

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH



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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."

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

15th October 2023

Readings: Isaiah 25:6-10 Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 Matthew 22:1-14

Memories of St Peter's

As a young family that arrived 36 years ago St Peter's Parish has not only become a spiritual and prayerful place but also another branch of our family. The church itself has a homestead quality that creates a welcoming and inclusive feeling. People feel relaxed and comfortable in the humble surroundings. The parishioners' can be seen chatting and smiling in the churches surrounds. We have always had fun and built many enduring relationships of all ages.

Mark and I arrived in the Parish in March 1987 and quickly embraced all the opportunities the Parish offered. We joined the vibrant family group as we were new to Queensland and made lasting friendships. We also joined the Parish Babysitting Group which helped immensely as we had no family to rely on.

We both have been involved at one time and another in the various Ministries available in the Parish.

- RCIA
- Church Cleaning
- Parish Pastoral Council
- Covid Marshall
- Children's Liturgy
- Finance Committee
- Mass Co-ordinator
- Memorial Wall and Gardens Co-ordinator

We've seen 5 Parish Priests come and go in the past four decades. Each bringing their own unique talents and qualities. Through their legacies they have improved and contributed to the Parish's spiritual and physical growth. Making it the productive parish that it is.

Mention must be made of the Parish Associates/ Co Ordinator of Lay Ministries. These 6 women fostered and advanced our Parish into the inclusive and caring community we have today.

The work of the numerous ministries within the parish have become the backbone which holds together our vibrant Parish. After all the parishioners are body of the church. Many things have changed in our time here. Buildings such as the Demountable, Convent and old Priest's Presbytery have long gone. The tennis courts became the carpark.

The new Presbytery and Parish Office look like they were always there. The numerous volunteers who supplied their time, effort, energy and sometimes financial resources will not be forgotten and cannot be thanked enough. We the parishioners' have benefitted from the fruits of their labour.

What has always been important is family and friends and giving back to your community thus finding the meaning in life. St Peter's Parish exemplifies this culture to follow in the footsteps of Christ.

God Bless, *Gabrielle and Mark Connolly*

In our parish this week: October 2023

Monday 16	Tuesday 17	Wednesday 18	Thursday 19	Friday 20	Saturday 21	Sunday 22
8.00am Mass	8.00am Mass with children	6.30pm Adoration 7.00pm Mass	No Mass <i>Parish Office closed</i>	9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass with Grade 3 School children	9.30am Logan Deanery RCIA Formation with Evangelisation Brisbane 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass 4.30pm RCIA 6.00pm Mass

Memories of St Peter's: In the lead up to our 50th Anniversary next year, we would love parishioners to jot down their significant memories of parish life and send them in to the Parish Office. Some may be used in the newsletter as Gabrielle and Mark's has this week. Others will be useful in compiling our 50th anniversary book. Please send your memoirs to the Parish Office by email if possible at stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au Many thanks.

Position Vacant: Co-ordinator of Lay Ministries:

We are looking for someone to take over the role of recruiting volunteers and coordinating our parish ministry groups. For more information or to apply for the role of Lay Ministry Coordinator, which is a paid position for 10 hours per week, please contact the Parish Office.

Date Claimer: All Souls Memorial Mass 7pm on Thursday 2nd November including a **special blessing at the Columbarium**. Please come along to remember all those who have gone before us, especially those who have died during the past 12 months.

Readings for next weekend:

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Matthew 22:15-214

RCIA: Sharing Our Faith – Saturday 21 October 9.30-11.30 am

St Peter's parish has shared our Catholic faith and welcomed those who are seeking to enrich their faith lives for as long as we have been a parish. In November we will welcome Jessie Yuan and Ken Chen to share their faith lives in our community. Jessie and Ken have undertaken their journey of faith with us. They have come to belong to our church family.

How might you share our faith with others as part of our church and parish mission?

The Logan Deanery RCIA Formation morning will be held at St Peters in the Parish Centre on Saturday 21st October 9.30am to 11.30am. The facilitators will be Evangelization Brisbane. Please consider coming to hear how we can enrich the faith lives those seeking, as we have, to 'belong to the household of Christ'. Please phone the Parish Office to register your interest.

Catholic Mission Appeal next weekend 21st & 22nd October



Hearts on Fire
FEET ON THE MOVE

catholic MISSION Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/timor

With Timor-Leste's fragile infrastructure, reliance on local health practices, and limited access to medical care, many health conditions only worsen, and sadly can result in death.

Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where your gift can help continue a life-saving program to help address this reality.

We hope you will take next week's opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.

Those who have died: Cyril Michael D'Silva (*Shane's father*), Isabelle Mosteart (*Eliane Besson's daughter*), John Cussans (*Dawn Evans' brother*), Joan Routledge, Bill Meulman (*Rob's brother*)

Book of Life & Mass Requests:

Ena Gallagher, Eileen Gray, Joyce Thompson, James Denton, Joan Rauchle, Paul Snow, Mollie Yourell, Nicole Phillips, Sandra McCulkin, Peg Bradley, Richard Schlegel, Agatino Mailli, Josephine White, Richard Caligari, Rod Ferguson, Michael Galea

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Doris Choy, Joy de Souza, Lee Mazzaglia, Sandra MacDonald, Don Tallon, Dan O'Gorman, Don O'Donoghue, Phillip Van Rooyen, Kevin Collier, Leigh O'Shea, Ray Parker, Kerriane Meulman, Dawn Evans, Olga Mariani, Diane Land, Patricia Green, Reg Van Rooyen, Lien Pham(Maria), Rhonda Lawson, Sr Lila Galvin, Steph & Les O'Gorman, Teresa Leong, Mel Singh, Pat McDonnell, Katie Costello, Kathy Jensen.

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.



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FAITH MATTERS: *Parable of the Labourers*

Recently, in Matthew's Gospel, Chapter 20, we had a man giving the same pay to people who only worked one hour as to those who worked through the heat of the whole day.

There tends to be a feeling that the landowner should have given more to the early starters, and that they were unfairly treated, especially since the late starters were even paid first!

There is, of course, a tendency for us to see parity as justice, and therefore to question the man's sense of fairness, and to dismiss the loving care he showed.

What Jesus seems, primarily, to refer to is people coming into the Kingdom of Grace – those who have always been there, working in the Kingdom, and those who have come into God's salvation very late in the piece: they all receive heaven as their reward.

But if we, who have been "toiling through the heat of the day" look at things honestly, is it not true that those who convert late in life are often so much more enthusiastic and committed to their journey than we? And they tend to be so much more grateful for the grace they have belatedly received. They can even cause us to feel a resentful envy of their enthusiasm.

Should we not be rejoicing at their conversion, no matter how bad a life they have lived, or how close to death they have turned to God? Does Heaven not rejoice greatly at the conversion of a sinner, seeing them turn to God and not be lost forever?

There is an implication that the labourers who were last-minute hirings, had been available for work all through the day, but no-one had given them the opportunity to earn their (and their family's) bread and sustenance. Their persistence in waiting, even till the last hour, is commendable, and the joy in receiving a full day's pay after all would have been great. Love and generosity are key.

Faith Enrichment Ministry

Youth Update

New members always welcome!

✉ youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au 📷 @rochedaleyouth

Seeking volunteers or beneficial ideas on growing our youth ministry.

Do you have a passion for promoting the Catholic faith to our young people? Do you have any great ideas for ways to engage our primary school, high school and young adults? Are you a parent or grandparent or a young adult yourself who would like to be involved?

Please contact the Parish Office



St Peter's Planned Giving:

We would be very grateful, if you are able, to support the Parish financially. There are several options.



Via Direct Bank Transfer: To direct transfer your Planned Giving to our bank account, our BSB is 064-786 and Account number is 100000067. Please use your surname and Planned Giving (or PG) as reference.

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

'Parish Giving' App: The logo to look for in the app store is a yellow and white cross forming a circle on a purple background. See our parish website for detailed 'User Guides'.

Tap & Go Donations: No cash at Mass? Try our donation terminal near the main doors: \$10 donation per swipe to support St Peter's Parish.

Roster: 21st & 22nd Oct	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Mark Connolly	Francis Yoo	Helen Graczyk
AV Operator	David Crowley	Mick Denton	Kate Guy
Readers	C. Peta Grandin 1. Cecilia Lai 2. Edmund Lai	C. Caitlyn Marfil 1. Mae Marfil 2. Maria Chamberlain	C. Vickie Routledge 1. Anne Fry 2. David Roati
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Carl de Mello Joseph Varkey Sharon Fong	Anne Scanlon Deseree Quan, Joan D'Netto Del Reynolds Julie Hondroudakis	Vickie Routledge Megan Carroll Ann Maree Collier
Musicians	Elizabeth Fort	Carmel Northey-Cherrett	Elizabeth Fort
Cleaning Group 4: Mary Crowley, Beverly Cramer, Francis Yoo, Chris & Callista Jesuthasan			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass Cuppa after 6pm Sunday Mass 22nd Oct: Kate Guy, Helen Graczyk, Malcolm Carroll			
This week 15th - 21st Oct.		Sacristan: Prashanthi Selvarathnam	Counting: Bob's group



Are you new to our Parish? WELCOME!! 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: Transport: 0450 287 902

♥ Co-ordinator: Lynn White 0403 051 103

♥ Memorial Wall & Gardens:

Mark Connolly 0434 147 835

♥ Evangelisation Task Group Facebook

♥ St Peter's Catholic Parish Evangelisation

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults

Representative: Malcolm Carroll 0410 193 569 or sgrep.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au

STOpline: 1300 304 550

Social Justice Group Facebook

St Peter's Rochedale Social Justice Group

St Vincent de Paul:

New members: John Blake 0411 196 775

Breast Cancer Awareness Brunch: Sunday 29th October 10.30am to 1.00pm in the Simon Peter Centre (St Peter's School hall) Cost:\$40 (includes a free glass of champagne /orange juice on arrival). Join us for a morning of support and fundraising for The Breast Cancer Foundation. Event Highlights: Morning tea, fashion show, raffles. To reserve your spot please text Carmel on 0417 213 702.

St Peter's Coffee Get Together:

Our next friendly morning coffee & chat will be held on **Wednesday** 1st November at 10.00am at the **Flying Pepper Cafe**, 120 Kate Court, Rochedale



Safeguarding Training Date claimers: Safeguarding training must be renewed every 2 years. All ministers are invited to one of our training sessions in November: Saturday 11th Nov 10am or Monday 13th Nov 7pm in the Parish Centre.

Blue Cards de-linked: The Archdiocese has reclassified the requirements for some ministries. Some ministers may receive an email advising their Blue Card has been de-linked from the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Your card has not been cancelled nor have you been dismissed! Contact Julie.



Our Lady's Grotto:

Fr Johny would like to know parishioners' thoughts on relocating the grotto with the statue of Our Lady to the front of the church to make it more visible. Alternatively, ideas welcome on how to renovate the grotto where it is.

Invitations from St Edward the Confessor Parish, Daisy Hill:

Continuous Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday 9.30am to 9.30pm. See the noticeboard for more information.

Flowers to decorate the church: If any individuals or families would like to donate flowers to decorate the church especially for weekend Masses, please contact the Parish Office. If you would like, we can specially remember your family or loved ones in prayer during the Mass.



Around the Archdiocese

Rosary: Aid to the Church in Need invites all parishes, schools and families to take part in our annual "One million children praying the Rosary," on 18 October 2023. Last year 40,000 Australian children participated. Free resources can be found online including reflections for children and a prayer of consecration for children to the Mother of God. To learn more and to register visit www.aidtochurch.org/onemillionchildren.

St Don Bosco's Relic Visit to Brisbane: The Salesians of St Don Bosco are celebrating 100 years since they arrived in Australia to work in the spirit of St Don Bosco. The Relic is touring Australia to give people the opportunity to pray to St Don Bosco in a special way with the relic. Brisbane is its last stop!

Brisbane Program - 13th to 22nd October, 2023

Fri 13th - Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane City - 8am to 6pm

Sat 14th - Stella Maris, Maroochydore - 9am to 6.30pm

Sun 15th - Mary Immaculate, Annerley - 6.30am to 7pm

Mon 16th - Mary Immaculate, Annerley - 8.30am to 11am and 3pm to 8.30pm

Tues 17th - Holy Spirit, Bray Park - 11am to 9pm

Wed 18th - Little Flower, Kedron - 8am to 7pm

Thurs 19th - Guardian Angels, Wynnum - 4pm to 7pm

Fri 20th - Our Lady of Victories, Bowen Hills - 4pm to 9pm

Sat 21st - Our Lady of Victories, Bowen Hills - 6.30am to 10am and 1pm to 3pm

Sun 22nd - Marian Valley Shrine, Canungra - 9am to 6pm

Up to date information at www.stdonboscobrisbane.weebly.com

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