



St Patrick's Parish Emerald Welcomes You

*3rd Sunday of Easter (Year B)
13th & 14th April 2024*

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

SUNDAY CONNECTIONS

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:35-48

Jesus appears again to his disciples and shares a meal with them.

Background on the Gospel Reading

On the third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear Gospel accounts of Jesus' appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. Today's reading, taken from the Gospel of Luke, follows immediately after the report of Jesus' appearance to his disciples on the road to Emmaus. This is the event being recounted by the disciples in the opening verse of today's Gospel.

Consistently in the reports of Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances, Jesus greets his disciples with the words, "Peace be with you." This is a most appropriate greeting. The disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Peace is what they need more than anything else. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift—forgiveness. In today's Gospel, this connection is made in the final verses.

Even as they hear Jesus' greeting of peace, the disciples are startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them and, quite understandably, they mistake Jesus for a ghost. Yet the figure before them is not a ghost; Jesus invites them to experience his resurrected body with their senses, to look and to touch. The figure before them is flesh and bone, still bearing the marks of crucifixion. Although the disciples cannot forget his suffering and death, peace begins to take root in their hearts, as their fears turn to joy and amazement.

As further proof of his identity and of his resurrected body, Jesus eats with his disciples. The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them. Descriptions of these meals are a defining element of Luke's Gospel. By eating with his disciples after his Resurrection, Jesus recalls all these meals, and most importantly, he recalls the Last Supper.

Luke's report of the Last Supper and the meals that Jesus shared after his Resurrection unveil for us the significance of the Eucharist. Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As Jesus commissions his disciples to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us. Like the disciples, we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/third-sunday-of-easter-cycle-b-sunday-connection/>

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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 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 Burridge, 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: Br Peter Codd, Donna Chapman, Austin Burns, Les Dalglish, Fr Dan Moore, June Ufer, Jenjen Aquino, Roley McAtee.

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 April Roster

Ground Maintenance: Bill Mahony, Glen McKinlay, Bernie Frawley

Church Linen: Deborah Titmarsh

Church Cleaning:

April:

19th: Jackie, Loy, Marie

26th: Jessica & Christian

THIS WEEKEND 13/14 April

Sacristan:

6pm: John Millard | **8am:** Peter Agius

Commentators:

6pm: Mary Pearce | **8am:** Lisa Caffery

Readers:

6pm: Donna Lennon | Kevin Bickhoff

8am: Marie Mahony | Yvonne Farrell

Communion Ministers:

6pm: Susan McCosker, Rod Devlin, Margaret Smith

8am: Anna Wolff, Marie Mahony, Janice Moriarty

Altar Servers:

6pm: Volunteers please

8am: Volunteers please

Holy Goods:

6pm: Elma Devlin | **8am:** Juliana McCosker

Musicians:

6pm: Noel, Richard

8am: Jun, Monica, Mila



Baptism this Weekend

Levi Franklyn Goodall

Parents: Tom and Jade

Olive Sebastiana Venturato

Parents: Anthony & Shae

MINISTRY TRAINING.

Frs Truc and Francois will be conducting Ministry training for new and returning Commentators, Readers and Eucharist Ministers on:

**Tuesday 16th April or
Thursday 18th April
at 5.30pm Church.**

All ministers are asked to attend.

Holy Spirit Seminary Appeal 20th & 21st April 2024

The formation of men for the priesthood is an essential work of the Church. This formation does not occur in isolation and requires the support of the entire Church community.

There are three ways to offer support to the continuing formation of priests: Firstly and most importantly through your prayers (which are essential); secondly, by encouraging young men in your home, parish, or community to discern the call to priesthood; and finally, by your financial support – without which the Seminary would not function.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION OF AN UNBORN BABY IN DANGER OF ABORTION

The Annunciation of the Lord, is also internationally recognised as The Day of the Unborn Child. It is suggested to Spiritually Adopt one Unborn Child in Danger of Abortion. Begin with a personal prayer, in a church or before a Crucifix, to commit to 9 months, then attach the prayer below to one decade of your daily Rosary. To forget occasionally does not break the commitment. You can add more days, accordingly.

The Spiritual Adoption Prayer:

My Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary Your Mother, who bore You so lovingly, and of St Joseph, strong man of faith, who protected you both, I pray to You for the life of the unborn child in danger of abortion, the one I have spiritually adopted. Please give to the parents of this particular child, the grace and courage to bring this precious one to the life you have destined for him/her. Amen.



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

Please keep in your prayers:

Harper Christison

Candidate in the RCIC program. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will guide and strengthen Harper on her faith journey.

Sacramental Program 2024

**Confirmation - Children Y4 and older, cluster gatherings commence
27 May.**

**Parent Information & Enrolment
Session - Tuesday, 14 May at
3.30pm or 5pm**

Parish Staff will be away from the Office 22nd -24th April attending the Diocesan Secretary Administration Inservice at The Haven. Fr Truc will be available on 0431 218 818

Youth Gathering Saturday, 20th April

**10.30am - 11.30am
at the Church.
Open to children 9 years and older.**

Parish Date Claimers

3rd Sunday of the month | morning tea and baptism preparations

4th weekend of the month | wedding anniversary blessings | baptism blessings

April

- ◆ Rosary Group **14th @ 5.30pm**
- ◆ School Resumes **15th**
- ◆ Legion of Mary **15th @ 5.15pm**
- ◆ Ministry Training **16th @ 5.30pm**
- ◆ Mothers Group Resumes **17th @ 9am**
- ◆ Good Shepherd Group **17th @ 7pm**
- ◆ Ministry Training **18th @ 5.30pm**
- ◆ Eucharistic Adoration **19th @ 5.30pm**
- ◆ Youth Meeting **20th @ 10.30am**
- ◆ Secretary Administration Inservice **22nd-24th**



Morning Tea

Next Sunday 21st March

Parish gathering for morning tea after Mass.

Please bring a plate to share.

All are very welcome.

"World renowned Catholic Preacher and Minister, Damien Stayne, is visiting Brisbane in April. If you would like further information please refer to the noticeboard."

CatholicCare Central Queensland is on an exciting journey of growth and transformation. As part of our transition to become an incorporated governing body, we are seeking to recruit highly skilled individuals to **join our our soon to be established Board of Directors.** Your **strategic thinking, expertise, and leadership** will influence critical decisions and allow CatholicCare to reach new heights!

Find out more and submit your expression of interest at: <https://www.seek.com.au/job/74453495>

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

Emergency Relief Roster April
Presbyterian Church
0400 387 522



PLANNED GIVING

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

Project Compassion Collection \$3143.35

Please contact the parish office to join planned giving.
Upcoming Second Collections
Holy Spirit Seminary Appeal - 20 & 21 April
Peter Pence (Holy Father) Collection - 4&5 May