



St Ignatius Church
Kensington Terrace, Toowong



Holy Spirit Church
Harriett Street Auchenflower



St Ignatius Parish TOOWONG

in the care of the Jesuit Fathers,
in a 'Community of Communities' with
Holy Family Church, Indooroopilly 37 Ward Street, Indooroopilly and
St Thomas Aquinas Church, St Lucia 87 Central Avenue, St Lucia.

Ascension Sunday



12 May 2024

Year B

Carry the Awe With Us

It is good to be a follower of Christ. We are included in the great tradition and lineage being passed down to Theophilus in today's first reading. Through the accounts of these first witnesses, we have become aware of tremendous realities: Jesus's teaching, his suffering, and the "convincing proofs" of his resurrected life. It's no wonder that the apostles stood, "gazing up towards heaven," as Jesus was taken upon a cloud and lifted out of their sight. As described later, "awe came upon everyone" (Acts 2:43).

And yet, the apostles didn't even have time to naturally break their heavenward gaze before the men-in-robos immediately called their attention back to the mission that Jesus shared with them moments before: Go and be my witnesses.

It makes me think of the Ignatian principle of being contemplatives in action. As wonderful as it is to be struck, to be in awe, to be a witness of the movement of God in salvation history, and our very own lives, we must not become stuck there. We must carry the contemplative, awe-filled stance within us as we move out to the very ends of the earth.

How is the awe of God stirring in the midst of your action today?

Our prayer in this space might be:

Spirit of Christ, You draw our attention to you. We experience your movement in the world and in our hearts and are struck with awe amid our long, loving look at the Real.

Spirit of Christ, You draw our attention outward. We experience your movement in the world and in our hearts and desire to carry this awe into all that we do.

Spirit of Christ, Empower us to be your witnesses. May we be contemplatives even in our times of action, participating in your dream to the very ends of the earth.

Amen.

—Laura Gilmartin Hancock

* Please note, Holy Spirit Church closed as of 8/4/2024 until further notice (for roof replacement).

PARISH WEEKDAY MASSES: **ST IGNATIUS Toowong:** 5.30pm Tuesdays and 9.15am Thursdays.
HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: 9am Fridays* (**relocating** to St Ignatius Church)

PARISH WEEKEND MASSES: **ST IGNATIUS Toowong:** **Sunday** 7.00am & 5.00pm.
HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: **Sunday** 8.00am.* (**cancelled**)

Reconciliation / Confession: by appointment.

We respectfully acknowledge the Turrbal/Jagera people, as the traditional custodians and caretakers of the land which is the Toowong Catholic Parish.
We acknowledge the Elders, past and present and emerging. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

PARISH INFORMATION



Synodality and the Life of the Parish

St Ignatius Church
30 Kensington Terrace
Toowong

Friday, 24 May 2024, 7.30pm – 9.00pm

All welcome! Also online [N.B. changed 9/5/24]

Leading African theologian and 2 local experts!



The key speaker:

Fr Agbonkhianmeghe E. Orobator, S.J.
member of the Roman Synod on Synodality

- Dean of the Jesuit School of Theology in California.
- Nigerian-born, successively provincial and regional superior of the Jesuits in Africa.
- Taught theology and religious studies at Hekima University College, St Augustine College of Sth Africa in Johannesburg, and Marquette University in Milwaukee.



His books include *Theology Brewed in an African Pot* in which he writes that "theology isn't an exercise in conceptual weightlessness; it does not defy the law of gravity".

Echoing Pope Francis he says, "If theologians do not "smell" of the joys and hopes and the pain and anguish of people of their times and contexts, they become "table-top" speculators in arcane complexities and purveyors of theological inanities."

You can listen to his podcast reflecting on the last session of the Synod here:



Joined by:
two of our finest local theologians

Fr Orm Rush

Orm is a priest from the Townsville Diocese. Author of *The Vision of Vatican II: Its Fundamental Principles*, he was invited to address the last session of the Synod in Rome.



Associate Professor Maeve Heaney

Maeve is the Director of the Xavier Centre for Theological Formation at Australian Catholic University. She is the author of *Suspended God: Music and a Theology of Doubt*. She was a participant in our recent Plenary Council.



As we prepare for the October, 2nd session of the **Synod on Synodality** in Rome, this is an opportunity for people in the Archdiocese of Brisbane to come and hear some of the key theologians participating in the synodal processes both locally and internationally.

There will be plenty of time for Q&A!

Provided by the Brisbane Jesuits

Pope's Intention for May 2024.

Pope Francis releases his prayer intention for May, inviting prayers for the "formation of men and women religious and for seminarians".

DOMESTIC & FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION MONTH



May marks Domestic & Family Violence Prevention Month, a crucial time for us to come together & stand against abuse. We are taking this opportunity to reflect on how we can support survivors and prevent violence in our communities.

If you or somebody you know is struggling with Domestic and Family Violence please, remember that support is available. Reach out to SvDP on 1800 846 643 for assistance.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2024:

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST.



Following last Sunday's (5 May) 'Rite of Enrolment' during Masses at St Ignatius Church, the children's name cards are now placed along the walls of the Church.

Parishioners are asked to please pray for these children, and their families, at this time.

Family preparation will continue over the coming weeks, by working on Preparation Booklets provided. The children, with their parents, are also expected to attend Sunday Mass in our parish each Sunday.

PRACTICE SESSIONS will be held on **Saturday 25 May** at 1pm & REPEATED at 3:30pm (both) at St Ignatius Church.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

will be held at 7am & 5pm Masses at St Ignatius Church on **Solemnity of Corpus Christi Sunday 2 June**.

Please direct all enquiries via email to Anne Rego, Pastoral Associate—pw.toowong@bne.catholic.net.au



Holy Spirit Church Auchenflower now closed due to roof works (no Masses until further notice).

(period of closure subject to weather, approx. 4–6 weeks).

To keep in touch with the development, please make sure you are on the parish email list. Updates and advice on when Church will re-open will be advised via Parish's newsletter, website and Facebook page.

FRIDAY 9AM MASS. During closure of Holy Spirit Church this Mass will instead be held at St Ignatius Church.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY usually held during 8.00 am Mass (school terms only) **will not resume** until the 8.00 am Sunday Mass recommences. Watch this space for re-start date for Term 2.

Laudato Si' Week 2024 marks ninth anniversary of Pope Francis' landmark encyclical *Laudato Si'* on caring for Creation.

In Australia, we will celebrate *Laudato Si' Week* **19–26 May** (dates are different from the dates promoted internationally to enable us to fully celebrate **National Sorry Day (May 26) & National Reconciliation Week (May 27 – June 3)**).

The theme for 2024 is Seeds of Hope.

CBA Smart Terminals at St Ignatius Church.

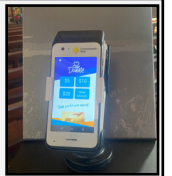
The devices are positioned at church doors at weekend Masses, to receive your electronic donations. It's great option for those wanting to give, but not carrying cash to put in the collection basket.

To use, it is as simple as:

1. Choose the amount you would like to give, by touching the device screen (on \$5, \$10, \$20 or 'other amount'),
2. Then tap your credit card or smart phone over the device (as you would for any other electronic purchase).

As always, the Parish is forever grateful for any donation you are able to make and for your ongoing support of our parish.

If you require any assistance with using the device, please speak to the Sacristan (at the Mass you are attending). Thank you.



Readings: The Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11. Ephesians 1:17-23. Mark 16:15-20.

Next Sunday: Pentecost Sunday: Genesis 11:1-9. Romans 8:22-27. John 7:37-39.

Entrance Antiphon: Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia!

Spoken Response: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Sung Response:

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

Your Prayers Are Requested For **All Parishioners & friends who are sick & in need**

SICK: Maria Duque, Susi Rieder, Pat Clohessy, Ricardo Pacheco, Louis Nunan, Elvira Pertudo, Mia O'Donnell, Elizabeth Teresa, Tandina Gabriel, Cathy Mamata, Melissa Acosta, Doreen Waller, Matthew McKay, Nina Starkey, Lyndal & Grant Mitchell, Judy Hijin, Hannah Sinead, Leigh Victoria, Adriana Meneses, Paul Massingham, Allan Doxey, Fr Michael Lowcock, Isabella Shand, David O'Connor, Denise Dimauro, Allison King, Zeneida Feril, Eugene Carniel, Nat Lentz, Deb Galbraith, Melissa Grimsgard, Teresa Galarza, Ange Beasley, Marie Anne Colman, Michael & Christine Hynes, Adrian Duffy, Amy Frances Nugent, Kevin Anderson, Josephine Cunningham, Linda McCarthy, Cornelia 'Nora' King, Hubert Bonesch, Meagan Bowtell, Bernie Kunkel, Kate Wright, Karin Chai.



RECENTLY DECEASED: Paul Carter, Romeo F. Domingo.

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr Norbert Olsen SJ, Patricia Kelly, Howard Sherlock, Paul Coogans, Antony 'Tony' Cassidy, Carol (Tito) Lopez Chavez.

Diary Dates

May

- 11** 11am Bell ringing—St Ignatius
2.30pm Choral Connection concert
— St Ignatius Church
- 12** The Ascension of the Lord
Mother's Day
- 14** Saint Matthias
7.15pm SVdP meeting
—Horstmann Room
- 17** CWL meeting following 9am Mass
- 19** Pentecost Sunday
Baptisms: 10.30am—St Ignatius
- 20** *The Blessed Virgin, Mary, Mother of the Church*
- 24** *Our Lady Help of Christians*



DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

7th Week Easter (II)

	1st Reading	Gospel
Mon:	Acts 19:1-8.	John 16:29-33.
Tues:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26.	John 15:9-17.
Wed:	Acts 20:28-38.	John 17:11-19.
Thurs:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11.	John 17:20-26.
Fri:	Acts 25:13-21.	John 21:15-19.
Sat:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31.	John 21:20-25.

PLEASE NOTE:

PARISH OFFICE will be CLOSED on Mondays until further notice.

Please note:

Any inclusions for the Parish newsletter should be marked to the attention of Parish Secretary & received, by email or note, at Parish Office no later than 12noon Thursdays. Thank you.

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH COLLECTIONS: \$3,224.25, *Other: nil.

Mothers hold their children's hands for a while, but their hearts forever.



St Ignatius Parish wish all our Mums and Caregivers a Happy Mother's Day. Please take a chocolate from baskets at church doors this Sunday, to celebrate how sweet you are.

ST. IGNATIUS PEACE THROUGH JUSTICE GROUP members will be ringing St Ignatius Church bell approx. 11am on 11th of each month to signal the impending environmental crisis confronting all of God's creation. Listen for St Ignatius Church bell ringing **this Saturday** (11 May) or better still come and join in!

HISTORY LUNCHEON & BUS TRIP. Join Toowong Parish for a bus trip and luncheon at Albert River Winery, Tamborine on **Thursday 20 June**. The history of Auchenflower House will be revealed. Everyone will have a chance to share stories of local parish history. Registration forms are with this weekend's parish newsletter at St Ignatius Church or download from website <https://www.stignatiustoowong.org.au/expression-of-interest/> (form includes the itinerary, the menu options for lunch and payment options). **NB.** Marked envelopes available from rotary stands at church. Please return completed form ASAP (via collection basket at Mass or deliver to Parish Office). **Bookings will close on Monday 27 May**, or sooner if the bus is filled!

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE'S 2024 MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT. Counts will be completed at our parish's Sunday Masses during May.

2024 SEMINARIANS PRAYER CALENDAR available now from rotary stands. Please take one & pray for the men from Qld in various stages of formation at Holy Spirit Seminary.

Job Opportunity— Business Manager:

We are seeking a suitably qualified / experienced Business Manager to help with the financial and maintenance issues across the parishes of Toowong, Indooroopilly and St Lucia. This will include (but not limited to) working with contractors, overseeing repairs and maintenance schedules, Work, Health and Safety, and payroll. It will be 35 hr/wk (0.8 FTE), with some flexible hours needed. For a full job description, or to apply, please contact Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ at jacobsg@bne.catholic.net.au or phone 0487 778 154. Applications close **28 May 2024**.

Where to find YOUTUBE on Parish's new website (top of screen) select 'Our Parish' and (from drop-down list) select 'Parish YouTube Recordings' click on it and it will take you to the Parish's YouTube page (or alternatively scroll down page to the blue footer along bottom and click on the 'arrow' icon, which will take you to the Parish's YouTube page), from there you can select to stream Sunday 5pm Mass or view other parish recordings.

PARISH WEBSITE, <https://www.stignatiustoowong.org.au/>, provides links to:

***READ** Parish's weekly Newsletter and a new page 'Sunday Liturgy' contains that Sundays Readings;

***VIEW** Parish's YouTube, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLghy4aXqqJRrUliXpJoSA?view_as=subscriber, to **STREAM 5PM SUNDAY MASS** from St Ignatius Church each Sunday (or watch previous MASS OR EVENT RECORDINGS).

ARCHDIOCESAN LINKS: ***WATCH MASS** live from St Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane (8am Weekdays, 8am & 10am Sundays) go to <http://archbne.org/bzw> ***View '2 MINUTE HOMILIES'** for Sunday's Gospel (featuring clergy from parishes around Archdiocese of Brisbane).

Choral Connection & conductor Will Brown present
 'Beside the Still Waters'
 on Saturday 11 May, 2.30 pm at St. Ignatius Church.

Your chance to attend a World Premiere right here in Brisbane,
 of a wonderful work by our conductor William Brown!
 The Lord is my Shepherd was commissioned by Choral
 Connection, so don't miss the first ever public performance
 Afternoon tea will be served!

Tickets: Adults: \$30, Concession card holder/ Full-time Student:
 \$25 and Under 14: Free. Book online at [https://
 www.trybooking.com/CQKXW](https://www.trybooking.com/CQKXW)



NATIONAL CENTRE FOR EVANGELISATION

May is the month of Mary!

During the whole of this month, Catholics honour
 the Blessed Virgin Mary in a special way, both in
 community and privately in homes.
 Find out more about the month of Mary and daily
 devotions at [www.catholicnewsagency.com/
 resource/240688/month-of-mary-may-devotions](http://www.catholicnewsagency.com/resource/240688/month-of-mary-may-devotions)

'COMMUNITY OF COMMUNITIES' MASS TIMES (as of 1/1/2024)

MONDAY	St Thomas Aquinas, St Lucia	5.15 PM
TUESDAY	St Ignatius, Toowong	5.30 PM
WEDNESDAY	Holy Family, Indooroopilly	5.00 PM Prayer, 6.00 PM Mass
THURSDAY	St Ignatius, Toowong	9.15 AM
FRIDAY	Holy Spirit, Auchenflower	9.00 AM*
FRIDAY	Holy Family, Indooroopilly	9.00 AM
SATURDAY	St Thomas Aquinas, St Lucia	6.00 PM
SUNDAY	St Ignatius, Toowong	7.00 AM
SUNDAY	Holy Spirit, Auchenflower	8.00 AM*
SUNDAY	Holy Family, Indooroopilly	8:30 AM^
SUNDAY	St Thomas Aquinas, St Lucia	9:30 AM
SUNDAY	St Ignatius, Toowong	5.00 PM

NEWS FROM HOLY FAMILY PARISH, INDOOROOPILLY.

Invitation from Holy Family Parish Indooroopilly.

Each Sunday in May, we will pray the Rosary at 7.55 am
 before the 8.30am Mass at Holy Family Church.

OUR MISSION PRAYER

*We, the St Ignatius community, are called to live the good news.
 We pray that we become the people that Jesus Christ called us to be.
 We pray that we know the Father, by the power of the Holy Spirit
 through knowing Jesus in prayer, scripture and liturgy.
 We pray that we give hope to others by a practical, personal kindness,
 affirming each person's dignity, worth and destiny in Christ. May we live out this mission of our
 Christian vocation in the spirit of St. Ignatius.*



**The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and
 vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity
 of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm.
 They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.**

Archdiocese of Brisbane's Office for Safeguarding -
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>
Privacy Policy -
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/privacy-policy>

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 Disclosures can be made anonymously. Phone: 1300 304 550 | Email: AOB@stopline.com.au | Online: www.bneatholic.stoplinereport.com

When making out your will please consider the needs of the parish.

Parish WEBSITE www.stignatiustoowong.org.au **Current Newsletter now on our website!**

PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION



Parish Office Hours: Monday* to Friday 10am—3pm (* closed on Mondays until further notice)

Phone: 07 3870 7818. **Email:** toowong@bne.catholic.net.au **Postal Address:** 30 Kensington Terrace, Toowong Qld 4066.

Website: www.stignatiustoowong.org.au **Facebook:** St-Ignatius-Parish-Toowong **Instagram:** st.iggysouth

We are part of the Brisbane West Deanery ~ website: www.brisbanewestdeanery.com.au email: bwdeanery@bne.catholic.net.au

Emergency Contact If you require a priest in an emergency, please phone the parish priest on 0487 778 154.

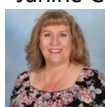
Jesuit Community Qld
Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ—
Parish Administrator

Fr Paul Fyfe SJ—
 Associate Pastor
 Fr Frank Brennan SJ—
 Superior

Parish Office Staff

Monica Florence (Tues-Fri)
 - **PARISH SECRETARY**
 (including Newsletter)

**Safeguarding Children
 & Vulnerable Adults**
 Janine Curcuruto -



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