

# St Peter's Catholic Parish

## Rochedale • Springwood

*Serving the Rochedale and surrounding communities since 1974*

### PARISH PRIEST

Fr Jacob Chacko

Email: pp.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au

Mobile: 0406 715 765

A/Hours: 3841 3987

### DEACON

Rev. Mike Jones

Mobile: 0400 559 177

### PARISH OFFICE

955 Rochedale Road, Rochedale

Email: stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au

Web: www.stpetersrochedale.org.au

Facebook: stpetersrochedaleparish

Secretary: Julie Hondroudakis

Office: 3341 4421

Fax: 3341 8644

Open: Mon-Fri 8.15am-1.15pm

### ST PETERS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Phone: 3341 4800

Email: prochedale@bne.catholic.edu.au

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

HELP CENTRE

Phone 5561 4712

*"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."*

## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

### 18th September 2016

#### From the Pastor's Desk

#### Luke 16:1-13: Be Focused in Life and Seek God's Kingdom First

The story is told of a man who was caught stealing. He was taken to the king who ordered him to be hanged. On his way to the gallows he said to the governor that he knew a great secret and it would be a pity to allow it to die with him. He would disclose it only to the king, and hence he was taken back to the king. To the king he said that he got a secret from his ancestors that if he puts a seed of a mango into the ground, he would make it grow and bear fruit overnight. He was taken to the field and there he dug a hole and then said, 'This seed to grow overnight and bear fruit, it should be put into the soil by a man who has never stolen or taken anything that did not belong to him. The man must be a totally honest person. I am a thief and I can't do that. So one of you shall do that'. Every one withdrew including the king, because all of them had some past story of stealing or taking others' things. Finally the thief had a great look at all those people and had big smile on his face.

Today's gospel story too is intriguing in its narration and in its action. The parable of the dishonest steward and the saying about wealth are the content of the story. Jesus is not afraid of featuring controversial characters in his stories. A wealthy man's manager has proved unworthy in his stewardship and he has not exercised his office with integrity, and his master would be sacking him soon. So he is making clever deals with his master's business associates. There is of course, the possibility that the story could be interpreted to mean that dishonesty or thievery is all right. But the key is this: When faced with death, the man uses all his ingenuity, creativity, and inventiveness to save his life. He uses all his skills to get out of an extremely hard situation. Jesus very well focuses on the prompt and speedy action that the steward takes. He takes control of a terrible situation that is life-threatening to him. And, more importantly the focus of Jesus in the parable is on the contrast between the steps that the wicked steward takes for things that are temporary and earthly and the lethargy that is shown by most when it comes to things that eternal. So Jesus is telling us seek first the kingdom of God and all other things will be given to us when we value the eternal truths. Have a heart and mind of God and believe what is revealed to us in Christ Jesus.

*Fr Jacob Chacko, MCBS*

#### Readings 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** Amos 8:4-7 The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

**Second Reading:** 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

**Gospel:** Luke 16:1-13 The parable of the rich man's steward and his master's debtors.

#### Readings for next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1, 4-7 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31

**Church locked:** Please note that the Church will be locked and alarmed at 1.15pm Monday to Wednesday this week.

## IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

MON 19th September	Parish Office closed today
TUE 20th September	<b>Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang &amp; Companions</b> 5.30pm St Vincent de Paul meeting
WED 21st September	<b>St Matthew</b>
THU 22nd September	
FRI 23rd September	<b>Sts Pius of Pietrelcina</b> 9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass
SAT 24th September	5.00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
SUN 25th September	<b>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 9.00am Mass <i>followed by Cuppa &amp; Chat</i> 6.00pm Mass <i>Social Justice Sunday — All Masses</i>

### Year Of Mercy

#### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"I have always found that mercy bears richer fruits than strict justice."*

— Abraham Lincoln



**Thanks to Fr John Gillen** for celebrating Masses with us this weekend!

A sincere thank you to Care & Concern and to the many parishioners who supported me following my recent surgery. May you be greatly blessed for your generosity and kindness. Mary Naughton.

**Communion Ministers and Readers:** Please collect your new rosters & Volunteer information.

Please complete the Volunteer data Form, sign the Code of Ethical Behaviour and return both to Julie.

Then please read and keep all the policy documents.

**Spring Garden Raffle:** Care & Concern are having a Spring Garden raffle this weekend so bring along your spare change to buy a ticket. Let's get ready for spring!!!

**Pilgrimage retreat to Santa Teresa** on Sat 22nd Oct for the Year of Mercy. We will be travelling to Santa Teresa, Ormiston by coach. We will have facilities for wheelie walkers and people needing assistance.

Cost \$10 which includes coach travel, morning and afternoon boxed lunch (let us know dietary requirements), quiet day of reflection in the Year of Mercy overlooking the bay and the beautiful garden areas of prayer. Open to everyone though there are ONLY 30 Seats available. (flyer at front of church) Place name on sheet at front of church. Please see Jo Cullen or Care & Concern committee on 0419733878 for more info.

**Thank You God for Spring:** Wed 28th September 9am till 3 pm in the Parish Centre. All primary school age children are invited to an exciting program of fun activities!!! Craft, bible stories, songs, prayer, drama, play and games. Day will include morning tea and lunch. Cost for the day \$5 per child or \$10 per family. Contact Jo Cullen 0419733878 or the Parish Office for more information. Numbers are limited so get in early!

**The St Peter's School Fete is on October 16th** from 10am to 3pm. This year the school is celebrating 40 years and the anniversary theme of "Farm to Fabulous" continues at the fete. The day will be filled with great entertainment, huge range of food, displays from the classes, and many stalls and rides.

The P&F has opened the pre-sale of ride armbands, a order form is available at the back of the church. If you are interested in sponsorship of the fete, or can donate items, please contact the P&F via [stpetersparentsandfriends@gmail.com](mailto:stpetersparentsandfriends@gmail.com) or Michael Smythe on 0419 651 103. Stalls such as the cakes and preserve stall, and sweets stall would appreciate home cooked items that can be delivered close to the fete.

We look forward to seeing many parishioners at the fete for this great community event.

**Parish Ministry Expo: 8th & 9th October after all Masses:** Come along to the Parish Centre to see all the wonderful work being done in our Parish by you, the parishioners. Leaders: remember to plan your displays for assembling on Sat 8th Oct from 10am.

**Help needed urgently:** A lady parishioner needs urgent help to concrete her driveway to comply with Logan City Council regulations. Concreter or someone with driveway experience for help or advice desperately needed. Perhaps we could organize a willing band of helpers!?! If you can help in any way please contact Care & Concern via Jo Cullen on 0419 733 878 or call Julie in the Parish Office on 3341 4421.

Your gift is the answer to someone's prayer

## Thank you

It's a great joy to see the support coming in from generous people like you all across the Archdiocese.

You are helping to grow those ministries that are central to the Church's mission of mercy.

*"A merciful Church is a joyful Church"*

On behalf of all those who benefit from your generosity we hope that your life is enriched through the knowledge that your contribution is far greater than the sum of your donation. **Your prayers and your gifts are a shining light to others.**

A thank you to those who were able to make an ongoing commitment at this time — your faith in the future of the Church will bear fruit for many.



2016 ANNUAL

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN**

Our Church Our Mission Our Responsibility

Give now 07 3324 3200 or [catholiccampaign.com.au](http://catholiccampaign.com.au)

**Child Protection Sunday:** The images of child sexual abuse have continued to affect our entire community and diminish the trust some have placed in our Church. That trust has been further eroded when the institution has failed to appropriately respond to the victim's needs. Yet the Catholic Church is in unique position to offer much within this focus of creating stronger communities, safer children. One such example can be seen in Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*, in which families and consequently communities are encouraged through love, strengthened by the virtues of generosity, commitment, fidelity and patience to become stronger more capable and more resilient. Stronger families and Church communities can then help to keep our children safe. As the Royal Commission begins to finalise hearings and close registration for private sessions, Child Protection Week, and in particular Child Protection Sunday provides a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the steps we have taken to make children safer in our communities; at home, in our churches, schools and Catholic agencies.

**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 0438 949 099 or mcarroll580@gmail.com

**Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass:** Couples celebrating their Golden Wedding anniversary (or more) and their family and friends are invited to Mass with Archbishop Mark Coleridge at the Cathedral of St Stephen on Saturday 1st October 2016 @ 10.00am. Light refreshments will follow the Mass in the Hanly Room. RSVP to cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au; 3324 3030 by Wednesday 28 September 2016. The car park will be available from 9.00am, entrance from Charlotte Street.

**Retreat: Finding Your Story within God's Love Story:**

**Venue:** Avila Cottage, Carmelite Monastery  
287 Wellington St, Ormiston.

**Dates:** Saturday 15 October  
9.00am for 9.30am to 3.00pm

**Cost:** \$40 (\$25 concession)

BYO Lunch - Morning Tea supplied

**Contact:** Carolyn Doherty 0416 268 316 or carolyndoh@gmail.com

**"La Messe en francais" - Mass in French:** Fr Tom Elich will celebrate the Mass in French at Bulimba Parish's Sts Peter and Paul Church on Sunday 25 Sept. These Masses are held quarterly and this is the third such gathering for 2016. The Mass starts at 3.00pm. All are welcome to attend, especially Francophiles and new-comers. The 'Messe en français' will be followed by refreshments (please BYO plate to share in the fellowship).

**"Spirit in the City":** A QUT Chaplaincy Christian Conference on Faith, Culture, Public Affairs aimed at young adults. This one day conference concerns the challenges of understanding and applying the Catholic and Christian faith in the highly secularized cultural, political and other influential settings of contemporary Australian society. Cost: \$25 Concession \$50 Adult Saturday, 8 October, 2016 @ P Block 413, QUT Gardens Point Campus, George Street, Brisbane. Registrations essential. See noticeboard for more details.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Those who have died:** Rosa Sponza

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Walter Donohue, Kathleen Pettiford, Ben Steffens, Kenneth Breuer, Christine Weverink, Gwendoline Gough, John Probert, Sylvia Rappensberg, Charles Murray, Kathleen Davis, Valmai Waterson, Jack Fox, Elizabeth Severein, Roy Boyland, Wilfrid Howell, Marilyn Croft, Riquard Lyster, Ann Ryan, Gus Mitchell, Walter Blattman, Eileen Caligari, Margaret O'Brien, Annette Thorley, Trish Wilkinson, Luigi Nemesi, Cyril Smith, Jane McKenzie, Kevin O'Mara, Barbara Gleeson, Joan Jebamalai, Bernard Bevan, Tony Bekavac

**Please pray for those who are sick, especially** Jean Chartres, Roger Byrne, Margot Harris, Cherian Chacko (Fr Jacob's brother), Ingeborg McIntosh, Don Bechly, Brian Button, Ramona Cruz, 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 24th & 25th September 2016**

Communion		Readers		Altar Servers	Musicians
Sat 6:00pm	Mal Jensen Jo Cullen Kevin Healan	C 1 2	Michael Claridge Joyce Lyster Lyndal Bray-Claridge	Volunteers please	Anne
Sun 9:00am	Lydia Chew June Wilson Joan D'Netto	C 1 2	Arthur Leow Kevin McMahan Maria Chamberlain	Volunteers please	Rita
Sun 6:00pm	Deacon Mike Jones Kate Guy	C 1 2	Patti Camp Alan Camp Aurelie REgnard	Volunteers please	Liz

**Church Cleaning:** 8 Trish Bakker, Judith Littlefield, Cathy & Paul Heenan

**Children's Liturgy:** none      **This week: Linen:** Elizabeth Wang      **Counting:** Carl's team

**Cuppa:** Sunday 25th September after the 9am Mass: Joan D'Netto, Anna Carver, Anne Scanlon



**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 one of the Parish Councillors or to Julie in the Office.

**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  
Facebook: St Peter's Rochedale Social Justice Group
- 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 mcarroll580@gmail.com

These advertisers support us, please support them.



Shop 3, 66A Slobodian Ave  
Eight Mile Plains


**Taking appointments now!**  
call 3493 0028



**Rochedale Family Practice**  
*Your local AGPAL accredited family doctor*

Bulk billing all eligible patients  
Your health is our priority

Call us on **3341 2022**  
for an appointment or visit  
[www.rochedalefp.com.au](http://www.rochedalefp.com.au)  
to book online at your convenience



**Tailored storage solutions, so you only pay for what you need.**

National Storage Springwood ☎ 07 3808 7558  
📍 3421 Pacific Highway 🌐 nationalstorage.com.au



Advertisement  
**Adrian Schrinner**  
Deputy Mayor  
Councillor for Chandler Ward



Shop 8, 14 Millennium Blvd, Carindale Q 4152  
Tel: 3407 1400 • Fax: 3407 1891  
Email: chandler.ward@bcc.qld.gov.au  
[www.adrianschrinner.com](http://www.adrianschrinner.com)  
[www.facebook.com/councillor.schrinner](http://www.facebook.com/councillor.schrinner)  
Authorised by: Adrian Schrinner, 8/14 Millennium Blvd, Carindale Q 4152

**Need a printer that understands your marketing goals?**

Call our Design & Print Consultant to help bring your ideas to life.

**1800 245 077**  
[art@austnews.com.au](mailto:art@austnews.com.au)



**K.M.SMITH FUNERAL DIRECTORS**

*Prearrangement and prepayment options available. Ask us to send you a free Life Book on 3800 7800*

*We think of everything*  
3 Helen St, Hillcrest Qld

K.M.Smith is and always has been a 100% Queensland family owned firm providing a caring funeral service built upon strong family values. We have served Queensland families in their hour of need for six generations.

[www.kmsmith.com.au](http://www.kmsmith.com.au)



Tel: 3841 2842 Open 6 days  
[service@brisbaneeurospecialists.com.au](mailto:service@brisbaneeurospecialists.com.au)  
22 Ferguson Street, Underwood  
f brisbaneeurospecialists

All makes and models specialising in the euro market, BMW and Mini specialists.

Safety certificates on site and at location. Log book servicing, Air-con, Diagnosis, Mechanical & Electrical.

Servicing from \$99. Everything you need under one roof.



**Quote Schoolbes**  
*for a school family discount*

[www.brisbaneeurospecialists.com.au](http://www.brisbaneeurospecialists.com.au)

**Advertise here!**

To be seen by local families.

**1800 245 077**  
[sales@austnews.com.au](mailto:sales@austnews.com.au)




**first national** | Rochedale  
REAL ESTATE

Buying or Selling?  
Call Irene Wilson  
**0418 430 225**

*Take Advantage of the \$500 Referral Offer!*  
(T&Cs apply)



Your Trusted Local Agent email: [irene@fnrochedale.com.au](mailto:irene@fnrochedale.com.au)