



St Patrick's Parish Emerald Welcomes You

*Easter Sunday (Year B)
30th & 31st March 2024*

We, St Patrick's Catholic Parish, welcome all into a personal relationship
with Jesus Christ through *Community, Service, Spirituality and Faith Formation.*



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

Re: Easter Message 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

The Easter Sunday Gospel of Jesus speaks to a friend, Mary of Magdala, and brings hope to those who had thought all was lost. In the recognition of the Risen Christ, her pain of loss was turned into joy.

This is the Risen Christ who calls all of us by name. While we may not recognise immediately His presence, He is there with us and invites us with Him to turn our pain and sorrow into joy.

This year, we have much to be concerned about and hope that the Risen Christ will turn sorrow into joy. We ask Him to calm the hearts of the leaders in the Middle East and in Eastern Europe. These wars have gone on too long and there are people suffering in Palestine and Ukraine.

Around the Diocese, our prayers are with you as your own challenges mount.

May the blessings of the Risen Christ be with you and your families this Easter, and may you experience the gift of hope that brings joy from Him.

Yours sincerely

Most Rev Michael McCarthy
Bishop of Rockhampton

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THE LIGHT OF CHRIST HAS COME INTO THE WORLD

It is a message being proclaimed in Church gatherings right around the world on this Easter Day. The message of a light that dispels all darkness, brings newfound joy and restores hope. A message that we too must be witnesses, bringing the joy, hope, love and promise of the Gospel alive to our family, friends, neighbours and community.

As we witness at home and abroad the truly challenging, and sometimes frightening times, we might feel it is difficult to be empowered by such a life-giving message this Easter.

Be encouraged by the unforgettable story of Great Britain's 400m runner Derek Redmond, that Fr Francois shared with us last weekend. How, although he had snapped his hamstring during his event at the Barcelona 1992 Olympic Games, he was determined to keep his promise to his father that he would finish the race 'no matter what'. How his father, Jim ran onto the track and helped him fulfil that promise.

Fr Francois encouraged us to never give up, finish the good work you have started, you will face challenges along the way, persevere, the Father will never leave you, he will be right with you, right up to the finish line.

During this special time of grace, may the Risen Christ, who defeated death and evil, bestow upon you many graces. May He strengthen your faith and give you happiness, good health and many blessings. May He always protect you and those close to you. May He bless you during this holy time. May God reward your generosity and support of our parish.

Many blessing to Mark and Ofa, and all those being received into the Catholic faith this weekend.

Thank you to all volunteers, for your great work, each one of you are very important, you contribute a great deal to our church. Happy Easter to all.

The Parish Team

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Liturgies

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday 12noon / Wednesday 7am*

Thursday 8am / Friday 9am

**Anointing Mass 4th Tuesday monthly*

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 8am

Anakie Community Hall:

2nd & 4th Sunday monthly

We welcome with faith, praise and love Mark Shields and Ofa Fakatava as they celebrate the Rite of Christian Initiation.

May you both feel the love of this community and be encouraged to continue to grow in faith and love.

St Patrick's Parish Community



We acknowledge the Kairi, the Wangan, and the Western Gangaloo Peoples as the Traditional Custodians of the lands of which St Patrick's Parish is situated. We recognise their continuing connection to the land, waterways, and community. We pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.



Sick: Beatrice, Mick Burrridge, Fr Peter Tonti, Dawn Meek, Marjorie Millard, Peter Mahony, Shelley Herwin, Nancy Mooney, Myra Stanton, Vinita Allix, Margaret McCormack, Shirleen Piltz, Rita Ross, Dane Tappenden, Mary Hornery, Lawrence McNamee.

Deceased: Br Peter Clinch cfc, Gerard Pearce, Mike Burns, John Murray.

Anniversaries: Neil McCosker, Stella Leishman, Maxwell Winter, John Redhead, John Maguire.

Please contact the parish office if you are aware of people or families within our community requiring our prayers and/or support. The Parish Priests are available for special blessings (home, vehicle, occasions). Contact the parish office to make an appointment.

Church March/April Roster

Ground Maintenance: Michael Heinemann,

Michael Case, Max Dunne

April: Bill Mahony, Glen McKinlay, Bernie Frawley

Church Linen: Marsha Krawczyk

April: Deborah Titmarsh

Church Cleaning:

April:

5th: Marissa, Kellie, Tesa

12th: Susan, Juliana

EASTER ROSTER - 28/29/30/31 March
ON CHURCH KITCHEN BENCH.

Office Leave

Fr Francois will be on leave 1st to 5th April, SVD U5 meeting.

Fr Truc will be available for any queries.
The Parish Office reopens 2 April, 9am.



Stations of the Cross

Good Friday

9am, Church

Happy Easter

A very Happy Easter to those who are visiting and to our Parish community.

Safe travelling to everyone during this time. We pray that you all return safely home.

Fr Truc, Fr Francois, Francie & Cathy



Easter Mass Times

Holy Thursday	9am	Springsure
	5.30pm	Emerald
	6pm	Blackwater
Good Friday	9am	Stations of the Cross
	9am	Springsure (SCT)
	3pm	Emerald
Saturday	3pm	Blackwater
	4.30pm	Emerald (ECT)
	6pm	Emerald
Sunday	6pm	Blackwater
	8am	Emerald
	8.30am	Duaringa
	10.30am	Anakie
	10.30am	Woorabinda
	6pm	Springsure

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM
— ANZAC DAY —
25 APRIL



ANZAC Day Mass, 9am

Social Justice Group Rockhampton –
some thoughts from ACRATH
(Australian Catholic Religious Against
Trafficking in Humans)

Join with the one billion responsible 'indulgences' this Easter and watch what chocolate you eat. Join ACRATH's *Indulge Responsibly* Easter chocolate campaign starting on Ash Wednesday, 14th February 2024. Much of the world's chocolate, including some of what is sold in Australian shops and supermarkets, is produced using cocoa beans harvested by child labourers, many of whom endure enslavement and poor, sometimes dangerous, working conditions.



Click here for more information [It's chocolate, so Indulge Responsibly \(acrath.org.au\)](https://acrath.org.au)

The Diocesan Sacramental Working Party works together to animate the Sacraments of Initiation policy for the Diocese of Rockhampton. The group works with Bishop Michael to provide advice and support to sacramental preparation teams throughout the diocese, ensuring that children and young people in our region have the opportunity to engage in programs which are engaging, inspiring, and which invite them to enter more fully into a relationship with Jesus and into the life of the Catholic Church. The group is seeking a suitable individual to undertake a paid, short-term project, to develop resources, aligned to policy, which parishes could utilise for the preparation process. Ideally, the successful applicant will have knowledge of sacramental preparation and have a contemporary understanding of both theology and pedagogy. If this sounds like you, please feel free to outline your interest and suitability by emailing the Working Party via bishopsoffice@rok.catholic.net.au (please include the subject line 'Attention: Sacramental Working Party'). Expressions of interest are due Friday 19 April, 2024.

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ACCOMMODATION

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Support the Parish Fundraiser
St Patrick's Account No: C11067581



Second Collection Throughout Lent

Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for your continued support through Project Compassion. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations.**

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2024 Lenten appeal.

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.



PLANNED GIVING

	December	January	February
Envelope	\$3480	\$3760	\$3135
Loose	\$5316	\$6326	\$3772
Average	\$1759	\$2521	\$1726

Please contact the parish office to join planned giving.

Emergency Relief Roster March

Anglican Church
49821802

Contributions can be made direct to the Parish Account
BSB: 034 210
Account: 002296
Name: St Patrick's Church
Emerald
Ref: Initial|Surname

Dear Visitor,

Welcome to Emerald. Please take a St Patrick's prayer card wishing you every blessing for an enjoyable and safe journey.