

18th Sunday Ordinary Time National Vocation Awareness Week

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Our Vision

St Patrick's Parish dream is to be a parish where families, and all people, are invited into the full life of our parish.

We aspire to be a parish that is an authentic, faith-nurturing community, where all are welcomed.

We hope to be a parish which is positively open to change and filled with gratitude and hope as we look to the future.

Our Mission

We are a community of disciples formed by our encounter with Jesus, living and sharing the Gospel and welcoming all.

Safeguarding

The Archdiocese has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.

https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding

Local Safeguarding Representative; Mr Ian Laherty

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Information can be provided to STOPline anonymously.

Phone: 1300 304 550

Email: AOB@stopline.com.au

Online reporting: www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com

Acknowledgement of Country

The community of St Patrick's Gympie and surrounds acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands and all other peoples who have made this land home. We pay our respects to the Gubbi Gubbi people especially the elders past, present and emerging.

Celebration of the Word

Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Blessed be God, who enables us, through the Spirit, Bless the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

Introductory Remarks

Today, we, the people of God, gather to hear and respond to God's word, to return praise and thanks.

Opening Rite

Before listening to the word, let us praise the Lord Jesus Christ.

Lord Jesus, you were sent to heal the contrite: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You plead for us at the right hand of the Father: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Collect

Let us pray.

Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Procession of the Word of God

May the Word of God always be heard in this place, as it unfolds the mystery of Christ before us and achieves our salvation within the Church.

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. R.

You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. R.

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. R.

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. R.

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Colossians Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and, in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke *To whom will all this wealth of yours go?*

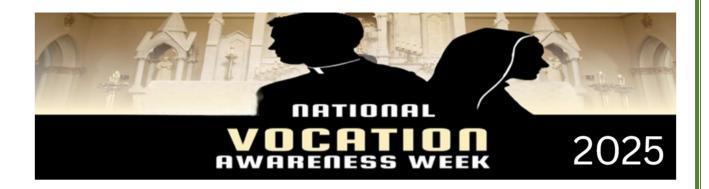
A man in the crowd said to. Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to, do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say, to my soul: 'My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours,

whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



National Vocations Awareness Week is an annual week-long celebration dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life and to renewing our prayers and support for those who are discerning these states of life within the Church. NVAW coincides with the liturgical celebrations of the Australia's first saint, St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, and the Patron Saint of Priests, Saint John Vianney and is celebrated this year from 3 – 10 August.

It belongs to the mission of the entire Church to "care for the birth, discernment and fostering of vocations, particularly those to the priesthood." (*Pastores Dabo Vobis*, n.34) Pope Leo XIV recently called upon the Church to "welcome and accompany young people" in their discernment, while encouraging them to "accept the invitation of the Church and of Christ the Lord!" (*Regina*Caeli, 11 May, 2025) During this week, we are invited to reflect upon how God is calling us to live out our vocations and how we may continue to foster vocations in our communities. The Australian Conference of Catholic Bishops has made available prayers of the faithful, homily notes, and school liturgies to assist the praying Church in this mission.

May God continue to send labourers into his harvest and bless His Church with vocations.

If you would like further information please visit: https://vocationbrisbane.com

Profession of Faith

In union with the whole Church, let us profess our faith.

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried. and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful

Presider. We gather in faith before our Lord and we confidently offer our prayers for ourselves and for our world.

For Pope Leo. May his call for peace and the end to the suffering of innocent people be heeded by our World Leaders.

Lord, hear us.

For families suffering division, may God soften hard hearts and guide them to a resolution of their conflicts.

Lord, hear us.

For those whom God is calling to serve in the priesthood or religious life. May they sense that call with greater clarity and have the courage to respond generously.

Lord, hear us.

For the church in Australia, may it be inspired by the vision and example of St. Mary McKillop and embrace the Gospel with courage and creativity.

Lord, hear us.

For all young people. May they be guided by our Lord, as they consider the direction of their future.

Lord, hear us.

For those who struggle with mental health issues. May our governments ensure that support services are available for those who need help.

Lord, hear us.

For those who grieve and for those who have died, Noel Nash and for those whose anniversary occurs around this time, Mell Codde. May they feel peace in the presence of our Lord.

Lord, hear us.

Presider. Gracious God, hear our prayers, which we ask through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Proclamation of Praise

My soul glorifies the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.
He looks on his servant in her nothingness;
henceforth all ages will call me blessed.
The Almighty works marvels for me.
Holy his name!
His mercy is from age to age,
on those who fear him.
He puts forth his arm in strength
and scatters the proud-hearted.

He casts the mighty from their thrones and raises the lowly.
He fills the starving with good things, sends the rich away empty.
He protects Israel, his servant, remembering his mercy, the mercy promised to our fathers, to Abraham and his sons forever.

Lord's Prayer

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin

graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Sign of Peace

Let us seal our prayer with a sign of fellowship as we offer one another a sign of peace.

Spiritual Communion

Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES Blessing

May the God of hope fill us with every joy in believing. May the peace of Christ abound in our hearts. May the Holy Spirit enrich us with his gifts, now and for ever.

Amen.

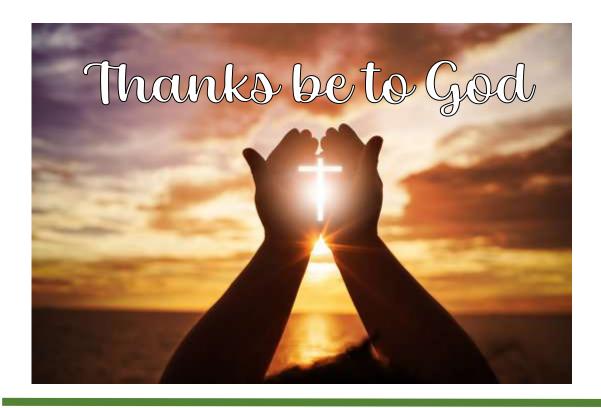
Dismissal

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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2025 Jubilee Year of Hope



"Everyone knows what it is to hope," said Pope Francis. "In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring. Even so, uncertainty about the future may at times give rise to conflicting feelings, ranging from confident trust to apprehensiveness, from serenity to anxiety, from firm conviction to hesitation and doubt. Often we come across people who are discouraged, pessimistic and cynical about the future, as if

nothing could possibly bring them happiness.

"For all of us, may the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope. God's word helps us find reasons for that hope. Taking it as our guide, let us return to the message that the Apostle Paul wished to communicate to the Christians of Rome," continued the pope.

The Year of Jubilee follows the Year of Prayer in 2024, which was <u>declared by the pope on Jan. 21</u>. Since then, Pope Francis has urged the faithful to pray for peace, especially amidst the wars in Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine. The Dicastery for Evangelization <u>released a free "Teach Us to pray" guidebook</u> for the Catholic faithful.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

Ma that same grace spread they joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, Be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

Franciscus



Webcast Celebrations of the Eucharist

ST PATRICK'S Sunday 9.00 am. Live stream:

- 1. go to the Gympie Parish website www.stpatsgympie.net.au
- 2. click on Live Stream button it will redirect you to our Facebook page.
- 3. If our logo picture is in a red circle click on the logo and it will open the livestream video to watch.

CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN Live stream.

https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/on-demand-web-casts/

Monday to Friday Masses: 8.00am Sunday: 8.00 am and 10.00 am

MASS ON TV Channel 10

6 am each Sunday



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Finance Council Mr Ken Garner

Principal St Patrick's Primary Mrs Petrea Hass

St Patrick's College Mr Mark Newton

Parish Office Hours

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Monday} & 8:30\mbox{am} - 1:00\mbox{pm} \\ \mbox{Tuesday} & 8:30\mbox{am} - 1:00\mbox{pm} \\ \mbox{Wednesday} & 8:30\mbox{am} - 1:00\mbox{pm} \\ \mbox{Thursday} & 8:30\mbox{am} - 1:00\mbox{pm} \\ \mbox{Friday} & 8:30\mbox{am} - 1:00\mbox{pm} \end{array}$

Please Note: The office phone will not be attended between 8.30 am to 9.30 am each Thursday as we hold a staff meeting at this time. Please leave a message and we will return your call.

Schedule – All Mass Centres

Sunday Mass

DAY	WEEK 1	WEEK 2 & 5	WEEK 3	WEEK 4
	Gympie 9:00am			
Saturday	Healing Mass			
		Kandanga	Widgee	Tin Can Bay
	Tin Can Bay	5.00 pm	5.00 pm	5.00 pm
	5.00 pm			
Sunday	Rainbow Beach	Gunalda	Tin Can Bay	Rainbow Beach
	6:30 am	7:00 am	7:00am	6:30am
Sunday	Gympie	Gympie	Gympie	Gympie
	9.00 am	9.00 am	9.00 am	9.00 am
Sunday	Gympie	Gympie	Gympie	Gympie
	5.30 pm	5.30 pm	5.30 pm	5.30 pm

Tin Can Bay Church: The Anglican community celebrate on the $\mathbf{1}^{\mathrm{st}}$ & $\mathbf{2}^{\mathrm{nd}}$ Sundays 7.30 am

Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

DAY	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5
Saturday		Tin Can Bay 5:00pm			Tin Can Bay 5:00pm
Sunday	Gunalda 7:00am	Rainbow Beach 6:30am	Gunalda 7:00am	Gunalda 7:00am	

Gympie Ministry Roster

<u>Liturgy Roster for 19th Sunday Ordinary Time</u> <u>10 August 2025</u>

9:00am Morning Mass

Welcomer: E Saunders
Reader 1: M Rush
Reader 2: A Calvert
POF: I Laherty

Communion Ministers: L Newey, E Saunders, D Dillon, P Dillon,

I Laherty, D Liedel, A Towner

Power Point: T Bushell

Morning Tea: Hilltop Ramblers

Piety Store: A Jomy

5:30pm Evening Mass

Welcomer: A Osborn
Reader 1: M Newton
Reader 2: M Norris
POF: I Rodrigues

Communion Ministers: C Johnston, N Gruar, B Doak

Power Point: A Hallam

Celebrations of the Eucharist:

St Patrick's Gympie:



Sunday 9:00 am (live-streamed mass).

5:30 pm

Monday 7:30am

Tuesday 9:00am

Thursday 7:00 am

Friday 5:30pm

4:45pm Reconciliation



Have you gone *online* and become a registered member of our Parish? All parishioners are invited to register using **Flocknote**, our new, church designed, Australia wide data programme. There are three ways for you to register.

By simply using your phone and this QR code it will take you directly to the parish sign up page. You will receive a emailed confirmation code which will allow you to securely enter your family details.



Alternatively, when you are sitting in front of your computer follow this link:

https://stpatsgympi.flocknote.com/register and it will also take you to our Parish data page. Feedback tells us that it is an easy process when you are sitting in front of your computer!

If you haven't got a computer or if you have tried and technology has beaten you, then at the entrance to the church you will discover a hard copy of the registration form – please complete it and return it to the parish so that we can register you.

Finally, if you are having trouble or if you have any suggestions please send us a email **gympie@bne.catholic.net.au** or pop into the Parish Office so we can assist you.

Thanks for registering!
Thanks for being a part of our Parish Family!



Prayers for the Sick

Your prayers are asked for Bob Johnson, Derek Hume, Val Neal, Barbara Reed, David Hamilton, Br Leo Massingham, Ros, John and Lauren Nimmo, Ronelle Asher, Edna O'Brien, Julie Wong, Shaun Kelly, Shirley Bishop, Phillip McGrath, Stefan Simonis, Steve Craddock, Charmaine Eva Brown, Terry McKean, Michelle Herwin (Daughter of Kathy & Peter Sproxton), Joan Gracie, Mark Excel Japo SarSaba, Anita Barnes, Adam Asher, Robert Long, Maria Rankin, Robert Baker, Peter Doherty, Noela McCullough, Valmai Alexander, Zara Craddock, Francesca Lawrie (daughter of Suzanne Nistico), Brian Smith, Kellie Williams, Michelle Connell, Lillian Rouse, Mark Thompson, Brett Argar, Maree Walker, Dot & John McCabe, Colin Willison, Judy Garner, Joe Costello, Colleen Raines, Arthur Walker (Diane Dillon's father) Archie & Veronica Murdoch, Lorraine Pincus, Dianne Comerford-Prime, Gerard Wheeler, Lloyd Ruhle, Kathy Sproxton, Pam Dorman, Wendy Wright, Salvatore Lattuca, Suzanne Atkinson and Bonnie Pearce, Jean O'Brien, Timothy O'Shea, Hermosa Miria Arguilles, Maureen Hillcoat, Stefan Kirkmayer, Karyn Hackney-English, John Coombes, Denise Bigger, Jorse & Feme Mosquida, John & Lucitte Saum, Tyrell McGrath, Matthew Inglis, Elica Murdoch, Jill O'Brien, Jim Sheil, Pacita Jowier, Meg & Dave Connors, Steven Verity, Margurite Green, Tony Miller, Dave Gruar, Enid Carroll, Michael Johnson, Lorenza Disandro.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask You to bless our friends who are sick. Give them the strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. May they recover their health, so that, restored to the parish community, they may joyfully praise Your Name, for You live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

(If you would like your loved one prayed for or taken off the list, please let us know so we can add or delete them to the list above.)



For the Deceased

Let us remember in our prayers those loved ones who have died recently, Noel Nash. and those whose anniversaries fall around this time, Mell Codde.

May the faithful departed rejoice to see the face of their Saviour.

Financial Support of the Parish

Your financial support of the Gympie Parish is always appreciated and much needed.

Ways to financially support your parish:

Direct debit is the preferred way to support your parish. Direct debits can be deposited into the parish account;

Bank details

Account name - St Patrick's Parish BSB - 064-786 Account number – 1000 17636 Reference—Name/collections

EFTPOS – Tap and Go

We now have Tap and Go at the back of the church.

Parish Giving App To use the Parish Giving App click onto the QR Code and follow the instruction to make payment.



Cash/Envelopes If you wish to use envelopes, please contact the office on 5490 6880. Place your cash/envelopes on either the first or second collection plate.

Make A Bequest

Many of the church facilities we enjoy today were funded by people generously assisting the parish by making a bequest in their Will. If you would like to make a bequest in your Will, please contact the parish office and we can provide assistance with this.

Containers for Change

We would love to have your unwanted cans and bottles that are supported by the containers for change recycle scheme. The money collected from these donations will help fund our youth group Illumin8.

Simply return your containers to the Containers for change refund points at:

Return-It Glanmire Return-It Araluen

Shed 4,

4 Smith Street 5 Groves Road

Glanmire QLD 4570 GYMPIE QLD 4570

Please quote member number C11306796

Remember to remove the bottle caps as these are not recyclable.

Groups

Lion's International

Community Morning Tea.



Where: The Senior Citizens Centre

When: The second Thursday of every month

Date: **14 August 2025**

Time: 10:00am to 11:30am

Cost: \$5.00 includes morning tea and lucky door prize

Men's Afternoon

Men's afternoon meets the 4th Thursday of every month.

Where: Parish Centre When: **28 August 2025** Time: 12:30pm to 2:30pm

All welcome to come along for a chat, a beer, a coffee, a few jokes and a quiz.

Alcoholics Anonymous

AA meetings are held every Saturday in the Parish Centre from 4:30pm to 6:30pm.

Illumin8

Youth Group is on every Friday during the school term in the Parish Centre from 3:30pm until 5:30pm. If you are in Year 6 to Year 10 come along and bring a friend.

Afternoon Tea is provided.

Ministers for Sunday Masses at St Patrick's



Volunteers Needed

We need your help to run our celebrations each Sunday.

we are looking for:

- Welcomers
- Readers
- Commentators
- **Communion Ministers**
- Alter Servers

- Choir Members
- Musicians
- Communion Ministers to the Sick
- Power point operators

More information :



gympie@bne.catholic.net.au

Sacraments

Interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith and seeing what happens on the journey is asked to contact the Parish office on 5490 6880 or email us at gympie@bne.catholic.net.au.









A Vocation View



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This National Vocation Awareness Week, Jesus calls us to be generous with the gifts that he has given. When we share our treasures with others, we will have a true treasure in heaven. (Luke 12:13-21)



Scan the QR code to find out more, or call 1300 133 544

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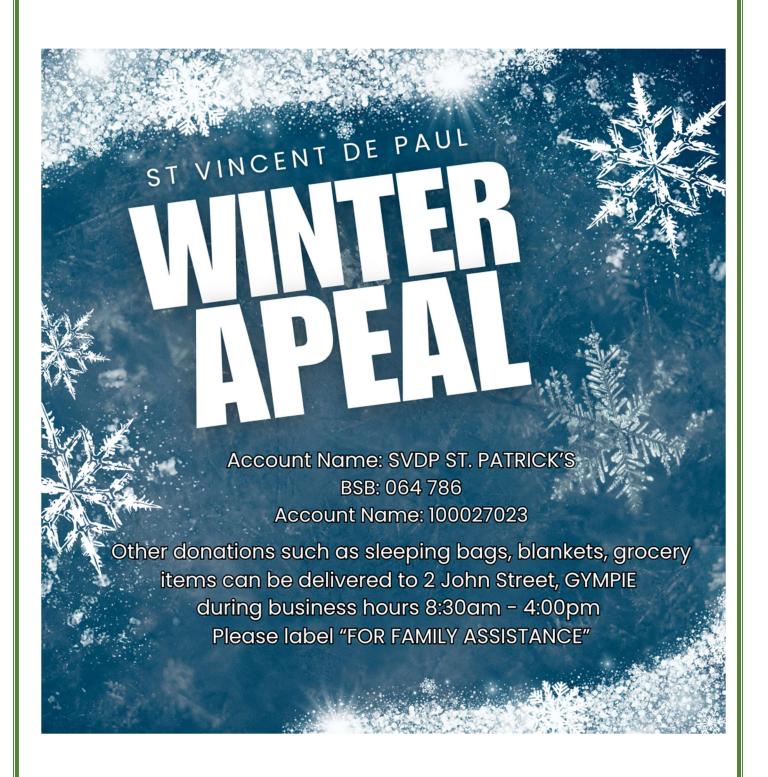
Events

One Mass Mulicultural Celebration

St Patrick's Church, Gympie
24 August 2025
10:00am

Please come dressed in your traditional clothing
Please bring a plate to share





You're invited to join

PADDY'S PADDY'

(Term Time) 9.00am - 10.30am

In St Patrick's Parish Centre (beside Church)



A Brisbane Catholic Education School

It's tree f any parents/caregivers f their Under 5 child/ren are welcome to come!
It's all about IKINDSHIP! Injoy a range of activities to promote building positive councilions.

Why PINY! It a parent being part of a community activity can help you build positive connections. Children will have fun, make friends and grow their social skills.



Applications open for 2025 Spiritual Exercises in Daily Life

Nourishment

Discernment

Clarity

Freedom

Are you a seeking deeper connection with God and insight into God's plan for your life?

The Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius Loyola may be an option for you.

This personalised program allows you to contemplate God's love and intentions for you through daily prayer and reflection. The 30-35 week journey includes weekly face-to-face or online conversations with a skilled Ignatian Spiritual Director.

There are no prerequisites, and the retreat can be started as early as February 2025.

To learn more or to register, please contact us at

PHONE 1300 392 636 or EMAIL info@jisa.org.au



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Our Country Churches



St Thérèse Church, Gunalda

Sacred Heart Church, Kandanga





St Vincent De Paul Church, Widgee

St John Vianney Church, Tin Can Bay





St Peter the Fisherman Church, Rainbow Beach

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