

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 Yarka



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The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Year A 10/11 June 2023

We pray for the sick, especially Noelle Melrose, Connie Lacey, Cecily Quinn, Kelly Struthers, Bev Johnstone, Keith Lacey, Hazel Larcombe, Ben Chandler, Melit Furneaux, Noel Mansfield, Vera Stephens, Leila Harvey, Mary Coleman, Deirdre Blyth, Rob Paterson, Gloria McKean, Pat Lynch, Peter Kerrigan, Elaine Britton, Noel Rose, Jenny Lawson, Luke Miller and Di Harris.

We pray for the recently deceased, especially Rose Balderson and John Henderson, **and those whose anniversaries occur around this time**, especially Doug Gesch, Marcia Webster, Allan Wills and Jack Collins.

Diocesan News

Rockhampton Base Hospital

If you or someone you know will be, or is currently, admitted to the Rockhampton Base Hospital and would appreciate a pastoral or sacramental visit, please contact our Pastoral Care team on – pastoralcare.rockhampton@rok.catholic.net.au or contact hospital Reception on 07 4920 6211 and request a visit from the Catholic Pastoral Care Team.

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

Diocesan Website for more information: 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
Queensland Professional Standards Office: www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/

Pope's June Prayer Intention

For the abolition of torture

Cluster Service Times

Date	Place	Time	Service
Sat 17 June	Longreach	6:00 pm	Mass
Sun 18 June	Barcaldine	9:00 am	Mass
Sun 18 June	Tambo	9:00 am	Communion
Sun 18 June	Alpha	12 noon	Mass
Sun 18 June	Blackall	5:00 pm	Communion
Sat 25 June	Longreach	6:00 pm	Mass
Sun 26 June	Barcaldine	9:00 am	Mass
Sun 26 June	Tambo	9:00 am	Communion
Sun 26 June	Alpha	cancelled	
Sun 26 June	Blackall	5:00 pm	Mass

Memorials, Feasts & Solemnities:

Monday 13th – St Anthony of Padua (Memorial)
Friday 16th – Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity)
Saturday 17th – The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial)

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care.

More information and Applications Forms available on the website pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship
Closing Date 4 August 2023

Peter's Pence Collection

Each year around the time of the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul (the Apostles) there is a world wide collection entitled "Peter's Pence". It will be held in our Diocese in 2 weeks time, the weekend of 24th/25th June. Your offering during a second collection that weekend will be designated for the Pope's apostolic and charitable ministry.

Although an individual's offering may be small on a global scale, it is of great symbolic value. It expresses the sense of belonging to the Church and love and trust for the Holy Father. It is a tangible sign of communion with Him, as Peter's Successor, and also of attention to the needs of the most disadvantaged, for whom the Pope always cares.

Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention

For the abolition of torture

Let us pray that the international community may commit itself concretely to abolish torture, guaranteeing support to victims and their families.

Torture is an act by which severe pain or suffering, whether physical or mental, is intentionally inflicted on a person for such purposes as obtaining information, punishment or coercion, or for any reason based on discrimination of any kind.

Torture is not past history. Unfortunately, it's part of our history today. In the past 5 years, torture has been reported in 141 countries (75% of the world).

There are extremely violent forms of torture. Other forms are more sophisticated, such as degrading someone, dulling the senses, or mass detentions in conditions so inhumane that they take away the dignity of the person.

How is it possible that the human capacity for cruelty is so huge? Let us put a stop to this horror of torture. It is essential to put the dignity of the person above all else. Otherwise, the victims are not persons, they are "things," and can be mistreated mercilessly, causing death or permanent psychological and physical harm lasting a lifetime.

Source: www.popevideo.org

Cluster News

Children's Sacraments

Preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation is underway or soon to begin in various parts of our region.

Families in Barcaldine, Blackall and Longreach should keep an eye on their local section of the Bulletin. For children elsewhere, please contact the Pastoral Coordinator as soon as possible to make mutually convenient arrangements for preparation.

Cluster Bulletin

Did you know that the Bulletin is available electronically? Simply contact Loretta (see top of opposite page) with your email address to be added to the distribution list.

We welcome the addition of names for our prayer lists – the sick, deceased and anniversaries of death. When adding names to the sick list, please ensure you have the person's permission (due to privacy laws). Names and dates for anniversaries can be supplied at any time.

Training for Baptism Preparation

Are you interested in journeying with families as they prepare for the baptism of their young child/ren? Training is now available for this ministry. Participants can choose from one of two Zoom sessions (17th June or 24th June) or face to face training is also possible. Contact the Pastoral Coordinator for further details and for a resource pack. Training is estimated to take 1-1.5 hours.

Around the Parishes

Barcaldine



Celebrate our Parish Feast Day

Please join us on Monday 12th June at 9:30am as we come together to celebrate mass in honour of our parish feast day. We look forward to the students, staff and families of St Joseph's school joining us.

Blackall

Service Changes

We wish Fr Shaiju a safe trip to Rockhampton next Sunday. Reminder to all parishioners that next weekend (18th June) will be a Liturgy of the Word with Communion; the following Sunday (25th June) will be Mass.

Longreach

Weekday Masses

Wednesday 14th June – 11 am (Pioneers)

Friday 16th June – 9 am (St Brigid's)

Morning Tea

Everyone is welcome to the free morning tea after Mass this Sunday, 11th June. Stay for a cuppa, a home made treat, or just the good company.



Schedule Change

Our regular Sunday Mass on the 2nd Sunday of July has been rescheduled due to a visit by Bishop Michael. Mass will be at 6 pm, Saturday 8th July. There will also be a social gathering with Bishop Michael and his guest, Fr Asaeli Raass SVD. As it is during school holidays, there will not be Children's Liturgy this weekend.

Visitors

We look forward to welcoming approximately 80 students in Year 9 from Southern Cross Catholic College (Redcliffe) to our 6 pm Mass next Saturday, 17th June.

Confirmation and First Holy Communion

Children who have made their First Reconciliation are now invited to prepare for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion.

Preparation Sessions will be on select Thursday afternoons commencing in late July.

For more information and enrolments please contact Angela Arthur (angela_arthur@rok.catholic.edu.au).

Liturgy and Prayer Roster

	6 pm, 17 Jun	6 pm, 24 Jun
Wel & Poff	Peter T	Mon
Reader 1 & 2	Kath McP	Madonna
\$ Collector	Raymond	Brett
Offertory	Mon & Bill	Ian & Lesley
June: Cleaner - Danni; Garden - Peter T		