

CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH



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YEPPOON**

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**Mary Immaculate Church
EMU PARK**

SUNDAY 23 AUGUST 2020

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Hello, my name is Max Martin and I am a member of the Parish Leadership Team for Emu Park and Yeppoon. We work with the Parish Finance Committee and collaboratively with Fr Matthew, to efficiently organise and maintain our parishes. While Fr Matthew is on holidays, a number of us have been invited to provide a short reflection on the weekend's Gospel readings.

This weekend's reading is a very important text for Catholics from the Gospel of Matthew. Jesus asks Peter, 'Who do you say that I am?' Peter replies, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God.' The interesting thing for me is Jesus asks who do you **say** that I am. Not who do you **think** I am. This implies that Peter is **not just** a believer but is articulating to others an amazing fact Jesus is *the long-awaited Messiah* and even more incredibly *the Son of God*. Peter has recognised that history is changed forever. The Christ is here. In recognition of this, Jesus then says, 'Peter, you are the rock on which I will build my Church.' We know Peter does not turn out to be the most reliable of followers, denying Jesus three times. However, his inner strength eventually comes to the fore and he is a key leader of the early Christians during the dangerous years ahead. Famously being martyred in the Gardens of Nero.

The question for us this week is – Who do I truly believe Jesus to be? And do I have the courage to say this aloud? To live my Christian convictions? On a lighter note, a school story which relates to this Gospel reading and 'Who do you say I am?' An early years' teacher during a Religion lesson, was observing her children while they were drawing. As she walked past a child who was working diligently, she asked what she was drawing. The little girl replied, 'I'm drawing God.' The teacher paused and said, 'That's great. But did you know that no one really knows what God looks like.' The girl replied, 'They will in a minute.' Have a lovely week, everyone.

Max Martin

FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

[Click here for Finance Committee Video Message](#)

Hello, my name is **Marie Martin** I am a member of the Finance Committee for the Sacred Heart and Emu Park Parishes. Joseph Pickett & I will be giving you some updates in the next few weeks about how we are going with the Finances. I've only lived in Yeppoon for 3½ years and during that time I have felt very welcome by the community here and particularly love living near the beach. I know its been a really tough time lately with Covid, but we've really appreciated as a Finance Committee those people who are able to still support the parishes at this difficult time.

Greetings to the Catholics of the Capricorn Coast, for this update we've been asked by the Committee which also encompasses the grounds & maintenance volunteers coordinators to outline a few of the many projects that have been taking place while you've all been on lockdown. A new shade sail now extends into the backyard behind the community room, which is a gorgeous area for BBQ's and morning teas. Sacred Heart Church & Presbytery now have fresh paint adding to the highly reflective roof renovations. Our tabernacle now has been fully restored and is back on display at the Sacred Heart Church along with a number of new pews and furniture for the use of the churches and community rooms, that was donated by the Mercy Sisters of Loretto Home Rockhampton. Finally, the lighting of the Mary Immaculate cross is in progress similar to the Sacred Heart Cross, this will be visible from all over town. Thanks for listening & God bless.

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August – September

During the coming month Fr Matthew is on annual leave

WEEKDAY MASS will be live streamed Monday to Friday at 12noon

SUNDAY MASS will be streamed Live from the Cathedral at 9.30am

[Click here for MASS ZOOM LINK](#)

GOSPEL DISCUSSION Saturdays at 3:00pm

Conversations on Saturday morning will be postponed until further notice

Fr Andrew Hogan from Rockhampton will be with us on the weekend to celebrate Mass whilst Fr Matthew is away

WEEKEND MASS

Mary Immaculate at Emu Park at **12.00 noon on Saturday** (No booking required)

Sacred Heart at Yeppoon **9.30am on Sunday** (Online Booking Required)

[Click here for the Trybooking link](#)

100 people can now attend Mass at Sacred Heart Church &

50 people can attend Mass at Mary Immaculate Church

Social Distancing & Government regulations are still required

The Parish Leadership Group will each week share a reflection on their experience & the Gospel of the Sunday, beginning with Max Martin, Joan Ellaway,

Margaret McAuliffe-Harris & Denis Murphy.

We look forward to hearing from them.

Thanks go to Denis, Vanessa & Andrea in the office who help keep us up to date with parish matters

*All enquires contact the Parish Office **4933 6171***

We Pray for those who are:

SICK

Rodolfo Tovera, Fr John Langtry (Syd), Kevin O'Keefe, Des Beard, Anton Schick, Maureen Bennett, Jane Dickson

DECEASED

Stanley Horton, Cliff Humphries, Augusto Gawma, Margot Tovera, Nancy Busted, Annie Lehmann, Patricia Dowling, Leo Langtry, William Flaherty (Anniv), Margaret (Anniv), Lola Horton



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**Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful,
enkindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit
and they shall be created.
And you shall renew the face of the earth.**



**Let us pray.
O God, Who instruct the hearts of the faithful
by the light of the Holy Spirit,
grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise,
and ever to rejoice in your consolation.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen**