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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.”*

## The Most Holy Trinity (Year A)

**7th June 2020**

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

## World Environment Day

Today we celebrate Trinity Sunday- where the fullness of God- Father, Son and Holy Spirit- creates an all-encompassing, sustaining and loving support for humanity and all of creation. World Environment Day is also celebrated on 5 June. This year's theme is preserving and restoring biodiversity- a timely focus given the devastating bushfires in Australia, the Amazon and USA, crippling droughts and water shortages, oceans filled with plastics, and so many more catastrophes. Biodiversity, the very fabric of the earth, is the variability among living organisms, including terrestrial, marine, and other aquatic ecosystems and the ecological complexes of which they are part. It includes diversity within species, between species, and of ecosystems. One eighth of the world's species- more than a million- are threatened with extinction. (United Nations Report:2019) It seems that meddling with the natural order of things, with ecosystems and biodiversity, is creating unparalleled, global challenges. There are many sources- scriptural, spiritual and scientific- that compel us to respond with concern and action.

Scripture points to God's great gift of creation and demands we become stewards of this earth. *“The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and keep it”* Genesis 2:15. The Hebrew word for keep is 'shamar' and it means 'to guard or watch over and protect.' Our stewardship of creation involves the environment and animals as well as our families and communities. In 2015, Pope Francis wrote an Encyclical: *Laudato Si: On Care of our Common Home*. Grounded in facts and rooted in faith, it is an urgent appeal to honour God by honouring his most spectacular creation, by uniting in the effort to ensure a sustainable future for the planet and its people. Pope Francis confronts the short-sighted approaches to commerce, production and consumerism that result in unfettered plundering of the natural environment. He also integrates questions of social justice in his call for environmental stewardship, linking *the cry of the earth* directly to *the cry of the poor*.

For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the connection to *Country* and to all living things forms a web of relationships that is akin to the term biodiversity. In a number of desert culture languages there is the term *Kanyirnipa* that means to hold and to be held by country. There is an understanding of the reciprocal care needed between the land and its people, and the significant interdependence of all elements of an ecosystem. The connection to land gives Aboriginal people their identity and a sense of belonging. Historically, indigenous people's entire economy was directly reliant on plants and animals, water and the resources of the landscape for their food, shelter and medicine. Indigenous land management practices have an integrity that needs to be acknowledged and more widely utilised.

Nature is showing us, in so many ways, that it is stressed and threatened. In 2021, the United Nations Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (2021-2030) begins. This program aims to massively scale up the restoration of degraded ecosystems to enhance food and water security and biodiversity. And all of us have a part to play in this.

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### Readings for next weekend: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

John 6:51-58

<b>June</b>	<b>In our parish this week</b>
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am Mass ( <i>max 20 people</i> ) 10.00am Funeral Mass for Glenys Peters ( <i>max 50 people – by invitation only</i> )
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am Mass ( <i>max 20 people</i> )
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	6.30am Mass ( <i>max 20 people</i> )
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St Barnabas</b> No Mass
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am Rosary & private prayer ( <i>max 20 people</i> ) 9.30am Mass ( <i>max 20 people</i> )
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St Anthony of Padua</b> <i>No Mass is planned at this stage</i>
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>The Most Holy Body &amp; Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)</b> 9.00am Mass ( <i>max 20 people</i> ) 6.00pm Mass ( <i>max 20 people</i> )

**Parish Office hours** will go back to normal from this week: Monday to Friday 8.15am to 1.15pm.

**In case of an emergency** please contact Fr Baiyi on **0481 975 660**.

**Youth Update:** How are you? We are now in June, how crazy is that? We are still online and not much has changed. We are so glad we can still provide a space even in such crazy times in the world.

**High School:** Youth group zoom catch ups will continue to happen weekly although I have not had much engagement so I would like to hear from you about what day/time suit you. Please fill out the survey below.

<https://forms.gle/u3g1caYHTugm6psV9>

I will send an email out in the next week or so with an updated time/day but for now I will continue to be online at 4pm on Saturdays.

**Young Adults (18-35):** Monday Nights 7pm are our time to catch up and socialise. ☺ Thank you to all those that have been joining in.

*Join Zoom Meeting*

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/464455070>

*Meeting ID: 464 455 070*

**Junior Youth (Years 3-6):** I missed hanging out with you in March but have some awesome plans for when we can join as a group again. Feel free to reach out if you need/ would like anything for your child in this age group.

During this time, I will be continuing to provide an open space for you to experience God, community and a bit of a break from the craziness. This will be our plan. I am here to support you so please let me know if there is anything I can do.

Follow us on our instagram @RochedaleYouth where I post the most. I am also hoping to be able to put more on the parish Facebook page.

*Olivia, Youth Ministry Co-ordinator*

**Updates re Stage 2 easing of COVID-19 restrictions:**

Masses may now be celebrated with 20 people in total and churches may open for private prayer under strict conditions. Anyone over 70 years old or with health complications should continue to self-isolate. Anyone who has any flu-like symptoms should not enter the church. Funerals may have a maximum of 50 people, weddings and baptisms maximum 20

**Sunday Masses:** Fr Baiyi will celebrate **Sunday Masses at 9am & 6pm**, with **19 people** allowed to be present at each Mass. If you would like to attend any Mass, please contact the Parish Office on 3341 4421 or via email [stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au) by 11am on Friday. Please indicate which Mass you would prefer to attend. We will randomly select 19 names for each Sunday Mass from those interested. Those selected will be notified on Friday following the draw.

**Trial of weekday Masses:** Fr Baiyi will be celebrating **weekday Masses at our usual times of Monday & Tuesday at 8am, Wednesday at 6.30am & Friday at 9.30am**. Again, only 19 people are permitted to attend. Weekday Mass attendances are usually below this figure, however, any more than this number will be turned away. This week will be a trial and a decision will be made to see how we will proceed in future weeks.

**Rosary & Private Prayer:** The church will be open for rosary and private prayer for a maximum of 20 people at any one time on **Friday from 9am to 9.30am**.

Numbers for Masses and private prayer will be strictly adhered to and we will be **recording attendees' names, addresses and telephone numbers** for potential COVID-19 contact tracing as per government requirements.

**Watch Mass online** from the Cathedral of St Stephen 8am Monday to Friday and 8am and 10am Sunday at [www.archbne.org/bzw](http://www.archbne.org/bzw). Channel 10 televises Mass at 6am on Sunday.

**RIP Glenys Peters:** Long time parishioner Glenys Peters passed away on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Glenys lived her faith actively, regularly attending weekday and weekend Masses. Glenys was a Sacristan, a Home Communion Minister and member of the Rosary Group and Care and Concern for many years. We offer sincere condolences to her husband Barry and their 4 sons and their families. Glenys' funeral Mass will be celebrated here at St Peters on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 10am but due to COVID-19 restrictions only 50 people will be allowed to attend. This will be mostly family and friends. So, please pray for Glenys from home unless you have been contacted by the family or their representative. Thank you to all parishioners who prayed for Glenys during her week in intensive care. Please continue to pray for the repose of Glenys' soul and for her grieving family.

Visit St Peter's Parish Website

[www.stpetersrochedale.org.au](http://www.stpetersrochedale.org.au) and click on 'Stay Connected' to find the latest updates and links. Some printed copies of the newsletter & Sunday liturgies will be left in front of the church.

**The Catholic Leader** is Australia's most widely read Catholic newspaper, due to COVID-19, currently offered **free**. If you haven't already done so, [you can sign up to receive your weekly digital newspaper here](#).

*(World Environment Day Reflection continued from page 1)*

For **individuals** to rethink what we buy and use. For **entrepreneurs** to embrace sustainable practices. For **farmers and food producers** to restore overworked fields and reject the assault on pristine habitats, from wetlands to forests. For **the public sector** to incorporate bold sustainable practices in their supply chains and financing. For **governments** to legislate for the environment and be accountable. For **educators** at every level to inspire students to live harmoniously with the earth. For **youth** to become fierce gatekeepers of a green future. It will take all of us. What can you do?

<https://www.worldenvironmentday.global>

We also pray that on this Trinity Sunday, the triune God will help us to acknowledge and discern ways to preserve his great gift of creation.

*The Social Justice Group*

**Families in Need:** Any you or any family you know is in need of free food hampers, please contact Jo on 0419733878. Completely confidential.

**Care & Concern:** If you or anyone you know who is housebound or facing difficulties during these challenging times please contact Lynn on 0403051103 or the Parish Office 33414421. God bless you all, look out for another and let us stand united together in prayer, love and hope.

**Important Message for our St Peter's Elderly or Isolated Parishioners:** TransitCare is funded by the Commonwealth and Queensland governments. During this time of COVID-19 TransitCare is offering FREE Collection of Groceries and Pharmaceutical items delivered to your home. Please contact TransitCare for more information on 1300 153 636 or the website is [www.transitcare.com.au](http://www.transitcare.com.au).

**Sacramental Preparation for 2020** has been postponed due to COVID-19. All registered families have been notified by email.

**Clairvaux MacKillop College Enrolment Applications** are being accepted for 2021 – 2024. [enrolments@cvxmck.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@cvxmck.edu.au).

**Lourdes Hill College** is accepting enrolments for Year 7 students for 2024. Go to [lhc.qld.edu.au](http://lhc.qld.edu.au)

**St Peter's Planned Giving:** We would be very grateful, if you are able, to please continue to support the Parish financially.

**Via Direct Bank Transfer:** If you would like to direct transfer your Planned Giving to our bank account, our BSB is 064-786 and Account number is 007021101. Please use your surname and Planned Giving (or PG) as reference. You can set this up yourself on any device where you can access your online banking.

**Or via Credit Card:** Please contact the Parish Office via phone or email as we can either set up a monthly credit card donation or do an individual donation over the phone.

**Direct Debit:** Please contact us to set up Direct Debit through the Archdiocesan Development Fund.

**'Parish Giving' App** Our parish is one of the trial parishes for this app that the Archdiocese has created. The app is available to download from the Apple Store and Google Play store or you can access it via [parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au](http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au). You will need to create an account the first time you log in and select your favourite parish, St Peter's Catholic Parish Rochedale! The logo to look for in the app store is a yellow and white cross forming a circle on a purple background. You can use the app for a one-off payment or set it up for regular giving. See our parish website for detailed 'User Guides'.

From the Home Page click on 'Parish Contribution'.

**Thank you for your continuing support.**



### **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Those who have died:** Glenys Peters, Maurice Spillane, Gwenda McNaught

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** John & Moreen McMahan, Robert Finn, Shirley Brady, Giovanna Dileo, Peter Foley, Rodney Van Rooyen, Francis Moffatt, James Burns, Mary Carter, Robina Carter, John Leadbetter, Frances Owen, Janet Thyer, Edward Dwyer, Alex van Blonestein, Roy Harvison, Jim Fleming, Paul Simpson, Ricky Peeters, Joan Paszkiewicz, Edward Lynch, Betty Morgan, Amelda Holme, Rollo Enright, Christopher Roman, Cecil Hugh Carter, Arthur Boitano, Herb O'Gorman, Jean Phelan

**Please pray for those who are sick, especially:** Wally Scanlon, Anne Marie Kelleher, Ian Thompson, Stephen Land, Sayuri Kobayashi Cantwell, Melissa Vink, Paolo, Olga & Diego Tagini, Ursula Williamson, Maureen Sheils, Elizabeth Karipa

**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.**

**Are you new to our Parish? 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:**

**Co-ordinator:** Lynn White 0403 051103

#### **Family Group Facebook:**

St Peters Rochedale Family Groups

**Memorial Wall & Gardens:** Mal Jensen 0411641312

#### **Safeguarding Children & 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

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