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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."*

## The Ascension of the Lord (Year C)

**2nd June 2019**

Readings: Acts 1:1-11 Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 Luke 24:46-53

## That Wonder Thing-Water

World Environment Day (WED) is celebrated each year on **5 June**. It is the United Nation's principal vehicle for encouraging worldwide awareness and action for the protection of the natural environment.

Given the headlining of water-related issues over the past few months, with the floods in north and north-western Queensland, the prolonged drought in many other areas of our country and the calamity of the Murray Darling River system, our focus for 2019 is "That Wonder Thing-Water". -

Water is life. Water is essential for life on earth, not just human life but all life. Water is needed for domestic purposes- for drinking, cleansing, washing, cooking and pleasure. However, other demands place huge and often competing pressures for finite freshwater supplies. Water is essential for the effective operation of agricultural, industrial, mining, energy and environmental sectors.

In the biblical context, water is referenced often to symbolise God's love and commitment to His creation. Water represents provision, promise and faith, cleansing, renewal and salvation. We see Jesus' humanity in his self-immersion into the waters of baptism. We also see his divinity as he shows that he too can preside over water. Jesus quelled a chaotic storm (Mark 4:35-41), walked on water (Matthew 14:22-33), and turned water into wine (John 2:1-11) Taking the water (a reminder of God's covenant with Noah) and turning it into wine (a symbol of the blood of the new covenant), Jesus said, "If you are thirsty come to me and drink! Have faith in me, and you will have life-giving water flowing from deep inside you, just as the Scriptures say." (John 7:37-39).

For Indigenous Australians, water is a vital and intricate part of the landscape that holds immeasurable social, cultural and economic importance. Freshwater reserves in rivers, creeks, lakes, springs and soaks, wetlands, (and the animals and plants of these areas) feature in the Dreamtime stories and songlines as sacred, life-giving places. Water is crucial to cultural vitality and resilience and protecting water is a custodial and intergenerational responsibility.

Both in Australia and globally, freshwater supplies from rivers, lakes and groundwater are shrinking due to use, misuse and overuse. In the western world, we are accustomed to having access to clean drinking water at the turn of a tap. Yet more than one billion people lack immediate access to clean, safe water and two million people die each year due to diseases carried by contaminated water. The quest for clean water consumes the time, energy and resources of many of the world's poorest people. Children and women spend time and energy searching for and carrying water rather than going to school and participating in community.

So ensure that each day we acknowledge the blessing of water. Use water conservatively. Become a Water-Watcher and don't waste a drop. Support Caritas' WASH program with its emphasis on improving access to clean water and adequate sanitation in developing countries. Find out more about water security for all, at-

<https://www.caritas.org.au/learn/global-poverty-issues/water-and-sanitation>

*Social Justice Group*

**Readings for next weekend: Pentecost Sunday (Year C)**

Acts 2:1-11

Romans 8:8-18

John 14:15-16, 23-26



<b>IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:</b>		
<b>MON 3rd June</b>	<b>Saint Charles Lwanga &amp; Companions</b> 8.00am 7.00pm Parish Pastoral council meeting	
<b>TUE 4th June</b>	8.00am Mass with children 5.00pm Mystagogia (RCIA)	
<b>WED 5th June</b>	<b>Saint Boniface</b> 6.30am Mass	
<b>THU 6th June</b>	No Mass 7.30pm Care & Concern meeting	
<b>FRI 7th June</b>	8.30am Rosary 9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00—9.20am Reconciliation available 9.30am Healing Mass	
<b>SAT 8th June</b>	5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday 7.00pm Training session for Readers	
<b>SUN 9th June</b>	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b> 9.00am Mass 10.00am St Vinnies Winter Appeal 6.00pm Mass	

#### **Training Session for Ministers of the Word**

**(Readers):** This Saturday 8th June 7pm—straight after 6pm Mass. A great refresher. If you have never attended a training session this is essential.

**Mystagogia:** Our newly baptised adults are at the end of their supported journey of faith and are in the period of Mystagogia, a time for them to reflect on what it really means to be Catholic and the importance of the Eucharist in their lives. You, the community, now have a big role in making them feel part of our worshipping community, to befriend them and make them welcome. Please continue to pray for them

**Transport:** Looking for people who would be willing to bring an elderly gentleman from Arcare Springwood to the Sunday 9am Mass once a month. If you can help, please contact Mary Naughton on 0413 224 339.

**Earn and Learn:** Support St Peter's Primary school by collecting Woolworth's Earn and Learn stickers! Please leave them in the bucket at the Church entrance

**Family School Mass:** Pentecost Sunday 9am, June 9. Please join together as a community to celebrate this important day in the church year. Stay on afterwards for the St Vinnies Winter Wonderland fun day.

**Altar Server's News:** Last weekend, six of our altar servers (Angelina, Talia, Finn & Leo, Chevonne & Eza) were presented with a Recognition of Service Certificate for serving over 30 Masses in our Parish. Congratulations to our wonderful altar servers. Is your child interesting in becoming an altar server? Please contact the Parish office or call Monika on 0431 053 602.

**Movie Marathon Trivia Night:** Friday June 21, 6.30pm at the HALL. The St Peter's Trivia Night is here! Come along dressed in a movie theme and gather with friends and family to win the title of '2019 Trivia Champions'. Drinks and snacks available for purchase, entry/registration is \$10 and can be made via Qkr! or through the school office. Please note that this is an adults only event, and no BYO drinks.

**Entertainment Books:** Still only \$70. You can enjoy \$1000's worth of discounts while supporting fundraising for St Peter's Catholic Parish. Contact Julie.

#### **St Vinnies' Winter Wonderland Appeal Fun**

**morning:** Come along and enjoy a day of fun, food and friends! next **Sunday 9th June 10am to 2pm** on the lawn beside the church for a fun morning to raise some money to help St Vinnies help those less fortunate in our local area. Will include cakes, music, hot drinks, BBQ, showbags and more. Prizes for the most fabulous scarf. Raffle tickets will be sold at all Masses this weekend to be drawn next Sunday. Tickets \$2 each of 3 for \$5.

We need **donations** of **blankets** to give directly to those in need. These can be new or good quality, clean, 2nd hand blankets. Also we are having some stalls that we would like some donations to stock. If you have any **cd's, vinyl records or dvd's** that you would like to donate, bring them along early next Sunday. We also need **donations of baked goods** for the Bake Stall so if you can make biscuits, slices, cakes etc we would love your donations. Please list the ingredients and also indicate a price. Thank you



**First Friday:** Please join us this Friday 7th June for our usual First Friday celebrations beginning with Rosary at 8.30am followed by Adoration at 9am and Healing Mass at 9.30am. Please join us for morning tea after Mass.

**The Catholic Leader :** A mix-up in transitioning to a new delivery system caused our parish to miss out on our delivery last weekend. The staff apologize to all loyal St Peter's readers for this mistake.

**Safeguarding Children Vulnerable Adults Training:** Next sessions June 20, 10am at Sunnybank Paloma Centre and June 25, 6pm at St Agnes, Holland Park. Registration required, contact the parish office for more details. Before attending, complete the video at: [www.safeguardingaob.com.au/safeguarding-training](http://www.safeguardingaob.com.au/safeguarding-training)

**Safeguarding Rep:** Our Parish Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representative is **Malcolm Carroll**. Contact Malcolm on **0410 193 569** or [sgrep.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sgrep.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.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.

**Corpus Christi: Procession:** Sunday June 23, 2pm at the Cathedral of St Stephen. Proceedings will be led by Bishop Brian Finnigan. For bus timetables, livestream information and more details, go to [www.corpuschristibrisbane.com](http://www.corpuschristibrisbane.com)

**Eucharistic Miracle Exhibition:** Saturday June 22, 11am-5.30pm and Sunday June 23, 9am-5pm. A photographic display of over 150 Eucharistic miracles will be set up at the Francis Rush Centre next to the Cathedral on the Corpus Christi weekend.

**Flower Girls for Corpus Christi:** If there are any girls (age 10-18) who would like to take part in the procession as a flower girl, please contact Kylie on 0413 218 673 before June 6 and for more details.

**St Dymphna's Day Celebration:** Saturday June 8, 10am at St Patrick's Church in the Valley. The day includes a Healing Mass with the Anointing of the Sick celebrated by Archbishop Coleridge followed by a free BBQ, raffles, lucky wheel and cake stall. This is the annual donation day for Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care. Call 3252 5461 or the parish office for details.

**Awaken Pentecost Retreat:** Sunday June 9th, 10.30am at the Greek Orthodox Memorial Hall. Come and be transformed and renewed in the Holy Spirit and come together for Holy Mass, praise & worship, quiet prayers, talks and miraculous healing. Led by Stephanie Le and Fr Lam with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. RSVP required. Contact the parish office for more details.

**menALIVE MAX 19 "Into the Breach":** June 12 -14 at the Women's College, UQ. An annual gathering of men from across Australia and New Zealand who seek to be encouraged by one another in their faith journey. \$275 per person, including 2 nights accommodation, 6 meals and a great event. For more details, email [mail@menalive.org.au](mailto:mail@menalive.org.au) or go to the menALIVE website.

**Who Celebrates The Liturgy?** June 26th, 7pm. A public lecture by Professor Tom O'Loughlin that explores the meaning of the Vatican II liturgical principle, the role of the priest in the liturgy and how we should celebrate Sunday Mass. For full details, go to <https://liturgybrisbaneworkshops.weebly.com/tom-oloughlin.html>

**Orientation to Mental Health Pastoral Care:** Thursday August 18, 9am, at the Chermside Kedron Community Church. A workshop for people who assist or advocate for others and who are interested in learning more about mental health and pastoral care. Keynote speaker is Dave Andrews.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Those who have died:** Roy Brophy, Justin Scott, Lyle McLachlan

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Br Brian Hanlan, James Phelan, Ray Moore, Elise Flanagan, John Kennedy, Lorna Campbell, Kathleen Lamberth, Liam Lavin, Greta McLaren, Mervyn Ballment, Margaret Lowe, William Holmes, Patrick Holden, Shirley Brady, Giovanna Dileo, Peter Foley, Rodney Van Rooyen, Francis Moffatt, James Burns, Mary Carter, Robina Carter, John Leadbetter

**Please pray for those who are sick, especially:** Kevin Kelly, Edna Bultitude, Vilma Ghouse, Callum Poynter, Sue Power, Rebecca Power, Rex Bowen, Terry Naughton, 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, Vickie Routledge, Kaitlin Bakker, Warren Williams, Vivian Kennedy, Danny Costello, Benny Santanaraj, Jose Rochil Contreras, Lexie Harding, Violet Adamson, Max Drummond, Karen Johnston, Lori Hodder, Apolonio Aguas, John Drew, Alan Camp, Ramona Cruz, Ursula Williamson, Kieran McKenna, Trevor Parker, Fabio Viola, Sesinando de Leon Jnr, Sandra Murphy, Sylvia Privitera, Andrew Briskey, Elmore Kotzur, Monica Ah Koy, 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.*

8th & 9th June	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 6pm
<b>Mass Co-ordinators</b>	Carl de Mello	Effren Tazon	Malcolm Carroll
<b>AV Operators</b>	Mike Collier	Mike Denton	John Donohue
<b>Readers</b>	C. Neil Ballment 1. Joyce Lyster 2. Monika Svarc (Jnr)	C. Jo Cullen 1. Kieran Lenihan 2. Shane Sweeney	C. John Blake 1. Fiorenzo Matarazzo 2. Lynn White
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Diane Land Monika Svarc (Snr) Danny Vaihu	Del Reynolds Julie Hondroudakis Marilyn Mills Stephanie Lenihan	Gwen Martin Diane McKeone Anne Scanlan
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Angelina	Finn, Leo	Eza
<b>Musicians</b>	Rita	Anne/Roger	Liz

**Church Cleaning:** Group 4 Basil's cleaners

**Children's Liturgy:** None      **This week: Sacristan:** Celine Phillips      **Counting:** Bob's Team

**Cuppa:** None.      *Please join us at the St Vinnies Winter Wonderland Appeal.*



**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](mailto:sgrep.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au)  
**Social Justice Group Facebook:** St Peter's Rochedale Social Justice Group  
**Rosary Group:** Fridays 9:00am (1st Fridays 8.30am)

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