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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."*

## 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

**8th October 2017**

(Readings: Isaiah 5:1-7

Philippians 4:6-9

Matthew 21:33-43)

### A Trip of Love

I had to go back to China on 9th August due to the passing of my Mum. There were many difficulties on the way, however, I arrived home safely. Looking back now, many things were amazing. I believe if God had not cared about me all the way, if God had not sent those loving people to help me, I would not have been able to get back to China so smoothly. Now I'm back to Rochedale, my beloved parish, being with you, my beloved parishioners. Thank God so much! I would like to share with you some things that happened on the way.

When I was told that Mum was dying, I felt completely at a loss. But there were many important things that I had to deal with, such as informing the Archdiocese and purchasing the tickets etc. With God's help, these were done quite easily. All those whom I contacted were very patient and did their best to help me. All of them consoled me, saying, "Don't worry about anything here. We will take care of everything." That night, I got the news that Mum had passed. I felt very sad. Next morning, I told the news to some people. In a very short time, I received condolences from many people, among them were Monsignor Peter Meneely VG, Fr Dan Ryan and Archbishop Mark Coleridge. After my arrival at the airport, I received a call from one parishioner, saying that she and her husband worried that I did not have enough money so they came to the presbytery, bringing me some cash! Very kind!

I transferred planes at Guangzhou to Wuhan, my capital city. I had to use this period of time to withdraw some Chinese currency. Carelessly, I lost the bank card with which I was withdrawing some cash. At that time, I really didn't know what to do. It was then when I heard someone shouting, "Who has lost a bank card?" Then I got the card back. That gentleman worked at the airport. He found the card on a table. If he had not tried to return the card to its owner, I would possibly lose some money and would not be able to withdraw any cash before I got home. I thank him a lot.

The scheduled flight from Guangzhou to Wuhan was at 9:30pm but, unfortunately, it was delayed two hours. In that case, I would arrive in Wuhan at 1:30am and there would not be any public transportation. When two priest friends of mine heard this, they drove from the parish near my home to Wuhan to pick me up and the distance was about 300 kilometres. When we arrived at my home, it was about 5am. They didn't sleep for a second that night because of me and I didn't miss Mum's funeral held that morning.

I would like to thank all the above mentioned people and all those whom I don't mention here but helped me in one way or another. I believe that they helped me because there is love in their hearts and the love comes from our Creator who is love. That is why I call this trip a trip of love. After all of this, I believe even stronger that love is everything and the power of love is the greatest one.

Also, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have prayed for the repose of the soul of Mum, the recovery of Dad and the peace of all my family. Special thanks to Deacon Mike for celebrating the memorial liturgy for Mum and writing reflections for our newsletter, and to Fr John, Fr Bavin, and Fr Harry for celebrating Mass for our parish during my absence. God bless you and peace be with you all.

Fr Baiyi

**Readings for next weekend: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 25:6-10

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Matthew 22:1-14

## IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

<b>MON 9th Oct</b>	8.00am Mass 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting
<b>TUE 10th Oct</b>	8.00am Mass with children 4.30pm St Vincent de Paul meeting
<b>WED 11th Oct</b>	6.30am Mass
<b>THU 12th Oct</b>	No Mass
<b>FRI 13th Oct</b>	9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass
<b>SAT 14th Oct</b>	9.30am Social Justice meeting 2.00pm Wedding Karl Tuazon & Solynn Truong 5.00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
<b>SUN 15th Oct</b>	<b>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Social Justice Sunday</b> 9.00am Mass 10.30am Parish Pastoral Council Discernment 6.00pm Mass

**Children's Liturgy** resumes for Term 4 this Sunday 8th October at the 9am Mass. Leaders please collect your new rosters and materials.  
**Cuppa and Chat** Please join us for a cuppa and chat after the 9am Mass this Sunday 8th October and after the 6pm Mass next Saturday 14th October.

**Social Justice News:** we will hold Social Justice Sunday next weekend **14th & 15th October**.

**Towards the Marriage Vote:** Please take home a copy of Archbishop Mark Coleridge's article in which he offers his perspective on the Same-Sex Marriage debate.

Also pick up another leaflet **Pope Francis, Marriage and the Plebiscite** prepared by the Australian Catholic Bishops giving Pope Francis' views on the topic.

**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.

**Safeguarding Sunday:** This weekend all parishes in the Archdiocese will mark Safeguarding Sunday. This was moved from September 10th where it would have fallen during National Child Protection week because of a clash with the timing of the Annual Catholic Campaign. This also gives the added benefit of allowing us to widen the scope to the Safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults reflecting the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Policy. The practical implementation and strategies of this policy also protect those in ministry in the church. This choice of date provides a link to the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, October 7th. When we pray the rosary the hope is we will "deepen our faith, prompt a conversion of heart and strengthen our will to follow Christ" (*Catechism*) and this is a great way to view Safeguarding as well!. There are several leaflets and a prayer card on Safeguarding near the doors to the church for you to take home.

### **Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy**

*The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children 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 are to be treasured, nurtured and protected from any harm.*

Our parish Safeguarding Representative is Malcolm Carroll. Contact Malcolm on 0438 949 099 or mcarroll580@gmail.com

**Blue Cards:** We really appreciate the wonderful parish involvement in following the Blue Card Regulations. However, please remember to notify the Parish Office when you receive your new Blue Card. A scan or email giving the new number and expiry date will suffice.

**CRI in State Schools:** When you look at the news and how society has changed it is amazing to think that God has graciously allowed CRI (Christian Religious Instruction) to continue in QLD State Schools. CRI allows volunteers to read from the Bible, explain the gospel and speak freely of their faith. 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 they want to work together. We are happy to speak with anyone who is interested in finding out more about this ministry and they are welcome to join an informal morning tea to meet current CRI volunteers.

**"Value Mental Health":** Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care invites you to a Mass to celebrate Qld Mental Health Week. Friday 13th October at 1pm at St Patrick's Church, corner of McLachlan and Morgan Sts, Fortitude Valley. Light refreshments will follow Mass. Parking is available in the church grounds.

**Love Makes a Way:** A Multi-Faith Workshop on changing the conversation about people seeking asylum. Sat 14th October 1—5pm St Bernard's Catholic Church Hall (left of the Aspinall Centre) 4 Klumpp Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt. RSVP: action.qld@asrc.org.au 0432 699 934. See the noticeboard for more info.

**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.

### **Parish Workshops**

#### **Exploring Models of Parish Leadership**

All Clergy, Lay Pastoral Ministers, Parish Pastoral Council & other leadership group members and all interested parishioners are offered opportunities to attend a workshop on *Exploring Models of Parish Leadership*. This workshop will outline five existing parish leadership models and identify the circumstances in which they best contribute to the life and mission of the parish.

**Option 1:** Tuesday 10th October at the Community Centre at St Bernard's Church, 4 Klumpp Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt 7pm—9pm. RSVP by Friday 6th October.

**Option 2:** Saturday 14th October at the Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, Cathedral Precinct, Brisbane. 9.00am—11.00am. RSVP by: Tuesday 10th October. For RSVP's and enquiries please contact Mary-Anne at Evangelisation Brisbane: Ph: 3324 3443 or email ebadmin@bne.catholic.net.au



**Vinnies News:** We at Vinnies would like to once again thank the generous St. Peter's family for their on-going support. We are always looking for donations of furniture and good quality used or new clothing for the families we assist. Any clothing can be dropped to the Vinnies shop at Slacks Creek. For furniture pick up please call 1800 846643.

**TAKE A QUIET MOMENT TO REFLECT.....**

We are not always right. None of us ever is. We will all make mistakes and sometimes hurt people, however unintentionally. Learn to say with integrity: "I'm sorry. Please forgive me." Be willing to apologise.

**Invitations from around the Archdiocese:**

**Cent Auction** - Sun 8 October at the Aspinall Centre, 4 Klumpp Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt (parking and Centre are behind St Bernard's Church). Doors open at 1pm for a 2pm start. \$10 entry (includes 2 free sheets of tickets and Afternoon Tea). Extra tickets are \$2/sheet or 6 for \$10. Over 100 prizes. Come along and have some fun. All proceeds will go directly to the work of Catholic Mission in Cambodia. For more information contact Donna at missionispossible2017@gmail.com.

**Celebrating 100 Years of Fatima:** October 13th this year marks the centenary of the last apparition of Our Lady at Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun. You are invited to make a pilgrimage to our Cathedral for a CANDLELIT ROSARY PROCESSION on the evening of Saturday, October 14th. The procession will commence with Mass at 6pm and will then move around the City, using the same route as the Corpus Christi Procession. The volunteer organising committee relies on donations to meet the expenses of the procession. For more information contact 0412 802 122.

**Dutton Park Catholic Parish Centenary** - All members of the community are invited to celebrate the Centenary Anniversary of St Ita's Parish at Dutton Park (now part of Dutton Park—West End parish) on Sunday October 15. The 10am Celebration Mass at St Ita's Church, Pope Street, Dutton Park will be followed by a light lunch, refreshments and entertainment. . Enquiries: 3844 2744

**The Uprising** is a Youth Event on Friday 20th October 5pm to 9pm at Wynnum. Live DJ, rides, food trucks, give-aways, fireworks, illusionist Andino, hip-hop artist Myshon Kyd, TDA Dance Crew. Free entry. This is a drug and alcohol free event with the goal of preventing youth suicide. See poster on the noticeboard for more details.

**The Lourdes Hill Past Pupils** will be holding our Annual Remembrance Mass on Saturday 4th November at 10am in The Lady of Lourdes Chapel, Lourdes Hill College; we are once again having a procession of candles during the Mass to remember our past pupils who have died during each decade since 1916. If you are aware of past pupils who have passed away since our Remembrance Mass in 2016, would you please send their names to the email address paparker15@bigpond.com, notify the college or bring the names with you to the Mass.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Those who have died:** David Finlayson, Fr Chris Schick, Les Dwyer, Audrey Hussey, Joan Coyer, John Potts, Rhonda Noble

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Gerald Sherry, Jason Murray, Michael Glynn, Lewis Clarke, Zena Bray, Ellen Glancy, Colin Murphy, Sr Patricia Mary Butler, Doug Elliot, Ena Gallagher, Eileen Gray, Joyce Thompson, James Denton

**Please pray for those who are sick, especially** Sr Patricia Lynch MMM (Fr John's aunt in Dublin), Evelyn Scanlon, Neil Ballment, Alan Camp, Ramona Cruz, Ursula Williamson, Kieran McKenna, Sesinando 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, Don Bechly, Brian Button, 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 14th & 15th October 2017**

Co-ordinator		Readers		Communion	Altar Servers	Musicians
Sat 6:00pm	Mark Connolly	C 1 2	Neil Ballment Peta Grandin Anthony Della	Deacon Mike Jones Shelagh Ballment Diane Land	Monica Talia	Carmel
Sun 9:00am	Lydia Chew	C 1 2	Kevin McMahon Bev de Paola Maria Chamberlain	Lydia Chew Diane McKeone Del Reynolds	Zac	Tim
Sun 6.00pm	Kate Guy	C 1 2	John Blake Lynn White Fiorenzo Matarazzo	Kevin Fry Anne Fry ?	Eza	Liz

**Church Cleaning:** 7 Nita Stratton-Funk, Kathy Winter, Trish Bakker, Judith Littlefield, Cathy Heenan

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

**Cuppa:** after the 6pm Mass on Sat 14th Oct: Ann Maree Collier, Peta Grandin

**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  
**Social Justice Group Facebook:**  
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