

# 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."

## Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year A) 30th April 2023

Readings: Acts 2:14,36-41 1 Peter 2:20-25 John 10:1-10

### Priority III : Bringing Cultural Communities to the Centre

St. Luke provides us with an account of the apostles to preach the Gospel in different languages so that all could hear the Gospel in their own languages. Luke's account highlights the fact that the Gospel is for every one of every country and culture. All are welcomed and called to encounter Jesus, the good shepherd.

Archbishop Mark writes: "The face of the Church around the world is changing as the centre of gravity shifts from places like Europe and North America (and Australia) to Africa, Asia and Latin America... Certainly in the Archdiocese the presence of people who have come from overseas – from Vietnam, the Philippines, the Pacific Islands, India, Sri Lanka, Latin America, Africa – is growing stronger..."

These large and growing communities have gifts for the whole Church, and increasingly the centre of gravity in the Church here is moving in their direction. Therefore, they must be brought more to centre-stage in the life and mission of the Archdiocese, since much of the real spiritual energy in the Church here is found among them. This again will involve significant cultural change for the whole Church in this part of the world."

Today we consider first the reality of life without the good shepherd, secondly how the good shepherd works to bring cultural communities to the centre, and finally what it is the responsibility of the sheep – us! Without a shepherd, we are lost, alone, and are scattered. Against this backdrop of loneliness, separation and darkness we find we are not alone or separated for the light of the world is with us.

St Paul tells us, "There is no longer Jew or Greek, slave or free, male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus." Jesus draws all of humanity to himself. It is from the cultural and racial inclusivity of Jesus that we learn to engage with every tribe and nation, in welcoming all people and doing what we can to ensure that the Gospel is accessible to all.

Pope Francis reminds us of our need to encounter the one who is the gate. He writes, "I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unflinchingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since "no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord" (EG 3).

It is the good Shepherd, Jesus, who makes it possible for people of every tribe and tongue to be united. In this light, cultural diversity is not accidental to the Christian community, it is instead essential! Without the good shepherd, we find ourselves in darkness, division, and loneliness. A world without a shepherd is a dark place. But with the good shepherd, we are drawn into relationship with God in order that we might "have life and have it abundantly."

Our challenge as sheep is to be attentive to the voice of the Shepherd. As we consider how we might more intentionally bring the cultural communities to the centre, let us ask ourselves, what is the voice of the shepherd saying to us today?

*Archbishop Mark Coleridge - (abridged by Fr Johny)*

*Lamps Ablaze - Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Download the whole document at [tinyurl.com/lampsablaze](http://tinyurl.com/lampsablaze)*

### In our parish this week: May 2023

Monday 1	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 3	Thursday 4	Friday 5	Saturday 6	Sunday 7
<b>8.00am Mass</b> <i>(Public Holiday)</i> Parish office closed	<b>St Athanasius</b> <b>8.00am Mass</b> with school children  <b>10.00am Social Justice Meeting</b>	<b>Sts Philip &amp; James</b> <b>6.30am Mass</b>	No Mass	<b>8.30am</b> Rosary <b>9.00am</b> Adoration <b>9.30am</b> Healing Mass	<b>8.30am-1.30pm</b> Marian Valley Retreat <b>5.00pm</b> Reconciliation <b>6.00pm</b> Vigil Mass	<b>5th Sunday of Easter</b> <b>9.00am</b> Mass with Children's Liturgy. <b>10.00am</b> Early Mother's Day Cuppa & Cake <b>10.30am</b> Young Adults - Coffee & Catechesis <b>4.30pm</b> RCIA <b>6.00pm</b> Mass

### Marian Valley Retreat - Saturday 6th May.

#### May is the Month of Mary.

Leaving the Parish at 8.30am and leaving Marian Valley at 1.15pm. Morning tea provided. BYO Lunch. We have booked a 30 seater bus. We ask for \$20 per person to help cover the costs of the bus hire.

Please let Jo Cullen know if you are interested in joining the retreat or if you are now unable to attend



#### Early Mother's Day Invitation from Care & Concern

- Cuppa & Cake on the church veranda – after 9am Mass Sunday 7th May.

All welcome.

Wishing all mums and those who fill a mothering role in our parish family a very Happy Mother's day



**Weekday evening Mass:** We will trial Wednesday evening Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Mass for 4 Wednesdays in May beginning Wednesday 10th May. Adoration will commence at 6.30pm and Mass at 7pm. There will be no morning Mass on a Wednesday during the trial period. Wednesday 6.30am Mass will still be celebrated this Wednesday 3rd May.

**First Holy Communion preparation:** The children and their families will attend a Rite of Enrolment at Masses 6pm Saturday 6th May and 9am Sunday 7th May. Children and their parents are working through their workbooks in readiness for the preparation workshop on Sunday 28th May. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

**'Pass the Pastor' Home visits:** Fr Johny would love to come to visit the homes of parishioners for a chat. This will be a great way for Fr Johny to get to know us and for us to get to know him. Fr Johny would be willing to bless your house at the same time if you wish. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange a time for Fr Johny to visit.



Readings for next weekend:  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter (Yr A)**  
Acts 6:1-7 1 Peter 2:4-9 John 14:1-12

#### Project Compassion: Thank you from all at Caritas Australia!



Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow. **Please return** all envelopes and boxes to the church or parish office asap.

**Grocery donations:** Our Lenten donation of non perishable groceries to support those less fortunate was so successful that Fr Johny would like to continue this practice all year long so that he might be able to continue to give assistance to those who need help, especially within our own parish. When you are able, please bring non perishable grocery items and place them in the baskets in front of the altar at Mass.

**Crossroads RCIA: Do you have a child in high school or young adult who has not received their sacraments yet?** We have a fabulous program called **Crossroads**, starting in May, which is specially designed for high school children and young adults. Please contact Jo Cullen for more information.

#### 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.



**St James College:** Open Day Friday, 26 May from 11.00am till 1.30pm. Enquiries to Maria Young, Enrolments Officer, 3230 8600 or MYoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au. www.jta.link/SJC.

**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. Great gift for Mother's Day!  
**Special Offer: 25% off!** From 6pm Friday 28th April to Midday, Monday 1st May - purchase a 12 or 24 month Single City or Multi City Membership & receive 25% off the original price of your chosen Membership. St Peter's Online Order Page is <https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97>

**Those who have died:** Margaret Linnett (*Vivienne's mother*), Margaret Woltmann (*Mary Crowley's sister*)

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Roma Murray, James Gray, Wonku Jeong, Jill Bayliss, Betty Cloherty, Stephen Chin, Anne Smith, Eileen O'Mara, Robert Finn, Benito Vicenzino, Alice Gillen, Apolonio Aguas, Arthur Young, Betty Armstrong, Elizabeth McCall, Hilda Laing, Kathleen Sharplin, Fatima Chin, Frank Underwood, Roger Dixon, Keith Barrow, Raye and Bob Leishman, Lo Sau Ming.

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

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, Kay Torrens, 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.



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#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL HELP CENTRE

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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** - Saturday 13th May 7pm - 8pm in the Parish Centre after 6pm Mass.

**Primary School Youth Group** Sunday 30th April 10.15am to 11.15am in the Parish Centre after 9am Mass

**Young Adults** - Dinner postponed. New date to be advised. Keep on the lookout for the new details

Coffee & Catechesis Sunday 7th May 10.30am.



### 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: Fourth Sunday of Easter

#### Do you Remember the Morning Offering?

Once upon a time – at least as faraway as the 1950s - children at Catholic Schools were accustomed to pray in their classrooms several times each day. Prayers ranged from decades of the Rosary, prayers before morning tea and lunch, prayers before going home after school. If your school had a church bell, the Angelus would probably be rung at 12 midday – a wonderful connection with the workers in the fields being called to prayer. For some students ringing the Angelus bell was the ultimate honour!

In the morning at the start of the school day, children would pray the Morning Offering, another traditional prayer, in order to offer themselves and their daily lives to God.

#### A Traditional Morning Offering

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world. I offer them for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart: the salvation of souls, reparation for sin, and the reunion of all Christians. I offer them for the intentions of our bishops and of all Apostles of Prayer, and in particular for those recommended by our Holy Father this month.

#### Children's Daily Offering Prayer

For love of me you came to earth;  
You gave your life for me.  
So every day you give me now  
I give back happily.  
Take all my laughter, all my tears,  
Each thought, each word, each deed,  
And let them be my all-day prayer  
To help all those in need.

Somehow I can just see this last prayer being offered in the car on the drive to school ...

*Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network*

*Faith Enrichment Ministry*

Roster: 6th & 7th May	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Joyce Lyster	Jo Cullen	Malcolm Carroll
AV Operator	Mike Collier	Mick Denton	David Crowley
Readers	C. Jo Cullen 1. Neil Ballment 2. Shelagh Ballment	C. Lauren Cocks 1. Jonathan Vigor 2. Alina George	C. Vickie Routledge 1. Megan Carroll 2. Malcolm Carroll
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Lyndal Bray-Claridge Anne Maree Collier Joseph Varkey	Del Reynolds Joan D'Netto Stephanie Lenihan	Kate Guy John Blake Cesarina Gigante
Musicians	Elizabeth Fort	Elizabeth Fort	Anne Flood
Cleaning Group 6: Julie & Basil Britto.			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass :Sunday 7th May, 9.00am Mass: Peter Hondroudakis & Stephanie Lenihan			
This week 30th April - 6th May		Sacristan: Celine Phillips	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](mailto: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](mailto: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



### The principal gathering of the Archdiocese of Brisbane in 2023

Archdiocesan Summit 2023 - New ticket options available

SUMMIT23 is a three-day gathering of clergy, religious, educators, catechists, lay leaders and communities from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane for keynote presentations, workshops, panel discussions, prayer and encounter with Jesus.

You're invited to this significant event in the Archdiocese, and there are now more ways to participate. Creche tickets are now open for Friday and Saturday mornings (for small children of adult delegates) as well as day ticket options for those unable to attend the whole time. Visit [brisbanesummit.com](http://brisbanesummit.com) for all the registration options.

**When:** 6pm Thursday 18th May - 3pm Saturday 20th May

**Where:** Riverlife Centre (47 Jennifer St, Seventeen Mile Rocks)

**We would love to encourage our parishioners to attend. Please see Jo where a payment plan can be provided if necessary. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity.**

**Corpus Christi Procession:** 2pm Sunday 11th June - starting and ending at the Cathedral of St Stephen, Elizabeth St, Brisbane and featuring prayers, rosary, hymns and Benediction with proceedings led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

**Catholic Leadership Intensive:** In these 10 sessions, clergy and laity will learn side-by-side as we explore contemporary leadership practices integrated with scripture and the example set by Jesus and His followers: think Brene Brown, Simon Sinek and Stephen Covey meet Jesus, St Peter and St Paul. Facilitated by the Parish Leadership team of Evangelisation Brisbane, this is an opportunity to grow and develop in your leadership whatever your context.

**When:** 7-9pm Mondays, 29 May - 14 August 2023

**Where:** Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary Banyo

**Cost:** From \$150 for groups and individuals under 35 years old

Find out more and register at

<https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/leadershipintensive>

### 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](http://www.engagedencounter.org.au) or email [cee.brisbane@gmail.com](mailto:cee.brisbane@gmail.com) or call 0481 307 821

### Mystery and Mission: The Art of Liturgical Celebration:

Registration is now open for the National Liturgy and Liturgical Music Conference to be held at the Brisbane Hilton from 28 - 30 September. International keynote presenters are Sarah Hart, one of the leading figures in contemporary Catholic music, and Dr Timothy O'Malley, professor of liturgical-sacramental theology and academic director of the Notre Dame Centre for Liturgy (USA). These international guests will be joined by acclaimed local presenters:

Rev Dr Tom Elich, liturgist and Director of Liturgy Brisbane, and Dr Maeve Louise Heaney VDMF, theologian and composer.

In addition to these keynote presentations, there will be more than 50 workshops on offer across the three days. It is rare to have expert liturgical musicians, liturgists and educators together in one place for three days of focussed input, so we invite and encourage all parish staff & lay liturgical ministers to attend this important formation opportunity. There will also be opportunities to participate in liturgies, engage in facilitated discussions, and to build networks with liturgists, liturgical musicians and educators from around the country.

We invite you to explore the full program of keynotes and workshops on the Conference Website at <https://mysteryandmission.com.au> Earlybird discount extended and will now apply to those registrations received by 30 May 2023.

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