#### **Liturgy of the Word—All Souls Day**

First Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9

A reading from the book of Wisdom *He accepted them as a holocaust.* 

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them.

In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die, their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us, like annihilation; but they are in peace.

If they experienced punishment as men see it, their hope was rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be. God has put them to the test and proved them worthy to be with him; he has tested them like gold in a furnace, and accepted them as a holocaust.

When the time comes for his visitation they will shine out; as sparks run through the stubble, so will they.

and the Lord will be their king for ever. They who trust in him will understand the truth, those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

They shall judge nations, rule over peoples,

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 27.1, 4, 13-14

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? R.

One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple. R.

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.
Wait for the Lord; be strong,
and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord! R.

# Second Reading:

Romans 5:17-21

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans *However great the number of sins committed, grace was even greater.* 

If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous. But however great the number of sins committed, grace was even greater; and so, just as sin reigned wherever there was death, so grace will reign to bring eternal life, thanks to the righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Matthew 25:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, you whom my Father has blessed, says the Lord; inherit the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world.
Alleluia!

#### Gospel:

John 6:37-40

Jesus said to the crowd:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John This is the will of my Father, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me.

'All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me
I shall not turn him away;
because I have come from heaven,
not to do my own will,
but to do the will of the one who sent me.
Now the will of him who sent me
is that I should lose nothing
of all that he has given to me,

and that I should raise it up on the last day. Yes, it is my Father's will

that whoever sees the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life,

and that I shall raise him up on the last day.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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# St Patrick's Parish Gympie and Surrounds

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If we are honest we will have to admit that though we have died with Christ to sin and risen with him to new life, we do not fully die to sin. In fact, there are many times in our lives when we live in sin, when we actually cling to sin. What happens to those who die in such a state? They may not have turned completely away from the goodness of God, but they have not been faithful either. The remnants of sin cling to them, making them somewhat unfit to stand before the face of God. Are they lost? Or are they saved?

In God there is mercy in abundance. Jesus is not willing to lose anyone. Therefore, the power of Jesus and the strength of his promises give us hope that even after death there is the possibility of purification and pardon. We have no idea of when this might happen or how it will happen. All we know is that the lovingkindness of God far surpasses any infidelity of which we might be guilty.

The feast of All Souls is not a feast of sadness, but one of great hope and confidence. It invites us to entrust our dead to God, because we know that they are really God's dead. We know that if we have loved them, God has loved them more. They are in God's care, and like a good shepherd God will lead them to peace.



# **Contact Information**

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## St Patrick's Mass Times this Week

Monday: 7:30am Tuesday: 9:00am Thursday: 7:00am Friday: 5:30pm

**Sunday:** 9:00am(Live-streamed)

5:30pm

Reconciliation: Friday 4:45pm or on request

# Country Church Mass Times 09/11/2025

#### Saturday

Sacred Heart Church – Kandanga 5:00pm Sunday

St Therese Church – Gunalda 7:00am

## <u>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</u> Saturday

St John Vianney – Tin Čan Bay 5:00pm

#### Sunday

St Peter the Fisherman – Rainbow Beach 6:30am

# **Support of the Gympie Parish**

Thank you for your continued financial support of the Gympie Parish it is greatly appreciated and much needed. If you would like to support the Parish financially please see the ways below.

Direct Debit: Account Name: St Patrick's Parish BSB: 064 786 Account Number: 1000 17636

**Reference:** Name/collections

**EFTPOS:** We have an EFTPOS machine at the back of the church just tap and go.

Parish Giving App: Please click on the QR code and follow the instructions to make a payment

**Envelopes:** If you wish to use envelopes please contact the parish office to arrange a box then place on the collection plate on either collections.

Cash: If you would like to use cash please place on the collection plate on either of the collections

**Containers for Change:** Simply return your containers to any of the containers for change refund points and quote our number **C11306796.** Donations will be used for the Youth Group Activities.

# <u>Basilica—09 November 2025</u> 9:00am Morning Mass

Welcomer: E Saunders
Reader 1: A Gur
Reader 2: K Cartwright

**POF:** Shania Shine

Altar Servers: Alvina, Sherlyn, Chisty

**Communion Ministers:** 

**Bread:** L Newey, E Saunders, D Dillon

Wine: I Laherty, M Calvert, D Liedel, A Towner

**Power Point:** J Newey **Piety Store:** N Carmichael **Morning Tea:** Hollow Log

5:30pm Evening Mass

Welcomer: E Shields
Reader 1: P Hass
Reader 2: N Gruar
POF: K Murray

**Communion Ministers:** E Shields, C Johnston, B Doak

**Power Point:** A Hallam

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to Mass beginning.

## **The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Readings**

 1st Reading:
 Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

 2nd Reading:
 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17

 Gospel:
 John 2:13-22

# **Sacrament of Confirmation**

Thank you to the parents that attended our parents information night on Monday. Preparation Dates are as follows:

*Third meeting* – Sunday 2nd November 10:30am in

Primary School Class Room

Fourth meeting – Sunday 16th November during 9:00am

Mass followed by Rehearsal after Mass

Confirmation Celebration - 20 November at 5:30pm

#### **Working Bee**

Our annual working bee will be happening on Saturday **29th November at 9:00am** at St Patrick's Church in preparation for Advent. Would love if you can lend a hand as many hands make light work.



#### **Hearing Loop in St Pat's**

For anyone using hearing aids you will need to turn your hearing loop to T. The hearing loop is situated in the middle of the Church. If you are unable to hear can you please inform Fr Rafal or let the parish office know.

## **Safeguarding**

https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding
Information can be provided to STOPline anonymously.
Phone: 1300 304 550 Email: AOB@stopline.com.au
Online: bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com

#### The Deceased

Let us remember in our prayers those loved ones who have died recently and those whose anniversaries fall around this time. May the faithful departed rejoice to see the face of their Saviour. Please write names in Remembrance book at the front door.

#### **Youth Group**

Youth Group will be on Friday 7 November 2025 at 3:30pm until 5:00pm for youth in Year 6 to Year 10 in the Parish Centre. Afternoon tea provided.

# **A Helping Hand**

Do you enjoy helping others? St Vincent de Paul Conference is looking for volunteers to help with family assistance. If you would like any further information please contact on 54811 525 and leave a message.

## Thank you

"On behalf of St Patrick's St Vincent de Paul Conference I wish to thank everyone who so generously donated towards the Winter Appeal. Your generosity is so greatly appreciated which goes towards helping us assist the increasing number of people who are struggling to pay rent and put food on the table. Once again many thanks.

Ann Condon President "



#### **November Masses 2025**

November is traditionally a month when we remember and pray for those who have gone before us, marked by the sign of faith. The Church has always practised praying for the souls of the departed. The Bible offers numerous scriptural reasons for this intercessory prayer for the dead. Job's sacrifices purified his sons (Job 1:5), and Judas Maccabeus "made atonement for the dead that they be delivered from their sin" (2 Macc 12:46). This meaningful tradition of praying for our departed love ones is cherished through both public and private prayers, especially by offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for their repose. Yellow envelopes are available at the front of the church for November Masses. Feel free to take one, write the name of vour departed loved ones in BLOCK letters ON THE BACK OF THE ENVELOPE, and if you'd like to include a donation. You can place your envelope on the collection plate or hand it to Father.

## A vocation view:

# Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed – $\mathrm{C}/\mathrm{1}$

"Young man, I tell you to get up." Find new life in Christ by faithfully following His call today. (Luke 7:11-17)

#### Scan the QR code

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# What's happening Date **Event** 13th November Lions Morning Tea Confirmation Candidates 4th meeting 16th November and Rehearsal 20th November Confirmation Celebration Men's Afternoon 12:30pm till 2:00pm 27th November Parish Centre 29th November Working Bee @ St Patrick's Church 9:00am Anointing of the Sick and Mass 6th December St Patrick's Church 9:00am

# **Sacristans Required**

Fr Rafal is looking for Sacristans that can come and help open, close and setup the church on days that we have Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms etc. You may be required to assist during the week as well. If you can assist please see Fr Rafal or contact the Parish Office. Fr Rafal will train you in what you are required to know and Brianna can assist you with obtaining all the correct documents for safeguarding.

# Rosters

With only a couple of weeks until we are in December can you please advise the office if you will be going away over December and January so we can arrange the Sunday Rosters.

The Christmas Roster will be available in the front of the church shortly to put your name down if you will be available to assist over the Christmas Masses.



#### **Christmas Mass Schedule**

#### Wednesday 24th December 2025 Vigil

4:00pm St Peter the Fisherman – Rainbow Beach 6:30pm St Patrick's – Gympie

## Thursday 25th December 2025

7:00am Sacred Heart Church – Kandanga 9:00am St Patrick's – Gympie

Carols will be played 30minutes prior to Mass.

#### **Country Church Locations**

St Therese Church – Gunalda, Balkin Street, GUNALDA QLD 4570

Sacred Heart Church – Kandanga, 43-45 Stephen's Street, KANDANGA QLD 4570

St Peter the Fisherman Church – Rainbow Beach, Manooka Drive, RAINBOW BEACH OLD 4581

St John Vianney Church – Tin Can Bay, 22-24 Bream Street, TIN CAN BAY QLD 4580

St Vincent de Paul - Widgee, Cnr Gympie-Woolooga and Little Widgee Road, WIDGEE QLD 4570