

# ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH



**Rochedale Springwood**

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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."



## PARISH PRIEST

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## Third Sunday of Lent (Year B)

3rd March 2024

Readings: Exodus 20:1-17    1 Corinthians 1:22-25    John 2:13-25

## Ten Commandments

"I, the Lord, am your God, you shall not have other gods besides Me." The reading from Exodus goes on to prescribe the Ten Commandments given to Moses. It is worth remembering, not only because that is what the Church teaches but to form a good society with honourable human behaviour. What is important to consider today is God's instruction about not having other gods besides Him.

We find in the Gospel of the week one of the rare moments where the gently, soft-spoken, loving Jesus loses His cool. He is not only harsh in what He says, as sometimes in dealing the Pharisees and the Sadducees, but He turns mildly violent: "He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area and spilled the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables, and He said, "Take these out of here, and stop making My Father's house a marketplace." "Strange", one would say, from a man who has nothing to say to the adulterous woman; or who sits and eats with the tax collectors and sinners and who teaches the parable of the prodigal son emphasizing the role of the forgiving father; or does not bother about His disciples breaking the law of the Sabbath, to become so terribly upset! Remember, Jesus has come to Jerusalem to celebrate the feast of the Passover held most sacred by the Jews. What He sees there is enough to send Him into such a rage as to make Him turn the tables of the money changers. One also wonders how He is not a bit afraid that all those money changers and other men could get together, tie Him up and physically thrash Him thoroughly there and then.

What drives Jesus so mad that He does not care for His own physical safety, as he tells them, "How dare you turn My Father's house into a market?" That is, insulting the house of God is equivalent to demeaning God, whom Jesus loves dearly. Other sins can be forgiven but using a holy place or of religion to do business is not acceptable. Did He not say at another place in Mathew's Gospel, "whoever speaks a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit shall not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come".

Soon after he began his ministry Jesus came to Jerusalem for the Passover. A pilgrimage to the temple was undertaken. The Passover itself was a celebration of liberation. That sacredness was destroyed by the atmosphere that prevailed in the temple: buying, selling and currency exchange! Instead of establishing a relationship with God, the place turned out to be a commercial centre dealing with money. He shows uncharacteristic anger, an unexpected outburst and cleans up the temple by turning the tables over and the chasing the animals away. Lent is a time to clean up the Temple of our body. Our life gets cluttered in ways we never planned. There may be merchants and moneychangers that need to be driven out of the temple of our lives. There could be a time to address the imperfections that may have grown into major areas of neglect.

*Fr Johny Edapulavan CMI*

## In our parish this week: March 2024

Monday 04	Tuesday 05	Wednesday 06	Thursday 07	Friday 08	Saturday 09	Sunday 10
<p>8.00am Mass</p> <p>10.00am Coffee Get -together at More Cafe.</p> <p>11.30am Liturgy of the Word with Grade 2 children</p> <p>7pm PPC mtng</p>	<p>8.00am Mass with children</p>	<p>6.30pm Adoration</p> <p>7.00pm Mass</p>	<p>Parish Office closed</p> <p>6.30pm Care &amp; Concern Mtg.</p>	<p>8.30am Rosary</p> <p>9.00am Adoration</p> <p>9.30am Healing Mass</p> <p>11.30am Mass with Grade 5</p> <p>7.00pm Lenten Reflection</p> <p>7.30pm Stations of the Cross</p>	<p>5.00pm Reconciliaton</p> <p>6.00pm Vigil Mass</p> <p>Cuppa after Mass</p>	<p>Fourth Sunday of Lent</p> <p>9.00am Mass with Children's Liturgy of the Word &amp; Confirmations</p> <p>Cuppa after Mass</p> <p>6.00pm Mass Cuppa after Mass</p>

**Friday Mass change this week:** This Friday 8th March, Rosary at 8.30am followed by Adoration at 9.00am & **Healing Mass** at 9.30am

**Logan Deanery Fun Day 1st Sept:** 2 parish volunteers needed for the organising committee. Contact the Parish Office if you would like to be involved.

### Project Compassion 02 & 03 March

Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

#### Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **for all future generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.

**Safeguarding Training:** Thank you to those Ministers who have updated their Safeguarding Training. Those ministers who must renew their Safeguarding Training every 2 years include:

Pastoral Council and Finance Council members, Adult altar servers, Mass Coordinators, Sacristans, Children's Liturgy leaders, Sacramental Program leaders, Care & Concern Visitation and transport volunteers, Home Communion & Nursing Home Communion Ministers, WOW Senior's Ministry & RCIA team, St Vinnies members, counters, Office admin, musicians & choir members.

The link to the Safeguarding training video can be found on the Archdiocese of Brisbane website. Go to: <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/>.

Please contact Julie in the Parish Office for more information and to fill in the forms once you have completed the training.

### Readings for next weekend:

#### Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year B)

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 Ephesians 2:4-10 John 3:14-21

### The Season of Lent

**Friday Evenings: Reflective Prayer from 7pm and Stations of the Cross from 7.30pm.** Please join us for this weekly hour of Prayer, Reflection and Memorial in the Parish Centre and church. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to run the weekly Reflection and Stations of the Cross.

**Lenten book: A Resurrected Life** - Daily reflections for Lent \$5

**Lenten Second Rite of Reconciliation** Monday 18th March 7pm



### WOW (Wise Owl Wednesdays)

**St Patrick's Day Celebrations:** Our March gathering for WOW will be on Wednesday 20th March from 10am to 12 noon celebrating St. Patrick's day and all things green, come dressed up if you wish. Morning tea, raffles and lucky door prize. RSVP to the Parish Office.

**Vinnies News:** We have a new family in our district who needs help. A mum and two girls need a fridge, a washing machine and a large bookcase. If you can help please call Brian 0419 992 294. Thanks

**St Peter's Coffee Get-Together:** Our next gathering will be this **Monday 4th March** at 10.00am at "More" at Springwood Mall (near Woolworths). All are welcome. Come and join us.



**RCIA update:** We are fortunate to have such an active RCIA program. During March we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation for 4 people at the 9am Mass on 10th March and the Sacraments of Initiation on Easter Sunday morning for Linh Huynh. Please keep all 5 of these people in your prayers.

**St Peter's Parish Golden Jubilee:** Pentecost Sunday 19th May 2024 commencing with Mass at 10.30am with Bishop Tim Norton. Please mark this date in your diaries! We would love you to jot down your memories of St Peter's and hunt out any photos you may have of St Peter's parish life over the years. All will be useful in compiling our 50th anniversary book. Please send your memoirs to the Parish Office by email if possible at [stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au) by the end of February. Many thanks.

**Those who have died:** Margaret Masters, Marie Foley, Kerr Richards, Darrell Lusk, Alf Garrone

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Andrew Neilsen, John Brady, Jonathan Kinsella, Bill Chidgey, Eileen O'Doherty, Sr Agnes Rita, Harry Steinheuer, Jean-Christophe Couvreaux, Bette Davis, James Jensen, Nicholas & Dominic Chin, James Leong Kam Chin, Stephen, Fatima & Leon Kam Chin, Agnes Chin En Kiau, Annie Mah, Agatha Thien, Leong Ah Kaw, Marcella Hayward, Anthony 'Tony' Lilly, Francis Mayer, Zhengchong Gong, Mary Cheng Wong, Nina Ong, Hyacinth Jebamalai, Carol Stewart, Edward McCormick, May Timkoe, Ray Bennett.

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

William Kelleher, Phillip Thelan, Philomene Crowley, Nan Hauff, Janet Hicks, Maxine Macdonald, Doris Choy, Joy de Souza, Sandra MacDonald, Don Tallon, Dan O'Gorman, Kevin Collier, Don O'Donoghue, Ray Parker, Phillip Van Rooyen, Olga Mariani, Diane Land, Patricia Green, Reg Van Rooyen, Mel Singh, Rhonda Lawson, Sr Lila Galvin, Kathy Jensen, Steph & Les O'Gorman, Teresa Leong, Pat McDonnell, Katie Costello.

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.



### PARISH OFFICE

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## FAITH MATTERS: Call to Prayer

As the darkness begins to fade, awaken my faith;  
As the light floods the sky, fill me with hope;  
As the sun rays fall on my face, let love enrich my life.

### Psalm 27

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Hear, O Lord when I cry aloud, be gracious and answer me!

Do not hide your face from me. I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.  
Glory be to God.....

### Hymn

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wander far from safety though; you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will not understand. You shall see the face of God and live. Be not afraid. I go before you always. Come take my hand and I will give you rest.

### Prayer John Henry Newman

May he support us all the day long, 'till the shade lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then Lord in thy mercy give us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last. Amen.

*Faith Enrichment Ministry*

## Youth Update

New members always welcome!

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

**Seeking volunteers or beneficial ideas on growing our youth ministry:** Do you have a passion for promoting the Catholic faith to our young people? Do you have any great ideas for ways to engage our primary school, high school and young adults? Are you a parent or grandparent or a young adult yourself who would like to be involved? Please contact the Parish Office on 3341 4421 or via email stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au



### 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.

Kate Guy

Roster: 9th & 10th March	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Joyce Lyster	Baji Itteera	Helen Graczyk
AV Operator	Callista Jesuthasan	Jonathan Vigor	Kate Guy
Readers	C. Mal Jensen 1. David Crowley 2. Peta Grandin	C. Del Reynolds 1. Fion Fiji 2. Pauline Angus	C. Raylee Burns 1. David Roati 2. Anne Fry
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Rob Meulman Trish Meulman Joseph Varkey	Anne Scanlon    Alan Vigor Julie Hondroudakis Joan D'Netto Stephanie Lenihan	Vickie Routledge Cesarina Gigante Malcolm Carroll
Musicians	Carmel Northey-Cherrett	Elizabeth Fort	Anne Flood
Cleaning Group 4: Mary Crowley, Beverly Cramer, Francis Yoo, Chris & Calista Jesuthasan.			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass Cuppa after all three Masses the weekend of 9th & 10th March - Social Justice Group.			
This week 3rd -9th Mar.	Sacristan: Suma Joseph		Counting: Carl'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:

Mark Connolly 0434 147 835

♥ 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:** You can purchase a 3, 12 or 24 month Entertainment Membership for Brisbane or for multiple cities. Get access to \$1000's worth of discount offers and 2 for 1 deals to many hospitality, retail, leisure & travel businesses. Help boost St Peter's fundraising. St Peter's Online Order Page is <https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97>

**Books for Sale from the Church or Parish Office:**

**Break Open the Word 2024** - \$22 - a fabulous resource for those who are Ministers of the Word at weekend Masses but is also great for anyone to better understand the Sunday readings.

**The Catholic Leader:** In 2024 The Catholic Leader has moved to an individual subscription distribution model. Readers will need to take out individual subscriptions and will receive the newspaper delivered to their door. A Yearly Subscription will be \$65. Subscription envelopes available on the table near the doors in the church where you will find the last copies of the Christmas edition.

**Grocery donations:** Please continue to help those less fortunate in our parish area but bringing in non-perishable grocery items and placing them in the boxes in the church. Thank you.

**Around the Archdiocese**

**Ageing Wisely:** On Tuesday 12 March, from 9:30am - 1:30pm, the Sunnybank parish will be hosting the Archdiocese of Brisbane's free Ageing Wisely seminar. It will provide advice and information on a range of pertinent matters as a service to older parishioners. Topics covered will be Charitable gifts in Wills, Legal advice and Estate Planning, Retirement & Financial Planning, Pre-arranging funerals, In-home community support. Venue: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish 121, Mains Road, Sunnybank. Morning tea and lunch will be provided free of charge. To register your attendance at the event please email [sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au) and you will be sent an RSVP form. Please RSVP on or before Thursday, 7 March.

**Lent 2024 with The Catholic Guy, Bruce Downes:** Lent is a time when we can grow closer to God and prepare our hearts for the true meaning of Easter. Be inspired. Be refreshed. Be renewed! For 40 days you will receive a short, practical and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you make this Lenten journey more powerful and prayerful. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: <https://BruceDownes.org/Lent>. Go to BruceDownes.org for more information.

**Lenten Concert Series:** The Cathedral of St Stephen, Thursdays at noon 7th, 14th & 21st March. Free admission

**Living Liturgy:** Join internationally acclaimed Catholic speaker Fr Richard Leonard SJ as he presents *Living Liturgy: Being Sent Out on Mission to the World*. Wednesday 13 March 2024 7:00pm - 8:45pm in the Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre (located beside the Cathedral) 60 minute presentation, 20 minute tea/coffee/chat, 20 minute Q&A \$10pp (or \$8pp for bookings of five people or more) For more information and to register, contact Liturgy Brisbane W: [www.liturgybrisbane.net.au](http://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au) E: [liturgy@liturgybrisbane.net.au](mailto:liturgy@liturgybrisbane.net.au) P: 07 3324 331

**The Sacraments:** Module 3 of the two year Catholic Formation Program, *The Sacraments*, is to commence on Monday 15th April. Once again St Declan's hall at Daisy Hill Parish will be the Hub for the Logan Deanery. Each of the four Modules is a stand-alone Module and so you do not have to have completed Modules 1 and 2 to do Module 3. There is a cost involved but please contact the Parish Office if you are interested or would like more information.

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