

# ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH

Rochedale Springwood

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955 Rochedale Rd, Rochedale

## Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th August 2022

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

### Social Justice Sunday 2022

The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare reports that "Family, domestic and sexual violence is a major health and welfare issue. It occurs across all ages, and all socioeconomic and demographic groups, but predominantly affects women and children." (www.aihw.gov.au) Have we reflected and engaged with this social reality?

The statement explores the roots of violence and abuse and honours the voices of victims. Rosie Batty, the 2015 Australian of the Year eloquently describes the complexity of the issue. An Aboriginal woman implores us not to see victims of violence as numbers but as living human beings, as mothers, grandmothers and aunties.

The Statement offers a social and theological exploration of the reality of violence, especially against women and children and invites us to develop relationships in all parts of our lives," marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control" Are we familiar with drivers and enablers of abuse?

The Australian Bishops have added their voices to global campaigns to control and call out destructive attitudes and behaviours that lead to life-limiting and long-lasting impacts on many vulnerable members of our families, churches and society. The Bishops invite us to investigate the scope, drivers, and enablers of abuse. Inequality between men and women is central to the problem. There are no equal social structures between men and women. Men enjoy more power, resources and opportunities, and their voices, ideas and worth are valued more highly by society.

The Statement focusses in a special way on the problem of spiritual violence and abuse. It discusses how religious teachings - including our own - may be manipulated by perpetrators to excuse violence or to exert control over others. According to the Statement some Christian men use the excuse that the Bible gives them an entitlement to be the head of the household and control women and children. Today, the church categorically proclaims that women are not subservient to their husbands, women should not suffer abuse in silence. Marriage is a relationship of love and partnership.

As a Faith community how can we work towards individual and social transformation?

The Statement calls for faith communities to believe and support those who are going through domestic violence and to hold perpetrators to account and to work towards individual and social transformation. Finally, the Statement acknowledges the work done by faith communities and organisations such as Catholic Health Australia, Caritas Australia and Catholic Social Services Australia across the country, as well as by many diocesan and grass-root organisations. Great work is being done for example by Catholic Care Broken Bay's Safe Homes, Choosing Orange in the Archdiocese of Sydney, Red Dust Healing for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and many more.

In its Conclusion, the Statement calls on all of us to place "greater attention to respect for the dignity of each person made in the image and likeness of God and the equality in Christ of all people, imitation of Christ like quality of respect and care for all people especially the poorest and most vulnerable, and the practise of the virtues of justice and solidarity can enable us to be more true to the Good News of Jesus."

The full Statement is a great resource. On the last page 'Getting help', there are many contacts for assistance, if needed. The full Statement is now available at [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) *Social Justice Group*



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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."



Aug/Sept	In our parish this week
Mon 29th	<b>The Passion of St John the Baptist</b> 8.00am Mass with 5th day of the Novena of St Teresa of Calcutta
Tue 30th	8.00am Mass with children 11.00am Funeral of Doreen Towne 4.30pm SVDP meeting
Wed 31st	6.30am Mass 1.00pm Funeral of Alma Minton
Thu 1st Sept	No Mass
Fri 2nd	8.30am Rosary 9.00am Adoration - Reconciliation available 9.30am Healing Mass
Sat 3rd	<b>Saint Gregory the Great</b> 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
Sun 4th	<b>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 9.00am Mass - Childrens Liturgy RCIA Rite of Elect - Kelly Chu Cuppa to follow 6.00pm Mass

**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:** John Winnacott, Alma Minton, Margaret (Doreen) May Towne, Milja Atanatovic, Colin Dixon, Sr Cecilia Anning, John Butters, Michael Smith

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:**

Celestine Ellison, Betty Tanner, Eva Powis, Jean Bonwick, Shirley Nesbitt, Annie Heckelman, Desmond Talbot, Josephine Reilly, Ruby McCormick, George Wiltshire, 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.

**Please pray for those who are sick, especially:**

Josephine Cullen, Harriet Ling, Erika Meerwald, Steph and Les O'Gorman, Mick Denton, Helen Viola, , 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 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C)**  
**Wisdom 9:13-18 Philemon 9:-10,12-17 Luke 14:25-33**

**Confirmation** - Congratulations to the children confirmed on Friday evening. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

**Novena to St Teresa of Calcutta:** St Peter's will be hosting the 5th day of the Novena this Monday 29 August during the 8am Mass. The other 8 days are being hosted at other churches all over Brisbane. The Novena is very short in length and usually read before the final blessing by one of the Missionary of Charity sisters who will be present at our 8am Mass on the day. Sr Florian is the sister in charge in Brisbane and will be present.

Please join us in prayer. All welcome.

If anyone wishes to participate in the entire novena at home, copies of the leaflet can be arranged. Please contact the Parish Office.

**First Friday:** This Friday 2nd September please join us for our usual First Friday celebrations. We begin with Rosary at 8.30am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9am with Reconciliation available from 9am to 9.20am. Healing Mass begins at 9.30am.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** during 9am Mass on Sundays during school terms.

**The Catholic Leader** - August issue available this weekend. \$4

**Parish Pastoral Council Commissioning Mass:** New Parish Pastoral Councillors will be commissioned during the 6pm Mass next Saturday 3rd September.

**Wedding Anniversary Mass:** At all Masses on the weekend of 10th & 11th September the PPC has arranged that all married couples will receive a special blessing. Anyone with a significant marriage milestone this year (ie ends in a 0 or 5), please let us know.

**Date Claimer: Bishop Tim Norton SVD** will pay an episcopal visit to our parish on 7th, 8th and 9th October. Bishop Tim will celebrate weekend Masses and meet with various parish ministry groups. Details to be advised. During that weekend, on Saturday 8th Oct, we will have a **blessing of pets** at 3pm on the lawn beside the church.

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## Season of Creation 2022 : Listen to the Voice of Creation

*'Sun and Moon, bless your maker, Stars of heaven chant your praise...'*

(All You Works of God, Marty Haugen ©1989 GIA)

We sing the words of many hymns to thank God for the wondrous gifts of creation, made from the very breath of God and the work of God's hands.

The goodness of creation shines through in our world, in the midst of life. But do we take the time to pay attention? Scripture tells us that God spoke to Moses in the burning bush. The ground on which Moses was standing was holy. Was the bush just burning for one day or was it there all the time while Moses passed by and did not notice til that one day? God is always with us on our journey and when we pause to notice, we may recognise God's presence, especially in creation.

In total contrast, the fires of today that come with such fierce devastation are signs to call us to consider the effects of climate change and how we might have a conversion of heart to hear the cries of our suffering planet and change our ways.

How often do we forget about the holy ground beneath our feet or the beauty before us as we go about a busy day?

In this Season of Creation 2022, we are called to listen to the voice of creation as it calls to us. From Sept 1st to Oct 4th, the Season is a time of prayer and taking action for our common home. In doing so we can make practical the theme of this year- *Listen to the Voice of Creation*. Do not pass by; stop and listen as Moses did and proclaim God's goodness through your actions.

You might like to read more on this official site- <https://seasonof-creation.org>. The Season will have its Brisbane launch at an Ecumenical Service on **1st September at 7:30pm**, Albert St Uniting Church, Brisbane.

Now is the time for us to come together and take action!

*Creator God, guide us to see the beauty of your works as we go about our day and allow our hearts to be moved so that we will work to protect and cherish our earthly home.*

*We ask our prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.*

*Faith Enrichment Ministry*

## Youth Update

New members always welcome!

✉ [youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au) 📷 [@rochedaleyouth](https://www.instagram.com/rochedaleyouth)

**The next High School Youth Group** is on **SUNDAY (28th August)** starting at 7pm! Free dinner, fun and fellowship are guaranteed!

**Ignite Conference** is 1 month away! Anyone who is interested please let Chloe know ASAP (through 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: 3rd & 4th Sept	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Joyce Lyster	Jo Cullen	Petta Traynor
AV Operator	Jonny Vigor	Sam Chamberlain	Kate Guy
Readers	C. Jo Cullen 1. Joyce Lyster 2. Peta Grandin	C. Pauline Angus 1. Fion Fiji 2. Cecilia Lai	C. Raylee Burns 1. John Blake 2. Anne Fry
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Rob Meulman Trish Meulman Joseph Varkey	Joan D'Netto Julie Hondroudakis Del Reynolds	Vickie Routledge Cesarina Gigante Malcolm Carroll
Musicians	Elizabeth Fort	Rita Bishop	Elizabeth Fort
Cleaning Group 1: Lyndal Bray-Claridge, Kate Guy, Deb Meggs, Nita Stratton-Funk.			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass : Cuppa after Sunday 9am Mass: Family Group			
This week 29th Aug - 4th Sept		Sacristan: Celine Phillips	Counting: Mike'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](mailto: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](mailto:sgrep.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au)

Social Justice Group Facebook

St Peter's Rochedale Social Justice Group

St Vincent de Paul:

New members: John Blake 0411 196 775



# CENTACARE PASTORAL MINISTRIES

Create an inclusive society where those in dire circumstances are supported and empowered to create a future without fear or violence.



2022 ANNUAL  
**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN**  
Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

21st August 2022

[catholiccampaign.com.au](http://catholiccampaign.com.au)

**Annual Catholic Campaign:** Last weekend our parish held the Annual Catholic Campaign in support of the important Catholic ministries in our Archdiocese. Thank you to everyone who responded generously to the Archbishop's call for support. If you didn't get a chance to make a gift last week, there is still time. If you took the envelope home last weekend and have it here, please pop it into the bag at either collection during Mass. Envelopes are still available near the church doors. You can also choose to send in your donation in the post or even online using the QR code in the image above. Your tax-deductible gift will be put straight to work by funding the vital Catholic agencies in our local community. Thank you.



### *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/spiritualdirection/>

**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 with Palms Australia?** American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Zambia are requesting Australian Catholics to live in and share their skills with parish communities. Embrace one of these Mission opportunities abroad and mentor those with little other opportunity. You will be well prepared and supported by Palms Australia who have engaged Australian Catholics in this mission since 1961. Enquire online or Ph: 0422 742 567 and Register for a Webinar on Saturday September 24th at 11:30am where you can talk directly with Veronica Lawson who is mentoring teachers in Pago Pago, American Samoa now. Or visit others already engaged in Mission with Palms on our 13-day Encounter Tour to Timor-Leste from October 16th to 28th.

**Golden Weddings Mass - 2022:** The Annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated with Archbishop Mark Coleridge on Saturday 24th September @ 11:30am at the Cathedral of St Stephen. Those celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary, or more, are invited to attend, together with your family and friends. The Cathedral car park will be available. RSVP: Wednesday 21st September, 2022  
email: [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au); or telephone: 3324 3030

**Actively discern where God is calling you with the Canali Program:** The Canali Program is the official discernment program run by the Brisbane Archdiocese vocations office to help men discern the call to ordained ministry. It involves four main elements:

1. Ministry and service in a local parish
2. One on one mentoring with a priest
3. Prayer and spiritual direction
4. Formation in Christian discipleship

This real world experience in the life of the Church may be just what you need to discover God's call upon your life. To find out more or apply for the program, visit <http://www.vocationbrisbane.com/canali>

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