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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."

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

6th October 2019

Readings: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17:5-9

Let us value and protect human life

Human life is very special and sacred. "From its beginning it involves the creative action of God and it remains for ever in a special relationship with the Creator, who is its sole end" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, hereafter CCC, 2258). Because of this, human life needs to be respected and protected by individuals and humankind as a whole.

In the first place, we should value and cherish our own lives. We shouldn't do anything that causes damage to our bodies and health, such as suicide, heavy drinking, drug use and so forth. Neither should we let our souls be harmed. We should avoid anger, hatred, prejudice etc. Never embrace harmful or negative theories and ideologies. Sometimes, it might be difficult to distinguish them from good ones. However, we can tell the difference by what they try to encourage or achieve. As Jesus taught us, "You will know them by their fruits.... Every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit" (*Matthew 7:16-17*).

More importantly, we ought to keep our body and soul in a good state. For example, we should focus on healthy food and lifestyle. Also, we need to foster good interests, such as reading, listening to music and developing and maintaining friendships. Certainly, as Catholics, we need to regularly receive sacraments, especially the Eucharist. By joining different ministry groups, we build up our Church, the kingdom of God on earth. In short, when we endeavour to be closer to God in any possible way, we are valuing and cherishing our own lives.

Of course, we have the great responsibility to respect and protect the lives of all other people, from the unborn to the terminally ill and dying. As our Church teaches us, "God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning until its end" (CCC, 2258). Those in authority should make sure that everyone in the whole of society is safe and secure as "the inalienable right to life of every innocent human individual is a constitutive element of a civil society and its legislation" (CCC, 2273). That is why we cannot agree with and completely oppose those supporting and pushing Euthanasia this year and those who passed the Abortion Bill last year in Queensland.

My dear friends, in order to value and protect God's gift of human life, I call upon you, all the parishioners of St Peter's, to do two things and encourage anyone you know and happen to meet to do the same. **Firstly, please sign the e-petition "Euthanasia—we can live without it."** **Secondly, please join the March for Life 2019.** Below is the relevant information.

Fr Baiyi

Please sign the e-petition "Euthanasia – we can live without it."

Add your voice of opposition to Voluntary Assisted Dying/ euthanasia via the Petition link: <https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/work-of-assembly/petitions/petition-details?id=3176>

March for Life: Saturday 12th October at 2pm, meeting at Queens Gardens, 144 George St, Brisbane CBD. Marching to Parliament house. The March will mark the 1 year anniversary of the passing of Qld's extreme abortion laws. Please come along and bring your family and friends. It will be a family-friendly event.

Readings for next weekend: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

2 Kings 5:14-17 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Luke 17:11-19

IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

MON 7th Oct	Our Lady of the Rosary <i>Public Holiday: Parish Office closed</i> 8.00am Mass 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting 7.30pm Music Liturgy Meeting
TUE 8th Oct	8.00am Mass 4.00pm St Vincent de Paul meeting 7.00pm RCIA 7.30pm Liturgy Group meeting
WED 9th Oct	6.30am Mass 11.00am Bereavement Group meeting
THU 10th Oct	No Mass
FRI 11th Oct	9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass
SAT 12th Oct	5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday 7.00pm High School Youth Group
SUN 13th Oct	9.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass

Pet's Blessing: Sunday 6th October at 3pm on the lawn beside the church. Bring your pets for a blessing. If your pet doesn't travel well you can bring a photo of them instead.

Social Justice Group Trivia Night: Friday 18th Oct

6.45pm for a 7.15pm start in the Simon Peter Centre (school hall). \$15 per person. Proceeds to Bushfire & Drought Appeal as well as St Paul's Woodridge Refugees and Asylum Seekers. Contact Anne Scanlon or Carmel Northey-Cherrett for tickets/enquiries.

Music Liturgy Meeting: Monday 7th October at 7:30pm. Please feel welcome to come to 22 Lancelot St Rochedale South and bring your copy of *Break Open the Word* as the team prepares for the next few weeks. If you have a question, please phone 3341 0852 and leave a message. I will get back to you.

Thank you, *Elizabeth Fort.*

Holy Souls Memorial Mass: 9.30am Saturday 2nd November. We will remember all those who have died, particularly during the past year. Planning meeting this Wednesday at 11am.

Ministers needed: Can you spare some time on a Tuesday to visit housebound parishioners and the residents of our local nursing homes and bring them Holy Communion? Please contact Mary Naughton.

Youth Update:

YOUNG ADULTS:

The location of Young Adult catch ups will be in the newsletter and messaged out closer to the dates. Although they will all occur at 6:30pm on the following dates:

October 15th, November 22nd & December 14th

HIGH SCHOOL:

Saturday 7-8:30pm in the parish centre.

- October 12th
- October 26th
- November 9th
- November 23rd
- December 7th

Contact Olivia: youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au
Instagram: @rochedaleyouth

Kingdom Now: A one day Parish Renewal Event for the Logan Deanery

On Sunday 3rd November St Peter's and all the parishes in the Logan deanery are invited to attend a one day parish renewal event.

Where: Logan Entertainment Centre

When: 3rd November 2019

Invited: All St Peter's parishioners of all ages

Time: Broken into two sessions

3pm till 5pm - Input from speakers on topics of music and worship, social justice, evangelization and parish engagement.

Cost: Event is free but small fee for bus.

Dinner from 5pm till 6pm

(To be advised what food will be there for purchase)

6pm till 8pm *Emmanuel Worship*

will lead a powerful night of encounter that includes Mass with Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Transport - We are trying to organize a bus to leave Rochedale at 2.15pm. RSVP for bus 29 October.

NOTE: People will be shuttled back to St Peter's after Session One if they wish or you are welcome to stay for Session Two and Mass. We will need to know numbers a week prior for the bus so could you please contact Jo or the Parish Office if you are interested in attending.



Melbourne Cup Lunch

11am - 2.30pm Tuesday 5th

November. Fundraising towards our Youth Ministry program. Book early!

Tickets on sale now. \$50 per person. Includes 3 course lunch, entry to raffle draws, glass of bubbly on arrival. Dress up for a great day. Prizes for best hat, fashion on the field.

Great sweeps, fun and friendship!



Faith Matters! Plenary Council - Listening and Discernment Phase

The *Plenary Council* is now moving to a time of *Listening and Discernment*. So what does this process of Discernment mean in this context?

Discernment is a Process of ...

Listening deeply & prayerfully to 'what the Spirit is saying!'

Listening respectfully & attentively to others.

Listening for what will bring us closer to God & recognising what will block us from God.

Seeking to align our own will with the will of God, in order that we may do what God is calling us to.



For the Plenary, *Discernment* will be a communal process based on the Ignatian Tradition of *Spiritual Conversations*. These honest and open conversations will be grounded in prayer and scripture. They will provide a way for groups of people to listen to God by listening to one another.

Let us pray to become more open to discerning together!

Faith Enrichment Group

Planned Giving 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.

The Archdiocese is marking Child Protection Sunday this weekend. St Peter's Parish and the Archdiocese of Brisbane are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention



Vinnies News: Donations needed: We are assisting a lady who has lost 'everything' in a unit fire. If you have any appliances or household items you could donate, please call Brian on 0419 992 294. This lady has absolutely nothing and virtually needs everything. You name it- she needs it. We have already supplied a phone and have a TV to collect. Thank You

Columban Calendars for 2020: Available now from the St Vincent de Paul Piety Stall for \$8 each

See the Noticeboard for Invitations from around the Archdiocese

Mass for Mental Health Week Friday 11th October at 1.00pm at St Patrick's Church, Fortitude Valley

Seminars by Nick Wagner from TeamRCIA: Nick Wagner has been a leader and trainer in catechumenate ministry for more than 25 years. These free seminars are not to be missed to revitalise the RCIA in your parish. The seminar closest to us at St Peter's is on at St Bernard's on Saturday October 12 (9:00am-noon) at the Aspinall Centre, 4 Klumpp Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt.

Topics: Your parish is the Curriculum: RCIA in the Midst of Assembly; RCIA that works!; Go. Heal the Wounds – Become a Field Hospital for Faith. Register: <https://ebab.weebly.com/nick-wagner.html>.

Opal Springwood Aged Care is looking for a bus driver. Contact 3722 9400

St Maximilian Kolbe Spring Fair Saturday 12th October 9am to 2pm. International food, games, raffles, entertainment, family fun. 26-38 Macarthy Rd, Marsden.

Photo Exhibition of the work of Catholic Mission at the Percolator Gallery, Brisbane from October 23 until November 3. An official opening will take place on Friday, October 25, with refreshments provided. (To help with catering, please call our office on 07 3324 3421 or email brisbane.admin@catholicmission.org.au.)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have died: Mark Collier (*Mike's brother*), Pauline Lennane, Irene Hughes (*Mel McKay's mum*)

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Gys van Bekkum Snr, Gys van Bekkum Jnr, Willem van Bekkum, Mary O'Brien, Andrew Aranha, Angele Vanden Boom, Patrick Bradley, Gerald Sherry, Jason Murray, Michael Glynn, Lewis Clarke, Franco Milaudi, Bella Aguas, Zena Bray, Ellen Glancy, Colin Murphy, Sr. Patricia Mary Butler, Doug Elliot

Please pray for those who are sick, especially: Frank Sankey, Elmore Kotzur, Lucy, Kevin Fry, John Franks, Michael O'Grady, Joseph Peki, Vickie Routledge, Ian Thompson, Kevin Kelly, Edna Bultitude, Vilma Ghouse, Callum Poynter, Sue Power, Rebecca Power, Rex Bowen, Catherine Nystrom, Kevin Hargrave, Joyce Byrne, Rory Bakker, Simon Hinton, Ray Parker, June Richards, Brad Richards, Barrie Martin, Marcos Mendoza, Gwen Green, Esme Jensen, Margaret Drummond, Michael Harkin, David Richardson, Kaitlin Bakker, Karen Johnston, Warren Williams, Vivian Kennedy, Danny Costello, Benny Santanaraj, Jose Rochil Contreras, Lexie Harding, Violet Adamson, Max Drummond, Lori Hodder, Alan Camp, Ramona Cruz, Ursula Williamson, Kieran McKenna, Trevor Parker, Fabio Viola, Sesinando de Leon Jnr, Sandra Murphy, Sylvia Privitera, Johnny Summers, Hamish Stuhmeke, Bonnie Dematillar

Prayer requests should be recorded on the form on the back table of the church nearest to the lectern.

Please ensure you have the permission of the person who is sick to make their name public.

12th & 13th Oct	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am		Sunday 6pm
Mass Co-ordinators	Diane Land	Efren Tuazon		Anne Fry
AV Operators	David Crowley	Mike Collier		John Donohue
Readers	C. Neil Ballment 1. Shenelle Nelson 2. David Crowley	C. Maria Chamberlain 1. Jada Nathan 2. Jackson Sabu		C. Helen Graczyk 1. Margaret Connors 2. Lynn White
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Shelagh Ballment Joyce Lyster Ann Maree Collier	Bev De Paola Del Reynolds Marilyn Mills Steph Lenihan	Joan D'Netto Lydia Chew Diane McKeone	Deacon Mike Jones Dona Thomas Cesarine Gigante
Altar Servers	Angelina	Finn, Leo, William		Talia, Marissa
Musicians	Liz	Roger & Tongan Choir		Tim

Church Cleaning: Group 7 Nita Stratton-Funk, Kathy Winter, Judith Littlefield, Cathy Heenan

Children's Liturgy: Jodie Baigent **This week: Sacristan:** Celine Phillips **Counting:** Bob's Team

Cuppa: Saturday Oct 12 after 6pm Mass: Ann Maree Collier, Peta Grandin, Mike Jarvis



What Topics Did People Talk About in Phase 1? Plenary Council 2020 Process

Theme 1 - How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is ... *Missionary and Evangelising?*

How were the themes developed?

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From these ideas, **6 National Themes for Discernment** were developed. These will now be further discussed and developed at the **Local and Parish Level** and also in **Writing and Discernment Groups**. The outcome of Phase 2 will then inform the Agenda for the Plenary Council in October, 2020.

What are some of the ideas and topics that helped form *Theme 1*?

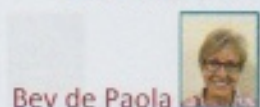
- Affordable adult faith formation courses
- Authentic faith teaching in Catholic schools
- Be a witness in society
- Better communication of what the Church does
- Better faith formation
- Better formation for liturgical ministries and sacramental programs
- Better homilies
- Better preparation and support for married couples
- Better selection and formation of candidates to priesthood
- Better teachers in Catholic schools
- Better training and support for youth leaders
- Better youth faith formation
- Church should adapt to multicultural reality
- Church to act as a guide for Australian society
- Concerns for diminishing parish communities
- Defend Religious Freedom
- Defend right-to-life issues
- Encourage vocations
- End celibacy, allow priests to be married
- Establish more youth programs
- Evangelisation in and of the family
- Faith formation for parents
- Fight for human rights issues
- Focus on mission, being missionary disciples
- Focus on the new evangelisation
- Greater connection with and inclusion of Indigenous Australians
- Greater focus on Jesus Christ
- Greater focus on permanent deacons
- Greater focus on the Word of God
- Greater leadership from Bishops
- Greater leadership from priests
- Greater role for women
- Greater support for RCIA
- Greater trust, faith and hope in God
- Keep the commandments
- Keep the faith
- Listen to one another more
- Listen to the Holy Spirit
- More chaplains, youth ministers in Catholic schools
- More formation for priests
- Outreach to all the baptised
- Outreach to the wider community
- Putting Gospel values in action
- Remain faithful to Church teaching
- Remain faithful to Church teaching on marriage
- Share the faith with others
- Use social media to engage people
- Welcome back priests who have left to marry

How might I respond now and later?

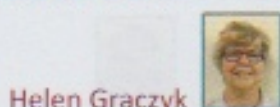
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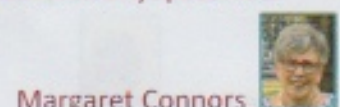
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What Topics Did People Talk About in Phase 1? Plenary Council 2020 Process

Theme 2 - How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is ... *Humble, Healing and Merciful?*

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What are some of the ideas and topics that helped form *Theme 2*?

- Allow contraception, birth control
- Baby Boomer generation to listen to young Catholics
- Be a witness in society
- Better communication of what the Church does
- Better homilies
- Better implementation of Royal Commission recommendations
- Better training and support for youth leaders
- Call to repentance for clergy sexual abuse
- Care for neighbour
- Care for the environment
- Care for the family
- Defend right-to-life issues
- End clericalism
- End discrimination of LGBTQ
- Establish more youth programs
- Fight for human rights issues
- Focus on the new evangelisation
- Greater access to Mass and Reconciliation
- Greater concern for victims and survivors
- Greater connection with and inclusion of Indigenous Australians
- Greater emphasis on prayer and sacraments
- Greater focus on Jesus Christ
- Greater focus on the Word of God
- Greater leadership from bishops
- Greater leadership from priests
- Greater recognition of Eastern Catholic Churches
- Greater trust, faith and hope in God
- Heal and move beyond the clergy sexual abuse scandal
- Healing liturgies and public signs or acts of reparation for clergy sexual abuse
- Inclusion of the divorced and remarried
- Listen to one another more
- Mass to be appealing to youth and children
- More transparency and accountability regarding clergy sexual abuse
- More welcoming parishes
- New translation of the Mass (inclusive language)
- Outreach to all the baptised
- Outreach to the wider community
- Outreach to youth
- Reduce margins between rich and poor
- Restore the Third Rite of Reconciliation
- Special care of rural parishes
- Stronger parish communities
- Transparency in governance and decision making
- Youth to be involved more in Church community

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Are you new to our Parish? WELCOME!! We'd like to formally greet you, so please complete a 'New Parishioners Card' at the back of the Church and place it on the collection plate or hand it to Fr Baiyi or to one of the Parish Councillors.

Other Parish Contacts:
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 Family Group Facebook: St Peters Rochedale Family Groups
 Memorial Wall & Gardens: Mal Jensen 0411641312
 St Vincent de Paul: New members: John Blake 0411 196 775

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults
 Representative: Malcolm Carroll 0410 193 569 or
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Rosary Group: Fridays 9:00am (1st Fridays 8.30am)

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