



St Patrick's Parish

Gympie and Surrounds

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

30 August 2026

One Mass Multicultural Sunday – 13th September

We look forward to seeing everyone at this celebration. Traditional dress is encouraged.

What will the Aussies wear???

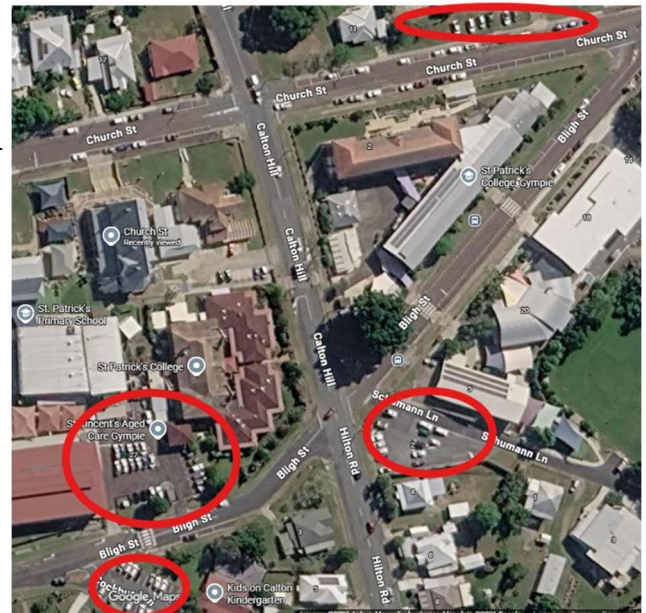
VERY IMPORTANT: All those involved in Reading, Communion ministry, Welcomers, Flag bearers, bringing forward symbols and altar servers are asked to arrive 15 minutes early so that the organisers know you are present and everything can run smoothly and on time.

This year our Entrance procession will involve those in traditional dress who wish to process in (no obligation but you are welcome to do so). Please arrive 15 minutes early as well. This year all those processing in at the beginning of Mass will meet in the Parish Centre and will process into the church from the Parish Centre. The flags will be in the Parish Centre.

The symbols from our country churches and Gympie, the Youth Group with donations and hampers (from the Rosary Group), our Catechises group of children will process in at Offertory Time.

After Mass we will walk to the Primary School Hall. Our Welcomers will be on hand if anyone needs assistance to get to the Hall. The College Coffee Van will be available for coffee only and we are asking parishioners to donate a Gold Coin for their coffee which will go to our Parish Youth Group. Tea will be available from the Tuckshop. A sausage sizzle will be available and you may also like to bring a plate to share.

Parking: Please be respectful about where you choose to park for this celebration. We have a large older group of parishioners and others with disabilities or mobility issues who should have preference to park closer to the church. There is plenty of parking available as per the maps provided in the newsletter and on St Patrick's website. Think of it as getting up your steps for the day. We will have traffic cones (witches hats) placed around the parking bays in front of the church to allow you to drop off your passengers and then find a park.



St Patrick's Mass Times this week

Monday: 7:30am
Tuesday: 9:00am
Thursday: 7:00am
 5:30pm - Confirmation
Friday: 5:30pm (Reconciliation from 4.45)
Saturday: 9:00am (**Healing Mass**)
Sunday: 9:00am (Livestreamed)
 5:30pm

Country Church Mass Times 6/09/2026

Saturday

St John Vianney – Tin Can Bay – 5:00pm

Sunday

St Peter the Fisherman – Rainbow Beach – 6:30am

Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Sunday

St Therese – Gunalda – 7:00am

Parish Contact Information

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THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING GYMPIE PARISH

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



Cash: If you prefer to use cash please place on the collections plate.

Direct Debit: 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

Envelopes: If you wish to use envelopes, please contact the parish office.

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

Hearing Loop in St Pats

For anyone using hearing aids please turn your hearing loop to T. The hearing loop is situated in the middle of the church.

Safeguarding

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding>
Information can be provided at STOPline anonymously.

Ph: 1300 304 550

email: AOB@stopline.com.au

Online: bncatholic.stoplinereport.com

A Vocation View

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Social Justice Sunday

Don't run away from what you are called to be. Christians take the less-travelled road. "What does it profit us if we gain the whole world but ruin ourselves in the process?"



Flocknote

Want to receive our newsletters online or stay up to date with information from the Parish? Sign up to our Flocknote. By signing up and filling in your details you are also updating the Parish Office with your current phone numbers and addresses.



Facebook

You can also stay up to date with any notices from the parish by visiting and liking our Facebook page. **St Patrick's Catholic Parish Gympie**

What's Happening

Date	Event
31 st August	Fr Rafal back
1 September	Liturgy Meeting - 4:15pm Parish Centre
5 September	Mass & Anointing - St Patrick's 9:00am
11 September	Youth Group and Youth Choir
13 September	One Mass / Multicultural Mass 10:00am
18 September	Youth Group
25 September	Youth Group and Youth Choir

Confirmation

Congratulations to all our young people who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday evening. Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they grow in faith. A heartfelt thank you to Mrs Calvert and Mrs Towner for the time, care and preparation they dedicated to supporting our young people on this special journey.

Youth Group

There will be **NO** Youth Group on Friday 4th September. Youth Group will recommence on Friday 11th September in the Parish Centre.

In God's Care

Let us remember in our prayers those who have died recently, Kathryn Schmidt and John Kellam, and those whose anniversaries fall around this time. May the faithful departed rejoice to see the face of their Saviour.

Musician Wanted for Parish Choir

Our parish choir is seeking a talented pianist, guitarist or multi-instrumentalist to accompany Catholic hymns and sacred music during liturgical worship on Sunday Masses. If you play the piano, guitar or other suitable instruments and would like to share your musical gifts in the service of God and our parish community, please contact Frances Skinner on 0431 286 796.

Psalm 96:1 - "Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth."

Liturgy Roster
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
6 September 2026
9:00am Morning Mass

Welcomer: P Tobin

Reader 1: G Fogarty

Reader 2: Seb Calvert

POF: D Griffin

Altar Servers: J Newey, J Anoop, R Ponce, J Gatabonton

Communion Ministers:

1. A Towner, 2. L Newey, 3. A Cambridge, 4. E Saunders

6. I Rodrigues, 7. C Cash, 8. I Laherty

PowerPoint: A Jomy

Piety Store: Y McCarthy

Morning Tea: Hilltop Ramblers

5:30pm Evening Mass

Welcomer: S & H Skuse

Reader 1: C Johnston

Reader 2: C Allman

POF: M Norris

Communion Minister: E Shields, B Doak, L Collins

PowerPoint: N Gruar

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings

First Reading: Ezekiel 33: 7-9

Second Reading: Romans 13: 8-10

Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 50th year of Marriage? The Cathedral of St Stephens warmly invites couples celebrating this milestone to their annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass. Celebrated on Saturday 26th September at 11:30am at 249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane. Family and friends are welcome to attend.

Live-In Marriage Encounter Weekend

A weekend away from your day to day commitments allowing you to focus on your relationship.

Friday 9th October to Sunday 11th October
Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston

Bookings and Enquiries : Lisha and Joseph Deasem

Phone: 0481 307 821

Email: qldbookings@wwme.org.au

www.wwme.org.au



Country Churches

St Therese Church – Gungalda, 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 QLD 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



St Vincent de Paul

St Patrick's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul, Gympie, would sincerely like to thank all parishioners for your very generous support of our Winter Appeal. As well as very generous monetary donations, we also received donations of food, blankets, sheets, towels, beanies & Scarves & Winter clothing. Our Companions were all extremely grateful for all these donations which helped them survive our cold Gympie weather. All donations were very much appreciated!!!

"Giving does not only precede receiving; it is the reason for it. It is in giving that we receive."

Thank you, Fr Adrian

A heartfelt thank you to Fr Adrian for caring for our parish while Fr Rafal has been on holidays.

After a very busy month celebrating Masses, Confirmation and five funerals, we hope he can now enjoy some well-earned time to rest and relax. We are truly grateful for his generous service and pastoral care.

First Reading

Jeremiah 20: 7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced;
you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.

I am a daily laughing-stock,
everybody's butt.

Each time I speak the word, I have to howl
and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me
insult, derision, all day long.

I used to say, I will not think about him,

I will not speak in his name any more.

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,
imprisoned in my bones.

The effort to restrain it wearied me,

I could not bear it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 62: 2-6, 8, 9

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;

for you my soul is thirsting.

My body pines for you

like a dry, weary land without water. (R.)

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary

to see your strength and your glory.

For your love is better than life,

my lips will speak your praise. (R.)

So I will bless you all my life,

in your name I will lift up my hands.

My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,

my mouth shall praise you with joy. (R.)

For you have been my help;

in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

My soul clings to you;

your right hand holds me fast. (R.)

Second Reading

Romans 12: 1-2

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg
you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering
your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God.

Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world
around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your

new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God
and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the
perfect thing to do.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Ephesians 1: 17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart,

that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 16: 21-27

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was
destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands
of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death
and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside,
Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you,
Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned
and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle
in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but
man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a
follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his
cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life
will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find
it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and
ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his
life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father
with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one
according to his behaviour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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