

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."

Pentecost Sunday (Year A)

28th May 2023

Readings: Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23

Pentecost: Birthday of the Church: Priority: Embedding Synodal Governance

Have you ever been in a situation where you're the only person who doesn't speak the language that everyone is talking? It's a strange feeling. You're in the same place, you're with other people, but you have no idea what is being said. You can't understand what is going on, and you can't contribute. Whether it was intentional or not, you are inevitably excluded. On this great celebration of Pentecost, we turn our attention to the birth of a truly inclusive Church.

Archbishop Mark writes: We have begun the long and complex process of moving towards a synodal mode of governance in the Church, but the process is far from complete; and there is much to be done to embed synodal governance more securely at every level in the Archdiocese... Synodality implies inclusion, and therefore we will have to keep asking how we might at every level include women in the decision-making processes of the Archdiocese. So too synodality requires transparency and accountability, and we will have to keep asking what we need to do to make the Archdiocese more transparent and accountable.

1. **An Inclusive Church is Born:** The Spirit of God was moving through the Apostles so that every tribe and nation could hear the Gospel and be included in Christ. Here we recognise something essential to the Christian tradition: the Church is inspired and empowered by the Holy Spirit, everyone is welcomed and invited, and the Gospel is to be preached in ways that everyone can understand.

In a recent general audience, Pope Francis said *"If the Church does not pray to and invoke the Spirit, it closes in on itself, in sterile and exhausting debates, in wearisome polarisations, while the flame of mission is extinguished."*

2. **An Inclusive Leadership for an Inclusive Church:** It follows that a truly inclusive Church must have truly inclusive leadership. In recent years, Pope Francis has been encouraging this with reference to the word "synodality." Synodality is the process of walking together in open dialogue and mutual respect with a path – deliberately journeying – not aimlessly wandering about. Pope Francis said that a *"synodal Church is a Church which listens, which realizes that listening is more than simply hearing. It is a mutual listening in which everyone has something to learn. The faithful people, the college of bishops, the Bishop of Rome: all listening to each other, and all listening to the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth."*

3. **A Church with One Body and Many Parts:** St Paul explains that every baptised person is "given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." This means that everyone has something unique to offer the Church and the world. At Pentecost we are reminded that all of us are called to the mission of Christ to make disciples.

On this birthday of the Church, we are reminded that the Church is inspired and empowered by the Holy Spirit to be inclusive and to preach the Gospel in language that everyone can understand. This apostolic priority challenges us all to go on a journey toward becoming a Church where the faithful people, the college of bishops, the Bishop of Rome are all listening to each other, and all listening to the Holy Spirit, the "Spirit of truth."

Archbishop Mark Coleridge - (abridged by Fr Johny)

Lamps Ablaze - Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Download the whole document at tinyurl.com/lampsablaze

In our parish this week: May/June 2023

Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 31	Thursday 01	Friday 02	Saturday 03	Sunday 04
The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. 8.00am Mass 10am Funeral Mass - Alix Lesur 7.00pm PFC Meeting	8.00am Mass with school children	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. No Mass Parish Office Closed.	Saint John No Mass Parish Office Closed.	8.30am Rosary 9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Healing Mass 11.30am Liturgy of the Word - Prep 12.30pm Memorial Service - Hazel Stone	St Charles Lwanga & Companions 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	Trinity Sunday 9.00am Mass with Children's Liturgy. Cuppa to follow Mass 10.15-11.15am Primary School Youth Group 4.30pm RCIA Mtg. 6.00pm Mass 7.00pm High School Youth Group.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: This Sunday 28th May we celebrate the birthday of the church at Pentecost Sunday. **At the 9am Mass we will have a special Multicultural Mass** so please come along and join us for this important celebration in the church's year.



From Evangelisation Brisbane: Resources to help engage your children in the celebration of Pentecost can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/pentecost4kids>

New Ministers needed: Our **Church Cleaning Ministry** group is in need of new volunteers as we have had some people move away from the parish area. Groups of 4 or 5 clean the church on a rotational roster, usually on a Saturday morning.

We also need more ministers to take **Holy Communion** to the local nursing homes and the housebound on Tuesday mornings. Please contact the Parish Office or speak to Jo Cullen for more information on joining any of our Ministry groups.

Changes this week: No Mass this Wednesday 31st May. Also the Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday 31st May and Thursday 1st June due to staff leave.

First Holy Communion preparation: Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive Holy Communion for the first time at the 9am Mass on Sunday 11th June. They will participate in a preparation workshop this Sunday from 10.30am followed by their first experience of Reconciliation.

World Environment Day: Masses on 3rd and 4th June To counter the over-consumption that marks our time, we will hold the **"Great Give-away"**. (Kitchen items, table ware, clothing and accessories, gardening items, tools etc) Bring along one or two items in good condition (except electrical items) that you no longer use or want to keep and place these on the tables in the Parish Centre before Mass. After each Mass, Parishioners are invited to view the 'treasure' and take any items that they can use. It is a way of giving 'new life' to an item, so that it is useful and functional again and perhaps limiting the need to consume new materials and resources. Any items left over will be donated to Vinnies. A Community-Building and Earth-Friendly Activity.

Those who have died: Alix Lesur (*Valerie de Baritault's mother*), Bernadette McLay, Hazel Stone, Bill Tincknell

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Terry Ahern, Brigid Lohmeier, John Mulherin, Walter Blattman, Richard Gallagher, Dorothy Wilson, Moreen McMahon, Richard Elmer, Thora Lee, Jim Ward, Elizabeth Rice, Richard Balshaw, May Gladys Thorley, Br Brian Hanlan, Eileen Connors, Patrick Madden, Kevin Connors, James Phelan, Roy Moore, Glenyis Peters, Elise Flanagan, John Kennedy, Lorna Campbell, Kathleen Lamberth, Liam Lavin, Greta McLaren, Mervyn Ballment, Margaret Lowe, William Holmes.

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Don Tallon, Dan O'Gorman, Don O'Donoghue, Phillip Van Rooyen, Kevin Collier, Leigh O'Shea, Kerriane Meulman, Ray Parker, Dawn Evans, Kathy Seymour, Olga Mariani, Diane Land, Isabelle Mosteart, Patricia Green, Reg Van Rooyen, P.J. Paul, Maureen Flynn, Lien Pham (Maria), John Donohue, Harriet Ling, Rhonda Lawson, Steph & Les O'Gorman, Sr Lila Galvin, Meryl Elliott Mitchell, Robert Fuchs, 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.



Readings for next weekend:

The Most Holy Trinity (Yr A)

Exodus 34:4-6,8-9 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 John 3:16-18

Nationwide Rosary: National Holy Rosary to Our Lady Help of Christians, this Saturday 27th May between 2-4pm. Join Fr Johny at St Peter's from 3.30 to 4pm in the church. If you are unable to attend, please pray in your home or wherever you are.

St Vincent de Paul: Thank you for Supporting Vinnies through the "Poor Box" at the back of the church and other donations. In the last fortnight, Vinnies has supported 17 families, with a total of 23 children involved. Over \$2,100 was distributed to assist with food and household items, clothing and medication expenses.

Winter Appeal Fun Day Sunday 18th June from 10am to 2pm on the grassed area beside the church. Fun for all the family. **Raffle tickets** on sale this weekend \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5. Raffle drawn on 18th June. Also selling locally made wheat bags (great as **heat packs**) for \$10 each.

Vinnies would welcome the donation of items that could be used as raffle prizes at the fun day. Suitable items could include - perfumes and toiletry gift packs, towels, linen, and bottles of wine.

St Vinnies is always looking for **new members**, please contact John Blake on 0411196775 or Kevin Fry 0417 002 782

Urgent: A family is in need of **cheap housing locally** - contact the Parish Office if you can help.

Vinnies Community Sleepout Friday 16th June 6pm - Saturday, 17 Jun 2023, 9amat St Paul's Primary School, Woodridge.

Go to vinniesqld.grassrootz.com/vinnies-community-sleepout-lo-gan-regionalevent-2023 for more information or to register.

Grocery donations: Please bring non perishable grocery items and place them in the baskets in front of the altar at Mass. With your help, Fr Johny will be able to continue to give assistance to those who need help, especially within our own parish.

Gerard's Ordination: Date Claimer: All Parishioners are invited to attend the Ordination to the Priesthood of Gerard Lai at St Stephen's Cathedral, 29th June, 6pm. Please let the Parish Office know if you wish to attend this wonderful ceremony. If we have sufficient numbers of people interested in attending we will investigate hiring a bus.

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FAITH MATTERS: Pentecost Power

Does it really only pertain to the beginnings of the Church, and is it even something that actually happened as described in the Book of the Acts of the Apostles?

What we can see in today's Gospel, is that Jesus "breathed on" those gathered in the upper room, and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." Yet they didn't suddenly change from their fearfulness, jump up and start praising God in "tongues" for everyone to hear. No, it was days after Jesus' ascension that the Holy Spirit worked so spectacularly, and everything changed dramatically. Jesus had always operated in the power of the Spirit, so there were many dramatic events associated with his life and ministry on a day-to-day basis. Once the Spirit had empowered the disciples, they too became associated with constant miracles, which affirmed the Good News they were preaching, and helped draw new converts to The Way and into the fraternity of Love.

In my own life as a "cradle Catholic" I was sauntering along spiritually, going to Mass, the sacraments, and doing things like being a server and a reader: generally aiming to stay on the straight and narrow. It wasn't until my life circumstances turned particularly sour that I took a long, deep look at what Jesus is supposed to have done for me to make my life work blessedly. In doing so, I recognised the sureness and the depth of God's love: revealed in the humility, patience and selflessness Jesus displayed.

That eye-opening moment was a Pentecost for me, leading me to put my life consciously, deliberately, into God's hands, asking him to take my life wherever he desired while always granting me the grace to cooperate.

It's been a lengthy work in progress, but as I keep recommitting my heart to God, he brings me closer and closer to him in love: step by little step.

Faith Enrichment Ministry

Youth Update

New members always welcome!

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

Please contact our Youth Ministry Coordinators, Feba & Shenelle using the contact info above, for information about Rochedale Youth

High School Youth Group - moving to Sunday nights 7pm - 8pm in the Parish Centre after 6pm Mass. Fun, food, friendship....Next gathering Sunday 4th June.

Primary School Youth Group Sunday 4th June 10.15am to 11.15am in the Parish Centre after 9am Mass.

Young Adults - Meeting in Parish Office at 7pm on Tuesday 30 May.



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: 3rd & 4th June	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Joyce Lyster	Baji Itteera	Anne Fry
AV Operator	Mick Denton	Sam Chamberlain	Kate Guy
Readers	C. Marissa Boyles 1. David Crowley 2. Jo Cullen	C. Lauren Cocks 1. Fion Fiju 2. Pauline Angus	C. Raylee Burns 1. Bob Burns 2. Anne Fry
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Rob & Trish Meulman Joseph Varkey Shelagh Ballment	Joan D'Netto, Anne Scanlon Del Reynolds Stephanie Lenihan	Vickie Routledge Cesarina Gigante Malcolm Carroll
Musicians	Roger and family	Rita Bishop	Elizabeth Fort
Cleaning Group 4: Mary Crowley, Beverly Cramer, John Viola, Francis Yoo, Chris & Callista Jesuthasan			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass :Sunday 4th June after 9am Mass: Ardie & Henny Purwodihardjo, Cristy & Bernie Vecchio.			
This week 28th May - 3rd June		Sacristan: Peter Jeong & Helena Cha	Counting: Marcos' 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:

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

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

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. Flash Sale: 2023 Entertainment Frenzy until Midday, Wednesday 31st May 2023
 Promotion Offer: 23% off all 12-month Memberships & 24-month Memberships St Peter's Online Order Page is <https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97>

Around the Archdiocese

National Reconciliation Week Mass: You are invited to attend Mass on Thursday 1st June at 7pm in St Patricks' Church, 24 Tobruk St, Beenleigh. A special recording is being made at the end of Mass of "From Little Things, Big Things Grow" to combine with other choirs, groups and singers throughout Australia. Everyone is invited to join in.

Job Vacancies at Springfield Parish Office: Parish Manager (24 hours pw) & Evangelization and Pastoral Associate (25 hours pw) Please email Fr Baiyi Gong at pp.springfield@bne.catholic.net.au. Applications close on Sunday, May 28. See the noticeboard.

A Morning's Prayer: Saturday June 3rd from 9am to 12pm a 3-hour Saturday morning retreat to get away and spend some quality time with God at the Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington Street, Ormiston - Cost: \$20. The topic for the event will be **"Knowing and Loving Our God."** We will delve into understanding who God is for us and the mystery of the Trinity, through input, personal prayer, meditation and fellowship in a space designed to facilitate an encounter with God.

To register contact the Evangelisation Brisbane Adult Formation Team via formation@bne.catholic.net.au.

Corpus Christi Procession: Sunday 11 June, 2pm. Join with over 4000 other Catholics making a public testimony of faith by walking in a Eucharistic procession through the streets of Brisbane city. It will be a colourful display as groups gather from all across the Archdiocese of Brisbane to represent their parish or cultural community. The Corpus Christi Procession will start and end at the **Cathedral of St Stephen** and feature prayers, rosary, hymns and Benediction with proceedings led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

Transport: The Archdiocese is subsidising a bus for anyone who would like to attend the Corpus Christi procession. Leaving from Woodridge parish, the cost is \$5 return per person, \$20 for family of 4 and over. Please put your name on the list at Mass or email Jo if you would like to go on the bus. Numbers needed by **Monday 29th May!**

The weekend will also feature a Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition (10th & 11th June in the Cathedral precinct's Francis Rush Centre) and a vigil night of adoration (10th June from 7pm to 11th June 8am, in the Mary MacKillop Chapel).
 Find out more at www.corpuschristibrisbane.com

Engaged Encounter - Marriage Preparation Course - July 2023.

Engaged Encounter will have a live out weekend July 15 & 16, 2023 for couples at Mother of Mercy Parish, Hendra. Engaged Encounter is a marriage preparation weekend that facilitates honest and constructive dialogue for engaged couples. Active in over 200 dioceses around the world, CEE is an internationally recognized Marriage Preparation Course within the Catholic Church. For more information kindly go to www.engagedencounter.org.au or email cee.brisbane@gmail.com or call 0481 307 821

Mystery and Mission: The Art of Liturgical Celebration:

Register now for the National Conference on Liturgy and Liturgical Music to be held in Brisbane from 28-30 September. It is rare to have expert liturgists, liturgical musicians, and educators together in one place for three days of focussed input. In addition to 6 keynote presentations and over 50 workshops, there will be opportunities to engage in facilitated discussions, and to participate in the Conference Mass as well as Morning and Evening Prayer. Register at <https://mysteryandmission.com.au>. Earlybird discount for those registrations received by 30 May

OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME Travel with St Peter's Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands 4th-20th Oct 2023:

For more information, please contact Stephanie Lenihan on 0413268860 or email salenihan@hotmail.com asap.



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