

Parish Bugle



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The days we are experiencing are marked by a great void: void of rituals, void of faces, void of presences, void of contacts. A widespread and violent pandemic has taken away our certainties, our habits, our feasts, our meetings. A fear, mixed with disorientation and bewilderment, has taken hold of us. We feel lost, confused, blind. We cannot read what is happening very well, we cannot see or glimpse what it will be, how we will be, how and if we will resume our life.

Didn't the women on that first Easter sunrise feel that way? Weren't these the feelings of the disciples after the pain of Good Friday and the silence of Saturday? Wasn't their drama like what we are experiencing? The Master's place at the table was now empty, the centre that made them a community was lost, the holy city strange and empty, weakened friendship from betrayal and infidelity. And even when a new and strange hope pushed them to go out, they found themselves in front of this tomb ... empty...

We should therefore not escape this feeling too quickly. Educated on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, we Christians should know how to stand in the face of death, before the grave, in front of the silence of God and men. The joy of Easter is not a banal happy end of the story of Jesus, it is not the happy end of the Gospel for which they all lived, nor is it the cancellation of the pain of the world or the simple removal of the many bleeding wounds of history.

Easter joy, the real one, is born and consists precisely in a new ability to look at emptiness, to dialogue with pain to see the signs of death and believe. From this emptiness we each experience in our unique way, Christ is living and breathes His Spirit of life upon us and on the Church. Easter is still a new creation and the chaos of the world finds order and beauty through it. And God gives us His eyes to see the good things He does for those who believe and hope in His love.

Fr Subin Thomas, Your Parish Priest



We acknowledge and pay respect to the land and the traditional families of the Yugambeh region of South East Queensland, including the Kombumerri, Mununjali, Wangerriburra and others, and their Elders past present and emerging.

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Q & A - Why do Catholics go to Mass?

People who know next to nothing about the Catholic Church do know one thing - that Catholics **have** to go to Mass on Sundays. Until fairly recently, this idea of compulsion lay at the back of the minds of many Catholics which led them to go to Mass largely out of a sense of obligation and out of fear of God's wrath. Today most Catholics would agree that the above viewpoint is misleading for three reasons -

It makes God out to be tyrant who is out to get you to kow-tow to him.

It makes Jesus out to be God's henchman who came to tell us what to do.

It makes the Church out to be an organisation set up by Jesus to make sure we comply.

Most Catholics today realise that none of these statements are true. And none of them accurately represents the belief of Catholics today. The majority of Catholics today go to Mass on Sunday because they believe it is central to their lives as Christians. Catholics do not think of the Mass as a **church service** which they attend. The Mass is an **action**. It is something Catholics **do** together. They are not spectators **at it**; they are deeply involved **in it**.

At Mass they re-enact what Jesus did at the Last Supper. Paraphrasing Luke's gospel "after taking bread, breaking it, blessing it first, then the wine - he said, "**Do this in remembrance of me**". The words of Jesus "Do this in remembrance of me" have been obeyed without interruption for nearly 2000 years. Every time Catholics gather for Mass, they know they are there to do what Jesus did. And they believe that in that action Jesus, who died on the cross and was raised to life three days later, is made present for them.

Catholics believe that the Mass is a celebration of Christ's presence among us. In the Mass Catholics believe they meet with Christ and that their prayers are united with his.

The Mass is a sacred action which has a depth of meaning impossible to put into words. That is one reason why Catholics never tire of the Mass. As they go to Mass over weeks and months and years they enter more deeply into its mystery and get a bit more insight into its significance and its meaning for their own lives.

So, if you asked several Catholics why they go to Mass and what it means to them you would probably get a lot of different answers. Here are some of the things they might say -

"The Mass teaches you to accept God's gifts gratefully - you can never be worthy of them".

"Communion is the most important part for me - it's such a privilege to receive the Body of Christ".

"If I did not go to Mass, I'd forget about God altogether. It keeps me in touch".

"It's a weekly reminder that there is more to life than increasing one's standard of living".

"I bring my worries with me to Mass and offer them to God".

"For me, the Mass is **Worship**. I am not the centre of the universe, God is. At Mass I acknowledge that"

"At Mass I leave all my worries behind and focus on what really important in my life".

"The Mass isn't just for ME it's for US. We are a community of believers and the Mass holds us together".

"Celebrating Mass for me awakens me to the words of Jesus and his life and sacrifice - it makes me more fully aware, more fully alive".

There is a lot more we could say about the Mass, but enough has been said to show that for Catholics the Mass is not a weekly chore. Its something very precious to them. That is why it plays such a central part in their lives.

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Terry O'Shea



Around the Parish



St Patrick's Easter Calendar

Holy Thursday April 1
7pm Mass

Good Friday April 2
Stations of the Cross 10am
Celebration of the
Passion of the Lord at 3pm

Easter Saturday April 3
Easter Vigil Mass at 6pm

Easter Sunday April 4
7am & 9am Mass

**NO 6PM MASS on Easter
Sunday Evening**

Farewell to Tony Barron Principal St Joseph's

Sadly, St Joseph's is losing our Principal Mr Tony Barron at the end of this term. He has been appointed as Foundation Principal of Star of the Sea, Merrimac commencing Term 2, 2021.

Tony has made a huge impact on the culture and atmosphere of St Joseph's in the past five years and he is going to be sorely missed. However, we congratulate him on this wonderful achievement and wish him well in this new endeavour. Star of the Sea are blessed to have him.

Maree Wright, APRE St Joseph's



The Choir & Betty assembling before St Patrick's Mass. Fr Subin celebrated St Patrick's & St Joseph's Masses all in the same week, thank you!

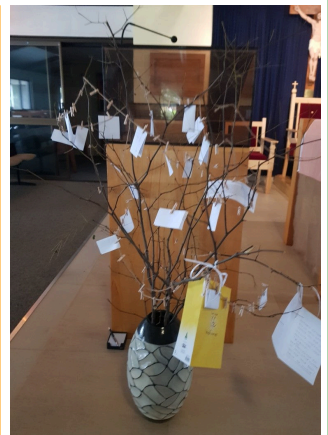


Lenten Tree Prayer 2021

May this parish of St Patrick's be a spiritual home for the seeker, a friend for the lonely, and a guide for the confused. May those who pray here be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve all who come, and to receive them as Christ Himself.

In the silence of this Church may all the suffering, violence and confusion of the world encounter the power that will console, renew, and uplift the human spirit. May this silence be a power to open the hearts of men and women to the vision of God, and so to each other in love and peace, justice and human dignity.

May the beauty of the Divine Life fill this parish and the hearts of all who pray here with joyful hope. May all who come here, weighed down by the problems of humanity, leave giving thanks for the wonder of human life. We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



The prayer above is the closing prayer of the Meditation Group, which meets every Monday at 9am in the Truelson Room. See Denise O'Shea for more information. Everybody welcome!

Prayer of the Holy Cloak Novena

O Glorious Patriarch St Joseph, you who were chosen by God above all men to be the earthly head of the most holy of families, I beseech you to accept me within the folds of your cloak, that you may become the guardian of my soul.

From this moment on, I choose you as my father, my protector, my counselor, my patron, and I beseech you to place in your custody my body, my soul, all that I am, all that I possess, my life, and my death.

Look upon me as one of your children, defend me from the treachery of my enemies, invisible or otherwise, assist me at all times in all my necessities; console me in the bitterness of my life, and especially at the hour of my death. Say but one word for me to the Divine Redeemer whom you were deemed worthy to hold in your arms, and to the Blessed Virgin Mary, your most chaste spouse. Request for me those blessings which will lead me to salvation. Include me amongst those who are most dear to you and I shall set forth to prove myself worthy of your special patronage. Amen.

Litany of St Joseph

Lord, have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

God the father of heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer of the world.

God the Holy Spirit.

Holy Trinity, One God.

Holy Mary, Pray for us for all of these

Saint Joseph

Noble Offspring of David

Light of Patriarchs

Spouse of the Mother of God

Chaste Guardian of the Virgin

Foster Father of the Son of God

Zealous defender of Christ

Head of the Holy Family

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ, graciously hear us.

Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

Joseph Most Just

Joseph Most Chaste

Joseph Most Prudent

Joseph Most Courageous

Joseph Most Obedient

Joseph Most Faithful

Mirror of Patience

Lover of Poverty

Model of Workmen

Glory of Domestic Life

Guardian of Virgins

Pillar of Families

Comfort of the Afflicted

Hope of the Sick

Patron of the Dying

Terror of Demons

Protector of the Holy Church



Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

Spare us O Lord

Graciously hear us, O Lord

Have mercy on us.

V. He has made him lord of his household, R. And prince over all his possessions.

Let us pray. O God, who, in your loving providence, chose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most Holy Mother, grant us the favour of having him for our intercession in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our protector. You, who live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

Submitted by Helen Bradford

Call to all Catholics

The Call to all Catholics campaign was officially launched on Sunday 7th February 2021, with a video homily given by Archbishop Mark Coleridge in all parishes. The campaign calls parishioners to engage with visitors and re-establish links, especially at Easter.

“Go make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”
Matthew 28:19

Former text cricketer, Matthew Hayden is joining the major advertising campaign to encourage Catholics to return to church. His faith has given him great strength and he advises us to have a go, find that small time to declutter and focus on our faith.



The advertising is particularly reaching out to those who are disconnected from the Church and their faith. All parishes and communities in the Archdiocese are invited to get involved by:

- * Giving fliers to loved ones who have become disconnected from the Church.
- * Signing up for the prayer campaign to pray for those who will respond.
- * Volunteer to accompany those who respond to the call to go on the journey.
- * Be a welcoming presence to new faces in the pews.

You can find out more about the campaign at:

<https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/baptisedcatholic> and <https://baptisedcatholic.com.au>

At St Patrick's the Parish Council is looking to form a team to meet this call. If this is something you would like to get involved in, please contact Fr Subin for more information.

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Family Scribbles



The last few weeks have been an absolute tornado.

The boys decided I should give up sleeping for lent and thus have made it a requirement that I never leave their sight when they sleep, during both the day and night.

Just the other week Ollie thought he would wake every hour from 11pm-4am to check on my whereabouts. That made for a fun times the following day.

So while I would love to write a blurb about the goings on of my family life I have very little brain power left to muster up anything.

So instead please enjoy these wonderful photos taken of the boys' 2nd birthday party. Matthew made the iconic Women's Weekly Duck Cake, popularized by the show Bluey. He is very proud, to say the least. Happy Easter everyone!

Much love and God bless,
A very tired Erica.



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We celebrated St Joseph's on March 19th, with a beautiful Mass, thanks to Fr Subin. Thanks also to Colleen Sheehan for setting up the Truelson Room so beautifully and for managing the refreshments.



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The Element of Surprise: Operations "Cathy's Belated Birthday Gift" Successful



On the 21st, we celebrated our youth leader Cathy's birthday after our first 9am Youth Mass where we managed to pull off a surprise for her consisting of:

- a DIY pot plant gift I made myself two days prior (including a gift card where young people of SPYM pitched in)
- a Filipino "Happy Birthday" version played by our Congo drummer Tyrone Torralba (using my guitar).
- My younger sister Abby literally standing behind Cathy and giving it to her as we sang.
- Tyrone's mum Belyn Torralba filming and taking photos of the moment
- Lastly, everyone else (including some parishioners) basically surrounding her as we sang and clapped to "Happy Birthday"

Seeing the look on Cathy's face was priceless and hilarious because we knew we successfully pulled off the element of surprise on her. She deserved to be showered with blessings, hugs and kisses even if it meant **sometimes putting her on the spot, ha-ha.**

In the end, we were laughing about our secret preparations from last Friday's youth night:

- Where Cathy had asked me, "**What's your next big art and craft project?**" --- In response, I didn't really give much information but told her I was just **practicing** my craft.
- And where Christian Almario said he **pretended** to look for a rubbish bin outside the Joey's hall. "**I'll just have a look and see if there's a bin outside.**" --- An excuse in order to secretly meet with me and sign Cathy's birthday card.

In other words, Cathy managed to figure it all out **after** opening her gift in front of us where we all just laughed at how we nailed it during youth night without her even knowing. Awesome job, SPYM! We love you, Cathy!

*On a different note, an upcoming activity we have going on is right after Easter (hopefully). We plan to go on a trip to visit the Queensland Art Gallery & GOMA in the city. An idea that we as a group, have been discussing recently to allow ourselves to have some fun outside of youth ministry.

*We are also really excited to have our once a month 9am Youth Masses back! It has indeed been an intense and slow start to the year, but it feels amazing to be back and doing our normal youth ministry service again! I would like to welcome Marshall and Eastern into our youth ministry family, who have recently joined us this year! And here I will say, may God be praised!

Mary Se, SPYM & Parish Council

The end of an Era

It is with great sadness that members of St Patrick's Conference, St Vincent de Paul, announce the closure and demolition of their premises, in the Parish grounds.

The building, which has served the Parish and the local community so well over the past 33 years, has been deemed unsafe and "condemned" and will be removed from its present site. Since the closure of the upstairs accommodation for safety reasons, the teams have been working under extremely difficult conditions for both volunteers and the companions they strive to assist: with no proper office space, privacy for companions, on site toilets, running water or storage. Full credit to them for the wonderful job they continue to do, fulfilling God's instruction – "Do not pass by a man in need, for you may be the 'hand of God' to him". (Proverbs 3:27)

We believe that the Conference's origins date back to the 1974 Floods when a group of parishioners came together to help those in urgent need, at that time. They later provided assistance from premises in City Road, until the then Albert Shire Council offered SVDP the present building to be moved onto Parish land.

Permission was given by the Archdiocese for this move which was paid for by SVDP. We believe this happened in 1988 as buildings were being moved to make way for the "ring road". So the Conference has been an important and visible part of our Parish for almost 50 years and, we hope, will continue to be so. Over the years, many volunteers could be mentioned but we will not go there at the risk of leaving people out. Suffice to say, there were many excellent members who kept the Conference going.

However, there are 2 volunteers who should receive a special mention. Fay O'Toole is our present President and has filled this position several times previously as well as serving her time as Regional President and as part of the Formation and Training Team, who travelled to other areas helping them set-up and manage their Conferences. And also Jo Blocksidge, a faithful, reliable volunteer over many years, always ready to fill in if anyone was ill or unavailable and who managed the team Roster so competently.

But being a volunteer has personal benefits too. In retirement, it has given many of us a sense of purpose and a concrete way of fulfilling God's message to care for one another. And many wonderful friendships have been formed and maintained through our involvement with the Society. Our Conference work covers a large area including Beenleigh, Eagleby and all areas within the border of Pimpama, Jacobs Well, Waterford and Tamborine Village. At first we provided mainly food, clothing and furniture, but as life has become more challenging for so many we find ourselves called on to assist occasionally with medications, transport costs and rent.

In this Financial Year we have assisted 1450 companions and their children at a cost of \$38,000. With advances in technology our methods of recording and reporting has changed dramatically over the last few years. Although this can be a challenge for some of our volunteers it had enabled much easier record sharing, allowing Head Office to better understand our companions' needs and showing accurately the volume of the assistance we undertake. In the beginning, Home Visits were the Society's main form of contact with companions. With the establishment of the House, we could help many more as they visited our premises. Now, with the pandemic and the demolition of the House, Home Visits will, once again, temporarily, become our main method of contact, as volunteers also work from their homes.

Our greatest wish would be that St Patrick's SVDP Conference could remain a very visible part of our Parish on a site that benefits:-

- (a) Parishioners, our greatest supporters, allowing them to see the fruits of their generosity.
- (b) St Joseph's School, as the children witness a working example of caring for those in need.
- (c) The Town.

We are the most active Charity in the area, welcoming all comers. No one leaves empty handed. Our prayers are for a site that would continue to tie the Conference's work closely and easily to its Catholic heritage.

John Maksimas & Fay O'Toole

St Vincent De Paul Society—St Patrick's Conference Beenleigh

Where to from here?

Good question to which I have no answer. We have no suitable quarters to move to. As a minimum we would require an office, interview room, a sizeable storage area, toilet and small kitchenette. We have looked at renting premises but the costs are prohibitive. We are still looking at alternatives. Any suggestions? Such a move would hopefully be on a short term basis as we have commenced informal discussions with the parish to replace Vinnies House with a building which could possibly include suitable areas for our conference.



Fund Raising

Our conference runs on a very tight budget, which has been severely affected by Covid. We unfortunately had to cancel our Fundraising Dinner last year and were not able to conduct our Christmas Appeal, both important sources of funding. At this stage it is highly likely that we'll need to cancel the Dinner once again in 2021.

Together with an increased demand for our services this means that we are limited with the amount of help that we can provide to those needy members of our society. We therefore ask for your financial assistance in the following ways:

If you are able, please support this year's Winter Appeal at the end of May.

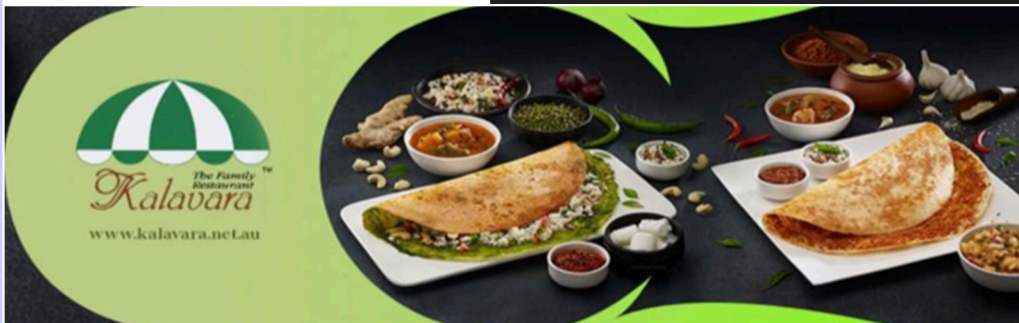
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John Maksimas

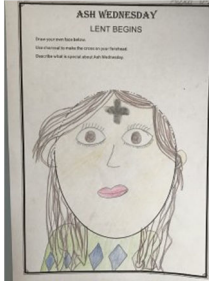
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Mother Teresa Primary School

MTS have been busy focussing on the Lenten season beginning with Ash Wednesday and are now gearing up towards a big Holy Week.



Our staff began the year with a renewed fresh on focussing on the charism of Mother Teresa. As part of going deeper and also welcoming our newly appointed art teacher, staff created their own picture collage of Mother Teresa embedding their favourite quote.

We were also grateful to be able to hold a wonderful mass at St. Patricks for the whole school - many students would not be familiar with this church or with being at Mass in general and it made an impression. Students and parents commented on how good it was to be able to attend and have Fr. Subin lead us. We all got there and back by bus!



Our students are really getting into STEM this year where we have dedicated Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths based lessons working with real life problems and materials to stimulate their creative and curious minds and hands.

Ben Torenbeek, APRE - Mother Teresa Primary



St Joseph Tobruk Primary School

2021 Welcoming & Commissioning Mass

Liturgically, Term 1 is very busy as we celebrate the new year, launch of Caritas, Lent, St Patrick's Day, St Joseph's Feast Day and Holy Week. We gathered early in the year as a school community in the Sr Jenny Centre to celebrate the commencement of another school year, with the theme, *In 2021 We Walk with St Joseph*.

We welcomed our Preps and those students and teachers who are new to St Joseph's. We also came together to introduce the Year Six students of 2021 to the school community and ask God's blessing on them. They were presented with their badges as a reminder of the important role they play. While we consider it the responsibility of all students to be role models for each other, there is an expectation that the Year 6 students will contribute in a more active way.

We also introduced our school captains and vice-captains for 2021 and presented them with their badges. We would like to introduce them to our parish family.

School Captains: Megan Doyle and Aithan Perrera

School Vice-Captains: Paige Heath and Cesca Miranda

Throughout 2021, our leaders will be seen in St Patrick's Parish not only on Sunday with their family, but on special parish occasions such as Anzac Day and supporting Catholic Mission as ambassadors.

Project Compassion Launch

Our Year 6 Captains attended the launch of Project Compassion at St Stephen's Cathedral. There were over forty schools from our Archdiocese represented, with Archbishop Mark Coleridge leading the Liturgy of the Word. Megan and Aithan were also commissioned by Archbishop Mark as school leaders to be ambassadors for Project Compassion back in their school community this Lenten season.

St Joseph's Day

We celebrated St Joseph's Day with a whole school Mass in the Sister Jenny Centre with Fr Subin presiding. With Pope Francis declaring 2021 as the Year of St Joseph, this was the theme for our Mass. We prayed that we would all journey with the heart of St Joseph, the one who listened to 'the whisperings of God in his heart.' St Joseph was asked to let go, to trust and to move from listening to acting. May our hearts too be open to the 'whisperings of God.'

St Joseph's Day is also a day where we give thanks for Sr Jenny and the Sisters of St Joseph for their work here at Joey's over the past 68 years. We are blessed by the gifts and humble gentleness that Sr Jenny brings to St Joseph's and thank her for the work she does in the community to bring dignity into the lives of those she serves.

Maree Wright, APRE - St Joseph Tobruk Memorial School



RAP Update

It is twelve months now since St Patrick's was invited to become one of six parishes to pilot the Archdiocese Aboriginal Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP).

At the heart of the plan is the building of relationships, opportunities and respect between First Nations people and the wider Australian community.

In our last RAP meeting we were fortunate enough to have a yarnning circle with local Aboriginal elders and friends, including Aunty Robyn Williams, Yugambah elder whose family has been involved in many celebrations at St Patrick's, and Will Davis, CEO of the Beenleigh Housing and Development Company, who was very keen to re-ignite the connection that he and his family have had with our parish in the past.

We discussed our reconciliation rock, what we could do to restore it and how we could achieve this through a combined parish and Aboriginal community working group. The group would be tasked with turning the front corner part of our garden which contains the rock into a beautiful space that can speak to us all of a hope-filled future permeated with love and respect. The details will be discussed and recommended in the working group and then presented to the parish.

Thank you to all parishioners who supported our Movie Night and Garage Sale fundraisers. The donations of items for sale made it a very worthwhile event and the two events together raised nearly \$1300. Thanks also to all those who helped out in any way at our recent working bee. We have a great community!

Cathy Korzeniewski & Monica Boucek





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Funerals with Faith

My thoughts of my time in St Patrick's parish

My family came to Beenleigh in 1953 when my father bought the freehold title of the Royal Hotel.

The two hotels in contention were the Canungra Hotel and the Royal. The Royal won because it had stables and Dad had promised my daughter a pony. By the way we were all too busy to buy the pony and it wasn't until she married and had daughters of her own she purchased a horse for them.

My three children attended St Joseph's and later, the girls attended St Ursula's Annerley and my son attended St Laurence's South Brisbane. My two granddaughters attended St Joseph's and Trinity College.

When St Joseph's school opened money was short. The school offered piano tuition which I took advantage of for the girls. The tuck shop was started to help with expenses. I have fond memories of St Gerard's Club for mothers from school and ladies of the parish. We held parties to raise funds to buy necessities for the school and convent and another service we provided was a baby bundle for new mothers in the parish. When it disbanded it was this experience that attracted me to Quota International 43 years ago, who do similar work. Quota's first donation after forming was to Trinity College. We purchased a sound system for the new school.



RCIA was a ministry enjoyed by me and my friends. The comradery was such that when the program was finished each year, we continued with other bible studies every Monday night at my home for over fifteen years. This group still meets every year to take part in Lenten program.

Cluster groups met at my home for many years too. I loved this ministry. The Catholic Balls conducted for many years were a social success enjoyed by all. Father Bill O'Shea always attended and enjoyed the social aspect of the event. He was a great influence on my life.

St Patrick's parish has given me many happy times. The old church is where all my children were baptized and received the sacraments. And my eldest daughter was married there. The youngest in the new church. The parish ladies had a roster as now to clean the old church, we cleaned on our hands and knees washing and polishing the aisle. When looking at it recently it didn't seem quite as long as I remembered.

There are probably lots of other memories tucked away, but it has been a joy to think about the above today. *Moya McKeon*

Moya McKeon recently passed away after a long illness. Her funeral was held at St Patrick's and the church was filled to Covid capacity. May Moya rest in peace.

Bequests to the Parish

Should any Parishioner be considering making a financial bequest to St. Patrick's Parish, such a bequest must be included in your Last Will and Testament.

There is an exactly worded statement required to be used when making such a bequest. This exact statement can be obtained

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