

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH

Rochedale Springwood

Since 1974

955 Rochedale Rd, Rochedale

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time 21st August 2022

Readings: Isaiah 66:18-21 Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13 Luke 13:22-30

The extension of St Peter's Columbarium

About a quarter of a century ago, our parish team made a great and wise decision to create our own columbarium. After considerable discussion and preparation, the construction of the new columbarium, or the Memorial Wall and Garden, was completed in 1997. It is situated on the western side of the church.

Since its establishment, our beautiful Memorial Wall and Garden have provided permanent resting places for many parishioners or their family members. The Columbarium is always maintained in a clean and dignified condition, managed and cared for by a group of wonderful parishioners, currently co-ordinated by Mal Jensen.

The Columbarium provides niches for interred remains, as well as space for plaques to commemorate those who are buried elsewhere. Visitors to the Wall or the Garden can take the time to pray for the repose of the souls of their loved ones.

For so many years, in our parish, the columbarium has kept the tradition of the Catholic Church to provide its members with a sacred site as a final resting place. It is a warm place for many parishioners, a place to be reminded of their loved ones, and a place for them to pray, remember and reflect. Our parish has been blessed with this special place. We thank our parish team in those early days for contributing such a wonderful idea and putting it into practice.

As you might be aware, there is only one Memorial Wall, and the niches are limited. With the passing of the years, many niches have been occupied and the vacant ones are becoming fewer. There are four types of niches in our memorial wall: small single, large single, small double and large double. The large double niche is the most popular one. There was a time when only three double niches remained. As an urgent and quick solution, last year we decided to convert 18 small single ones into six large double ones.

With respect to the Memorial Garden, all places have been occupied, and thus we have not been able to offer places in the garden for some time. Therefore, our parish team has decided to build a second memorial wall and to allocate some land around the wall as the added memorial garden.

In February this year, a council of the Columbarium project was formed. The members include myself, the chairperson of PFC, the co-ordinator of maintenance & works committee and two members of memorial Wall and Garden ministry group. The co-ordinator of lay ministries has been invited to the meetings as well. With the hard work of this council, great progress has been made. The design of the project has been completed, the required quotes have been acquired, and a builder has been confirmed. Most importantly, this project has been approved by the Archbishop. The date of the commencement of the project has been set, and the work will begin on the 19th of September, the first day of the school holidays.

Dear friends, in two weeks time, the members of the Columbarium Project Council will hold information sessions for those who are interested. More details will be available along with the design and construction arrangements that will be made. Please support our parish with this new project. With the construction of the second memorial wall and garden, we believe our parish will become an even better spiritual family for all, the living as well as for those who have died. *Fr Baiyi*



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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."



August		In our parish this week	
Mon	22nd	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8.00am Mass	
Tue	23rd	8.00am Mass with children	
Wed	24th	Saint Bartholomew 6.30am Mass 4.00pm Confirmation Practice	
Thu	25th	No Mass	
Fri	26th	9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass 7.00pm Confirmation	
Sat	27th	Saint Monica 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday	
Sun	28th	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass - Childrens Liturgy 6.00pm Mass 7.00pm High School Youth Group	

Share the Dignity: St Peter's Parish is supporting Share the Dignity during August by collecting period products to help those in need. Please place your donations in the labelled box in the church. Thank you.

Pivotal Players: The Word on Fire Pivotal Players series focuses on saints and a few others who have made a great impact on our church and faith as we understand it today. Next episode.....**7pm Wed 14th September**

Those who have died: Colin Dixon, Sr Cecilia Anning, John Butters, Michael Smith, Warren Nicholl

Book of Life & Mass Requests:

Joan Routledge, Sesinando de Leon Jr, Maureen Morrissey, David Kirk, Jan Seeto, Laurie Barriere, Wanda Michell, Margaret Quail, Kim Chok Ho, Ray McGregor, Dell Leary, Rose Ahern, Kim Tian Cho, Susan Maree Foley, Daniel Michael Sullivan, Margaret Fitzsimon, Catharina Van Hoof, Gloria Simpson, Lena Quinn, Lynlie Warbrooke, Fay O'Brien, James Bonwick, Shirley Colhoun, Celestine Ellison, Betty Tanner, Eva Powis, Jean Bonwick, Shirley Nesbitt, Annie Heckelman.

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Hariet Ling, Erika Meerwald, Steph and Les O'Gorman, Mick Denton, Helen Viola, Milja Atanatovic, Kaye and Len Torrens, Rhonda Lawson, Liz Hill, Margaret Woltmann, Bev de Paola, Sr Lila Galvin, Margaret Linnett, Meryl Elliott Mitchell, Robert Fuchs, Teresa Leong, Des Baptist, Karen Johnson, Mel Singh, Lee Gregory, Gillian Van Rooyen, Phil Van Rooyen, 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.



Readings for next weekend:
Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C
Sirach 3:17-20,28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24 Luke 14:1,7-14

Confirmation - Friday 26th August
The Dean of Logan Deanery, the Very Rev Fr John Conway will confirm 32 children here at St Peter's on Friday 26th August. Congratulations to all those who have received the sacrament of Confirmation. Let us remember to pray that their faith may be enriched by their reception of this sacrament.

Children's Liturgy of the Word during 9am Mass on Sundays during school terms.
The Catholic Leader - August issue available this weekend. \$4

Are you seeking some spiritual direction or spiritual accompaniment?

There is a list of directors on offer in the Archdiocese and these can be accessed easily via the web-site.
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/spiritual-direction/>

Safeguarding Children & Adults-at-risk: The Archdiocese has prepared two short safeguarding surveys to help gather feedback from children and the Church community. The surveys are completely anonymous and the parish will not be identified. The surveys can be completed on a computer, laptop, tablet or mobile phone.

Online Child Safeguarding Survey (5 – 12 years) Parents and Guardians may wish to assist children in completing the survey and explore their responses if needed.



Online Parish Safeguarding Survey (Adults) This survey is seeking information from parish workers and parish congregations/communities, and should take less than 1 minute to complete.



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Faith Matters: ST BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX

St. Bernard of Clairvaux, was born 1090, near Dijon, Burgundy in France and died August 20, 1153, at Clairvaux, Champagne. He was canonized January 18, 1174. He was a Cistercian monk and mystic, founder and abbot of the abbey of Clairvaux and one of the most influential churchmen of his time. In 1115, he was appointed to lead a small group of monks to establish a monastery at Clairvaux, on the borders of Burgundy and Champagne. Four brothers, under the leadership of Bernard endured extreme deprivations for well over a decade before Clairvaux was self-sufficient. Meanwhile, as Bernard's health worsened, his spirituality deepened.

His first writings were characterized by repetition of references to the Church Fathers and are imbued with resonance and poetic genius. He produced a small but complete treatise on Mariology (study of doctrines and dogmas concerning the Virgin Mary), "Praises of the Virgin Mother." Bernard was to become a major champion of a moderate cult of the Virgin. A famous painting shows Bernard in mysticism drinking of the milk of Mary. His more than 300 letters and sermons manifest his quest to combine a mystical life of absorption in God with his friendship for those in misery.

As the confidant of five popes, he considered it his role to assist in healing the church of wounds inflicted by the antipopes to oppose the rationalistic influence of the greatest and most popular dialectician of the age, Peter Abelard, and to cultivate the friendship of the greatest churchmen of the time. He believed one seeks God by learning to live in a school of charity and not through "scandalous curiosity," he held. "Possession of love is the first condition of the knowledge of God." He exhorted Pope Eugenius to stress his role as spiritual leader of the church over his role as leader of a great temporal power, and he was a major figure in church councils. His greatest literary endeavour was "Sermons on the Canticle of Canticles," It revealed his teaching, often described as "sweet as honey." It was a love song supreme: "The Father is never fully known if He is not loved perfectly." Add to this one of Bernard's favourite prayers, "Whence arises the love of God? From God. And what is the measure of this love? To love without measure." St. Bernard was declared a doctor of the church in 1830. *Faith Enrichment Ministry*

Youth Update

New members always welcome!

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Young Adults: The next youth group will be on Friday the 12th of August at 6pm - venue TBA.

The next High School Youth Group will be on Sunday the 14th of August at 7pm! Dinner will be provided!

Anyone interested in attending **Ignite Conference 2022** please let Chloe know (email, Instagram or friendly conversation after Mass!). "Ignite Conference is a 4 day event filled with explosive rallies, powerful sacraments, inspiring workshops and lots of fun and will be held at St Laurence's College, Brisbane.



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: \$5 donation per swipe to support St Peter's Parish.

Roster: 27th & 28th Aug	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Carl de Mello	Francis Yoo	Kate Guy
AV Operator	Leslie Edison	Jonny Vigor	Ryan Lin
Readers	C. David Crowley 1. Joyce Lyster 2. Sharon Fong	C. Del Reynolds 1. Lauren Cocks 2. Jada Nathan	C. Cesarina Gigante 1. Anne Fry 2. Helen Graczyk
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Carl de Mello Jo Cullen Honora Wong	Anne Scanlon Jim Nathan Joan D'Netto	Vickie Routledge Megan Carroll Diane McKeone
Musicians	Rita Bishop	Tim Hondroudakis	Elizabeth Fort
Cleaning Group 6: Julie and Basil Britto			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass : Cuppa after Sunday 9am Mass: Peter Hondroudakas & Stephanie Lenihan.			
This week 22nd - 28th August		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: 0412 267 337

♥ Co-ordinator: Lynn White 0403 051 103

♥ Memorial Wall & Gardens:

Mal Jensen 0411 641 312

♥ 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

Social Justice Group Facebook

St Peter's Rochdale Social Justice Group

St Vincent de Paul:

New members: John Blake 0411 196 775

THE PRIESTS FOUNDATION

Your gift ensures our elderly priests have the support they need to retire with dignity; knowing they have a community of the faithful invested in their wellbeing.

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The Envelopes for your donations to The ACC will be given out at all Masses this weekend. Please return them asap. The ACC reminds us that we are part of the larger Church. Our parishes work together to support vital ministries and services. Funds raised will support ministries that directly impact this parish, such as: training future priests, caring for elderly priests when they become frail and unwell, helping struggling families access a Catholic education and caring for those suffering physically and emotionally in our local community.

When making your gift, please put your donation inside the envelope provided. If you add your details to the envelope you will receive a tax receipt in the mail. Over the past years, our parish has given generously and together we have made a lasting impact on the lives of so many people in our community. Thank you for your generosity and for making sure our Church is here to help in times of need.

PLENARY COUNCIL: The Second Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia took place from July 3rd to 9th.

Go to www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au to catch up on all the news from the Plenary Council. Full details on all the motions and voting outcomes from across the week can be found on the Motions and Voting page of the Plenary Council website.

Entertainment Memberships:

Support St Peter's Parish Fundraising and get access to \$1000's worth of discount offers and 2 for 1 deals at a huge number of dining, retail, tourism and accommodation businesses. You can purchase a single city (\$69.99) or Multi City subscription (\$119.99) which gives access to 21 cities across Australia and New Zealand. Online Order Page <https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97>

Around the Archdiocese

Can you undertake an Overseas Mission? Our sister churches in Africa, Asia and the Pacific are requesting Australian Catholics to join them to build the skills of those in their community who have had less opportunity than ourselves. Please consider these Mission opportunities abroad. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference provide support. Palms Australia, who have prepared Australian Catholics for global mission since 1961, will ensure accommodation and a living allowance is provided to you during your time away. Enquire online or Ph: 0422 742 567 to find out about a placement to engage your skills.

Call for Catholic Mission Ambassadors: Join us as a Catholic Mission Ambassador. You will be our voice and presence this World Mission Month, October 2022 for our appeal in a Brisbane parish. You will:

- Engage in mission through prayer, advocacy and fundraising.
- Raise awareness of the work of Catholic Mission in 160 countries around the world, including Australia.
- Raise funds for mission projects supporting children, communities and church leaders.

Email us on brisbane.admin@catholicmission.org.au for more information.

Going Deeper - The Podcast: There's so much to know about the Catholic faith that it's easy to get caught up in catechizing ourselves while we forget about what it means to implement the faith in our daily lives. In this new Catholic podcast, join Shane Dwyer (from Evangelisation Brisbane) and a special monthly guest in an organic discussion about Catholicism, theology and life. If you're interested in learning more, experiencing more or just getting some perspective on Catholicism, tune in for a weekly chat! The Going Deeper Podcast can be found on all mainstream podcasting services.

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