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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."

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th September 2020

Readings: Sirach 27:30 – 28:7 Romans 14:7-9 Matthew 18:21 - 35

Sharing our parish centre with the wider community

Next to our church stands our parish centre. Actually, the parish centre used to be a part of our church. At some point in the history of our parish, the parish leaders of the time decided to divide the church to use part of it to meet the additional needs of parish. As a result, the parish centre was created, and we could agree that it has been a worthwhile idea. While our parish centre is not very big and modern, it plays a very important role in our parish life. The parish centre provides a space for our spiritual events, such as Lenten programs and Sacramental program workshops. Even more, we hold some social activities in it, such as, Christmas lunch and lay ministers' thanksgiving night. In this way, we hope to improve the fellowship among the parishioners and offer them more opportunities to develop their sense of belonging to one another as brothers and sisters in the Lord. It is great for us to have such a beautiful parish centre. Let us thank God for it.

Usually, we try to keep the usage of the parish centre only to the parish-based events and activities. Though our parish life is quite busy, the parish centre is not always occupied. For lengths of time, it just stands there, being empty. Sometimes, I think we might need to consider putting it into a better use, sharing it with the wider community in our local area. As we all know, sharing is a good virtue.

Recently, we have received several requests to use our parish centre for different purposes. These requests have offered us an opportunity to think and discuss more about sharing our parish centre with the wider community. We contacted the Archdiocese, finding out the relevant guidelines and policies; we also phoned the Catholic Church Insurance, getting more ideas, suggestions and opinions about the insurance-and-agreement-related concerns. All has been going well. We are supported by both the Archdiocese and the Catholic Church Insurance.

Blessedly, a parent of our parish school would like to use the parish centre, to conduct her Yoga practice sessions. It will be a good start. The parent plans to hold her lessons once a week on Thursday evening. She had previously used the school hall for her Yoga lessons. The school leaders were very happy with their co-operations. I am very confident that both she and the parish will be very happy to share the parish centre. It will be a win-win situation. We wish her success in her business.

Dear friends, we would like you to know that you and your loved ones are welcome to share the parish centre with us. Scheduled use of the parish centre will involve a very reasonable amount of rental. In addition, an agreement will need to be signed before the usage. Of course, the activities you plan to have in the parish centre must be positive, legal, and in line with our Catholic values. By doing this, we hope that there will be more people who become more familiar with our parish, beginning with coming to the church building. It may also help us relieve a bit of the financial stress caused by COVID-19. If you are interested, please contact our parish office for more information.

Fr Baiyi

Readings for next weekend: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 55:6-9 Philippians 1:20-24, 27 Matthew 20: 1-16

September	In our parish this week
Mon 14th	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 8.00am Mass (max 100 people)
Tues 15th	Our Lady of Sorrows 8.00am Mass with children (max 100 people)
Wed 16th	Saints Cornelius & Cyprian 6.30am Mass (max 100 people)
Thurs 17th	No Mass
Fri 18th	9.00am Rosary & private prayer (max 100 people) 9.30am Mass (max 100 people) 12.15pm Year 4 Mass (reserved for Year 4 students, staff and families – max 100 people - Booking required)
Sat 19th	5.00pm Reconciliation (or by appointment) Vigil Mass for Sunday: 6.00pm Mass (max 100 people)
Sun 20th	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass (max 100 people) 6.00pm Mass (max 100 people)

Visit St Peter's Parish Website

www.stpetersrochedale.org.au and click on 'Stay Connected' to find the latest updates and links.

Care & Concern: If you or anyone you know who is isolating would like to chat, please contact Lynn on 0403 051 103.

Watch Mass online from the Cathedral of St Stephen 8am Monday to Friday and 8am and 10am Sunday at www.archbne.org/bzw.

The Catholic Leader You can sign up to receive your free weekly digital newspaper here.

Holy Land (Good Friday)

Collection this weekend. Please give generously to support the Christians of the Holy Land. Please also keep them in your prayers.



13th Sept is National Child Protection Sunday: The Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy of the Brisbane Archdiocese states:

Children 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 safeguarded from harm by all.

Youth Update:

Young Adults: Alpha will be starting on 28th September at 6:30pm and will be running weekly on Monday nights until 7th December. For more information, contact Olivia.

With the restrictions currently in place I ask that if you/your child are planning on attending one of these events that you please **RSVP** to Olivia, whether that be via email, Instagram or phone.

Email: youth.stpetroc@bne.catholic.net.au

Instagram: @rochedaleyouth

Booking in to attend weekend Masses: If you would like to attend Mass at **6pm Saturday, 9am Sunday or 6pm Sunday** please go to the Try Booking site <https://www.trybooking.com/BJZHS>. Tickets are free. Please select tickets for each family member attending, including babies. Bookings are open now for weekend Masses up to December. **Bookings close at 11am each Friday before the relevant weekend Mass.** If you do not have access to a computer or have any difficulty with booking, please phone the Parish Office.

Weekday Masses: **Monday & Tuesday at 8am, Wednesday at 6.30am & Friday at 9.30am.** We are not requiring pre-booking for weekday Masses - except for school year level Masses.

On Arrival at the Church for Mass: Please present yourself to the Marshall at the main church doors who will note your attendance.

No Masses 21st to 25th September: Please note that there will be no weekday Masses from Monday 21st to Friday 25th September while Fr Baiyi is on retreat. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Laudato Si - Attend to Creation & Discover God in All Things!

In this **Season of Creation**, we continue to draw on the wisdom found in **Laudato Si**.

Read and Reflect

Pope Francis writes '*The universe unfolds in God, who fills it completely. Hence, there is a mystical meaning to be found in a leaf, in a mountain trail, in a dewdrop, in a poor person's face. The ideal is not only to pass from the exterior to the interior to discover the action of God in the soul, but also to discover God in all things.*'¹

Pope Francis's words invite us to prayerful reflection on discovering God in all things. After reading the words slowly and mindfully, take time to let them rest in the silence of your heart. What are they inviting you to consider? Where and when do you encounter or discover a glimpse of God in your everyday living and being?

Act and Pray

Taking a walk or sitting outside can bring our busy or restless selves to a place of presence and silence.

Spend time in silence and listen to how nature continues to sing to God.

Stop and pay attention to one thing: a flower, a tree, a leaf, a bird, a cloud, a sound, a scent or smell, the movement of the breeze.

Breathe and Be! Contemplate the miracles that are all around you. Remind yourself that it is a gift to be alive!

Attend to the gift of Creation and offer prayers of praise and gratitude.

Praise be to you O God of Creation!

1. Pope Francis, [#233](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html)

Faith Enrichment Group

Laudato Si': A very generous parishioner is willing to donate a copy of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si': On Care For Our Common Home* to any parishioner who would love to read it. Please contact Jo or Julie to indicate your interest in a free copy.



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A special link has been created for our parish with campaign information and, if you choose to donate online here, your donation will be associated with you being our parishioner:
<https://bit.ly/2CWre8d>

St Peter's Planned Giving: Since March when COVID-19 forced us into lockdown, our income from collections at Mass and Planned Giving is down by over 30%. We would be very grateful, if you are able, to please continue to support the Parish financially.

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.

Credit Card or Direct Debit: Please contact the Parish Office to set these up.

'Parish Giving' App You will need to create an account the first time you log in and select your favourite parish, St Peter's Catholic Parish Rochedale! The logo to look for is a yellow and white cross forming a circle on a purple background. See our parish website for detailed 'User Guides'.



Roster: 19 th & 20 th Sept	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Mark Connolly	Francis Yoo	Helen Graczyk
AV Operator	Olivia Brown	Arthur Leow	John Donohue
Readers	C. Joyce Lyster 1. Shane Sweeney 2. David Crowley	C. Lydia Chew 1. Julie Hondroudakis 2. Alan Vigor	C. Raylee Burns 1. Pauline Angus 2. Malcolm Carroll
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Rob Meulman Trish Meulman	Stephanie Lenihan Anne Scanlon	Deacon Mike Jones Mel McKay
Musicians	Elizabeth Fort	Geoff & Robyn Madden	Tim Hondroudakis
Cleaning Group: 3	Basil and Julie Britto		
This week – 13th to 19th September:		Sacristan: Mel McKay	Counting: Mike's Group

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have died: Max Drummond, Tim Mulherin, Tadashi Tashiro, Flavia Maria Pedroso, Bubba Bahityah, Colleen Craike

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Mercia Rance, Barry James Elmes, Frank Neilsen, John Potts, Terry Gallagher, Julia Jordan, John Brownlee, George Jonas, Stephen O'Brien, Rodrigo Jebamalai, Harry McKenna, Frist Jansen, Walter Donohue, Kathleen Pettiford, Ben Steffens, Kenneth Breuer, Christine Weverink, Gwendoline Gough, John Probert, Sylvia Rappensberg, Charles Murray, Kathleen Davis, Valmai Waterson, Jack Fox, Les Dwyer, Audrey Hussey

Please pray for those who are sick, especially: Colin Blackley, John Bevan, Mary Naughton, Catherine Brown, Gillian van Rooyen, Merlene Muldoon, Ann Swinnerton, Stan Gainfort, Anne Marie Kelleher, Stephen Land, Melissa Vink, Sayuri Kobayashi Cantwell, Paolo, Olga & Diego Tagini, Maureen Sheils

Please contact the Parish Office via phone or email to add names to the list for Prayers for those who have died or who are sick. Please ensure you have the permission of the person who is sick to make their name public prior to contacting the Office.

Are you new to our Parish? WELCOME!! We'd like to formally greet you, so please contact the Parish Office on 3341 4421 or stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au

Other Parish Contacts:

Care & Concern:

Co-ordinator: Lynn White 0403 051103

Family Group Facebook:

St Peters Rochedale Family Groups

Memorial Wall & Gardens: Mal Jensen 0411641312

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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New members: John Blake 0411 196 775

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