



### 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.

20th & 21st April 2024
Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year B

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#### Reclining with the good shepherd

"I am the good shepherd; I know my own... (John 10: 14). As I sit down with this Sunday's Gospel reading I cannot move past this verse and even if, I still come back to this verse. My shepherd knows me. In biblical understanding knowledge means intimacy. Psalm 139 holds a special place in my heart, particularly during a period when I took a break from ministry. It served as a haven for me, providing refuge amidst the uncertainty and opposition I faced. Despite disapproval from some friends and pressure from my superiors to conform, I followed my heart. This choice led to moments of isolation and self-doubt. I remember sitting in the backyard of my rental I used to live in Parramatta early morning and reading Psalm 139.

O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up. you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue,

O Lord, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me.
it is so high that I cannot attain it.

This has become part of my prayers, especially in moments of vulnerability that the Lord knows me intimately. In the Old Testament, there's a word, 'çôwdh,' used to describe the encounter between the prophet and God. It paints a picture of intimacy and support, like a cushion or pillow upon which one reclines. This word 'çôwdh' is rooted in 'yâçadh,' which carries meanings of establishing, founding, and supporting oneself while reclining. In the Middle Eastern tradition, people often sit on finely laid carpets on the floor, leaning or reclining on cushions for intimate conversations.

This is what resonates with me as I reflect on the word "knowledge". God intimately knows us that our encounters are like reclining in his presence. We recline on God's heart like John the beloved disciple did. We recline our busy minds, angsty hearts, and fidgety bodies on the Lord, trusting that he knows everything that is going on within us. The good shepherd never abandons us, and he knows us intimately by our name.

Then the question arises of how deeply do we truly understand our shepherd? As we recline on him, do we sense the quickening of the holy spirit probing us to heaven? Well, it is my experience that if we keep reclining on him, as time passes by, we too will catch on fire. The shepherd will surely reveal himself to us. The humble act for us to remain grounded in our experiences. Philosopher Martin Heidegger writes, "Why is love rich beyond all other possible human experiences and a sweet burden to those seized in its grasp? Because we become what we love and yet remain ourselves."

Yes, we want to know the shepherd like the way he knows us. As much as we desire and grow in divine union and yet we remain ourselves. I believe true love lets us be ourselves even when it deeply unites us. The shepherd never leaves us, and he promises that he will even lay down his life for us. Well, indeed he has. Such love. Let us together find some time this week *to recline with the Lord*. When we recline may this verse from St. Paul, "*love never fails*" (1 Cor 13: 8), echo in us.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### **THIS WEEKEND**

20th & 21st April St Mary's Saturday 6pm Sunday 8:30am Yangan

Yangan Saturday 6pm Gladfield Sunday 10am

#### WEEKDAY

**MASSES** 

\*Weekday Mass will be celebrated in the church\* 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.

#### **NEXT WEEKEND**

27th & 28th April
St Mary's
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8:30am
Killarney

Sunday 8:30am

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mary Ashton (Bris)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Maurice & Claire Leonard, Elizabeth Ipil, John Forkan, Darrell Carey & Lil Nolan, Jack & Maisie McGee, Noela Booth, Bill Browne, James Joseph Ryan, Barbara Hennigan, Vince Dwan, Vince Roche, Con Lo Guidice, Paulita Duran Villar, Rita Gray and all relatives and friends.

**SICK:** Owen Bonney, John Bourke, Michael Kavanagh, 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 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.

#### Please use the hand sanitizer provided at the doors

	THIS WEEKEND 20th & 21st April 2024			NEXT WEEKEND 27th & 28th April 2024		
ROSTERS Ministries	Vigil 6pm		8:30am			
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Bell Ringers	Kevin Seaby		Barry Scanlan	Kevin Seaby	Barry Scanlan	
Welcomers	Tim & Megan Kajewski		Paul Coghlan	Family Mass (Sharon Young)	Val Gray	
Altar Server	Isabella Sullivan		Felicity Madsen & Marnie Roche	Alby Young & Lincoln Cooper	TBA	
Children's Liturgy			Elaina Haynes		Megan Kajewski	
1st Reader	Nick Nolan		Margaret Lawton	Family Mass	Liisa Hammond	
2nd Reader	Justin Walsh		Sue Harris	Family Mass	Jill Hume	
Prayer of Faithful	Michael Sullivan		Paul Coghlan	Family Mass	Paul McHardy	
Gifts	Anthony & Clare Blake		Nancy Ford	Family Mass	Plummer Family	
Communion Ministers	Dianne Dawes Bernice Furness Patty Hemmings		Emma Timmins Pat Sheil John Telfer	Mary Noble Justin Walsh Dianne Dawes	Maree Ryan Jonathan Cruda Sue Harris	
Powerpoint	Lachlan & Patrick Kajewski		Gemma King	Andrea Curoopen	Abby Hammond	
Musician	Regina Henry/ Debbie Cleary		Michael, Rey & Val	TBA	Tom Hodgson	
Money Counters	Group		1 — Hynes	Group 2 — Morrisey		
OTHER ROSTE	RS	WEEK COMMENCING 21st April		WEEK COMMENCING 28th April		
Akooramak		David Moran/ John Telfer		Maree Ryan/ Pat Sheil		
Home Communion		June Stewart/ Sue Harris		Dianne Dawes/ Maria Ryan		
Morning Tea		Brian & Mary Bourke		Margaret Waltisbuhl/ Val Murphy		



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.



#### St Mary's Debutante Ball 2024

Reminder to all prospective debutantes and their partners that dance practices begin on **Sunday 28th of April** from 6:30pm—7:30pm in St Mary's Hall. If you haven't returned your registration forms could you please bring them along with you on the night or hand them in to the Parish office.

Thank you and looking forward to seeing you.

The St Mary's Debutante Ball Committee

#### ANZAC DAY MASS

Mass at 9am Thursday 25th of April will be an ANZAC Day service. Everyone is welcome. Medals are to be worn.



#### St Mary's Jumpers and Jazz in July 2024 Participation

Its on again. To showcase our beautiful Parish we are again taking part in this year's Jumpers and Jazz in July.

A general meeting of all interested parishioners will take place on **Monday 6th of May** at 5pm in Assisi Place.

We have had some fantastic volunteers for the last two years and would like to continue with this wonderful generosity. Bring along any new ideas to discuss, as we need your input.

#### St Mary's Debutante Ball 2024: Flower Girls

Calling all girls in Years 3 and 4 who may be interested In being a flower girl four our upcoming ball on **Friday 14th of June** at 7pm.

Our flower girls will assist the debutantes in their presentation to the bishop, and will be required to attend our final two dance practices to be held on **Sunday 2nd** and **9th of June** at 6pm.

Dresses will be available to borrow if need be and there will be a small fee of \$30 for the bouquet.

So, if your daughter would like to be a princess for a night or you would like further information please contact:

Sue Harris 0428 619 562

Christine Smith 4662 5833

Looking forward to hearing from you.

The St Mary's Debutante Ball Committee

#### **FUNERAL NOTICES**

Barbara Penrose
16th April at 11am Chapel
Michael O'Leary
26th April at 11am St Mary's Church

## 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

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.

#### CHURCH CHOIR-

Choir practice 4th Saturday of each month at 9:45am in the Church

## PARISH GROUPS MEETNG 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.



#### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supplies." - Hudson Taylor

First Reading

This is the only name by which we can be saved.

Responsorial

Ps 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29:

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

**Second Reading** 

1 Jn 3: 1-2:

We shall see God as he is.

**Gospel Acclamation** 

Jn 10: 14:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Jn 10: 11-18:

The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.

#### Sacramental Program Notices

The Parent Information Night: Tuesday 23rd of April at 7pm in Assumption Place.

Our bulletin can be seen on our St Mary's Catholic Parish Facebook page. We also post important information here, so please check it out.

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 ooo. 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

#### **Bulletin Submissions Deadlines**

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



#### Acts 4: 8-12: Mission: Transform Lives

- theirs...and yours

Palms' Discovery information session at Cathedral Centre on 26 April. Meet our director Soraya and former Palms participants to find out more about Assignments

Aboard.

Venue: Catholic Social Justice Commission

Cathedral Centre

Address: 123 Neil Street (corner of Lawrence St),

Toowoomba

Date: Friday 26th April 2024 Time: 5:30pm to 6:30pm

02 9560 5333

palms@palms.org.au



#### A World of Choral Music

St Mary's Catholic Parish, Warwick

2pm Saturday May 4, 2024

Adult: \$30 Concession: \$20 Children 16 & Under: Free Admission https://www.trybooking.com/CQWOO



# ONE EQUAL MUSIC

#### **Bulletin Change**

We are transitioning to a new program called PACEM that doesn't allow for bulk emails. If you wish to continue to receive the bulletin, you need to subscribe on the website. It is a two stage process.

- $\Rightarrow$  Go to the website:
  - stmarysparishwarwick.org.au/bulletins/
- ⇒ Click on Bulletin and subscribe
- $\Rightarrow$  Fill in the online form
- ⇒ Check your email and confirm your email address

#### FOOTBALL BUS TRIP - SOCIAL DAY OUT

The Emmaus Family Group is organising a bus from Warwick to Suncorp Stadium for 57 people to watch the Broncos/Titans NRL game on Sunday, May 26, at 2pm. Bus will leave Warwick at 9.45am so time for lunch and to take in pre game entertainment. Bus home after 6pm. Only handful of seats left (most taken by Emmaus members) but if interested call Gerard Walsh on 0428 1 555 35 or Margaret Walsh on 0403 779 771. Cost is \$65 adults, \$60 children under 16 (all cheaper children's tickets sold). If spare money after covering tickets and bus, it will be given back on the bus.