE
SEASON
FASTING
STATIONS

Bulletin Submissions Deadlines

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

Please follow the directions of the arrows shown in the church carpark.