

Central West  
Catholic Cluster of Parishes

# Sunday Bulletin

Incorporating the communities of Alpha, Aramac, Barcaldine, Bedourie, Blackall, Ilfracombe, Isisford, Jericho, Jundah, Longreach, Morella, Muttaborra, Stonehenge, Tambo and Yaraka



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## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 20/21 November

**We pray for the sick**, especially Colin & Cecily Quinn, Kelly Struthers, Hazel Larcombe, Daphne Tilse, Leila Harvey, Melit Furneaux, Marcia Webster, Keith Lacey, Peter Kerrigan, Pat Lynch, Noel Rose, Nola Head, Vera Stephens, Di Harris, Rob Paterson, Mary Coleman, Bev Johnstone, Jenny Lawson, Deirdre Blyth, Gloria McKean, Dolour Yore, Elaine Britton, Julie Hauff, John Suthers, Noelle Melrose, Connie Lacey and Sr Rita Connor.

**We pray for the recently deceased**, especially Gail Prow and Shirley Roberts, **and those whose anniversaries occur around this time**, especially Beth Cahill and Mary Allpass.

## Diocesan News

### Safeguarding

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton abides by the principles of the **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards** (2013), and is committed to safeguarding, with a specific focus on protecting children and vulnerable adults.

For further information or support please contact the Diocesan **Professional Standards & Safeguarding Office: Response Line: 1800 830 113 (free call)** or email: [pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au](mailto:pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au)

**Diocesan Website** for more information:  
[www.rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/](http://www.rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/)  
To view the **Diocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults commitment statement and Policy:** [www.rok.catholic.net.au/safeguarding/policy](http://www.rok.catholic.net.au/safeguarding/policy)  
**Queensland Professional Standards Office:**  
[www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/](http://www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/)

### Ignite Summer Camp Diocesan Group

**When:** 12-16 January, 2022  
**Where:** QCCC Mapleton (Sunshine Coast)  
**Who:** Any 2022 high school students  
**Cost:** \$310, Family discounts available

Are you ready for an unforgettable summer? Ignite Summer Camp is back in 2022, with four days of huge outdoor games, amazing rallies, 200 new mates and connecting with Jesus. Our diocese will be taking a group to Summer Camp, providing transport to and from the event and an extra night's accommodation. If you're interested in coming, please contact [youth@rok.catholic.net.au](mailto:youth@rok.catholic.net.au)

### Cluster Service Times

Date	Place	Time	Service
Sat 27 Nov	Barcaldine	6:00 p.m.	Mass
Sat 27 Nov	Longreach	6:00 p.m.	Lay-Led
Sun 28 Nov	Tambo	9:00 a.m.	Mass
Sun 28 Nov	Alpha	10:30 a.m.	Lay-Led
Sun 28 Nov	Blackall	5:00 p.m.	Mass
Fri 3 Dec	Alpha	5:30 p.m.	Mass
Sun 5 Dec	Barcaldine	8:30 a.m.	Mass
Sun 5 Dec	Longreach	9:00 a.m.	Lay-Led
Sun 5 Dec	Tambo	9:00 a.m.	Lay-Led
Sun 5 Dec	Aramac	9:00 a.m.	TV Mass
Sun 5 Dec	Blackall	5:00 p.m.	Lay-Led

### Major Occasions on the Church Calendar:

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – St Cecilia (Memorial)  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November – St Andrew Dũng-Lạc & Companions (Memorial)

### Pope's Prayer Intention for November

#### People who suffer from depression

*We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.*

Depression is a mental illness that touches every part of one's life: family, work, friendships, hobbies. It can feel dark and alone. Sometimes those with depression withdraw so as not to burden others with their darkness. At other times, they are isolated by the stigmas that surround depression. Some friends may tell them, "Just get over it," while others avoid them altogether.

Jesus shows us how to meet people in their suffering. He meets the blind man Bartimaeus, the woman at the well, lepers, and paralytics. They have been pushed to the margins of society, and Jesus meets them there. He gets close to them, connects with them and offers restoration.

So, how can we follow Jesus' example as we encounter those suffering from depression and burnout in our world today? How do we extend an opportunity for healing and restoration? We draw close, we connect, and we offer the Light of Christ. He is the Light that gives us hope always.

Source: Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

# Around the Parishes

## Barcaldine

### Book of Remembrance

In the tradition of our Catholic Faith, the month of November is a special time for the faithful to remember and pray for those who have gone before us. We invite you to record the names of your departed loved ones so that we may keep them in our prayers throughout the month of November, the month of the Holy Souls.

### November Service Times

Please note the unusual Mass/Lay-Led times for the remainder of the month:

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November at 8:30 am (Lay-led)  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 6:00 pm (Mass)

### St Joseph's Appointments 2022

We welcome wife and husband, Sarah and Trent Shillington, to the leadership team of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School following their appointments to the positions of Principal (Trent) and APRE (Sarah) in 2022. We look forward to meeting them and welcoming them into our Parish community. Trent and Sarah are both currently working at St Mary's Catholic Primary School in North Rockhampton.

## Blackall

### Thank You!!

Thank you so much for each and every person who has worked so hard to prepare for our fete!!! We pray for an awesome night of great family entertainment and a time to relax and catch up with each other!!

Thank you, John, Sharyn, Greg, Sharyn, Glenda, Mow, Kerry, Col, Cheryl, Mark and Michael. Because you are all so amazing and help us in so many ways. Thank you, Bracken Ridge Parish for your generous donations sent out to us. We are so blessed to have your support!

THANK YOU!!!

### Welcome

This weekend we welcome into God's family through the sacrament of baptism

ELIJAH GRAEME MADDISON  
TELIA SOPHIA RICH  
JACK WILFRED RICH

Congratulations and blessings  
to you and your families!!



### Graduation & End of Year Mass

St Joseph's School invites you to join them in farewelling their departing students and families. Departing staff will also be farewelled.

When: 9:00 am Friday 26<sup>th</sup> of November  
Where: St Patrick's Church

## Combined Churches Christmas Tree Festival

When: Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Advent)

Where: Holy Trinity Church (11 Coronation Drive)

The Christmas Tree Festival is on again! Commencing with market stalls at 4pm before an evening sausage sizzle, Christmas Play and Carols.

Head on over for a friendly, fun filled evening after Mass next weekend.

## Longreach

### Weekday Masses

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – 10:00 am (OLS)

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – 7:00 am (St Brigid's)

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November – 9:00 am (Anointing - St Brigid's)

### Anointing Mass

An Anointing Mass will be held this coming Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> of November at 9:00 am in St Brigid's Church. All are welcome to attend, regardless of whether or not you wish to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. If you know of someone who would like to be anointed but is unable to attend, please let Father Shaiju know.

### Your Say – Future Mass Times

While no definite decisions have been made, it seems likely that only one priest will be available in the West next year. As part of the development of a sustainable, suitable Mass Roster for one priest, we are seeking your preference for weekend Mass Times in Longreach. Please indicate your preference on the sheet on the noticeboard at the back of the Church:

Option A – 2 Saturday night Masses  
1 Sunday morning Mass  
1 Sunday morning lay-led

Option B – 3 Saturday night Masses  
1 Saturday night lay-led

Option C – Don't care!

Please note that as the needs of Father, and of all communities across the cluster, will be considered, the option with the most votes may not necessarily be adopted, but it will definitely be a strong consideration in the roster development and decision making process.

### Morning Tea

Our monthly after-Mass morning tea is on again this Sunday. Please join us for coffee and conversations as we celebrate Presentation Day – a day of celebration for the Presentation Sisters and to give thanks for all they have done in God's name.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to current Our Lady's School Year 2 teacher, Miss Elise Leahy on being appointed to the position of Acting APRE, commencing Term 1 2022. Elise will be working with incoming principal, Peter Thurecht.

We thank Mrs Ayla Simpson for all her hard work and enthusiasm for the role of APRE and wish her and Chris all the very best for their next adventure, parenthood.