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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."

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

12th November 2017

Readings:

Wisdom 6:12-16

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

The transition of our Parish Pastoral Council

Last Monday at 7pm, a combined meeting of our former and current Parish Pastoral Councils (PPC hereafter) was successfully held. It was a handover meeting, too. This means that the 2015-17 PPC has officially retired. I would like to thank all its members for their time, energy and passion offered for the development of our parish and for the contribution they made during the term. They are volunteers, without receiving any material rewards from our parish for their work, however, they were never late or left early for meetings if there were not really important reasons. They have done a great job. In addition to thanking them, I would also like to invite them to continue to serve and build our parish in other areas.

Here please join me to welcome our 2017-19 PPC. They have formally started serving our parish since Monday evening's meeting. In the 2017-19 PPC, besides Deacon Mike and myself, there are nine members, among them some continuing ones. Their continuation plays a crucial role in the smooth transition. For other new members, they have already been our parishioners and serving our parish in other ministries for a long time. I would like to thank them all for accepting this invitation to serve our beloved spiritual family with such a special role. We are having a commissioning ceremony for them at 9am Mass this Sunday. By the ceremony, they will be commissioned by God through our whole community. That means they are serving the whole community. When they are in discussion or giving some suggestions, they should do that from the perspective of our whole community, not that of any individual or particular parish ministry group. For playing this role well, they definitely need God's grace and blessings in abundance. Therefore, let us pray to God for them at all times, especially during the 9am Mass this Sunday.

Also I would like to offer a few words to all the members of our new PPC: The responsibility you have received is sacred. It is a good way to practice your faith and fulfil the mission Jesus has given you. So please take it seriously and enjoy it, too. Remember, it will be good for the community as well as yourself. You will be better able to integrate into the community, have a more mature faithful life and get closer to God via your service on PPC. So it is giving but at the same time it is receiving, too. Please be patient, cautious and full of love when serving. As PPC members, please always care about the whole parish community, pay attention to all things happening in the parish, and report anything necessary to the parish office and/or the parish priest, and/or take them to PPC meetings. And try your best to know as many parishioners as possible so don't stick to any particular weekend Mass but take turns with them. In one word, the health and development of the parish will be your main focus especially during next two years. I believe that, with God's help and grace, you will play your role well, through which, the parish community and yourselves will benefit greatly from your service.

Dear friends, through the transition of the PPC, I hope that all of you can realize the importance of the role and responsibility of PPC. Let us always pray for and support them. Only by this, can our parish become a more united, prayerful and missionary Catholic community.

Fr Baiyi

Readings for next weekend: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30

IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

MON 13th Nov	8.00am Mass
TUE 14th Nov	8.00am Mass with children 7.00pm RCIA meeting
WED 15th Nov	6.30am Mass
THU 16th Nov	7.30pm Care & Concern meeting
FRI 17th Nov	St Elizabeth of Hungary 9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass
SAT 18th Nov	5.00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
SUN 19th Nov	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass

Parish Pastoral Council: The new Parish Pastoral Council for 2017 to 2019 will be commissioned at 9am Mass this Sunday 12th November.

The 2017-19 Council members are:

Continuing: Les Hauff, Lydia Chew, Josephine 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. Last weekend to advise us. Rosters will be drawn up this week!

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 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.

Planned Giving Commitment Weekend: Next weekend (18th & 19th Nov) we will be asking all parishioners to reflect on how everyone can better support the parish through our Planned Giving Program.

Care & Concern Christmas Lunch Saturday 2nd December 12 noon - 2.30pm. Lunch, fun quiz and entertainment, Christmas raffle. Supporting St Vinnies and Caritas. Tickets \$10 each—on sale from this weekend.

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 at all times. Thanks to those parents who have been helping us out with this!

Cuppa and Chat Please join us for a cuppa and chat after the 9am Mass this Sunday 12th and again next Saturday 18th November after the 6pm Mass.

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!

God's Word 2018 —is a Liturgical diary which has the readings for every day from the New Jerusalem Bible, inspiring reflections on the readings of the day and even space to note down important events and reflections of the day. A great resource for yourself or it would make a fantastic Christmas gift—special deal ** still only \$10! - from the back table.

Parish Census: Have you been away? If you have, you may have missed filling out a Parish Census card.

Please look for one of the green cards near the main doors of the church and fill it out with your contact details so we can update our records. Hand the completed card to Fr Baiyi or one of the PPC members. Thank you

Alpha Program Information sessions: Alpha 'Come and See' session for those who want to know more about Alpha will be held on Friday 17 November 6-8pm at St Patrick's Parish Beenleigh.

Alpha 'Master Class' sessions for those parishes who have run an Alpha courses will be held on Friday 15 November 7-9pm at Jindalee Parish Hall; or Thursday 16 December 7-9pm at Enoggera Parish Hall or Saturday 18 November 9.30-11.30am at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish, Coorparoo.

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

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.

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.

Invitations from around the Archdiocese:

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. Brisbane Retreat: November 17th – 19th Cost: \$350. Contact: Jane 0422 172 554 or janebacc@gmail.com. www.rachelsvineyard.org

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

"What does it mean to be Ecumenical in the Catholic tradition?" – Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane End of Year Event at the CCR Brisbane Centre, 688 Nudgee Rd, Northgate on Saturday 25 Nov 2017 from 9.30am – 2pm. Guest speaker, Peter Pellican, a former Protestant Minister and currently Private Secretary to Archbishop Mark Coleridge. Mass at noon celebrated by Bp Emeritus Joseph Oudeman. ALL welcome. Bring and Share lunch. Enquiries: Miriam (3202 6856) or email: secretary@ccrbrisbane.org.au for more details.

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.

Dinner Dance: You are invited to dance the night away and enjoy island cuisine with great music for a good cause.

The Tongan Catholic Youth will host you for the evening and the proceeds will contribute towards activities to promote youth participation in church, social cohesion and faith. Saturday 2nd December 6pm to 12am at the Marymac Community Centre, 616 Ipswich Rd, Annerley 4103. Ticket \$40 per person at the door or \$30 prepaid before 30th November. Contact Sia on 0423 670 961 or Olivia on 0468 949 991

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have died: Pat Feeney (Les O'Gorman's sister), Marie Toomey (Brian's sister), Sam O'Brien, Fr Michael McKeaten

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Christopher Langford, Richard Kemp, Reginald Smith, Bill Steele, Terry Breen, Bunny Hall, Ryan Dawson, Ethel Cussans, Gertrude Young, Lloyd Hagstrom, Eileen Van Rooyen, Ruth Culbert, Clement Fernandes, Glen Sullivan, Allen Thrower, Len McGovern, John Pritchard, Roy Bowser, Darryl Fisher, Lionel Hurley, Robert Kelly, Arthur Simpson, John Hayward, Peg Ryan, Teresa Slattery

Please pray for those who are sick, especially Kathleen Anderson, Kevin Dingwall, 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 18th & 19th November 2017

Co-ordinator		Readers		Communion	Altar Servers	Musicians
Sat 6:00pm	Carl de Mello	C 1 2	Michael Claridge David Crowley Lyndal Bray-Claridge	Mal Jensen Carl de Mello Ann Maree Collier	Jade Layla Sam	Carmel
Sun 9:00am	Efren Tuazon	C 1 2	Kevin McMahon Stephanie Lenihan Maria Chamberlain	Anne Scanlon Del Reynolds Donald Fernando	Finn Leo	Rita
Sun 6.00pm	Malcolm Carroll	C 1 2	Bob Burns Raylee Burns Helen Graczyk	Deacon Mike Jones Cesarina Gigante Malcolm Carroll	Rena Chevonne	Liz

Church Cleaning: 4 Basil's cleaners

Children's Liturgy: Jodie Baigent

This week: Linen: Elizabeth Wang

Counting: Carl's team

Cuppa: after the 6pm Mass on Sun 19th Nov: Helen Viola, Romana Langdon

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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