

# St Brigid's Parish Catholic Church



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## 25 April 2021 - 4th Sunday of Easter

### Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

**Deceased:** Terry Fitzpatrick; Kai Fitzpatrick  
**Anniversary:** Edna Hewitt; Sarah Robinson; Pauline Henry; Sister Eunice Mary Kerr; Pasquale Pezzuto; Jim Bannigan; Marjorie Irwin; Valerie Fisher; Arthur Guinery; Gordon Thomson; Brian Keys; James Carpenter; Doris Harkin; Jean Makeham; Alexander Barr; Vincent Mitchell; Ron Barnett; Fr James Conroy; Doreen Conroy; Allan Reading; Gweneth Ryman; Kevin George Allan Hamilton; Joan Carpenter; Vince Mitchell; Timothy Perkins; Donald Crossman; Annette & Brian Nesbitt; Paul Banister; Fiona Woods; Emily Reading; Allie Scanlon; Mary Worboys; Madge Ryan; Raphael Howard; Mary Lawson; Pauline Murphy; Matthew Daniels; Esme Scanlon; Thomas Sippel; Troy Moore; Helen Plevy; Norman Nean.

**May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest In Peace. Amen.**

**And for those who are ill:**  
 Di Dillon; Michael Hausfeld; Sister Pat Bartley; Lisa Brown; Ray Lamb of Gunnedah; Les Ward; David Seller; Rita Looney; Bobbie Paton; Fr John Willis; Clare Crane; Bill Gleason; Billy Godden; Ros Turton; Gavin Sewell; Ian Gallagher; Fiona Nolan; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lucy Gigli; Father Pat O'Neill; Tom Sanderson; Colleen Hyatt; Michael McCormick; Dan O'Donnell; Marie Dalton; Jack Dunn; Colin Gallagher; Andrew McManus; Ivy Taylor; Joan Greentree; Rosalynn Chan; all the members of the Parish who are ill.

<b>Roster</b>	
1/5/2021	R: W Rheinberger
2/5/2021	R: D KerKlaan C: K Sweep & C Taylor

### Coming Events

- Sun 25 Good Shepherd Sunday, World Day of Prayer for Vocations & Anzac Day
- Tues 27 Father Castelli's 61st Anniversary of Ordination Mass at 9.30 at Werris Creek
- Wed 28 Confirmation Lesson at 3.50pm
- Sat 1 Mass at Werris Creek at 4.30pm
- Sat 1 Confirmation Mass at 6.00pm - Bishop will be here
- Sun 2 Confirmation Mass at 9.30am - Bishop will be here
- Thurs 6 CWL Meeting at 10.00am in the Fr Stan Campbell Hall

**Sacrament of Confirmation** - will be celebrated next weekend at both Masses. Lessons are taking place in the Fr Stan Campbell Hall each Wednesday at 3.50pm and the Reflection Day on Friday 30 April when the candidates are to meet with Bishop Michael. Our Parish-based program involves Fr Vince, Parents, Candidates and Catechists. It places a strong emphasis on family involvement as we recognise that parents / guardians are the main educators in the faith for their children. Please pray for the children preparing for this sacrament.

**Mass on Saturday Night will be at 6.00pm at St Brigid's and 4.30pm at Werris Creek, this is a one off occurrence**

**Get vaccinated for the common good:** Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

### World Day of Prayer for Vocations - April 25

The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfil the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

**Father Anthony Castelli** will be celebrating his 61st Anniversary of Ordination on Tuesday 27th April commencing with Rosary at 9.30am followed by Mass and Morning Tea afterwards.

**RAFFLE:** \$40.00 Quirindi Pharmacy Voucher. Tickets \$1.00. Thank you to all who have purchased their tickets and continue to do so. Make sure you are in it to have a chance of winning!! Date of draw yet to be decided. As mentioned previously the raffle proceeds will go towards a hand held blower for use in the Parish Grounds.

**Saint Michael the Archangel**, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

### Coronavirus - The following must be observed at all Masses:

1. If you are unwell, stay at home and get tested as soon as possible.
2. Please check-in with your details by scanning the QR code using your smart phones or by the log sheet.
3. Sanitise your hands before entering and when leaving the church.
4. Please observe physical distancing inside the Church, at the foyer and immediate surroundings.
5. People from the same household may sit together.
6. Before and after Mass celebrant and faithful alike should minimize any time spent together, and particularly avoid gathering in large groups.
7. This church bulletin notice is for single use only. Kindly take this home with you or put it in the bin after use.

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**Prayer to St Joseph, Patron of the Holy Catholic Church**  
 Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and defend us from every evil. Amen.

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# Breaking Open the Word

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.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / B (ANZAC DAY)

# THE SAVING WORD

25 APRIL 2021



**FIRST READING** Acts 4: 8-12

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

*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.'

■ The word of the Lord.

**RESP PS** Ps 117: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29. R. v. 22

**R.** The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone. (or Alleluia!)

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, / for his love has no end. / It is better to take refuge in the Lord / than to trust in men: / it is better to take refuge in the Lord / than to trust in princes. **R.**

2. I will thank you for you have given answer / and you are my saviour. / The stone which the builders rejected / has become the cornerstone. / This is the work of the Lord, / a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

3. Blessed in the name of the Lord / is he who comes. / We bless you from the house of the Lord; / I will thank you for you have given answer / and you are my saviour. / Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; / for his love has no end. **R.**

**SECOND READING** 1 Jn 3: 1-2

A reading from the first letter of St John.

*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.

■ The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Jn 10: 1-4

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

**GOSPEL** Jn 10: 11-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

*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

**Christopher Monaghan CP**