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MISSION STATEMENT

"Saint Peter's Parish is a community who lives in faith of Jesus Christ and, moved by the Spirit, continues to grow in our love for God and all people."

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

5th November 2017

Readings:

Malachi 1:14-2:2, 8-10 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13 Matthew 23:1-12

November: a special time to pray for the dead

Traditionally, the Church invites all its members to pray for the dead in November. Of course, we can pray for the dead in any other times, too; we should even pray for the dead every day. It is merely that the Church has chosen some specific months to invite the faithful to pray for some particular intentions. And then, we can focus on doing one thing at one time since it is hard to do many things at the same time because of our human limitations. Therefore, please note that it is neither that we can only pray for some particular intention in some particular month nor that we can't pray for other intentions in the month with some particular theme.

To begin with, we ought to pray for all the dead, with no difference between races, languages, religions or skins. Any dead persons can be our intentions for prayers. Of course, we specifically pray for all departed Christian brothers and sisters. We pray that, through baptism and other sacraments they have received, especially the communion sacrament of Eucharist, they can rise with Christ as they have died with Him and enter into eternal life. Also, we should pray for our beloved ones who have gone to their rest before us. When they were in this world, we might have shared many gifts with them granted by God, and we may have gone through some hard times of life alongside them. This means that we and they have belonged to each other in this life. Now, though they have left the world, we and they still don't separate from one another. We still belong to and support each other through prayer in God's love.

How can we do for the dead? Firstly, we can say some particular prayers for them at home. Secondly, if we have enough time, we can pick a day and go to their graves or niches, offer them some flowers, sprinkle some holy water over their graves or niches and say some prayers for them on the site, too. Thirdly, we can have special intentions for them at Mass. Fourthly, we can certainly offer Masses for them, which is one of the Church's traditions, too. Through special Masses offered for them, we pray for their salvation.

This year, in addition to our existing *Book of Life*, we have prepared another one called the *Book of Remembrance*, which is specially for November every year. We will continue to use it, but it is not easy to add new names in the *Book of Life* at any time. In this new *Book of Remembrance*, whenever we remember some names, no matter when and where they died or whether or not they were Christians, we can add the names in our new book with a pen. And we will bring the two books to the front of the altar and invite the whole congregation of the Mass to pray for them at each weekend Mass in November.

Lastly, I would like to say that, as Christians, though we pray for the dead and lament for their death, we always have hope since we believe that death is not the end but the change of life. Dear friends, in the hope of resurrection, let us remember and pray for the dead, especially in November.

Fr Baiyi

Readings for next weekend: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 6:12-16 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13

IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

MON 6th Nov	8.00am Mass 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting ("Hand-over" meeting to new PPC for 2017-19)
TUE 7th Nov	8.00am Mass with children 4.30pm St Vincent de Paul meeting
WED 8th Nov	6.30am Mass 7.00pm Deanery Youth meeting
THU 9th Nov	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
FRI 10th Nov	St Leo the Great 9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass 6.00pm Altar Servers Support Group meeting
SAT 11th Nov	St Martin of Tours 5.00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
SUN 12th Nov	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass

Children's Liturgy is celebrated during the Liturgy of the Word at the 9am Sunday Mass in school terms & caters for primary school aged children. We require at least one parent to accompany the group with the leader so we have 2 adults present

Cuppa and Chat Please join us for a cuppa and chat after the 6pm Mass this Sunday 5th and again next Sunday 12th after the 9am Mass. Thanks to all those who stayed last week after the 9am Family Mass with the school. This was great for building our community.

Parish Census: Many of our parishioners have moved or changed their contact details in the last 7 years since our last Parish Census. If you haven't filled out a green census card over the last 2 week-ends please do so today. Thank you for your help in updating our parish records.

Date Claimer: Care & Concern Christmas Lunch Saturday 2nd December 12 noon

Parish Pastoral Council: The new Parish Pastoral Council for 2017 to 2019 will meet for the first time with the outgoing Council on Monday night and will be commissioned at 9am Mass next Sunday 12th November. The 2017-19 Council members are:
Continuing: Les Hauff, Lydia Chew, Jo Cullen, Bernard Langdon

New: Bev de Paola, Helen Graczyk, Stephanie Lenihan, Grace Tuazon, Monika Svarcova.

Thank you to all these parishioners for accepting the responsibility of helping to guide our parish pastorally for the next 2 years.

Are you a Mass Co-ordinator, Reader or Communion Minister or would like to be? The next Mass

Co-ordinators/Communion/Readers Rosters will cover the summer holiday months running from 2nd December to end February 2018. Please indicate on the slips on the table near the main doors, any dates you know that you will be unavailable or any changes for the next roster and pop them in the box provided. New Ministers welcome. Training provided.

Calendar: To assist with planning, we would like to begin, in 2018, to have a parish year planner or calendar of events. If your ministry has set any dates already for 2018, could you please email them to Julie so we can draft this up during November or early December. We encourage your ministry group to meet during November to plan for 2018. Our aim would be to issue the calendar to parishioners before Christmas.

Book of Life and Book of Remembrance: Every November, Catholics have a grand tradition of remembering the dead in prayer. It is a core belief we profess each Sunday in the Creed that we are joined in the "communion of saints" - linking the living and the dead in the family of God. Our parish Book of Life is on display near the doors of the church all through the year and each week the names are taken from this for the newsletter and we pray for those whose anniversary of death we remember that week. This Book of Life and our new Book of Remembrance (only to be used during November) will be a point of focus for us on the sanctuary for the whole of November calling us all to

Break Open the Word 2018: now available on the back table. Cost \$18 each. *Break Open the Word* is an invaluable resource for anyone in the Reading Ministry but also for those in the Music Ministry and Liturgy Group. Starts with the 1st Sunday of Advent!

remember those included in our prayer especially this month. Please feel free to add any names to the Book of Remembrance at any Mass during November. To add names to the Book of Life contact the Parish Office.

Help needed with washing and ironing the church linen once per month. This is usually only a small number of purifiers and hand towels but can occasionally be altar cloths or albs. Please contact the Parish Office.

St Peter's Outside School Hours Care are recruiting casual staff to join their team. See the noticeboard for more information and contact the service via email rochedaleoshc@bne.centacare.net.au

CRI in State Schools need more volunteers:

Volunteers do not need to be teachers or teacher trained. Training and resources are all provided and the class teacher remains in the class in charge of student behaviour. All that is required is the time and desire to share the gospel. People can also team up in pairs if you want to work together. Contact Fr Baiyi, Rita Bishop or Julie in the Parish Office if you think you may be able to help.

Are you new to our Parish? If you've recently joined the Parish, WELCOME!! Please make yourself known to us. We'd like to formally greet you, so please complete a 'New Parishioners Card' at the back of the Church and place it on the collection plate or hand it to Fr Baiyi or to one of the Parish Councillors.

Planned Giving Options: Have you considered Direct Debit or Credit Card or even Direct Bank Transfer for your Planned Giving? If you would like to direct transfer your Planned Giving to our bank account. Our BSB is 064-786 and Account no. is 007021101. Please use your surname and Planned Giving (or PG) as reference.



Vinnies News: 1. St Vinnies' Christmas Hampers: Please start thinking about contributing to our annual Christmas Hampers for those less fortunate in our area. Baskets will be in the church to collect your donated items from the weekend of 25th & 26th November.
2. "Columban Calendars" for 2018 are now available from the Vinnies piety stall - priced at \$9.00.

Invitations from around the Archdiocese:

Centacare Pastoral Ministries: Join our prison chaplain team, bearing solace mercy and hope. Pick up a leaflet near the main doors of the church. Read, think and pray to see if this ministry is for you.

Where is God in the time of suffering? A day of teaching and reflection and prayer presented by Fr. Ray Sanchez at Avocado Room, Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 121 Mains Road, Sunnybank, Queensland 4109 on Saturday 11 Nov 2017 from 10.00 am – 4:30 pm. ALL welcome. A love offering will be taken up to cover costs. BYO lunch. Registration: Marta Rodriguez (0433 526 703)

Rachel's Vineyard Healing Retreats – Healing lives wounded by abortion

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a confidential healing ministry for the many people who have been touched by an abortion experience. Too often women and men are silenced by their abortions, and the retreats offer a safe place to express grief and to reclaim their voices in an understanding and compassionate environment.

The retreats run from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon. Brisbane Retreat: November 17th – 19th Cost: \$350.

Contact: Jane 0422 172 554 Email: janebacc@gmail.com Website: www.rachelsvineyard.org

Final Mass for the Deaf for the year: An Auslan-Supported Mass will be held at St Michael's Church, 250 Banks Street, Dorrington /Ashgrove, on Sunday 19 November at 8.30am. A warm invitation is extended to everyone who would like to attend this special Mass, with morning tea afterwards. Enquiries to dorrington@bne.catholic.edu.au.

Final Verse for Vinnies for the year. Sunday 26 Nov. 1.30pm 67 Dawson Parade Grovely

TALK: Rebuilding Iraq and Syria: SOS Chrétiens d'Orient and the Future of the Christian Middle East.

Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre (St Stephens Cathedral) 249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane

Tuesday November 28 @ 7pm. SOS Chrétiens d' Orient is a French Catholic humanitarian organisation providing humanitarian aid to persecuted Christians in the Middle East. Speaking will be co-founder, Benjamin Blanchard, who spends much of his time working in Syria and Iraq. Come and meet us and find out what you can do to help. Free parking available in the Cathedral car park.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have died: Marie Toomey (Brian's sister), Sam O'Brien, Fr Michael McKeaten, Franco Milaudi

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Bridget Finn, Doris Edna Duffey, Margaret McGovern, Margaret Walton, Kevin Turner, Margot Harris, James Field, Bill Donovan, James Heery, Aileen Kilner, Lesley Power, David Daish, Alicia Anderson, Doris Jenkins, Hugh Perkins, Rita McIvor, Brian Culbert, Patricia Kennedy, Peter Phillips, Rose McKenna, Christopher Langford, Richard Kemp, Reginald Smith, Bill Steele, Terry Breen, Bunny Hall

Please pray for those who are sick, especially Pat Feeney, Monty Lumsden, Anthony Van Rooy, Sr Patricia Lynch MMM (Fr John's aunt in Dublin), Evelyn Scanlon, Neil Ballment, Alan Camp, Ramona Cruz, Ursula Williamson, Kieran McKenna, Seseinando de Leon Jnr, Rev. Dcn. Peter Olsen, Trevor Parker, Sandra Murphy, Fabio Viola, Michael Smith, Peter Harris, Sylvia Privitera, Andrew Briskey, Pat Mildren, Elmore Kotzur, Flex Dance, Monica Ah Koy, Kevin Kelly, Annette Sparks, Hamish Stuhmeke, Joe Wegener, Bonnie Dematillar, Terri Mills, Johnny Summers

Prayer requests should be recorded on the form on the back table of the church nearest to the lectern.

Please ensure you have the permission of the person who is sick to make their name public.

Roster 11th & 12th November 2017

Co-ordinator		Readers		Communion	Altar Servers	Musicians
Sat 6:00pm	Mark Connolly	C 1 2	Les O'Gorman Joyce Lyster Geoff Hondroudakis	Lyndal Bray-Claridge Carl de Mello Diane Land	Clive Angelina	Anne
Sun 9:00am	Grace Tuazon	C 1 2	? Bev de Paola Del Reynolds	Deacon Mike Jones Kevin Healan Joan d'Netto	Jada Luna	Carmel
Sun 6.00pm	Helen Graczyk	C 1 2	Vickie Routledge Daniel Twidale Aurelie Regnard	Jo Cullen Kevin Fry Anne Fry	Rena Chevonne	Liz

Church Cleaning: 3 Brian & Janice Mason, Jeffrey Aranha, Diane McKeone

Children's Liturgy: Steph Lenihan **This week: Linen:** Celine Phillips **Counting:** Bob's team

Cuppa: after the 9am Mass on Sun 12th Nov: Steph Lenihan, Julie Hondroudakis, Marilyn Mills

Other Parish Contacts

Care & Concern: Transport: 0412267337
 Co-ordinator Lynn White 0403 051103
Family Group Facebook:
 St Peters Rochedale Family Groups
 Memorial Wall & Gardens: Les O’Gorman 3341 3862

Rosary Group: Fridays 9:00am (1st Fridays 8.30am)
Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representative:
 Malcolm Carroll 0438 949 099 or mcarroll580@gmail.com
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