

REGULAR WEEKEND MASS LOCATIONS

St. Mary's Church, Woodend
 1B Elizabeth Street, Woodend 4305.
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Leichhardt
 22 Old Toowoomba Road, Leichhardt 4305.
St. Joseph's Church, North Ipswich
 42 Pine Mountain Road, North Ipswich 4305.
St. Brigid's Church Hall, Rosewood
 Railway Street, Rosewood 4340.
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, E/Heights
 33A Robertson Road, Eastern Heights 4305.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Parish Office Hours
 Monday to Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm
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Assistant Priest: Fr. Minje Kim
Operations Manager: Benjamin Leschke

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

30th June 2024

Dear Parishioners,

We operate under two very different economic systems. On one hand, in society, the measure to which we claim a right is determined by the character and extent of our earning power. On the other hand, what is described in St. Paul's admonition to the Corinthians is more like the way economics operates in a family. There, one's need, rather than one's earning power, determines the measure of what we might claim as our right. Both systems are built on important, though sometimes different, values. The prominent economic system in today's world advocates equality as the value upon which it is built. This includes equal pay for equal work, but also equality of opportunity. The system Paul advocates for is built on issues of equity, which recognises that all things are not equal. It insists that those who need more should receive more.



Both systems also face pitfalls. This could occur when a system based on equality does not operate on an "equal playing field." In such a situation, equality can lack justice. Then again, a system in which need, or equity plays an important role must always be on the alert for idleness. Experience has shown that people tend to take advantage of either system.

In an ideal system, both values operate. This is what St. Paul is actually advocating. He does not expect the rich to become poor. However, he does insist that as a matter of justice, and not charity, legitimate needs should be met. After all, we all are called to join the household of God.

At Mass this weekend, please 'really' reach out to the person you offer peace too – you might be the only person to offer them peace this week!

Enjoy the cold!

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A Word From Pope Francis



"Yes, that is how it is, brothers and sisters, our God is a communion of love: and this is how Jesus revealed him to us. And do you know how we can remember this? With the simplest gesture, which we learned as children: the sign of the cross. By tracing the cross on our body, we remind ourselves how much God loved us, to the point of giving his life for us; and we repeat to ourselves that his love envelops us completely, from top to bottom, from left to right, like an embrace that never abandons us.

25 May 2024

PARISH CALENDAR

| THIS WEEKEND | | NEXT WEEK | |
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| Fri 28 | 9:00am Mass, Miraculous Medal Church, Eastern Heights | Mon 01 | 9:00am Mass, St Mary's Church, Woodend |
| Sat 29 | 8:00am Mass, St Michael's Pine Mountain | Tues 02 | 9:00am Mass, Immaculate Heart Church, Leichhardt |
| | 10:30am Baptism, St. Mary's Church, Woodend | | 3:30pm Junior Choir Practice, St. Mary's Church, Woodend |
| | 4:30pm Mass, Immaculate Heart Church, Leichhardt | Wed 03 | 8:30am Rosary, 9:00am Mass, 9:30am Adoration, St Mary's |
| | 4:30pm Reconciliation, St. Mary's Church, Woodend | | 8:30am Rosary, 9am Mass, St. Brigid's, Rosewood |
| Sun 30 | 5:30pm Mass, St. Mary's Church, Woodend | Thurs 04 | 10:00am Prayer Group, St. Clare Room, Parish Office |
| | 6:00pm Mass Miraculous Medal Church, Eastern Heights | | 9:00am Mass, St. Mary's Church, Woodend |
| | 7:30am Mass, St. Joseph's Church, North Ipswich | Fri 05 | 9:00am Mass, Miraculous Medal Church, Eastern Heights |
| | 8:00am Mass, St. Brigid's Parish Hall, Rosewood | "At the halfway point of school holidays, we pray that our students, their families and our teachers are having a restful break." | |
| | 9:00am Mass, St. Mary's Church, Woodend | | |
| | 10:30am Baptisms, St. Mary's Church, Woodend | | |
| | 5:30pm Mass, St. Mary's Church, Woodend | | |



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PARISH PRAYERS

Recently Deceased: Jennifer West, Ronald Wegener, Roger Lenton, Allan Brady, Sean Reh
Anniversaries: Vic Wilkinson, Alex Elmore, Graham Lawton, Brian Lawton, Brian Person, Ray Dickfoss, Sam Dickfoss, Adam Smith, and for those in our Book of Life.



SACRAMENTS | FORMATION | LITURGY

Are you (or do you know someone who) is interested in becoming Catholic?

Contact the Parish Office.
www.ipswichcatholic.com/ministries/becoming-catholic/



MASS READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Yr B

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| 1st Reading | Ezekiel 2.3-5 |
| Psalm | 123 |
| 2nd Reading | 2 Corinthians 12.7-10 |
| Gospel | Mark 6.1-6 |

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS



SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST IN 2024

Baptised children in grade 4 or above

If you haven't enrolled your child, please use the link below.

ENROLMENT LINK - ipswichcatholic.com/children

08/07/2024 Enrolments close
14/07/2024 Sunday - Formation Workshop (St. Mary's Church)
Further details available following enrolment

3rd August Celebrating the Sacrament at Weekend Masses
4th August

CONNECT YOUTH



YOUTH WEEKEND: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

When: 13th & 14th July, 9am-6pm Saturday and 9-2pm Sunday.

Where: Our Lady Of Lourdes, Sunnybank, Age Group: 14-19 years

The Theology of the Body conference will be using the 'You' program from Ascension Press and will be facilitated by Real Talk with small groups (age appropriate), games, meals and fun.

The cost is \$40 for the two-days including meals and activities and participants would be required to attend both day sessions. (It is not a live-in event).

Our parish is not taking a group to this retreat therefore if you are wishing to attend, you will need to facilitate your own transport. Please email hannah@realtalkaustralia.com if you have any questions.

ICC Junior Choir

Look at how we've grown!

The children in the Ipswich Catholic Community Junior Choir led the music at the 9:00am mass last Sunday and sang like angels. We had a few issues with microphones, and the children just kept singing throughout like seasoned professionals.

We will resume rehearsals on Tuesday the 9th July at 3:30pm.

New members would be most welcome!

Contact Kathy at music@ipswichcatholic.au for more information.



MINISTRY FOR YOUNG CHILDREN – ATRIUM UPDATE

We have reached the end of term for the Atrium, and we will have a break until the week of Monday 5th August. Session times will remain the same:

- **Preps and Year One:** Monday afternoon from 3-30 to 4-30.
- **Year two to year Six:** Tuesday afternoon from 3-30-5-00pm
- **Infants to age three:** Wednesday morning from 9-00am to 10-00am.

Venue for the Preps to year 6 on a Monday and Tuesday, is St Mary's Primary School under the year one rooms. The infants to age three gather at Leichhardt on Wednesday morning in a building beside the Immaculate Heart Primary School, Old Toowoomba Road One Mile. For administrative purposes your child needs to be enrolled in the Atrium before they attend a session. The co-ordinators of the Atrium will be advised by the Parish Office before a child commences as we can only manage a certain number of children in the small space. The Tuesday afternoon session is full for the time being, but please contact the Parish Office for any enquiries or enrolment procedure. Happy Holidays and see you next term. *Bernadette and Karen.*

Calling for Children's Liturgy Volunteers



Each Sunday during the 9:00am Mass at St Mary's Church a small group of volunteers offer to take children from the Church to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word and to reflect on its meaning according to their age level. This is a wonderful ministry on many levels. It allows children to be formed in God's Word. It also allows parents/carers to listen and participate in the Liturgy of the Word in Mass knowing your child is also being cared for and receiving some religious formation.

However, like many ministries in the Church the number of volunteers is very limited. We are appealing for people who have a desire to assist in this ministry to please express your interest to the Parish Office. As with any children related ministry, volunteers will need to meet the Archdiocese Safeguarding criteria.

We look forward to being flooded with enquiries.

SYNODALITY SPEAKER SERIES

The Synodality Speaker Series is about to begin with presentations on synodality taking place all across the Archdiocese in July and August for all members of the community. A range of speakers will present "Synodality: Our journey together" as well as a special one-off event being offered in collaboration with ACU featuring Myriam Wijlens.



The People of God - Pilgrims of Hope: The challenge of being a Synodal Church locally

Ever since the opening of the Synod on Synodality in 2021 the people of God from around the world have expressed the desire to be a church that is missionary above all by being a witness of hope to the world. Giving witness occurs in deeds and words. It requires credibility and integrity. Hence the people of God appreciate and ask to reflect on baptism from which flows a co-responsibility of all for the mission, a call to involve women and lay men in all decision-making processes, the need to engage with the digital world and leaders to be held accountable. How can a synodal church unfold in a diocese and parish? What structures and processes can be envisioned to achieve being credible and effective pilgrims of hope?

Featuring: Myriam Wijlens and response by Bishop Tim Norton SVD

Facilitators: Maeve Louise Heaney VDMF, Deacon Paul Jensen and Ms Immaculate Vuciri.

Date/Time: July 24th 6:00pm - 7:30pm (food and drink will be served from 5:30pm)

Location: Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary, 487 Earnshaw Rd, Banyo.

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/MYUtAd62bH>

Synodality: Our journey together (Presentations in the majority of Deaneries)

How can synodality help us to work together as a co-responsible church on mission? How can we begin being a more synodal church, in our own parish and as an Archdiocese? As pilgrims of hope, let's walk the journey of synodality together by exploring what the word "synodality" means, its history, and what it looks like to be a synodal church on mission.

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/Y2AC8jQh7j>

PETER'S PENCE LEAVING COLLECTION - This weekend 29 and 30 June in all Churches across the Ipswich Catholic Community. Please place your contribution in the collection basket at the Church doors after Mass. Thank you for your generosity.

ROSEWOOD SHOW - Promoting and Showcasing the Agricultural and Historical aspects of the Rosewood region.

Friday 28 June: Rosewood Show | Gates open @ 9am and Bull Ride | Gates open @ 5pm

Friday 28-Saturday 29 June: Rosewood Show Weekend | Gates open @ 9am

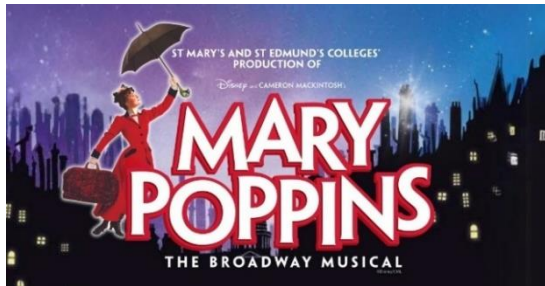
www.rosewoodshow.com



CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK - 21-27 July 2024. The theme will be Communities of Faith, Hope & Love. In a few weeks' time, the schools of our parish community are coming together on the 21st of July at 9am at St Mary's Church to celebrate Catholic Education Week. It is going to be another great event for our schools and our entire parish community. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will be joining us in celebration of this event. There will be a BBQ after on the oval behind the parish centre. All parishioners are invited to join the schools of our parish at this great celebration.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH – Thank you to parishioners and visitors who have responded to no parking around St. Mary's Church. Parishioners with questions can contact the Parish Office.

COMBINED COLLEGES MUSICAL - 11, 12, 13 July 2024, Ipswich Civic Centre. For more than two decades, St. Mary's and St. Edmund's Colleges have consistently delivered outstanding Combined Colleges' Musicals.



This year, St. Mary's College proudly presents Disney and Cameron Mackintosh's Mary Poppins the Broadway Musical. Bringing to life the enchanting tale of the Banks family, whose lives are transformed by the magical arrival of the practically perfect and whimsically mysterious Mary Poppins.

Purchase tickets using this link: <https://shorturl.at/mWJvu>

Pause + Pray Grace in Times of Trial

Reflect

We are called to walk the path of life with humility, compassion, and trust in God's providence. Along this journey, we inevitably encounter moments of disappointment - times when our hopes are dashed, our plans are thwarted, and our hearts are heavy with sorrow. Yet, even in the midst of disappointment, we are called to embrace the Franciscan spirit of joy, gratitude, and trust in God's plan for our lives. In moments of disappointment, we are reminded of our own vulnerability and dependence on God's grace. It is a humbling experience that invites us to surrender our plans and desires to God's will, trusting that He has a purpose and a plan for our lives that is greater than we can imagine.

Pray

Loving God,

Help us to see and embrace disappointment as an opportunity for spiritual growth and renewal, trusting that only You can bring healing and wholeness to our broken hearts,

Let us remember that even in our darkest moments, we are never alone, for Your love and grace are always with us, guiding us on our journey of faith.

Act

Consider reaching out to someone for support and encouragement, sharing your struggles and joys as you journey together in faith.

