

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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5th Sunday of Easter Year B 21/28 April 2024

We pray for the sick and injured, especially Coralie Balderson, Fraser Power, Deirdre Blyth, Bev Johnstone, Peter Kerrigan, Elaine Britton, Vera Stephens, Jenny Lawson, Luke Miller, Rob Paterson, Mary Coleman, Noel Rose, Melit Furneaux, Ben Chandler, Hazel Larcombe, Jane Hain, Keith Lacey, Kelly Struthers, Noelle Melrose, Connie Lacey, Leila Harvey and Tom Buchan.

We pray for the recently deceased, especially David Wortley, **and those whose anniversaries occur around this time**, especially Neil Fraser.

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** (2022), and is committed to safeguarding, with a specific focus on protecting children and adults at risk.

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

Diocesan Website (including **Safeguarding Policy**) for more information:
www.rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/
Queensland Professional Standards Office:
www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/

Pope's April Prayer Intention

for the role of women

that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in parts of the world

Cluster Service Times

Date	Place	Time	Service
Sat 4 May	Ilfracombe	8:00 am	Mass
Sat 4 May	Isisford	11:00 am	Mass
Sun 5 May	Tambo	8:00 am	Mass
Sun 5 May	Longreach	9:00 am	Mass
Sun 5 May	Barcaldine	9:00 am	Ecumenical
Sun 5 May	Blackall	5:00 pm	Mass
Sun 12 May	Tambo	8:00 am	Communion
Sun 12 May	Longreach	9:00 am	Mass
Sun 12 May	Barcaldine	9:00 am	Mass
Sun 12 May	Alpha	9:30 am	Communion
Sun 12 May	Blackall	5:00 pm	Mass

Memorials, Feasts & Solemnities:

Monday 29th – Saint Catherine of Siena (Memorial)
Thursday 2nd – Saint Athanasius (Memorial)
Friday 3rd – Saints Philip & James, Apostles (Feast)



*The people of the Diocese
are invited to celebrate the*

*Tenth Anniversary of
Most Reverend Michael McCarthy
Bishop of Rockhampton*

Wednesday, 29th May 2024

*5.30pm Mass of Thanksgiving,
St Joseph's Cathedral*

*followed by a formal reception**
**RSVP required - Ph 4887 3070 or*
<https://forms.office.com/r/8u41nHR0AA>



The Mass of Thanksgiving will be streamed live on:
www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton

Online Youth Group

This term the diocese is offering an online youth group for any high school students in years 8-12.

We will be going through 'The Search Begins' video series which is tailored for teens wanting to explore the big questions like what is the meaning of life? And is God real? We will meet over Zoom on Tuesday afternoons from 4:15pm to 5:30pm starting May 7th and finishing on June 18th.



For more info and to register scan the QR code.

Cathedral Bookstore

St Joseph's Cathedral Gift and Bookstore stock a large range of gifts, books and other religious items. Helen is more than happy to take phone orders and help in any way possible, including ordering in required items. Next time you're looking for a baptism gift, sacristy items, a present for a godchild, a house-warming gift or something to support your own faith, contact them on 07 4921 2170, cathedralbookstore@rok.catholic.net.au or visit at 238 Murray Street, Rockhampton.

Opening hours are:

Monday & Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	10 am - 3 pm
Saturday	9 am - 12 noon
Sunday	9 am - 11 am

Let us never lose sight of the Father's saving embrace. It is the paradigm of life, the heart of the Gospel, our model of radical love. May we allow him to embrace us as children, so that we may embrace our brothers and sisters with the same charity.

Pope Francis, X, May 2024

Cluster News

Nominations for Regional Pastoral Council

After a 2 year hiatus, the Regional Pastoral Council (RPC) is being reformed. The RPC shares in the responsibility for pastoral activity within the region, supporting parishioners' efforts to live as missionary disciples of Christ.

We are currently seeking nominations for parishioners from throughout the region for the next 2-3 year term. Please nominate yourself or someone you know this weekend! Nominations should be provided to Fr Bang, Fr Kingsley or Loretta.

An online information session will be held for nominated people to find out more about the role before they accept or decline the nomination.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Reconciliation is gladly offered throughout the region by appointment with one of the priests. Simply ask Father when you see him; he will even oblige immediately if he is able to. Alternatively send the priests an email (west.clergy@rok.catholic.net.au) to arrange a time when they will next be in your community.

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www.facebook.com/CW.QLD.Catholic.Church

or search for Central West QLD Catholic Church

Around the Parishes

Barcaldine

Tree of Knowledge Festival Ecumenical Service

9 am, Sunday 5th May
Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Our regular Liturgy of the Word with Communion has been cancelled for next weekend, as we will instead host the annual Tree of Knowledge Festival Ecumenical Service.

Please join with local and visiting Christians as we come together to give thanks for the rights of workers, and to pray for all in our community.



Anointing Masses

Our regular Anointing Mass timeslot has shifted to the **3rd Monday of the month**. Still at 9:30am at The Willows, with the older students from St Joseph's joining us whenever they can. Our next Anointing Mass will therefore be held on Monday, the 20th of May.

This change is to allow our priests to participate in monthly meetings and times of fellowship with the leaders of other Christian Churches in Longreach.

Longreach

Weekday Masses

Monday 29th April – 5:15 pm (St Brigid's)
Tuesday 30th April – 5:15 pm (St Brigid's)
Wednesday 1st May – 5:15 pm (St Brigid's)
Thursday 2nd May – 9 am & 5:15 pm (St Brigid's)
Friday 3rd May – 9 am & 5:15 pm (St Brigid's)

Liturgy and Prayer Roster

	9 am, 5 May	9 am, 12 May
Wel & Poff	?	OLS
Reader 1 & 2	Ian	OLS
\$ Collector	Raymond	OLS
Offertory	Ian & Lesley	OLS
Children's Lit		OLS