

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER: FEBRUARY: Harry & Diana

CRYING ROOM: Feel free to use this room during Mass. Kindly pack away toys at the end of Mass.

PIETY STALL: If you wish to buy religious articles, books or cards please contact Fr Marlon

FIRST AID BOX: located inside the Crying Room at the entrance to the Church.

TOILET FACILITY: Situated at the back of the Parish house; nearest to school oval.

RCIA/RCIC: Anyone interested in learning about becoming a Catholic please contact Fr Marlon or Julie Poett.

WEEKDAY MASSES: Wednesday 7th February 11.00am; Friday 9th February 9.00am.

WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE:

<u>SATURDAY</u>	<i>3rd February</i>	<i>10th February</i>	<i>17th February</i>	<i>24th February</i>
TAMBELLUP	6.00PM		6.00PM	
BROOMEHILL		6.00PM?		
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<i>4th February</i>	<i>11th February</i>	<i>18th February</i>	<i>25th February</i>
KOJONUP	8.30AM	8.30AM	8.30AM	8.30AM
KATANNING	10.30AM	10.30AM	10.30AM	10.30AM

PARISH MINISTRIES: *If you are unable to attend on your rostered date please arrange for someone to replace you. Thank you!*

	<i>4th February</i>	<i>11th February</i>	<i>18 February</i>	<i>25th February</i>
<i>Greeter</i>				
<i>Intro & Second Reader</i>	D. Cavoli	S. Benitez	R. Whitmore	S. Watterson
<i>First Reader</i>	A. Schiano	D. Bearcroft	D. Bowen	D. Quartermaine
<i>Minister of the Eucharist</i>				
<i>Offertory</i>	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
<i>Acolyte</i>	Alvarro	Angelo	Sam	
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers



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PARISH PRAYER: Please refer to the overhead screen

SUNDAY 4th FEBRUARY 2024 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

First Reading: Book of Job 7:1-4,6-7
 Job began to speak:
 Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery? Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief. Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls. Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind. Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy. **The word of the Lord**

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Second Reading: First letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23
 I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me. So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak: I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessing. **The word of the Lord**

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! *A people in darkness have seen a great light: a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death. Alleluia!*

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them. That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was. In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

The Gospel of the Lord

Next Week's Readings: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 11th February 2024: Book of Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46 St Paul to the Corinthians 10:31,11:1; Mark 1:40-45

On Sunday 18th February the first of the annual Diocesan Appeals will be held. Donations from the Appeal will assist in providing a broad range of aid, counselling and representation to immigrants and their families. Your generosity helps others find hope. Any amount gratefully received.



Pope Francis has inaugurated 2024 a Year of Prayer ahead of the 2025 Jubilee, calling on the faithful "to intensify prayer to prepare us to live well this event of grace and to experience the power of God's hope."

The Holy Father explained that the Year of Prayer is dedicated "to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world." The Pope invited Christians to pray especially for Christian unity, and "to not tire of invoking the Lord for peace in Ukraine, in Israel and Palestine, and in so many other parts of the world," including Ecuador. Once again he emphasized that those who suffer most from the lack of peace are the weakest among us. "I think of the little ones," Pope Francis said, "the many children who are injured and killed, those who are deprived of affection, deprived of their dreams and their future."

"Let us all be aware of our responsibility to pray and to build peace for them!"



PARISH NEWS

In today's Gospel Jesus heals the sick and afflicted and, early in the morning, seeks the solitude of a "desert" place for prayer. The disciples seek him out, as everyone is looking for him. Jesus makes it clear that he must move on and bring God's word and healing beyond the city to the neighbouring Galilean towns. God's word in this gospel story is for us as well as for those early disciples. Amid all the troubles besetting our world, we too must search out the solitude of a "desert" place for prayer, and engage with renewed energy and insight in whatever each new day brings.



Last Wednesday, 31st January, marks the anniversary of the death of Mother Mary of Jesus, Briget Farrell, the first Superior of the Convent School in Katanning. Mother Mary along with Sr M. de Ricci, Sr M. Paulinus and Sr M. St Vivienne arrived in Katanning in 1926 and the school was opened, initially in the Church, on 3rd February 1926 with 47 pupils. Mother Mary of Jesus is the only religious sister buried in the Katanning Cemetery; Plot number 135.



Let us continue to pray for the sick members of our families and also within our Parish especially: Aris Mills, Laline Ford and David McGuire; Also our parishioners in Kerry Lodge and Bethshan, Clara Illiano, Ted Schaefer, Bonnie Quartermaine. Please keep them in your prayers.



Please also include in your prayers Emeritus Bishop Gerard Holohan who is undergoing chemotherapy treatment. Dear Lord, we praise and thank You for the many ways You have assisted us through struggles in our lives. We ask You to pour out Your assistance on all people who are undergoing medical treatment. Amen

The ability to budget can only come about through the 'generous financial support of members of the Parish who make a pledge through the "Planned Giving Programme." Like all families, everyone's pledge is important and commitment to the financial well-being of St Patrick's Parish is **VITAL**. If you would like to join or know more about the programme please contact the Parish Office or Mr Peter Kerin.



COLLECTIONS	21st January	28th January
1 st Collection	\$ 241.75	\$ 192.00
2nd Collection	\$ 29.00	\$ 41.80
Planned Giving Envelopes	\$ 100.00	\$ 135.00
Planned Giving Direct Debit	\$ 302.00	\$ 302.00
Candles	--	--
Piety	--	\$ 22.00