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"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."

Third Sunday of Easter - Year C

10th April 2016

From the Pastor's Desk

John 21:1-19. Are We Reaching Out To Others And Witness His Presence in the Midst of Us?

The post resurrection appearance of Jesus on lake Tiberius is the gospel text for today. The focus of the gospel is on Jesus and on his Church. There are three parts to this story. The first part deals with the miraculous catch of fish, the second part is the recognition of the risen Lord by the disciples, and the third part is the dialogue with Peter. The text begins with Peter telling his companions that he is going fishing. They affirm that they will go with and collaborate with Peter. But despite their efforts, they don't have a catch. Jesus appears on the shore and makes a turn in the effort of these fisherman. The second part of the story narrates their recognition of the risen Lord. The number of the fish caught is 153. It is not sure what it really means. May be, to state that this narration is an eye witness account of what really happened, and thus gives precision and clarity. Or as some scholars claim, that 153 was the number of species of fish known to Greek zoologists of that time. So, no one is excluded in the catch, connecting it to the universal nature of the Church. All are included. All are welcome. Dialogue with Peter is the third part and the questions are totally different. First one includes other disciples, the boat, the nets, and the fish. Jesus is asking Peter weather Peter loves him more than he loves the other disciples, and his livelihood. The second one is direct and involves only Jesus and Peter. The tird question seems similar to the second, but is different because it is about friendship. *Simon, son of John, are you my friend?* And Peter states that he is, and affirms his willingness to die for Jesus.

The call to follow Jesus today will continue to be heard as long as there are people who dare to open their hearts to his invitation. It is a call to be a witness in the world even to the point of losing one's life for the sake of Christ and his Gospel. Jesus the risen one lives through these witnesses and their readiness to reach out others in love. And this itself is a martyrdom and losing one's life for the sake of the Lord, so that Jesus the Risen Lord makes his presence in the midst of the world.

Fr Jacob Chacko, MCBS

Readings

Third Sunday of Easter

Year C

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14 The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory and blessing.

Gospel: John 21:1-19 Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Readings for next Sunday (4th Sunday of Easter)

Acts 13:14, 43-52 Revelation 7:9, 14-17 John 10:27-30

IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

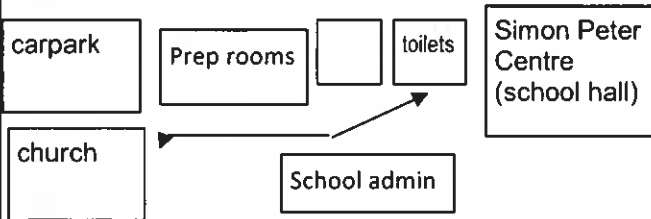
MON 11th April	St Stanislaus	
	8.00am Mass 8.45am Play Group 10am Funeral Mass for Marie Jo Saville	
TUE 12th April	8.00am Mass with children 7.30pm Care & Concern meeting	
WED 13th April	6.30am Mass	
THU 14th April	7pm Reader's Training session	
FRI 15th April	9.00am Rosary	9.30am Mass
SAT 16th April	5.00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday	
SUN 17th April	4th Sunday of Easter	
	9.00am Mass	6.00pm Mass

**Year Of Mercy
3rd Sunday of Easter**

"The most miserable prison in the world is the prison we make for ourselves when we refuse to show mercy. Our thoughts become shackled, our emotions are chained, the will is almost paralysed. But when we show mercy, all of these bonds are broken, and we enter into a joyful liberty that frees us to share God's love with others."
Warren W Wiersbe



Church Toilet Renovations have begun! The toilets will be unable to be used for 3 to 4 weeks while work is under way. We will be able to use the school senior toilets during weekend Mass times. Parents will need to accompany children. The Parish Office meeting room toilet will be made available at other times such as weekday Masses, rosary etc. We apologise for the inconvenience.



Sacramental Program: Enrolments are being accepted for Confirmation for 2016 for children in Grade 3 and above. Contact the Parish Office or see our website for more information.

Training for Readers: Deacon Mike will hold a training session for this ministry this Thursday 14th April in the Parish Centre. Arrive 7pm for 7.15pm start. New Ministers welcome. Please write your name on the list at the back of the church.

Cuppa: Please join us for a cuppa and a chat this Sunday 10th April after the 9am Mass and also next Saturday 16th April after the 6pm Mass.



Children's Liturgy will resume in Term 2. Leaders, please advise Jodie of any dates you are unavailable during Term 2.

Date claimers:

Fr Morgan Batt will be here for Masses on the weekend of 23rd/24th April to promote Vocations.

ANZAC Day Mass 25th April 8am here at St Peter's



Picnic in the Park: The Members of St Peter's Rochedale Care and Concern cordially invite **everyone** who is young or young at heart to **A Picnic in The Park at Underwood Park on Friday 29**

April after 9.30am Mass. This was a great success last time with parishioners, some family members and a group of people from Freedom (formerly Tall Trees) sharing a pleasant morning together. Transport can be arranged so don't miss out on a relaxing time enjoying a **morning tea of fine finger food, with fellowship and friendship in pleasant parkland.** For more information, to arrange transport or to register for this event, please contact the Parish Office or Josephine Cullen on 0419733878. RSVP by 24 April please.

Caritas: Remember Project Compassion Please return your donations as soon as possible so Project Compassion can be finalised for 2016. Thanks to those who have done so already!

Altar Servers please collect your new rosters for Term 2.

Little White Books & The Word Among Us available. \$3.50 each. Both offer short daily reflections from Easter to Pentecost.

Share the Dignity provides nationally to homeless and at risk women, sanitary products to allow them a sense of dignity at a time when they need it most. No woman should suffer the indignity of choosing between eating and buying sanitary items. The Archdiocese has asked all parishes to support this charity by donating sanitary items during April and again in August. A collection box will be at the back of the church until the end of April. Please contribute to this worthy cause.

St Peter's School 40th Anniversary Cookbook: submissions of recipes for the cookbook can be made online using the website publishedauthors.com.au and following the instructions. Pick up a leaflet today.

Entertainment Books for 2016/17 arriving next weekend! You can pre-order your copy now using the forms on the back table or online. Still only \$65



Vinnies News: 1. A family who was surprised to receive a Christmas Hamper have said what a great thrill it was to the whole family. They said it made their Christmas a very happy one. They wanted to pass on their thanks to everyone at St. Peter's Parish.

2. Date claimer: The St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal Launch will be held on Sunday 29th May at 10am on the lawn beside the church. It's always a great day. Make sure you can join us.

See the Noticeboard for more information on these invitations.

menALIVE Catholic Man Breakfast - 7am to 9am
Thursday 14th April hosted by Archbishop Mark Coleridge at Tattersall's Club, Brisbane. You can hear Denis Wagner tell his story of "Being Concretely Catholic". Cost is \$45 per person. For more details visit www.menalive.org.au For bookings email des@menalive.org.au

Stages of Faith Presentation and Workshop: Skilled presenter Passionist priest Fr Ray Sanchez explores the different types of prayer in our tradition. Saturday 16th April 9am-12:30pm at St Patrick's Church, Beenleigh. Tea, coffee will be provided, BYO morning tea. Cost: Paper Donation is suggested to cover costs. More information: Contact Denise 0423 207 662

Living Biblically—Year of Mercy. 1st Lecture Wed April 20. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will present a series of four new talks this year on the theme of *Mercy: Mercy in the Old Testament* (April 20); *Mercy in the Gospel of Luke* (July 20); *Mercy in the Gospel of John* (August 24); *Mercy in the Letters of Paul* (Oct 19). All sessions are free and run from 7pm—8.30pm in the Cathedral of St Stephen.

We're on the move – are you? A Conversation with Peoples of the Pacific about Climate Change Induced Relocation. Hosted by the Catholic Justice & Peace Commission of the Archdiocese of Brisbane in collaboration with Friends of the Earth. At the Aspinal Centre, St Bernard's Catholic Parish, Upper Mt Gravatt, on Thursday 21 April, 7 – 8.30 PM. Light refreshments will be provided. RSVP by Mon 18 April to lawrencep@bne.catholic.net.au or on 3324 3451.

The Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care Team need mature committed Catholics with an ability to relate pastorally to those who are suffering a mental illness. The training course is held at the Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care Centre each Wednesday from 4th May to 23rd November from 9am to 3.30pm. Final date of applications is Friday 22nd April 2016.

Year of Mercy Parish Seminar with noted Missiologist Fr Stephan Bevans SVD. Sat 30 April 9am-1pm at the Aspinal Centre, St Bernard's Parish Hall, 4 Klumpp Rd Upper Mt. Gravatt. No cost, morning tea provided. **RSVP:** ebadmin@bne.catholic.net.au by Tuesday 26 April. Hosted by Evangelisation Brisbane

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have died: Arcadia Reyes, Julia Healan (Kevin's sister), Stephen Symes (Cynthia Bowler's brother), Redempta Agdon Magdayao, Pat McErlean

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Kevin Thorley, Kerry Routledge, Lyn Murray, Thomas Ray, Seiuli Foutanu, Alice Mitchell, Cyril Cooper, Charles Steiner, Nita J Hammond, Raymond Stierer, Lynn Robinson, Peta Power

Please pray for those who are sick, especially Nassib Jabbour, Josefina Ilagan, Leticia Sevilla, Nicolas Tendrio, Nora Estanislao, Michael Sykes, Anne Cosico, Bella Aguas, John Bochniak, Terry Naughton, Debra McKenna, Terri Mills, Mary Scholes, Johnny Summers

Roster 16th & 17th April 2016

Communion		Readers		Altar Servers	Musicians
Sat 6:00pm	Deacon Mike Jones Les O'Gorman Mal Jensen	C 1 2	Peta Grandin Lyndal Bray-Claridge Michael Claridge	Jade Perina Monica Svarc	Tim
Sun 9:00am	Ella Simpson June Wilson Diane McKeone	C 1 2	Walter Simpson Jo Cullen Theresa Cruz	Jada Nathan	Anne
Sun 6:00pm	Cora Gatabonton Cesarina Gigante	C 1 2	Kathy Muller Aurelie Regnard Raylee Burns	Chevonne Mone	Carmel

Church Cleaning: 1 Joseph & Angela Dedigamuwa, Micheal Denton, Roy Steinwede

Children's Liturgy: Jodie Baigent **This week: Linen:** Jo Lavington **Counting:** Anthony's team

Cuppa: Sat 16th April after 6pm Mass: Ann Maree Collier, Peta Grandin



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 Jacob.

Parish Ministry Group Co-ordinators

In our parish we have many ways you can be involved. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to speak to one of our Co-ordinators whose numbers is not listed.

Baptism Preparation: Julie Hondroudakis
Bereavement Group: Contact the Parish Office
Care & Concern: Transport: 0412267337
 Co-ordinator Jo Cullen 0419733878

Children's Liturgy: Jodie Baigent
Family Groups: Alan & Kristy Scanlon
 Facebook: St Peters Rochedale Family Groups

Memorial Wall & Gardens: Les O'Gorman 3341 3862

Mothers' Prayers: Trish Bakker

Music Liturgy Group: Liz Fort

Parish Pastoral Council:

Chairperson: Malcolm Carroll

Play Group: Kristy Scanlon

RE Teachers in State Schools: Rita Bishop

Rosary Group: Fridays 9:00am
 (1st Fridays 8.30am)

Social Justice Group: Erika Meerwald

St Vincent de Paul Rochedale Conference:
 John Blake

Our Parish Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representative is Malcolm Carroll. If you have any questions or concerns contact Malcolm on 0438 949 099 or mcaroll580@gmail.com

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