ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES - 2nd MARCH: St. Mary's 8 am; Sacred Heart, Tiaro 6 pm.

The ashes to be used come from the branches blessed for Passion Sunday last year. On this day, we commence the season of Lent when we give special attention to Prayer, Fasting and Good Deeds during the six weeks culminating in the great feast of Easter.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed every Friday during Lent at 5:15 pm in St Mary's. This is another commitment to make the most of during the Lenten season by walking the path to Calvary with Jesus. This year, music will be a part of the Stations together with altar servers carrying candles.

LENTEN RESOURCE: 'The Spirit and the Cross' books are now available from the Piety Stall @ $5 each.

PROJECT COMPASSION ENVELOPES are available at the church entrances if you would like to support the work of Caritas Australia during this Lenten season. Envelopes may be placed on the collection plate.

'OPEN CHURCH WITH MUSIC': Commencing on March 3, St Paul's Anglican Church will be open on the **first Thursday of each month from 9 – 11 am** to allow visitors to appreciate the magnificent architecture and peaceful ambience of this special building. In addition, there will be music performed during this time with the magnificent 1884 Wadsworth organ being played by church organists and at other times performances by local school groups and visiting musicians. Visitors will be welcome to wander around St. Paul's and appreciate the beautiful design created by the Government Architect of the day F.D.G. Stanley (who also designed the Maryborough Court House). You may admire the stained glass windows which are a feature of St. Paul's and at the same time listen to the music provided by the organists or visiting ensembles. It is expected that St. Paul's "Open Church with Music" will be a valuable additional attraction for locals and visitors to the Thursday Market Day.

FRIDAY 4TH MARCH 9.30AM CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, NEPTUNE STREET. This year's liturgy has been compiled by representatives of England, Wales and Northern Ireland. We encourage both men and women to join with local church communities who unite with countries all over the world for this annual prayer service. Representatives from churches in our city will take a part in the liturgy for which the theme is 'I know the plans I have for you.'

SURPRISE: Marie Groth is very appreciative of the birthday wishes and gift she received for her 90th at Mass last Saturday night and now offers her thanks to Fr Lucius, Han and all parishioners for this kind gesture. Mind you, the outpouring of congratulations was overwhelming and Marie needed a glass of red to settle the nerves when she arrived home. You are a special lady 'Aunty' Marie.

MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP: Marion advises that the scheduled gatherings on the 1st Friday of the month after the 8.30 Mass will not be held for March and April but will resume in May.

NEW AUXILIARY BISHOP FOR BRISBANE ARCHDIOCESE: Last Tuesday, Tim Norton was installed as the second Auxiliary Bishop of Brisbane in a prayerful ceremony at St Stephen's Cathedral. Perhaps some of you witnessed the celebration by live streaming the Mass. Next month's Catholic Leader will have full details of the Ordination. We look forward to meeting Bishop Tim at some stage in the future.

DATE CLAIMER TO BE CONFIRMED: Sunday 20th March 2pm - 4.30pm Social / Fundraiser Parish Hall. All parishioners welcome. The Christmas Bazaar and Carol evening last November was a huge success and we plan to have smaller fundraisers throughout the year to raise money for specific requirements which will double as social occasions to gather as a parish community on a regular basis. More details to be advised next week.

FROM THE OFFICE DESK: Antony is storing a lot of information both on paper and in his brain as we work through the many tasks associated with the Parish Secretarial role. He rungs rings around me in the computer skills department so this is a bonus for the parish already. Keep up the good work Antony.

ENTRANCE: CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

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Longing for light, we wait in darkness,
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see.

REFRAIN:

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT! SHINE IN OUR HEARTS.
SHINE THROUGH THE DARKNESS.
CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT!
SHINE IN YOUR CHURCH GATHERED TODAY.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. **R/.**

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
Shared until all are fed. **R/.**

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COMMUNION: UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT

Words and Music: Bernadette Farrell (Words based on John 12:24) © 1983, Bernadette Farrell

REFRAIN:

UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT SHALL FALL UPON THE GROUND AND DIE,
IT REMAINS BUT A SINGLE GRAIN WITH NO LIFE.

If we have died with Him then we shall live with Him,
If we hold firm we shall reign with Him. **R/.**

If any one serves Me then they must follow Me;
Wherever I am My servants will be. **R/.**

Make your home in Me as I make Mine in you;
Those who remain in Me bear much fruit. **R/.**

If you remain in Me and My Word lives in you;
Then you will be My disciples. **R/.**

Those who love Me are loved by My Father;
We shall be with them and dwell in them. **R/.**

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THANKSGIVING: IN THE LORD I'LL BE EVER THANKFUL

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In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
In the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid;
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

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RECESSIONAL: LORD, THE LIGHT OF YOUR LOVE

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Lord, the light of Your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth You now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

REFRAIN:
SHINE, JESUS, SHINE,
FILL THIS LAND WITH THE FATHER'S GLORY;
BLAZE, SPIRIT, BLAZE,
SET OUR HEARTS ON FIRE.
FLOW, RIVER, FLOW,
FLOOD THE NATIONS WITH GRACE AND MERCY;
SEND FORTH YOUR WORD, LORD,
AND LET THERE BE LIGHT.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence,
From the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me. R./

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
So our faces display Your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story.
Shine on me, shine on me. R./

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Please remember in your prayers:
Those in ill health: David Brettell, Fay Shield, Anna Pecar, Ame Cox, Laurel Dingle.
The Recently Deceased: Brian Lee, Brian Wheatley Jnr, Faye Richards, Janet Branch, Tito Carusosa, Peg Manski, Win Cordie.
Anniversary of Death: Vic Sempf, Fr Pat Dowd, Leonila and Lucio Carajay.

Roster Date	Sat 26th Feb	Sun 27th Feb	Sat 05th Mar	Sun 06th Mar
Welcomer 1st Reader 2nd Reader	Mary Anne Tyson	Frank Peter Pat	John Mary Pat	Eris Kristen Tyson
Communion	Gerry	Rebecca	Beverley	Con
Servers	Sarah Byron Stazio Chet	Andrew Isaac Xavier	Thu Han Andrew	Sarah Byron Sophie Nicholas
Musicians	Robyn	Robyn	Jearen	Robyn
Singers	Theresa	Men	St. Marys College	Theresa
Mass set up	Beverley Lou	Lita	Carmel	Lita

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION
SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

Schedule for Lent for March 2022

Ash Wednesday 2nd March

St Mary's	Mass 8 am
Sacred Heart, Tiaro	Mass 6 pm

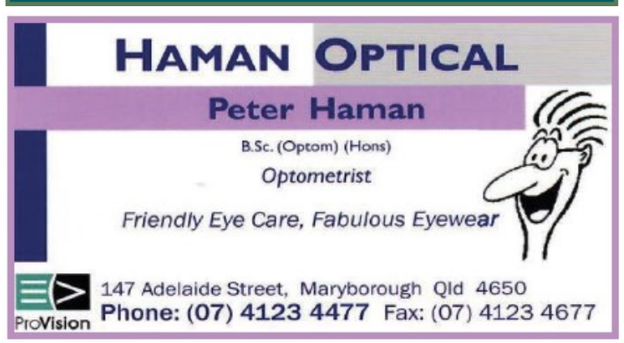
2nd Rite Reconciliation

St Mary's	Wed 23rd March	5.30 pm
Tiaro	Thurs 24th March	5.30 pm

Stations of the Cross

St Mary's	every Friday 5.15pm

See the full schedule Lent through to Easter on church noticeboards



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This Week's Mass Schedule

02/03/2022	**Ash Wednesday**	
	Maryborough	8.00am
	Tiaro	6.00pm
03/03/2022	Thursday	12 noon
	with Adoration from	11.20
	and Benediction at	11.50
04/03/2022	Friday	8.30am
05/03/2022	Saturday	
	Maryborough	6.00pm
06/03/2022	Sunday	
	Maryborough	8.00am
	Tiaro	10.00am

This week's Readings
(page 862 St Pauls Missal)
1st - Ecclesiasticus 27: 4-7

Psalm Response: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

2nd - 1 Corinthians 15: 54-58

Gospel Acclamation (sung):
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel - Luke 6: 39-45

Next weekend's Readings:
1st Sunday of Lent Year C (p.764)

1st - Kings Deuteronomy 26: 4-10
Psalm 90
2nd - Romans 10: 8-13
Gospel - Luke 4: 1-13

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8th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

WE ARE ONE BODY IN CHRIST.

As we continue with Luke's sermon on the mount, we come to the third major part of Jesus' parables to his disciples which began with the beatitudes and a general call to holiness. Today, Jesus follows immediately upon his beautiful explanation of unconditional love whereby we are to love even our enemies and pray for those who hurt us.

However, this kind of love is not natural. It can come only with the grace of God and as a result of much work and effort. This is precisely the challenge of this week's gospel for each one of us. To be so positive of other people that we can accept them for who and what they are, that we may overcome those occasions when we tend to misjudge others, that we may only see and acknowledge the good in others and hope they can do the same for us.

No matter how good a person may be, it is easy to find some fault with them because humans are not perfect by nature but our faith has called us to be perfect as our heavenly father is perfect. But while it is easy to find faults in others, it is just as easy to overlook our own faults. Or as Jesus says in today's gospel: "We see the speck in another's eye, but we fail to see the log in our own." And notice the difference, a speck compared to a log. A little fault compared with a really big one. Why are we like that? Is it because we are naturally jealous? or envious? or basically negative and critical? or that we have lived with our own faults for so long that we have grown accustom to them, or perhaps have never known that we had the problem? Obviously this calls for a personal examination of conscience.

Finally, dear brothers and sisters, let us be guided by St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians (I Cor. 12, 12-27) in which St. Paul describes us as part of the Mystical Body of Christ. As baptized Christians, each one of us is a part of the same Mystical Body of Christ and St. Paul emphasises how different each one of us is: "God put our bodies together in such a way that even the parts that seem the least important are valuable. He did this to make all parts of the body work together smoothly, with each part caring about the others." It is a wonderful concept, that each of us born of Christ in baptism is so intimately connected with each other as one unit. Let us embrace and be proud of who we are……'one family in Christ'

In Christ we serve! ***Fr Lucius***