

# ST PATRICK'S PARISH

Embracing the communities of: Gungalda, Gympie, Imbil, Kandanga, Kilkivan, Rainbow Beach, Tin Can Bay, Widgee, and Woolooga

*The community of St Patrick's Gympie and Surrounds acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands of the land on which our parish stands.*

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## The Assumption Year B 15<sup>th</sup> August 2021 Year of St Joseph

### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENT AND PROTECTION STATEMENT

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They will be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

### THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### 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.  
We look forward to that day  
when we will once more celebrate the  
Eucharist,  
as Christ commanded us to do in his memory.  
Our community makes its worship  
in union with the Church throughout the  
world,

with Francis. our Pope, Mark our bishop, Ken  
his assistant, our pastors Frs. Adrian, Dom and  
William.

#### 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.

Almighty ever-living God,  
who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the  
Mother of your Son,  
body and soul into heavenly glory,  
grant, we pray,  
that, always attentive to the things that are  
above,  
we may merit to be sharers of her glory.  
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

### First Reading

Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6, 10

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

*I saw a woman clothed with the sun and with  
the moon beneath her feet.*

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened, and  
the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it.  
Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a  
woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the  
moon, and with the twelve stars on her head  
for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour,  
crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a  
second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red  
dragon which had seven heads and ten horns,  
and each of the seven heads crowned with a  
coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars  
from the sky and dropped them to the earth,  
and the dragon stopped in front of the woman  
as she was having the child, so that he could  
eat it as soon as it was born from its mother.  
The woman brought a male child into the  
world, the son who was to rule all the nations  
with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken  
straight up to God and to his throne, while the  
woman escaped into the desert, where God  
had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard  
a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power  
and empire for ever have been won by our God,  
and all authority for his Christ.'  
The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 44:10-12, 16

**R.** The queen stands at your right hand,  
arrayed in gold.

The daughters of kings are among your loved  
ones.

On your right stands the queen in gold of  
Ophir.

Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:  
forget your own people and your father's  
house. **R.**

So will the king desire your beauty:

He is your lord, pay homage to him.

They are escorted amid gladness and joy;  
they pass within the palace of the king. **R.**

### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the  
Corinthians

*As members of Christ all people will be raised,  
Christ first, and after him all who belong to him.*

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-  
fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came  
through one man and in the same way the  
resurrection of the dead has come through one  
man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men  
will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them  
in their proper order; Christ as the first-fruits  
and then, after the coming of Christ, those who  
belong to him. After that will come the end,  
when he hands over the kingdom to God the  
Father, having done away with every  
sovereignty, authority and power. For he must  
be king until he has put all his enemies under  
his feet and the last of the enemies to be  
destroyed is death, for everything is to be put  
under his feet.

The word of the Lord.

### Thanks be to God.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mary is taken up to heaven,  
and the angels of God shout for joy.  
Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*The Almighty has done great things for me; he has lifted up the lowly.*

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord

and my spirit exults in God my saviour;  
because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid.

Yes, from this day forward all generations  
will call me blessed,  
for the Almighty has done great things  
for me.

Holy is his name,  
and his mercy reaches from age to age for  
those who fear him.

He has shown the power of his arm,  
he has routed the proud of heart.

He has pulled down princes from their  
thrones and exalted the lowly.

The hungry he has filled with good  
things, the rich sent empty away.

He has come to the help of Israel his  
servant, mindful of his mercy  
- according to the promise he made to  
our ancestors -  
of his mercy to Abraham and to his  
descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three  
months and then went back home.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Reflection on the Readings

### Profession of Faith

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

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
At the words that follow, up to and including  
'the Virgin Mary', all bow.**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the  
dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living  
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.**

### General Intercessions

*Presider: Let us pray that we always feel the  
gentle grace of our Blessed Mother, Mary in our  
daily lives.*

For the Church, that like our Blessed Lady as  
she laboured to bring our Saviour into the  
world, it persists through painful times and  
blossoms into a vibrant, new life which grows  
and spreads throughout the world. We pray to  
the Lord.

For all Nations, that they continue to assist one  
another wherever they can, to lessen burdens  
and foster a global community. We pray to the  
Lord.

For our Catholic Community, that the Blessed  
Virgin will guide us with her graceful strength,

especially touching the lives of our young brothers & sisters who are on their journey to Confirmation. We pray to the Lord.

For all those in southern Europe whose land and communities are currently being ravaged by bushfires, that Mother Mary will send them the courage to cope in their time of crisis. We pray to the Lord.

For all those across the world who are impacted by the Covid pandemic. That all those working to detect, treat, plan for and control the outbreaks are sustained in their important work, which serves to protect us all. We pray to the Lord.

For the sick, whether in body or mind, that our Mother Mary will send them peace enough to accept their ill health, and the strength, courage and belief that they may one day return to better health. We pray to the Lord.

For those faithful servants that have been called home to rest in Heavenly peace with Mother Mary and Our Lord, especially Jean Graham. We pray to the Lord.

*Presider: May we all be blessed with feelings of a mother's pure love, grace and strength today, and every day.*

### **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  
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.

## **THE CONCLUDING RITES**

### **Announcements**

### **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 forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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## Reflection:

God intends to save all of creation. In Mary, we see our Christian destiny - a destiny given to us by God who, through Jesus, presents us with new life. Jesus is the hope of the life to come and our life in God. Mary embodies that same hope.

Today we celebrate the Assumption of Mary, body and soul into heaven. At the centre of all of it is Jesus, so to make sense of Mary's Assumption, we must understand Jesus' resurrection.

Jesus' resurrected body is a sure sign of hope for all people that we, too, might one day share in the same reality. St Paul's letter to the Corinthians says that Jesus was the first-fruits of all who had fallen asleep. These were the people who slumbered through Adam's sin but were then witnesses to Jesus' presence. Jesus was the first to bridge the gap between death and new life, and in his Ascension, we see Jesus ascending into heaven body and soul. Our hope is realised in Mary, who was Assumed into heaven body and soul. One day, in God's seasonal time, more people will experience the same.

The first fruits were the first few portions of a harvest dedicated to God. This was a sign that all things stemmed from God, especially the fruits of the earth and the fruits of human labour. It was also a pledge of hope that the next harvest would again come in God's seasonal time with greater volume.

When reading the scriptures, you won't find many foundations for the Assumption of Mary as you would other beliefs. Yet the Assumption is founded upon many statements of faith, especially the Immaculate Conception (Mary born without sin). Maximillian Kolbe was attributed with saying, 'Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did.' The Assumption too can be seen as a profound act of love for Mary, the Mother of God.

With such a gift prepared for us, we too join in Mary's song of praise. It's a song for those who feel just like everyone else. It's a song for those who feel that God has done amazing things in their lives. It's a song for those who have hungered to be a new person or to be a better version of themselves. Ultimately, Mary's song of praise is a song for you and me – pitched at a tone that we can sing and with notes that resonate beyond what we hear down to what we experience.

Although it's Mary that we celebrate today, let us take some time to recognise God's efforts towards us. Breaking the barrier of death was no small feat. Death no longer has the final say. The Word continues into God's embrace. Let's hold in prayer those of our loved ones who now sing with Mary and the saints, that we too might enjoy God's hymn of praise when our time arrives.

God Bless  
Fr William

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday	8.30 am - 1.00 pm
Tuesday	8.30 am - 1.00 pm
Wednesday	8.30 am – 11.30 am
Thursday	8.30 am – 1.00 pm
Friday	8.30 am - 1.00 pm

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

### Gympie Sunday Ministry Roster      15.08.2021

		<b>9.00 am</b>		<b>5.30pm</b>
	Welcomer	P Tobin		A Eames
	Commentator	S Vale		C Johnstone
	Reader 1	S Nistico		M Rush
	Reader 2	D Dillon		M Hillcoat
	Communion Minister	D Curtain		B Doak
	Power Point/iPad	<i>Volunteer</i>		<i>Volunteer</i>
	Morning Tea	<b>Hilltop Rollers</b>		

### Gympie Sunday Ministry Roster      22.08.2021

		<b>9.00 am</b>		<b>5.30pm</b>
	Welcomer	M Green		H Lunn
	Commentator	S O'Brien		J O'Brien
	Reader 1	P Campbell		M Newton
	Reader 2	F Skinner		K Mooney
	Communion Minister	I Laherty		E Shields
	Power Point/iPad	<i>Volunteer</i>		<i>Volunteer</i>
	Morning Tea	<b>All Stars</b>		

## Celebrations of the Eucharist:

### St Patrick's Gympie:

**Sunday 9.00 am live-streamed mass.** Please register at the Parish Website before midday Friday if you wish to participate. (The Rosary will be said 8.30 am before Mass each Sunday)



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**Sunday 5.30 pm.** Please register at the Parish Website before midday Friday if you wish to participate.

**Monday 7.00 am**

**Tuesday 9.00 am** 30-minute adoration and benediction after mass.

**Wednesday 5.30 pm** combined with evening Prayer

**Thursday 7.30am**

**Friday 5.30 pm**

DAY	WEEK 1	WEEK 2 & 5	WEEK 3	WEEK 4
<b>Saturday</b>	Kandanga 5.00 pm	Tin Can Bay 5.00 pm	Rainbow Beach 5.00 pm	Rainbow Beach 5.00 pm
<b>Sunday</b>	Gunalda 7.00 am	Rainbow Beach 7.00 am	Gunalda Tin Can Bay 7.00 am	Tin Can Bay 7.00 am
<b>Sunday</b>	Gympie 9.00 am	Gympie 9.00 am	Gympie 9.00 am	Gympie 9.00 am
<b>Sunday</b>	Widgee 11 am		Kandanga 11.00 am	
<b>Sunday</b>	Gympie 5.30 pm	Gympie 5.30 pm	Gympie 5.30 pm	Gympie 5.30 pm

Tin Can Bay Church is used by Anglican Group 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays 7.30am

## Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

DAY	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5
<b>Saturday</b>	Tin Can Bay 5 pm				
<b>Sunday</b>	Rainbow Beach 7.00 am	Gunalda 7.00 am		Gunalda 7.00 am	Gunalda 7.00 am

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

(If you would like your loved one prayed for, please let us know so we can add them to the list below)

Your prayers are asked for Charlie Said, Michelle Connell, Adam Asher, Kevin McKay, Lillian Rouse, Carolyn Gargan, Laurie Walsh husband of Eileen, Moya Robertson, Ronell Asher, Mark Thompson, Bret Argar, Maree Walker, Brian Langton, Dot & John McCabe, Baby Ivy Adele, Maree Friswell, Colin Willison, Basil Garner, Peter Nicholls, Joanne Dodt, Mary Merrin, Joe Costello.

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask You to bless Your friends who are sick. Give them the strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. Let them 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.

### FOR THE DECEASED

Let us remember in our prayers those loved ones who died recently especially Jean Graham and those whose anniversaries fall around this time.

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE PARISH

"If you have changed your weekly giving from envelopes to electronic transfer, please advise the Parish Office on 5482 1213 as not all names have been notified from the banking agencies" envelopes are now available for pick up from the back of the Church.

**Use the envelopes** and drop them off at the parish office. Those at Mass, can place their offerings in the baskets in front of the altar.

Arrange a **direct debit** from your financial institution to the parish

**Transfer funds electronically online.** To make these transfers the details to use are:  
Gympie Parish BSB 064-786 Account Number 100017636.



<http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/>





The app for people to use to donate to the parish is being set up. Fr Adrian does not expect people to use this as their ordinary way of giving financial support as the fees reduce the amount the parish receives. The best way of support is direct debit as this works without extra charges.



**LITURGY**  
BRISBANE

The resources can be found on the Liturgy Brisbane website at <https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/prepare/sunday-readings-and-family-prayer/> and will be updated each week.

## WEBCAST CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST AND OTHER PRAYERS

**ST PATRICK'S** Sunday 9.00 am. Live stream: go to the Gympie parish website – [www.stpatsgympie.net.au](http://www.stpatsgympie.net.au) and click on the Facebook item at the top right of the screen.

**CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN** Live stream. [www.archbne.org/bzw](http://www.archbne.org/bzw).

Weekday mass: 8.00 am

Sunday: 8.00 am and 10.00 am

**MASS ON TV** Channel 10 6 am each Sunday

## HEAVENLY MUSIC

### Sing to the Mountains!

We're calling all singers and musicians of the parish to join in our 9am choir. If you can sing, come along, if you cannot sing, come along. All are welcome. Practice Friday's 3.00 pm

We are currently without a musician so if you feel up to the task come and join us.

See you then!

## PIETY STORE



The Piety store will be open most weekends. Opening times are half an hour **before** both masses. We have a wide selection of religious items to enrich your faith.

## RCIA PROGRAM

If there is anyone interested in joining the RCIA program, please contact the parish office on 5482 1213

## SACRAMENTAL UPDATES / REMINDER



### St Patrick's Sacramental Dates

St Patrick's Parish  
 gympie@bne.catholic.net.au  
 14 Church St, Gympie  
 (07) 5482 1213

St Pat's would like to welcome those children preparing for Confirmation in 2021. We also warmly invite those who have recently moved from other parishes to join us on this Sacramental journey. If you would like to learn more about the Sacraments, please contact the Parish Office.

Please note changes of dates for those who may have the old information sheet.

#### Confirmation 2021

Date	Session	Time/ Location
<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Parents Information Night	6:30pm/ Parish Centre
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August</b>	Enrolment Mass Gympie	9:00am/ St Pat's Church
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> August</b>	First Meeting	3:30pm/ Parish Centre
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Sunday Mass – <i>'Pray for me cards'</i>	9:00am/ St Pat's Church
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Second Meeting	3:30pm/ Parish Centre
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Sunday Mass – Receive Creed	9:00am/ St Pat's Church
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Third Meeting	3:30pm/ Parish Centre
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August</b>	Fourth Meeting	3:30pm/ Parish Centre
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Rehearsal	6:30pm/ St Pat's Church
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Celebration of Confirmation	5:30pm/ St Pat's Church

## QUEENSLAND QR

We are using the Queensland QR code in Gympie only. You'll need to download the "Check In Qld App" via the App Store/Google Play. If you have any questions about the use of the app please contact the Parish Office.



### Mass Attendance

Following the recent counts of attendees at Sunday Masses, numbers are such that for the time being it will not be necessary to book in for weekend Masses. You are welcome to come along to whichever Mass you wish to attend, without a prior booking. However, as is the current practice, you will need to register as you arrive, preferably using the Check In Qld App.

## MEN'S AFTERNOONS

The **Men's Afternoons** are held on the **Fourth Thursday of the Month**. Next is **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August** at 12.30 pm until 2.30 pm. The meetings are now held in the **Parish Centre**. For transport assistance please contact the parish office, 5482 1213.

## ST PATRICK'S CARE AND CONCERN GROUP

St Pat's Care and Concern Group reaches out to help parishioners who may appreciate some extra support. During these covid days, much of our support is by phone contact.

Our group meets monthly at 1:15pm on a Tuesday. Meeting dates for 2021 are as follows: 7<sup>th</sup> September, 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2<sup>nd</sup> November Mass of Remembrance, 7<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Break Up.

## CATHOLIC LEADER

Catholic Leader is now available and copies will be at the back of the church. A reminder it only comes out once a month and it costs \$4.00

## SHARING A MEAL

**Jesus had plenty of meals with people in their homes.**

As a way of connecting with more people, the priests of the Parish would like to begin regular meals with the parishioners.

The hope is that, through a simple meal and fellowship, deeper connections will be made and sustained into the future. Beginning on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July there will be a book with a few dinner dates at the entrance of the Church.

Parishioners are invited to select a date (already listed in the book) and reserve their dinner date with the priests. You will have the option of inviting the priests over for a meal at your place, or coming for a meal at the presbytery prepared by the priests. If you decide to come to the presbytery for a meal, please indicate how many will be attending and any dietary requirements.

## CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021



[catholiccampaign.com.au](http://catholiccampaign.com.au)

### Be blessed and bless others with your gift

Our faith calls us to help one another through prayer and action. Your gift today will be a blessing to struggling local families; to seminarians and retired priests; and children in our community in dire need of the love and care of a Catholic community.



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**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN**  
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## DATE CLAIMERS



### The John Drama for Gympie

#### Local Gympie Actors needed for The John Drama

"The John Drama" is a 90 minute production of the whole of the Gospel of John as "theater-in-the-round".

"The John Drama" is coming to Gympie on the weekend of August 21 and 22. Would you like to be one of the 14 local Gympie actors to join the cast of this drama?

You do not need to have been an actor before, the only prerequisite is the desire to participate in the telling of the Gospel of John.

Actors will be drawn from ages mid-teens and adults.

To register your interest as an actor prior to **27 June**, when the cast is selected, please phone Derek Hume on 0434 358 177.

**Actors commitment:** The period from Sunday 27 June to Sunday 15 August, seven weeks, is the time for actors to study the Gospel of John prior to the first rehearsal.

<b>Sunday 15 August:</b>	First rehearsal 12.30pm to 5.00pm
<b>Thursday 19 August:</b>	Rehearsal 6.00pm to 9.30pm
<b>Friday 20 August:</b>	Rehearsal 6.00pm to 9.30pm
<b>Saturday 21 August:</b>	Rehearsal 8.00am to 6.00pm Performance 7.00pm to 8.30pm
<b>Sunday 22 August:</b>	Rehearsal 3.00pm to 6.00pm Performance 7.00pm to 8.30pm

## Position Vacant

### Position Vacant – Pastoral Associate Sunny Bank Parish

Applications are open for a position at the Sunnybank Parish. The Pastoral Associate will be required to coordinate children and their families preparing for the Sacraments. The applicant will also be involved in Liturgy preparation, Adult Education and Pastoral Care of Parishioners. The applicant will require recent study and practice in the Sacraments of Initiation and Theological qualifications are essential.

The position is permanent part time 28 hours per week (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Sunday)

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website

<https://clientapps.jobadder.com/68451/aob-internal-career-opportunities/339967/pastoral-associate-sunnybank-parish>

Applications close: 20 August 2021

### Position Vacant – Booval Parish

Applications are open for a position at the Booval Parish. A person with excellent administration and secretarial skills is required for a part time 3-year contract position of Parish Secretary for 20 hours per week, 5 hours on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website-

<https://clientapps.jobadder.com/68451/aob-internal-career-opportunities/333164/p parish-secretary-booval>

Closing date – 19 August 2021

### Position Vacant – Maroochydore Parish

Applications are open for a position at the Maroochydore Catholic Parish. A person with an understanding of liturgical life within a parish is required for a part time position for 8 hours per week over 2 days (Wednesday & Thursday).

<https://clientapps.jobadder.com/68451/aob-internal-career-opportunities/340167/sacramental-coordinator-maroochydore>

Applications close: 30 August 2021

### Position Vacant – Youth Ministry Coordinator

Applications are open for a position at the Maroochydore Catholic Community. A person who is able to establish and develop a youth ministry program within the parish is required for 8 hours per week over 1 day which is negotiable.

<https://clientapps.jobadder.com/68451/aob-internal-career-opportunities/340182/youth-ministry-coordinator-maroochydore-parish>

Application close: 30 August 2021

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A message from *Aid to the Church in Need Australia*: ACN Australia has launched a website for the Year of St Joseph. Sign up to receive monthly devotional emails to help you become closer to St Joseph in this special year. When you sign up you can obtain a free copy of Fr Donald Calloway's Consecration to St Joseph book! To sign up visit [www.yearofstjoseph.com.au](http://www.yearofstjoseph.com.au)



### **Volunteers needed for Centacare Transport Gympie**

**Centacare Community Services** being a social services agency of the Archdiocese of Brisbane, run a friendly Transport Service in the Gympie Region for local vulnerable and isolated people for community access to medical appointments, shopping and social support. Drivers and Driver Support people are particularly in demand at present. Should you be interested please contact Transport Administration Officer, Veronica Murfitt on 07 5430 9365 or email [veronica.murfitt@bne.centacare.net.au](mailto:veronica.murfitt@bne.centacare.net.au)

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### **Have you heard of the Town of Nowhere?**

It has a population as large as that of Gympie!! It is the fictional city where the homeless people of Queensland live.

The Town of Nowhere is the name of a campaign launched by QCOSS and strongly supported by St Vincent de Paul to highlight the huge issue of homelessness across Queensland.

The campaign is raising awareness, particularly ahead of next week's State Budget. Please go to [townofnowhere.com](http://townofnowhere.com), follow the link to more information and to a letter you can send to our local member.

Our local SVDP records show that currently we have over 50 recorded as No Fixed Address families, including single men or women, couples or adult (s) with children. We also have others staying with extended family or friends, unable to find a home of their own. A huge hidden issue in this community.

Mary Condon and Annette Robson (St Patrick's Conference SVDP)

# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GYMPIE

## WINTER APPEAL.

Last year was a terrible year due to the pandemic. The flow on effect of this is still being felt by many people. The numbers facing homelessness are staggering. The three major factors leading to this are 1. The rise in unemployment. 2. The value of houses has risen to unbelievable highs. 3. The lack of Government Housing & the sharp fall in rental availability. The numbers of new clients seeking our assistance is growing each week.

St. Patrick's Conference of St. Vincent De Paul, Gympie desperately need your help to support these people especially through the cold Winter. **CAN YOU PLEASE HELP US TO HELP OTHERS?**

You can help in many ways & each is very much appreciated. On the tables at the church doors, there are the Winter Appeal envelopes. These can be used if you would like to support us financially. You will notice that these envelopes are addressed to the Conference here in Gympie. That way you are assured that any donations will be used locally to support those struggling in the Gympie area.

We are also in need of canned food especially soup & warm clean clothing esp. men's clothes & clean blankets. We also need good towels & tea towels. If you can assist in this way, we ask if you could drop your donations into the shop at 2 John St. Could you please clearly mark your donations: **ATT. CONFERENCE - WINTER APPEAL.**

THANK YOU & MAY GOD BLESS YOU.



## Invitation

Should you know anyone who might benefit from the invitation below, please pass on this newsletter. We would welcome them to join us.

If you could assist in the letter box dropping Invitation leaflets in the area where you live, please contact the Parish Office on 5482 1213. Thanks in advance

## Invitation

If you are a Catholic who has stopped coming to Mass because of COVID-19 or even before that, this invitation is for you. Whether you have been absent when the church was closed during the pandemic restrictions or whether you were away because some other issues have seen you angered, hurt, or just taking a sabbatical, we would like to invite you back to Mass.

St Patrick's Parish Family misses you and needs you. The upheaval in the Church with COVID-19 has "turned us upside down". But family remains family. The loss of any member, for whatever reason saddens all.

We would like to begin by simply inviting you to come and listen to the Lord's Word at his table. We hope you will think and pray about this invitation.

Mass Times at St Patrick's – Gympie:

**Sunday, 9.00 am and 5.30 pm.**

For Mass times at country churches,  
please ring the Presbytery on

5482 1213

May God bless you.



**St Patrick's Parish**  
*Gympie and Surrounds*





## ***MARCH FOR LIFE***

**SATURDAY 28 AUGUST 2021**

Gather at 2.30pm for Covid sign-in and Commencing 3.00pm with speeches followed by a street march.

Queensland Parliament Speakers Corner,  
Cnr George & Alice St's, **BRISBANE**

### **Protesting against Queensland's proposed Euthanasia Laws**

This legislation is scheduled to be voted on either the week commencing 31 August or the week commencing 14 September.

### ***Catch a Bus from Gympie or Along the Bruce Highway***

Meeting at the Rotunda in Memorial Park, River Road, Gympie at 10.45am to pray. The bus leaves Gympie at 11.00am

Picking up passengers along the Bruce Hwy, Sunshine Coast.

Returning to Gympie at 7.30pm.

A small donation towards the cost of the bus will be taken up.

Book a seat with Ken Garner on 0434 358 177 or email: [kengarner2020@outlook.com](mailto:kengarner2020@outlook.com)