

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."

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

2nd July 2023

Readings: 2 Kings 4:8-11,14-16 Romans 6:3-4,8-11 Matthew 10:37-42

The Cost of Discipleship

The Cost of Discipleship is the **demand of sacrifice**. Luke 14:25: "Any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple." The four essentials of discipleship are the Word of God, the people of God, the Spirit of God, and the Mission of Jesus. Luke 14:28: Jesus spoke of this crucial principle saying, "if one of you is planning to build a tower, he sits down first and figures out what it will cost, to see if he has enough money to finish the job."

The Cost of Discipleship is a wonderful book by **Bonhoeffer**. It is something you slowly digest. Yet, somehow, God used it to speak to me at different points in my journey especially **during spiritual turmoil and upheaval**. God used this book to turn my attention to what the core of our faith should be: **hearing** Jesus's gentle call, **listening** to Him, **following** Him, **obeying** Him and being His **messengers** in this world. He suggests that Christ **calls us to a discipleship that frees us from burden, oppression, anxiety, and torture**. It is not a hard, cruel yoke but one with "perfect liberty and fellowship." It is a road **of joy, of love. Allegiance to Christ** is necessary in relation to the world. He suggests that we truly listen to Jesus and take Him seriously.

Jesus concludes his instructions to the disciples by telling them that **relationship with Him is above any other relationship**. If the disciples choose family before Him, then the person is not a disciple and cannot have any part of the life Jesus offers. **Family bonds are not denied**, they are wonderful, or can be; a family is where we live and gain our identity. Yet, the bond with Jesus and with the One who sent Jesus into our world takes precedence. The early Christians were sometimes **alienated from their families** because they had become Christian and opted for a new way of life.

People do it because they **find life and meaning in this new relationship** with Jesus Christ which makes everything worthwhile. In other words, the providence of God balances the cost of discipleship. Jesus takes us seriously and in inviting us to be with him expects us to take him and his words and his way of life seriously. Challenges of Disciples of Christ are Temptation, Persecution, Hatred from the world, Death, Facing various kinds of persecutions. Jesus also mentioned that His disciples would face various kinds of persecution such as arrest, interrogation, imprisonment, etc.

Not long after Jesus' resurrection and ascension, the disciples began to experience what was said beforehand. Some biblical examples of disciples who were murdered are: James, brother of John, Acts 12:2, Stephen, Acts 7:57-60, Antipas of Pergamos, Revelation 2:13, Many more were put to death, Acts 26:10, Peter and John were arrested, Acts 4:1-4, Peter and John were interrogated, Acts 4:5-7, Disciples arrested and beaten, Acts 5: 17, 18, 40, Paul and Silas were beaten and imprisoned, Acts 16: 19-24, Paul, brought before King Agrippa and Festus, Acts 25:23-24, Paul was stoned, Acts 14:19, Peter was imprisoned, Acts 12:3, 4 etc. After knowing about the conversion of John Henry Newman to Catholicism, his sister never spoke to him.

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In our parish this week: July 2023

Monday 03	Tuesday 04	Wednesday 05	Thursday 06	Friday 07	Saturday 08	Sunday 09
St Thomas 8.00am Mass 7.00pm PPC Meeting	8.00am Mass 4.30pm SVDP Meeting	6.30pm Adoration 7.00pm Mass	No Mass	8.30am Rosary 9.00am Adoration 9.30am Healing Mass	5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass Fr Gerard Lai's Thanksgiving Mass Cuppa to follow 10.30am Baptisms 4.30pm RCIA 6.00pm Mass

Congratulations to Fr Gerard Lai on his Priestly Ordination:

About 60 parishioners were able to travel to St Stephen's Cathedral on Thursday evening to be present at the Ordination to the priesthood of Frs Gerard, Minje and Isaac. You can still watch the recording of the Mass on the Archdiocesan website at brisbanecatholic.org.au



Fr Gerard will celebrate a **Thanksgiving Mass** at 9am Sunday 9th July here at St Peter's. All Parishioners are invited to attend. Join us for a special cupp afterwards. Please keep Fr Gerard, Fr Minje and Fr Isaac in your prayers.



Those who have died: Ernest Gehrke, Michael Sarich, Neville Capra, Maureen Flynn, John Donohue, Meryl Elliot Mitchell (*Raylee Burns' sister*)

Book of Life & Mass Requests:

Horace Peters, Maud Winter, Richard Ryan, Paul Ray, Lillian Francis, Violet Jackson, Harold Adcock, Michael Saii, Brian Fitzgibbons, Walter Bloxsidge, Darryl George, Doris Pinto, Johann Weverink, Gerald Loy, Margaret Weston, Ken Neilsen, Aub Evans, Patrick O'Leary, Mauren Rosso, Ian Thompson, Warren Nicholl, Olga Mahony, Maurice Machin, Mark Goodwin, Perc Feeney, Mary Warnaminde.

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Joyce Lyster, Kerry Creevey, 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, Isabelle Mosteart, Patricia Green, Reg Van Rooyen, P.J. Paul, 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.

Readings for next weekend:

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Zechariah 9:9-10 Romans 8:9,11-13 Matthew 11:25-30

OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME

Travel with St Peter's Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands 4th - 20th October 2023:

Thank you - registrations are now closed.



Sacramental Program - Confirmation: We recently began the process to bring a new group of children into the Sacramental Program. The Parent Information meeting was held on Monday night 19th June. If you have a child in Grade 3 or above who would like to begin preparation for the Sacraments of Confirmation, Holy Communion and Reconciliation, please contact the Parish Office for more information. Please keep all of these young people and their families in your prayers.

First Friday: This Friday 7th July we will have Rosary at 8.30am, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9am and Healing Mass at 9.30am. All welcome.

Mass Ministers Roster: Thank you to all who minister in any way at weekend Masses. An updated roster was emailed to you last week for July to September. Please check your inbox.

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. **Fabulous for the school holidays.**

St Peter's Online Order Page is

<https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97>

St Peter's Coffee Get Together: Our next friendly morning coffee & chat will be held at 10am Monday 10th July at Moonlight Bandit Cafe, 196 Parfrey Rd, Rochedale South



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



PARISH OFFICE

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Youth Update

New members always welcome!

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

High School Youth Group - Fortnightly on Sunday nights 7pm - 8pm in the Parish Centre after 6pm Mass. Fun, food, friendship....

Primary School Youth Group This Sunday 2nd July 10.15am to 11.15am in the Parish Centre after 9am Mass.

Young Adults - Next meeting date to be advised.

Parish Website: Volunteer with experience of Weebly needed to help with updating the parish website. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help. Thank you



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.

FAITH MATTERS: Finding Inner Peace

How might we find inner peace and balance in the tumult of the world and in our own lives?

How and when do we take time to pause, to wonder, to reflect and pray, to listen and give thanks?

Pope Francis states that for people to live a satisfying life, they need to be at peace with themselves. 'Inner peace is closely related to caring for ecology and for the common good because, lived out authentically, it is reflected in a balanced lifestyle together with a capacity for wonder which takes us to a deeper understanding of life.' 1

We are invited to live our lives intentionally and attentively – to 'approach life with serene attentiveness; to be fully present to someone without thinking of what comes next; and accept each moment as a gift from God to be lived to the full.' 1

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Pause to give thanks to God before and after meals. Pope Francis writes that this meaningful custom 'reminds us of our dependence on God for life; strengthens our feeling of gratitude for the gifts of creation; acknowledges those who by their labours provide us with these goods for our sustenance; and reaffirms our solidarity with those in greatest need.' 1

Pray

Lord, we are instruments of your peace. May we know inner peace and may we share your peace with all of Creation. Amen.

1. Pope Francis, http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclical/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html #225, #226, #227

Faith Enrichment Ministry

Roster: 8th & 9th July	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Carl de Mello	Jo Cullen	Helen Graczyk
AV Operator	Calista Jesuthasan	Sam Chamberlain	Ryan Lin
Readers	C. Shelagh Ballment 1. Neil Ballment 2. Volunteer	C. Alan Vigor 1. Eric Quan 2. Maria Chamberlain	C. Raylee Burns 1. Bob Burns 2. Cecilia Lai
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Carl de Mello Jo Cullen Lyndal Bray-Claridge	Julie Hondroudakis Anne Scanlon Joan D'Netto Del Reynolds	Anne Fry Cesarina Gigante Megan Carroll
Musicians	Ihsan Laksmana	Tim Hondroudakis	Elizabeth Fort
Cleaning Group 4: Mary Crowley, Beverly Cramer, John Viola, Francis Yoo, Chris & Callista Jesuthasan.			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass Join us for a special cuppa after Fr Gerard Lai's Mass of Thanksgiving - 9am Mass 9th July			
This week 2nd -8th July	Sacristan: Suma Joseph		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:**

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♥ **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

Around the Archdiocese

One Equal Music - Ross Edwards, Mass of the Dreaming Cathedral of St Stephen Concert Series Sunday 2nd July 3pm. Tickets available via QR code



Sea Sunday: Next week is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living. Even during a pandemic, seafarers continue to bring into our ports products that sustain our population and economy. Please pray for sea farers and for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church which supports seafarers both practically and spiritually.

College Open Days:

Clairvaux MacKillop College: Windows Day Friday July 19th
St James College: Taster Day Experiences Friday 28th July

Calling all grandparents! Join with Evangelisation Brisbane for a morning that celebrates your important role in shaping the faith of your grandchildren and children. **Grand Plans for Grandparents** is a time together created to acknowledge, equip and empower you in this special role. Discover fresh ways to engage with your grandchildren, sharing the gift of faith with renewed enthusiasm, and connect with fellow grandparents, share your experiences, and build a supportive community.

Stay on for Mass at Cathedral at 11:30am where you'll receive a special blessing, reaffirming the impact you have on your family's spiritual journey. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity. Reserve your spot today by registering here:

<https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/grandparents>

When: Saturday 22 July, 9:15 - 11:15am (followed by optional 11:30am Mass at the Cathedral)

Where: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre (196 Charlotte St, Brisbane City) Cost: \$15 RSVP: Monday 17 July

Celtic Winter Concerts: It has been said that there are only 2 types of people in this world; the Irish and those who wish they were! If you are Irish, or would like to be, even for an afternoon, join the Queensland Irish Choir at one of our Celtic Winter Concerts and enjoy an afternoon of Irish and Celtic songs and music that will warm the cockles of your heart!

By popular demand, we are holding 2 concerts this Winter; the first 2 PM on Sunday, 23 July 2023 at the Chermside- Kedron Community Church at Kedron and the 2nd at St Thomas Catholic Primary School Hall at Camp Hill at 2 PM on Sunday, 30 July 2023. Tickets at \$20 per adult and \$10 children (U15) can be obtained on our website at <https://www.qldirish-choir.org.au/events>. We look forward to seeing you, to be sure!

Women's Night of Spirituality will be held at 7pm on Tuesday 25 July in St Ignatius Church, Kensington Tce, Toowong. The event will take the format of a panel to discuss "Nurturing the nurturer" – how does a person in a nurturing role, sustain their own spirit? Entry by donation & supper provided. Please mark the date in your calendar. See further details on event flyer available on parish website www.stignatiustoowong.org.au. This event will be livestreamed on the night and the link will be available via parish website www.stignatiustoowong.org.au

Are you looking for a grand home for your grand piano? The Cathedral of St Stephen in Brisbane is needing to replace its grand piano and would be delighted to receive the donation of a pre-loved grand piano in good working condition. The Cathedral will commemorate its 150th anniversary this year and the piano will be a vital addition to its liturgical music celebrations. For more information please contact Raushen Perera, Senior Donor Relations Manager, The Catholic Foundation on 3324 3632.

Grocery donations:

When you are able, please bring non perishable grocery items and place them in the baskets in front of the altar at Mass so that Fr Johny & St Vinnies can help families in need in our parish.

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