

A family of diverse communities,
united as one in faith,
leading others to encounter Christ
so they may be empowered
to walk with us in His ways.



Committed to serve, support, worship
and connect with each other,
and the broader community,
to grow as disciples of Christ.

WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

We are a parish of the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane incorporating the communities of:
Sacred Heart Church, 63 Maple Street, Cooroy; St Patrick's Church, 1 Church Street, Pomona; St Thomas More Church,
73 Ben Lexcen Drive, Sunshine Beach and Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church, 5 Moorindil Street, Tewantin.

Parish Office Hours

OPEN Monday & Tuesday: 8am - 12 noon and 1pm - 4pm, **Wednesday:** 1pm - 4pm, **Thursday:** 8am - 12 noon and 1pm - 2:30pm.
CLOSED Fridays. **Office Address:** 5 Moorindil Street, Tewantin **Postal Address:** PO Box 111, Tewantin 4565

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Pentecost Sunday (Year A) - 24th May 2026

Dear Brethren,

National Volunteer Week invites us to pause and give thanks for the volunteers who embody the compassion and commitment at the heart of our parish. This week, which culminates on Pentecost Sunday, is a celebration not only of service, but of the holy calling that draws believers to share their gifts, talents and time. In the Catholic tradition, volunteering is much more than simply helping out—it is a joyful response to Christ's command to serve and a recognition that each person is uniquely gifted by God to build up His Church for the common good.

Our parish community flourishes because so many willingly step forward to serve Christ and each other. Every act of service, from the visible to the unseen, is a living witness to the Gospel and a practical expression of love for our neighbour. Volunteers remind us daily that the Church is not only a building, but a family, where each member plays an important part in the life of faith, hope, and charity.

As we mark the conclusion of National Volunteer Week and celebrate Pentecost Sunday, we are reminded of the words of St Paul in his first letter to the Corinthians: "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

On Pentecost, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, who fills us with life, courage, and inspires us to use our gifts for the glory of God. St Paul's words remind us that the Spirit unites us, making each act of service—no matter how big or small—an essential part of the Church's mission. We are called not just to serve, but to serve together, recognising the Spirit working through us for the good of all.

Volunteering is a journey of faith. In offering ourselves, we discover new strengths, grow in humility, and encounter Christ in each other. Through shared service, we deepen our sense of belonging and realise we are part of something greater—a living Church shaped and animated by the Spirit. This Pentecost Sunday, let us pray with gratitude for all who serve according to their gifts, and ask the Holy Spirit to continue guiding and empowering our parish. May each person respond to the call of Christ, knowing that their gifts matter and their willingness to serve is a blessing to the entire community.

At our upcoming **Parish Ministry Day**, not only will we discover more about our own unique giftings from God in a special workshop with **Emma Plant** (*from Archdiocesan Ministries*), but we will showcase all the various ministries of our wonderful parish. Have you registered yet? Don't miss it! Everyone is invited to attend.

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS: One such ministry that is of great importance in our parish is that of providing live music and song at our Masses each weekend. This ministry has been faithfully and passionately led by Margaret Hamlyn for the last 2 years, and at the beginning of June she will be stepping aside from this role. I am deeply grateful to Margaret for her most valuable contributions and hard work in supporting this vital ministry of our parish. In due course, I will be meeting with the whole music ministry cohort and I will be seeking expressions of interest in this lead ministry role. I also invite anyone who has interest in and talent for singing or playing an instrument to make themselves known to me. My prayers are with you all, *Fr Jason*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: *Heavenly Father, we ask your blessing upon:*

Billie Jane Armstrong, Louise Elizabeth Barry, David Barson, Clare Bird, Bob Boyd, Xiaocui Boyle, Judith Burdon, Brenda Carlos, Gab Carter, Joan Charman, Barbara Channon, Jenny Clarke, Joan Clift, Margaret Doolan, Edison Dungo Sr, Marie Dunn, Stanley Fernandez, Trish Fox, John Ian Hall, Denise Haycock, Geraldine Henry, Corey Henry, Pam Horn, Soraja (Mary) Jayaraj, Anne-Marie Jeffries, Mary Jenner Kiernan, Ken Kipping, Sue Kolesaric, Patricia Legge, Andrew MacRitchie, Des Manning, Tanya Martin, Chiara Mazzeo, Mary McCarthy, Carole McGurgan, Bernadette McIntyre, Neal McIntyre, Jo McNaught-Anderson, Tim Meadows, Kay Middleton, Fay Minter, Gregory Minter, Jenny Noakes, Colin O'Neil, Cicely (Ceil) O'Neill, John Patrick, Jan Penny, John Porst (Jnr), Peter Rodgers, Jonathan Schuurmans-Stekhoven, Max Shearer, Dean & Dianna Shurte, Jo Simmons, Grant Smith, Ken Smith, Tim Sparks, Andrea Steen, Matthew Talarico, Noah Tesoriero, Marjan Vuletic, Shelley Jean Wadahara, Pamela Ware, Cooper Wright and all the sick.

PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE IF ANY OF THE ABOVE NAMES CAN NOW BE REMOVED.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED: We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Bernardus (Ben) Schuurmans-Stekhoven, Terry and Joy Green and Andrew Tucker. *May they rest in the peace of Christ forever.*



St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

On the weekend of 30th & 31st May, SVDP will be asking you to contribute to our Winter Appeal. The proceeds will be used in our efforts to help those in our community who are the least fortunate and are most affected by the severe cost of living pressures.

Envelopes will be distributed today and next weekend. Please return them (with cash enclosed!) next weekend (30th and 31st May). There will be card payment facilities and direct debit details on that weekend. Thanking you in advance.

Geoff Lee on behalf of the local SVDP



PARISH FAMILY GROUPS

On a recent Saturday morning, members of one of the Tewantin Family Groups joined Bruce of the Tewantin Heritage and Historical Society for a guided walk through the Tewantin area. So much of the early history was learnt through the information provided and photos to illustrate. Members then gathered in the CWA Hall enjoying the hospitality of the Society and viewing more fascinating photos of the past. This walk is highly recommended, and the Heritage and Historical Society said they are always available for anyone seeking more information on our Tewantin area. For any questions, queries or a chat about Family Groups, contact Ministry Lead Shana on 0416 171 845 or the Parish Office.



PARISH DIARY

MONDAY 25TH MAY

Our Lady, Help of Christians

Parish Office 8am to 12 Noon & 1pm to 4pm

8:30am MASS Cooroy

9:00am Sacrament of Reconciliation Cooroy

TUESDAY 26TH MAY

St Philip Neri

Parish Office 8am to 12 Noon & 1pm to 4pm

4:30pm—Sacrament of Reconciliation—Tewantin

5:30pm MASS Tewantin

WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY

Weekday, Ordinary Time 8

Parish Office 1pm to 4pm

9:30am — 10:30am Quiet Adoration in Tewantin Blessed Sacrament Chapel

THURSDAY 28TH MAY

Weekday, Ordinary Time 8

Parish Office 8am to 12 Noon & 1pm to 2.30pm

8:00am Rosary, Tewantin

8:30am MASS, Tewantin

**9:00am Divine Mercy Prayers
Tewantin Chapel**

FRIDAY 29TH MAY

Weekday, Ordinary Time 8

Parish Office closed

9:30am Christian Meditation Group - Tewantin Church

SATURDAY 30TH MAY

Weekday, Ordinary Time 8

The Most Holy Trinity

4:00pm MASS Cooroy

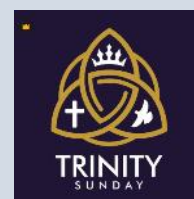
6.15pm MASS, Tewantin

SUNDAY 31ST MAY

The Most Holy Trinity

8:00am MASS—Sunshine Beach

**10:30am MASS—Tewantin
(Hospitality after Mass)**



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**ALL PARISHIONERS
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PARISH MINISTRY DAY



Rejoicing in God's Gifts for Service

INTERACTIVE SESSIONS TO:

- ✔ Give thanks to our volunteers
- ✔ Explore our individual Gifts
- ✔ Learn about our Parish Ministries
- ✔ Pray for the future of our Parish

**Saturday,
30 May, 2026**

9 AM - 1 PM
Tewantin Church Hall
5 Moorindil Steet, Tewantin

RSVP for Catering

QR code or 
5447-1188 or
admin.ndcp@bne.catholic.net.au

**JOIN US THIS SUNDAY FOR
CHILDREN'S
LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**8AM MASS AT ST THOMAS
MORE CENTRE**

DATES FOR TERM 2:

- Sunday 3rd May
- Sunday 17th May
- Sunday 31st May
- Sunday 14th June (STM Family Mass)

 An engaging and faith filled opportunity for children to reflect on the Gospel in an age appropriate way.



Join us for this wonderful short 3 part series of faith formation on the ***Eucharist.in.the.early.Church.*** It's **FREE.**

Time: Mondays 1st, 15th, & 22nd June, from 7:30pm-8:45pm

Where: Tewantin Parish Hall

Register: Via the QR code or at: <https://noosacatholic.flocknote.com/signup/253837>



The Eucharist in the Early Church

Dr Kevin Wagner
Mondays 1, 15 and 22 June



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