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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."

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

12th August 2018

Readings: 1 Kings 19:4-8

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

John 6:41-51

Proclaim 2018 - Belonging

"Make your home in me, as I make mine in you", a phrase that struck my mind and sunk my heart. What a beautiful phrase and realising that it came from Jesus, this phrase is even more special. We always feel the warm welcome whenever we go and visit someone and they greet us at the door with "Please come in, make yourself feel at home and comfortable". But the invitation I got from the Lord is even better, with much deeper meaning.

Now, let us imagine ourselves coming to church and being greeted at the door by Jesus, with open arms, a gentle smile, and with a warm heart saying to you, *"Make your home in me, as I make mine in you",* special invitation from the Lord. Wouldn't you feel that you wanted to follow him and listen to all his teachings?

I was so privileged to be one of the eight attendees of **PROCLAIM 2018** conference. A conference hosted by Brisbane Archdiocese. To be greeted with phrases such as *"Make your home in me, as I make mine in you"* and *"Come with me"* made me feel so special to be with these people from all over Australia who were beaming with faith, sharing their experiences, testifying their encounter with Jesus. I felt so energised, so invigorated, to be involved, to **BELONG**. Yes, to belong to the Catholic church, to St. Peter's community.

What is **BELONGING**? **BE** for a **LONG TIME** to be myself, be with people who share common faith and ideology, be together for a long time, get to know each other's story, be involved, serve by joining a ministry group, share your talents, attend workshops and fun activities, sing in the choir, lend a hand, listen to God's words and most of all, listen to your calling.

"Come with me", says the Lord. How? By giving space to listen to God with open ears and open heart. Faith is not about religion but relationship. Let's encourage each other to connect with one another. Let us be God's instrument to build a community of missionary disciples, a place of belonging, a community who knows our mission not be served but to serve God, yes, to belong. Make my home in you – feel that you are part of the family, let there be no stranger in the house of God.

There are three questions to ask ourselves:

1. Am I prepared to accept changes in my Parish, that will enable new People to belong?
2. God, our forgiving Father, yearns to embrace every one of his children, is it I whom He is waiting for?
3. Am I blocking the church's mission?

Pray for blessings and mercy that your actions and thoughts line up with what God wants you to be.

"Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.

As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,

but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me.

I am the vine, you are the branches.

Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty" (John 15: 4-8)

Reflection by Grace Tuazon, Parish Council member

Readings for next weekend: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Proverbs 9:1-6

Ephesians 5:15-20

John 6:51-58

Plenary Council 2020 Listen to what the Spirit is saying

To have your say visit www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au.

IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

MON 13th Aug	8.00am Mass
TUE 14th Aug	St Maximilian Mary Kolbe 8.00am Mass with children 4.30pm St Vincent de Paul meeting 7.00pm RCIA Meeting
WED 15th Aug	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i> 7.30pm Mass <i>Public Holiday—Parish Office closed today</i>
THU 16th Aug	NO Mass
FRI 17th Aug	9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass 3.30pm 'Alive in the Spirit' afternoon
SAT 18th Aug	Multicultural Weekend 9.30am Social Justice meeting 5.00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
SUN 19th Aug	Migrant & Refugee Sunday 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass followed by Multicultural celebration 6.00pm Mass

Mass for Feast Day of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary this Wednesday 15th August is a holy day of Obligation. We will have one Mass this day at 7.30pm. Please note that this is the Ekka Public holiday for Brisbane.

Parish Multicultural Weekend: Please come together to celebrate our Multicultural parish. We will have a cuppa after each Mass but everyone is especially welcome to participate in the festivities at 9am Sunday Mass. Food, music, singing and dancing to follow. Please bring along a plate of traditional food to share.

Mass Co-ordinators, Communion Ministers and Readers This is the last weekend to advise dates unavailable for the next roster September to November on the slips on the back table. The new rosters will be drawn up this week!

Share the Dignity: We are once again collecting donations of sanitary products to help homeless and at-risk women through the Share the Dignity charity. A collection box will be at the back of the church until the end of August for your donations of sanitary items.

"Alive in the Spirit" Fun days for primary school aged children: Please join us for supervised afternoon tea, fun activities, games, singing, drama, craft and scripture! 3 more Friday afternoons, after school 3:30pm to 5.30pm. \$5 per child for any or all events. \$10 per family. Register today. Still vacancies for some Fridays. For more details, please contact Jo Cullen on 0419 733 878

RCIA: This Sunday 12th August at the 6pm Mass, we have the Rite of Acceptance for Jai Hamilton who will publicly declare his desire to be part of our Christian Community and to proceed to Baptism later in the year. Henry and Bethany Kelso will also be welcomed into our Community, as they ask for Confirmation and First Holy Communion later in the year. Please pray for these young people and their families. We invite you to meet them by joining us for a cuppa on the verandah after Mass.


Sunday Cuppa re-scheduled: This Sunday's scheduled cuppa after the 9am Mass and also the cuppa on the 26th have been cancelled due to the children undertaking preparation for Confirmation participating in a workshop in the parish centre and noise will be a problem. However, all are welcome to attend a special cuppa after 6pm Sunday this weekend to celebrate the Rites of Acceptance and Welcome for our Youth RCIA candidates.

Social Justice News: We have received a wonderful note from the Murri Ministry thanking you for your generous contribution of \$520. In the words of the Ministry: "A surprise and delight to not only receive from you and share because of you but most of all to know we have supportive friends in the name of Jesus. Blessings on you. Amen!" *Ravina Waldron.* Check out the note in the glass cabinet on the church wall. *Erika*

Year of Youth: "I shall spend every moment loving. One who loves does not notice her trials; or perhaps more accurately, she is able to love them."

— Saint Bernadette Soubirous, French nun in the 1860s
From the age of 14 had visions of the Virgin Mary

Faith Enrichment Invitation: Come! Listen! Live!

Come to a quiet place within you, to be still and listen to your heart, to others and to your God! Come and 'listen with the ear of your heart!' ♥ 

All are welcome to come along to an afternoon session that will invite you to deepen your awareness of the gift of listening and nourish your spirit!

There is an opportunity to attend Reconciliation and Mass following this time of prayer and reflection.

Saturday 8th September 2:30 pm – 5:30 pm at St Peter's Church in the **Parish Centre.**

Come and listen to what the Spirit is saying to you. . .

Volunteer Documentation: New Blue Card Forms and Police Check forms now available. See Jo or Julie.

Face-to-face Safeguarding Training: In the **Logan Deanery**, 2 training sessions are available. They are Wednesday 10th October from 6:30pm-8:30pm at **St Edward the Confessor**, Daisy Hill and at **St Bernadine's** parish, Regents Park on **Wednesday 21st November** from 6:30pm- 8:30pm.

These sessions will be important for anyone actively ministering to children or vulnerable adults. Please see Jo or Julie for more information.

Annual Catholic Campaign 2018: Children only get one childhood and not all get an equal start in life. Please give children whose families are living in crisis hope for a brighter future through a Catholic education. Your gift is currently helping 25 students access Catholic education through the MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund. The MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund is one of the 4 vital agencies supported by the Catholic Campaign. Call 3324 3200 or catholiccampaign.com.au

Planned Giving via Direct Bank Transfer: If you would like to direct transfer your Planned Giving to our bank account, our BSB is 064-786 and Account number is 007021101. Please use your surname and Planned Giving (or PG) as reference.

Bequests and Endowments: Have you considered leaving a bequest or endowment to the parish in your will? Pick up one of our new bequest brochures.

St Vinnies News: Thank you to our generous parishioners! Our needy family now has a television.

Cherish Life: As you would have seen in the news on Monday 16 July, the State Government announced it will adopt the Queensland Law Reform Commission's recommended **abortion decriminalisation bill**, which would **legalise even late-term abortion and sex-selection abortion**. The Attorney-General said the bill would be referred to the Health Committee on 21st August, then be voted on in Parliament in the week commencing 16th October. The Termination of Pregnancy Bill would allow abortion to birth, effectively for any reason. It is very important that we all contact our Members of Qld Parliament and let them know how strongly we oppose this Bill before 16th October. Please visit or email or send a letter to your sitting MP.

Invitations from Around the Archdiocese

Year of Youth Retreat Days at Santa Teresa 19th August or 27th October. You are invited to spend a day at the beautiful Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre Facilitated by: Youth Evangelisation Office For: Young adults 18-30; (High schoolers allowed only in group bookings led by their youth leader) Time: 9:30am – 3:30pm Address: 267 Wellington St. Ormiston (next door to Carmelite Monastery) Cost: Free (gifted by Archbishop Mark Coleridge), includes lunch + tea & coffee. Registrations close 7 days before retreat. Bookings essential (max. 60 people each day).

One G d. Many Voices, Abrahamic Faiths concert: Annual evening of Jewish, Christian and Muslim Sacred Voices and Music followed by Kosher-Halal Supper. Thursday 23rd August 7pm for a 7.30pm start. At Griffith University, Nathan Campus (Building N35) Centre for Interfaith and Cultural dialogue. Free entry, all are welcome. RSVP by 13th August 2018 to 3735 7052 or email: icd@griffith.edu.au. Free parking after 7pm.

Archdiocesan Multicultural Mass: Sunday 26th August, 2:30pm. Everyone is invited to participate and enjoy at the Cathedral of St Stephen. It will celebrate Pope Francis' message for the 103rd World Day of Migrants and Refugees "to welcome, protect, promote and integrate migrants and refugees" into our communities.

Responding to Domestic Violence: Half Day Training Event designed for Clergy, Pastoral Carers, Church Leaders, Youth Leaders, Students and Lay Workers. Sat 1st September. 8am for 8.30am-1pm at the Churches Of Christ Community Centre, 41 Brookfield Rd, Kenmore. Cost: \$30 *Joint Churches Domestic Violence Prevention Project*

Shopping Bus Tour: Saturday 8th September 8am to 4.30pm. Departing from St Edward's Parish Daisy Hill. Fundraiser for Lions Club of Underwood. Tickets \$65. For more info contact Carmel Burgess on 0413000387

Ignite Youth Conference: 27-30 September. Register for the 2018 Ignite Youth Conference at www.igniteconference.com.au/register

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have died: Dulcie Soans, Mary Mahoney, Flecker Dance, James Durham, Kathleen Anderson, Sikulu Namoa, Patricia Steele, Vivien Harrington

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Leo Caligari, Emma Leafe, Elizabeth Ritchie, Malcolm Pereira, Margaret Fagan, Giovanni Gottardo, Joseph Tsang, Stanley Burgess, Daniel O'Brien, Moya Carter, Marie Peters, Margaret Smith, Maria Wlodarczyk, Ambrose Sullivan, Margaret Elliott, Alonzo Lynch, Gregory Chin, Catherine O'Brien, Luke Barber, Leslie Vincent Doyle, Laura May Gow, Lil Atkinson, Jim McKenna, John Kennedy

Please pray for those who are sick, especially Kaitlin Bakker, Warren Williams, Vivian Kennedy, Danny Costello, Benny Santanaraj, Jose Rochil Contreras, Kim Power, Lexie Harding, Violet Adamson, Max Drummond, Karen Johnston, Lori Hodder, Apolonio Aguas, Tony McDonald, John Drew, Dot McLennan, John Green, Kevin Dingwall, Alan Camp, Ramona Cruz, Ursula Williamson, Kieran McKenna, Sesinando de Leon Jnr, Rev. Dcn. Peter Olsen, Trevor Parker, Sandra Murphy, Fabio Viola, Michael Smith, Sylvia Privitera, Andrew Briskey, Elmore Kotzur, Monica Ah Koy, Kevin Kelly, Hamish Stuhmeke, Bonnie Dematillar, 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 18th & 19th August 2018

Co-ordinator		Readers		Communion		Altar Servers	Musicians
Sat 6:00pm	Mark Connelly	C 1 2	Michael Claridge Lyndal Bray-Claridge Joseph Varkey	Jo Cullen Danny Vaihu Mel McKay		Monika S Talia S	Liz
Sun 9:00am	Grace Tuazon	C 1 2	Maria Chamberlain Jackson Sabu Stephanie Lenihan	Natalie Hadde Joan d'Netto Kevin Healan Julie Hondroudakis	Steve D Lydia Chew Bev De Paola	Jada N Leo S Finn S	Carmel
Sun 6.00pm	Aurelie Regnard	C 1 2	Lynn White Vicki Routledge Helen Graczyk	Deacon Mike Jones Ann Maree Collier Kate Guy		Eza J	Tim

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

Children's Liturgy: Jodie Baigent **This week: Linen:** Celine Phillips **Counting:** Bob's Team

Cuppa: Multicultural Weekend???

Other Parish Contacts

Care & Concern: Transport: 0412267337
Co-ordinator Lynn White 0403 051103

Family Group Facebook:
St Peters Rochedale Family Groups

Memorial Wall & Gardens: Mal Jensen 0411641312

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

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.



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