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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."*

## 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

### 1st September 2019

Readings: Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24 Luke 14:1, 7-14

### The Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation

Symbols and signs play a very important role in human life. We use lots of symbols and signs to express our love, affection and feelings for other people. For example, at weddings, rings and the words of vows function as bridges between the bride and bridegroom. They convey the love, the promises and the fidelity in the marriage between the two parties. On Mother's Day and Father's Day, flowers, meals and/or other presents are the symbols and signs for us to show our love for our parents. In our Catholic Church, symbols and signs play a significant role as well. With their specially chosen symbols and signs, such as water and bread and wine, the seven sacraments in the Church act as a bridge for God's invisible grace and a tangible connection to human life. Through receiving the sacraments, we express our love for and faith in God and receive God's special grace and strength at different stages or special moments in our life. Most definitely, the celebration of sacraments is an essential part of Christian life, especially in our Catholic tradition.

In Australia and other Western countries, people are usually baptised as infants. Of course, adults can be fully initiated into our Church through the RCIA journey. At baptism, people receive new life from Christ. According to the sacramental policy of our Archdiocese of Brisbane, in the year when children turn eight (Year three), they are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. In the year when children turn nine (Year four), they are welcomed to the Lord's Table and receive Holy Communion for the first time. This is the climax of their Christian initiation. As a part of the preparation for First Communion, children are invited to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in a group (Second Rite). In the following year, they are encouraged to celebrate this Sacrament with individual confession and absolution (the First Rite). Each year, one of the main focuses of every parish is to run Sacramental Programs smoothly and successfully.

Our Parish has a wonderful Sacramental Program team to organise our Sacramental celebrations for our children. Currently, there are four members in the team, coordinated by Bev de Paola and Gwen Martin. Presently, we are trying to encourage more parishioners to join this team as we need to keep our team strong and sustainable. With the hard work of our dedicated team, the Sacramental Programs are always celebrated well. Let us thank this team for their commitment and fantastic work. Please support and pray for our Sacramental Program Team.

My dear friends, on Friday 30th August this year, there were 46 children in our parish who were Confirmed by Bishop Joseph Oudeman OFMCap, DD., retired auxiliary bishop of the Brisbane Archdiocese. It was a very joyful and enjoyable occasion. The church was packed with the children, their family members, relatives and friends. We hope and pray that the children will continue their sacramental journey next year. Let us all pray for them and their families that, with God's grace and strength, they will develop a profound relationship with God.

*Fr Baiyi*

**Readings for next weekend: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Wisdom 9:13-18

Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Luke 14:25-33

<b>IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:</b>	
<b>MON 2nd Sep</b>	8.00am Mass 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting
<b>TUE 3rd Sep</b>	<b>Saint Gregory the Great</b> 8.00am Mass 10.30am Mass at Freedom Aged Care 4.30pm Crossroads Reconciliation & practice for First Holy Communion 7.00pm RCIA
<b>WED 4th Sep</b>	6.30am Mass 11.30am Liturgy of the Word—Prep classes
<b>THU 5th Sep</b>	No Mass
<b>FRI 6th Sep</b>	8.30am Rosary 9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00—9.20am Reconciliation available 9.30am Healing Mass
<b>SAT 7th Sep</b>	5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday 7.15pm Parish Dinner Party
<b>SUN 8th Sep</b>	<b>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Annual Catholic Campaign</b> <b>Commitment Weekend</b> 9.00am Mass with First Holy Communion for the Crossroads children 6.00pm Mass



**Only 8 places left.** Spaces are filling up for our **2020 Holy Lands Pilgrimage**. If you would like to be a part of our parish trip please submit your completed registration form to Stephanie Lenihan (Phone

0413268860 email: salenihan@hotmail.com) or the parish office by the 15th September. After this date we will need to start advertising in other parishes to fill spaces. There is already a waiting list of non-parishioners so don't miss out on this wonderful St Peter's experience.

**St Peter's Primary School Ladies Night:** Ladies do you need a night out and some retail therapy? Please come along and support the St Peter's Rochedale Catholic Primary School Ladies Night on Saturday 14th September from 6pm. \$5 entry includes glass of wine and raffle ticket. Over 35 local stalls!

#### **Youth Update:**

Our coming up **high school youth nights** are as follows:

- Saturday August 31st
- Saturday September 14th

Both of these nights will be held after Mass 7-8:30pm in the parish centre, come along for some fun, faith, and food.

Our September **Young Adults Catch Up** is on Wednesday 11th September at 6:30pm at Grill'd at Garden City.

**Ignite conference:** This year Fr Baiyi and St Peter's Parish are willing to help people wanting to attend Ignite conference. Ignite conference is a 4-day Catholic youth conference in Brisbane. There are options for one or two day tickets as well. If you are interested in attending or finding out more, please contact our Youth Coordinator Olivia (youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au) ASAP as tickets need to be purchased by Tuesday 3rd September.

Instagram: @rochedaleyouth

#### **PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:**

**Brisbane Assembly: Fri 4th & Sat 5th Oct 2019**  
The Brisbane Assembly aims to provide participants with a deeper understanding of the themes for national discernment, the latest developments and vision casting from the Plenary Council national facilitation team, and most importantly an opportunity to take part in a process of communal discernment led by experienced facilitators. Contact the Parish Office if you would be interested in attending the Brisbane Assembly.



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**Bake Stall:** Help our Youth Fundraising and buy a cake, biscuits or slice from our Bake Stall this Sunday 1st September after the 9am Mass. Great idea to take something tasty home to dad to celebrate **Fathers' Day!**



**Happy Father's Day to all the fathers, grandfathers and father figures in our parish family.** Please join us after 9am Mass for a special morning tea for Father's Day organised by Care & Concern.

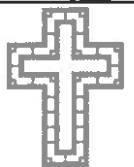
**Parish Dinner Party: Next Saturday** 7th September 7.15pm to 11pm at the Runcorn Tavern. Tickets \$65 per person, cash or credit card accepted. Numbers need to be finalised asap.

#### **Understanding Dementia and Risk Factors:**

Alzheimer's Queensland will be presenting a seminar in the Parish Centre on Saturday 28th September. Commencing with morning tea at 10am, the 45 minute seminar will commence at 10.30am. See Jo for details

#### **Faith Matters! Prayer Is ...**

Over the last 2 months, Faith Matters! encouraged us to attend to Pope Francis' inspiring and practical letter **Rejoice and Be Glad: The Call to Holiness**. Following on from the Pope's reminder that the Saints pray for us, let us consider some wise words from the Saints about **Prayer**. May our hearts and minds be moved to greater joy and ease in our prayer with our loving God.



**Prayer is ... Friendship With God.** The Spanish Carmelite, **St Teresa of Avila** (1515 – 1582) encourages us to trust that at its very core, "**Prayer is nothing else but being on friendship terms with God.**" How wonderful that we can be friends with God. Ask yourself, "Do I find it easy to approach prayer, and thus God, in this gentle, intimate and loving way?" or "Do I sometimes feel that God is not interested in my prayer unless I use the right words?" Try talking with God this week as you would to a close friend in openness, honesty and trust.

**Faith Enrichment Group**

**Please sign the e-petition "Euthanasia – we can live without it."**

It is a fairly simple process to add your voice of opposition to Voluntary Assisted Dying/ euthanasia via the Petition link: <https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/work-of-assembly/petitions/petition-details?id=3176>

**New Rosters have been emailed** to all those who Minister at weekend Masses. Please check your in-box!

**Taize Evening of Prayer:** Join members of our Faith Enrichment Group in attending **"September Sanctuary – Where Heaven Touches Earth"** Monday – 2nd September, 7:00 – 8:30 pm; followed by supper in the courtyard. St Bernard's Catholic Church, 4 Klumpp Road, Upper Mount Gravatt. If you would like to car pool, meet Diane McKeone & Anne Fry in St Peter's car park from 6:20pm. For more information or if you need a lift, ring the Parish Office or Diane 0418611093 or Anne 0419754826. **Leaving St Peter's at 6:30pm sharp.**

**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.

**Columban Calendars for 2020:** Available now from the SVDP Piety Stall for \$8 each

**Dental Care Recycling:** Remember to bring in your old toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes and their associated packaging for recycling. Place them in the collection box under the back table for the school to collect.

**Bottle tops:** The school are also collecting plastic bottle tops for recycling. Please use the same box.

**See the Noticeboard for Invitations from around the Archdiocese**

**Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass:** Couples celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary together with family & friends, are invited to the annual Mass with Archbishop Mark Coleridge. As the Archdiocesan Assembly for the Plenary Council has been convened for the date we had previously advertised for this special occasion, the Mass will now be celebrated on **Saturday 28 September, @ 10.00am.** For catering purposes please RSVP to [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au) or telephone 3324 3030 by Friday 20 September. The Cathedral car park will be available.

**St Thomas' School, Camp Hill** is celebrating its 90th Anniversary on Fri 6th & Sun 8th September

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Those who have died:** Patricia Summers, Nick Kisaloff, Brian O'Mara

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** William Cummings, Norma Spearritt, Molly Belfield, Vera Hobson, Bertha Ann Kelly, Dan Cummins, Maude Loth, Alan Simmins, Jack Macartney, Thomas O'Brien, Anna Viola, Aline de Baritault, Lillian Rose Funk, Leslie Mclachlan, Alice Harvison, Mariah egan, Jennifer Johnstone, Kevin Sorohan, Johannes 'John' Van Hoof, Roy Bevan, Mary Hanson, Bernard Burke, Thomas White, Edward Lynch, Anthony Aliprandi, Ursula Knuth, Blanche Kay, Kath Lourigan, Peter Lee, Vi Christensen, Robert Cussons, Harold Littleton, Michael Bray, Bessie Wiltshire

**Please pray for those who are sick, especially:** Michael O'Grady, Barbara Pashen, Joseph Peko, Vickie Routledge, Ian Thompson, Kevin Kelly, Edna Bultitude, Vilma Ghouse, Callum Poynter, Sue Power, Rebecca Power, Rex Bowen, Catherine Nystrom, Kevin Hargrave, Joyce Byrne, Rory Bakker, Simon Hinton, Ray Parker, June Richards, Brad Richards, Barrie Martin, Irene Hughes, Marcos Mendoza, Gwen Green, Esme Jensen, Margaret Drummond, Michael Harkin, David Richardson, Kaitlin Bakker, Karen Johnson, Warren Williams, Vivian Kennedy, Danny Costello, Benny Santanaraj, Jose Rochil Contreras, Lexie Harding, Violet Adamson, Max Drummond, Lori Hodder, John Drew, Alan Camp, Ramona Cruz, Ursula Williamson, Kieran McKenna, Trevor Parker, Fabio Viola, Sesinando de Leon Jnr, Sandra Murphy, Sylvia Privitera, Johnny Summers, Hamish Stuhmeke, Bonnie Dematillar

*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.*

7th & 8th Sep	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 6pm
<b>Mass Co-ordinators</b>	Joyce Lyster	Jo Cullen	Kate Guy
<b>AV Operators</b>	Olivia Brown	Michael Denton/Arthur Leow	Kate Guy
<b>Readers</b>	C. Joseph Varkey 1. Joyce Lyster 2. Monika Svarc (Jnr)	C. Jo Cullen 1. Kathryn Seymour 2. Bev de Paola	C. Vickie Routledge 1. Helen Graczyk 2. Charisse Mone
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Deacon Mike Jones Monika Svarc (Snr) Mel McKay	Jim Nathan Del Reynolds Anne Scanlon Shane Seymour	Diane McKeone Lydia Chew Donald Fernando
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Talia	Agnes, Angela	Eza
<b>Musicians</b>	Geoff & Robyn	Carmel	Liz

**Church Cleaning:** Group 2 Lyndal Bray-Claridge, Kate Guy, Efren & Grace Tuazon

**Children's Liturgy:** Annabel **This week:** Sacristan: Celine Phillips **Counting:** Carl's Team

**Cuppa:** none this weekend due to Parish Dinner Party

**Are you new to our Parish? WELCOME!!** 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.

**Other Parish Contacts:**  
**Care & Concern:** Transport: 0412 267 337  
 Co-ordinator Lynn White 0403 051103  
**Family Group Facebook:** St Peters Rochedale Family Groups  
**Memorial Wall & Gardens:** Mal Jensen 0411641312  
**St Vincent de Paul:** New members: John Blake 0411 196 775

**Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults**  
**Representative:** Malcolm Carroll 0410 193 569 or sgrep.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au  
**Social Justice Group Facebook:**  
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**Rosary Group:** Fridays 9:00am (1st Fridays 8.30am)

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