

St Patrick's, Mackay
St Francis Xavier, West Mackay
St Mary's, South Mackay,
St Michael's, Sarina

4th Sunday of Easter

21st April, 2024

Good Shepherd Sunday

Diocesan Vocations Prayer

Lord, you are the good shepherd who calls us by name and asks us to follow you

May the Holy Spirit kindle the hearts of those who you are calling to the priesthood and consecrated life.

Give them courage to respond to their vocation to serve your Church.

May all of us seek to know you better, to faithfully follow your call to holiness, and proclaim the gospel to the world. Amen.

*You are invited to Mackay's Celebration
of
Bishop Michael McCarthy's
10th Anniversary as Bishop of Rockhampton
and welcome to
His Excellency Archbishop Charles Balvo
Apostolic Nuncio to Australia
5.30pm Friday 31st May
at St Patrick's Hall, River St, Mackay*

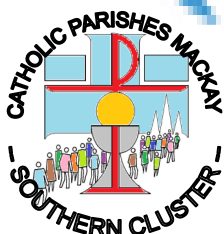
RSVP Friday 24 May 2024

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The parishes of the Northern Region along with the Colleges and Schools have purchased a crozier in recognition of the Bishop's 10th Episcopal Anniversary. This crozier will be used by the Bishop when he visits the parishes and schools of this region.

If you would like to contribute to this gift your donation would be very welcome. Simply place your donation in an envelope clearly marked: 'Bishop's Gift' and place it in the collection at Mass or drop it in to your local parish office.



Parish Office Contact Information

Office Hours

9.00am - 1.00pm
Monday to Friday

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Parish Team

Parish Priest

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Parish Churches

St Patrick's
12 River Street
Mackay

St Francis Xavier
403 Bridge Road
West Mackay

St Mary's
46 Juliet street
South Mackay

St Michael's
1 Range Road
Sarina

St Therese's
18 Grasstree Road
Alligator Creek

We Remember in Prayer

Those who are sick: Debbie Kirkman, Ester Cabalfinllarenas (P'pines), Dan Vickers (Bris), Fr Peter Tonti, Linda Matsen, Julie Sammut, Jim Doyle (Marian), Rosa Menzies, Clyde Hoffman, Freddy Ahwang, Sue Christensen, Debbie Jones, John Bugeja jnr, Kiana Bugeja, Alison Bugeja, Jim Scriha, Debbie Hagger, Gavin Carter.

The faithful recently departed: Barry Doolan, Michael Taylor, Patricia Ringuet, Sally Borg, Denise McCowan (Bribie Is), Mary (Moy) Nahrung, Mary Vella (Syd), Jan Webb, Maglio Signorini, Michelina Herd, Margaret Vella, Steven Gargano (Sydney), John Quattromani (Syd)

Anniversaries of death: Henry Chyba 4/5, Rosaleen Noonan 24/3, John Styles 18/4, Albert Sleight 28/4, Mario Cruz 24/4, Carlito Cruz 24/4, Vera Galea 25/4, Bill Daley 2/4, Amarlie Carroll 4/4

We remember those for whom Mass has been requested: Joseph Muscat, Peter Ribaldone, Joseph Sant, Alfred Galea, Patrick Scriha, Narcisa Sagrado, Carmel Azzopardi, John Ryan, Kevin Casey, David Crowley, Jean & Richard Sciberras, Joe Bartolo, Joe, Grace & Jim Attard, Sr Betty Attard, Mary Vella, Paul & Tona Bartolo, Beryl Neilsen, Eric Eastment, Carmel Daley, Jim, Frank & George Vella, Rita Steindl, Margaret Hackett, Michael Hackett, Pat Leahy, Dianne Shore, Bernard McGuire, Cesare Del Dot, Fr Patrick Mooney, Grace Mifsud, Raymond Gunning, Jim, Anna & Joseph Rostirolla, Antonio, Maria & Vincenza Rostirolla, Francesco, Anna & Joseph Rostirolla, Phillip Sanfilippo, Pietro & Prassede Raiteri, Kathleen Carroll, Marlene Comin, Doris McSherry, Francis & Peter Corby, Brian Hill, Gerard Hill, Ben Faa, Tony Galea, Louis & Grace Bezzina. Deceased members of the Ribaldone, Brignone, Falar, Manapsal, Murillo, Jao, Muega, Patroni, Ahern, Forzatti, Borg, Bartolo, Sorbello, Mirabella, Muscat, Galea, Hackett & De Brincat families

****Please Note: Permission must be sought from the person for their name to be added to the sick list. Names of recently deceased family members and names for anniversaries will only remain in the bulletin for 30 days. There is no correlation between offering Mass Stipends and names of the sick or deceased being added to the bulletin****

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 and Safeguarding office: Response line: 1800 830 113 (free call) or Email: pssomanager@rok.catholic.net.au For more information see the Diocesan website: <http://rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/> Queensland Professional Standards Office: www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/

Parish Schools

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Hayden Charles Axiak will be Baptised at St Michael's Church this weekend. Please pray for **Hayden and his family** as we welcome them into our Faith Community.

Holy Spirit Seminary Appeal (2nd collection today): Today we take a moment to offer our prayerful support to the Queensland seminarians at Holy Spirit Seminary in Banyo. With your generosity, we will be able to prepare these men to be priests of faith and service with the Gospel as their foundation.

Please note: the Cluster Parish Office will be open from 9.00am to midday from Monday 22nd April to Wednesday 24th April. Thursday is the Anzac Day public holiday. Mass will be celebrated at 7.00am at St Patrick's Church. This will be the only Mass celebrated in the Cluster on that day.

Youth Mass St Mary's Church: The youth of our faith community invites you to join them for the celebration of the Eucharist at **5.00pm on Saturday 27th of April.** All are welcome.

St Mary's Church urgently requires volunteers to take on the following responsibilities:

- One volunteer to prepare for the 5.30pm Mass on Thursdays
- One volunteer to prepare for the 5.00pm Mass on Saturdays
- One volunteer to prepare for Baptisms at 10.30am on the 4th Saturday of each month.
- One volunteer to prepare for funerals when requested.
- Full training offered. Please contact the Parish Office on 49574807

Safeguarding Training

Safeguarding Training will be delivered in our Parishes on the dates listed below. All Clergy, Religious, Parish Staff and Church Volunteers are **required to attend this training every year.** The Professional Standards and Safeguarding Office team look forward to seeing you at the training.

Southern Cluster: Thursday 2nd May, 10.30am & 5.30pm
in the Parish Centre meeting room

To register please contact the Parish Office:

Phone 4957 4807 or email cluster@smky.catholics.org.au

The Catholic Men's Dinner Club will meet on Mon 29th April at 6.30 pm for a 7pm start at the Boomerang Hotel, Nebo Rd. The guest speaker is Doug Petersen, local historian, subject 'Father Pierre Marie Bucas a Life and a Possible Saint'? Visitors/New members and all Ladies are welcome. **RSVP to Peter Sheedy by text or mobile at 0418 186 691.**

CWL Farleigh is hosting a **Mother's Day Mass** at St Brigid's Catholic Church, on Wednesday 8th May at 9.30am. All are very welcome to attend. Raffle to be drawn after Mass.

Mass is celebrated at the **Mater Hospital** every Thursday at 9.30am. All Welcome.

Pope Francis intention for April

For the role of women: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

Week Day Masses (week commencing 22nd April)

Monday

12.10pm St Patrick's

Tuesday

St George & St Adalbert

6.30am Francis of Assisi Chapel
8.00am St Mary's

Wednesday

St Fidelis of Sigmaringen

6.30am St Francis Xavier
4.00pm Francis of Assisi Chapel

Thursday (Anzac Day)

7.00am St Patrick's

Friday

St Mark, The Evangelist

6.30am St Francis Xavier
12.10pm St Patrick's

Saturday

St Louis Grignion de Montfort

7.00am Francis of Assisi Chapel

Devotions - St Patrick's

Tuesday

6.30pm Rosary
7.00pm Novena & Benediction

Friday

11.00am Exposition of the Holy Eucharist
12 noon Angelus

Sunday Mass

5th Sunday of Easter Year B

Saturday 27th April:

5.00pm St Mary's
6.00pm St Francis Xavier

Sunday 28th April:

7.00am St Patrick's
7.30am St Therese's
9.00am St Francis Xavier
9.00am St Michael's
10.45am Francis of Assisi Chapel
6.00pm St Patrick's
(only Sunday night Mass in Mackay)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Patrick's Church

Friday & Saturday
11.30am - 12.00 noon

St Francis Xavier Church

Saturday 9.30am - 10.00am

This Week's Scripture

First Reading: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (4:8-12)

This is the only name by which we can be saved.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

Responsorial Psalm: *The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.*

Second Reading: A reading from the first letter of St John (3:1-2)

We shall see God as he is.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed
we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (10:11-18)

The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:
the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.
The hired man, since he is not the shepherd
and the sheep do not belong to him,
abandons the sheep and runs away
as soon as he sees a wolf coming,
and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;
this is because he is only a hired man
and has no concern for the sheep.
I am the good shepherd;
I know my own
and my own know me,
just as the Father knows me
and I know the Father;
and I lay down my life for my sheep.
And there are other sheep I have
that are not of this fold,
and these I have to lead as well.
They too will listen to my voice,
and there will be only one flock
and one shepherd.
The Father loves me,
because I lay down my life
in order to take it up again.
No one takes it from me;
I lay it down of my own free will,
and as it is in my power to lay it down,
so it is in my power to take it up again;
and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

