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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."*

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

### 3rd March 2019

Readings: Sirach 27:4-7

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Luke 6:39-45

### Our Lenten Journey at St Peter's

The Lenten Season begins this week with Ash Wednesday! The Lenten days are a time of preparation for Easter. During this time we are called to deepen and nurture our faith through the practices of praying, fasting and giving. Lent is also a time for us to attend to our spiritual well-being and become more mindful of how our God of Compassion is constantly working in our lives, so that we, in turn, may live more compassionately with others.

What do you think of when you hear the word 'Lent'?

Within the Archdiocesan Lenten Program for 2019, we find these thoughts:

Lent is . . . . .

- a transition time, a time to look honestly at our journey of faith as we walk with Jesus to the cross.
- is a transformative time, a time to shed those habits that diminish us as human beings.
- a time to be proactive, both within ourselves and in the world around us.
- a time for allowing God to embrace our hurts.
- a time for engaging with the God of compassion and letting go of judgement.
- a time to acknowledge the crosses of others, even while we carry our own.

Take time to reflect on these and how they might deepen your understanding of Lent.

The title for this year's Lenten Journey is **Compassion**. This word 'compassion' means to 'suffer with'. Our Archbishop reminds us that Journeying through Lent in 2019 is an invitation for us to experience the Gospel stories of a compassionate Jesus, reminding us that we are all in need of the mercy and forgiveness of God and of each other. He writes "God needs us to be the face of love and compassion in our world. As we struggle to offer compassion to others, let us remember that we ourselves are in great need of this same compassion. May our time of reflecting on the Lenten readings be a time of drawing upon God's infinite compassion 'which never comes to an end; and is new every morning.' (Lamentations 3:22-23)". Archbishop Mark Coleridge *Compassion Lenten Resource 2019*

This year you are invited to participate in a renewed way with the Journey of Lent. The Faith Enrichment Group have met with Father Baiyi and planned a number of experiences that will be offered during Lent, in addition to the usual Lenten Liturgies, Sacraments and Devotional Practices. We are offering a range of prayerful experiences that cater to our different styles and circumstances. There are experiences for gathering as a community, as a small group, as a family or for personal prayer. The hope is that each of us will engage in at least one of these additional experiences as well as the Liturgies and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

You will find a Poster identifying the events of our Lenten Journey on the notice boards. You will also receive a Mini Poster to place on your fridge or in your calendar. Weekly updates and more details will follow as Lent progresses.

**The Faith Enrichment Group**

(Diane McKeone, Margaret Connors, Anne Fry,  
Malcolm Carroll, Vicki Routledge, Alan Vigor)



## IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

<b>MON 4th Mar</b>	8.00am Mass 10.00am Funeral Mass for Avis Greenup 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting 7.00pm RCIA
<b>TUE 5th Mar</b>	8.00am Mass with children
<b>WED 6th Mar</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> 6.30am Mass 9.30am Mass with the school 7.30pm Mass
<b>THU 7th Mar</b>	No Mass 10.00am Weekly Lenten Group Gathering (in the Church) 7.30pm Care & Concern meeting (Parish Office meeting room) 7.30pm Family Group meeting (Parish Centre)
<b>FRI 8th Mar</b>	<b>World Day of Prayer</b> 8.30am Rosary 9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00—9.20am Reconciliation available 9.30am Healing Mass 7.00pm Lenten Reflection (in the Church) 7.30pm Stations of the Cross
<b>SAT 9th Mar</b>	9.00am Social Justice Group meeting 5.00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
<b>SUN 10th Mar</b>	<b>First Sunday of Lent</b> 9.00am Mass 3.00pm RCIA Rite of Election—Cathedral 6.00pm Mass

### Lenten Challenge

Choose at least one of the Lenten experiences that are on the Lenten Journey Poster and make a Lenten Promise to be faithful to this extra commitment. Add the date/s to your personal or family calendar. Begin to embed in to your day short times of silence to stop and BE with our Compassionate God. God is always with us. Listen for God in the silence!

**Download the Lent 2019 Compassion APP** from Apple Store or on Google Play for Android™ devices for \$1.99 - Search Lent 2019 Compassion

### **Daily Lenten Online Retreat**

Google 'Walking Together with Jesus: Lent Retreat 2019.' Download the files to access daily prayer material, a reading from Scripture, art work and other reflections. No cost.

<https://www.pathwaystogod.org/resources/walking-together-jesus-lent-retreat-2019>

**Wednesday Lenten Group:** In addition to the Lenten Program listed last week another Lenten Group will be held on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm beginning on 13th March in the Parish Office meeting room.

**Baskets needed for St Vinnies' Easter raffle:** If you can donate spare baskets for the St Vinnies' Easter Raffle, can you bring them to the Parish Office please?

**Prison Chaplains:** Centacare currently seeks expressions of interests from men and women who are interested to know more about the work of chaplains in the Correctional Centres in the Wacol precinct and at Borallon Training Correctional Centre. Chaplains visit these Correctional Centres as part of the Catholic team on a rostered weekly basis. See noticeboard

**Statement from Archbishop Mark Coleridge:** The news of Cardinal George Pell's conviction on historical child sexual abuse charges has shocked many across Australia and around the world, including the Catholic Bishops of Australia. The Bishops agree that everyone should be equal under the law, and we respect the Australian legal system. The same legal system that delivered the verdict will consider the appeal that the Cardinal's legal team has lodged. Our hope, at all times, is that through this process, justice will be served.

In the meantime, we pray for all those who have been abused and their loved ones, and we commit ourselves anew to doing everything possible to ensure that the Church is a safe place for all, especially the young and the vulnerable.

**RIP Mrs Avis Greenup:** Long time parishioner Mrs Avis Greenup passed away on Monday, aged 100. Avis' Funeral Mass will be held here at St Peter's this Monday 4th March at 10am. The celebrant will be her son Fr Robert Greenup OSA. **Adoration and Healing Mass** will be held this Friday 8th March commencing with Rosary at 8.30am. All welcome. (Postponed from the first due to the World Day of Prayer service.)

**The RCIA Rite of Election** for the Archdiocese of Brisbane is being held in St Stephen's Cathedral on Sunday 10th March at 3pm. All are welcome to attend.

**Good Friday Stations of the Cross:** This year we will hold a Stations of the Cross here at St Peter's at 10am on Good Friday in addition to the Passion at 3pm.

**High School Open Days:** See the noticeboard for information on Open Days at Clairvaux MacKillop College (8/3 @10am), San Sisto College (12/3 @ 9am) and St Thomas More College (14/3 @ 9.15am & 4.15pm)

### **Readings for next weekend: 1st Sunday of Lent (Yr C)**

Deuteronomy 26: 4-10 Romans 10: 8-13 Luke 4:1-13

### **Plenary Council 2020**

#### **Listen to what the Spirit is saying .....**

Online submissions close this Wednesday 6th! To have your say visit [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au).

Are you interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith?

**ENQUIRY SESSION Friday 15th March School after assembly about 9.30am.**

**Come and See what our Community**

**BELIEVES LIVES PRAYS**

Contact: Speak to Fr. Baiyi or Ph Mary Naughton on 0413 224 339, for more information – or just turn up for the session.

### **Position Vacant - Youth Ministry Coordinator**

This position is for 2 years for 10 hours a week. For additional information speak to Jo or Fr Baiyi or go to <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and then select 'careers'. Applications close – 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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Those affected by abuse and misconduct by Church personnel need to be supported and encouraged to speak their truth. Their voices need to be heard. Disclosures of this nature should be made to the Professional Standards Office Qld, either by:

**St Vinnies' News:** Your St Vinnies team would like to thank everyone for their generosity and support. The Christmas SVDP Mass collections totalled \$1656.00. Thanks to the Care and Concern team who donated \$825.00 raised from their Christmas luncheon. Around the same time we received \$400.00 from the poor boxes. The support we receive from our family of St. Peter's is overwhelming and a wonderful help for the struggling families we support, especially during the festive season when times are particularly tough. Thanks and God Bless, *St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Peter's Parish*



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**Are you new to our Parish?** If you've recently joined the Parish, WELCOME!! Please make yourself known to us. 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**

**Care & Concern:** Transport: 0412 267 337  
Co-ordinator Lynn White 0403 051103  
**Family Group Facebook:**  
St Peters Rochedale Family Groups  
**Memorial Wall & Gardens:** Mal Jensen 0411641312  
**Rosary Group:** Fridays 9:00am  
(1st Fridays 8.30am) All Welcome!

**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 Group:**  
New member enquiries John Blake 0411 196 775

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Those who have died:** Avis Greenup, Greg Nicholls, Norma Nicholls, Gordon Timms, Alexander Ross, Riadh Rammo, Vic McKay, Barbara Walker

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Andrew Neilsen John Brady, Jonathan Kinsella, Bill Chidgey, Eileen O'Doherty, Sr Agnes Rita, Jean-Christophe Couvreaux, Fred Wiseman, Bette Davis, James Jensen, Marcella Hayward, Tony Lilly, Francis Mayer, Mary Cheng Wong, Nina Ong, Hyacinth Jebamalai, Carol Stewart, James Leong, Edward McCormick, Ray Bennett, Florence Chia, Miss Agnes Chin, Nicholas Chin, Dominic Chin, Stephen Chin, Fatima Chin, Annie Mah

**Please pray for those who are sick, especially** Joyce Byrne, Rory Bakker, Simon Hinton, Ray Parker, June Richards, Brad Richards, Baby Poynter, Barrie Martin, Irene Hughes, Don Bechly, Marcos Mendoza, Margaret Drummond, Gwen Green, Esme Jensen, Michael Harkin, Zhiding Gong, David Richardson, Vickie Routledge, Martine Pitts, Kaitlin Bakker, Warren Williams, Vivian Kennedy, Danny Costello, Benny Santanaraj, Jose Rochil Contreras, Kim Power, Lexie Harding, Violet Adamson, Max Drummond, Karen Johnston, Lori Hodder, Apolonio Aguas, John Drew, John Green, Alan Camp, Ramona Cruz, Ursula Williamson, Kieran McKenna, Sesinando de Leon Jnr, Trevor Parker, Sandra Murphy, Fabio Viola, Michael Smith, Sylvia Privitera, Andrew Briskey, Elmore Kotzur, Monica Ah Koy, Kevin Kelly, Hamish Stuhmeke, Bonnie Dematillar, Johnny Summers

*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.*

9th & 10th Mar	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 6pm
<b>Mass Co-ordinators</b>	Natalie and Steve	Lydia Chew	Anne Fry
<b>AV Operators</b>	David Crowley	John Donohue	Kate Guy
<b>Readers</b>	C. Joseph Varkey 1. Joyce Lyster 2. Peta Grandin	C. Del Reynolds 1. Alan Vigor 2. Arthur Leow	C. Aurelie Twidale 1. Daniel Twidale 2. Margaret Connors
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Diane Land Natalie Hadde Steve Danudibroto	Deacon Mike Jones Lydia Chew Jo Cullen Marilyn Mills	Joan d'Netto Jim Nathan Kevin Healan
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Luna, Talia	Finn S, Leo	Eza, Chevonne
<b>Musicians</b>	Liz	Roger & Tongan choir	Carmel

**Church Cleaning:** 8 Basil's Cleaners  
**Children's Liturgy:** Stephanie Lenihan **This week:** **Sacristan:** Celine Phillips **Counting:** Carl's Team  
**Cuppa:** Sun 10th March after 9am Mass: Rashelle Johnson, Kimberley Kanages, Amanda Revelo



## THE ARCHBISHOP OF BRISBANE

### A WORD TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

These last few weeks have been bruising for the Catholic Church in Australia. It seems that everywhere we turn we see stories about the Church and its failures with child sexual abuse.

We have to accept that. The Church will never walk away from its responsibilities in this area. We will continue to do all we can to help and heal those who have been abused and their families. We have much to atone for. We have much to do and much to continue learning.

But today I want to say a word about the Church that's almost never mentioned in mainstream media. It's the Church that you're part of every day and, often enough, through the night as well. Because of what you do, the Church changes lives for the better, and it does so through the power of the Gospel. Yes, we face serious challenges now, but there is a whole dimension of the Church that should never be forgotten.

**It's the Church that works every day with refugees who have come to Australia seeking a better life.** You help them to find accommodation, to fight for a permanent stay and to reunite with loved ones.

**It's the Church that works on the frontline with domestic violence victims.** You help them and their children in the toughest moments that they will face. You walk with them at every step, especially when they feel helpless.

**It's the Church that works with Australians with a disability.** You help create a society that welcomes, includes and respects people with a disability as people first – and you support them to follow their dreams.

**It's the Church that works with people on the poverty line.** You provide them with accommodation, meals and support when they have nowhere else to turn.

**It's the Church that works with the homeless.** You bring a friendly smile, food and warmth to them. Most of all, you help by spending time with them.

**It's the Church that works with people living with dementia.** You brighten their lives, you relate to the real person and you provide support for their families.

**It's the Church that provides pastoral support to prisoners.** You sit with them, listen to their stories and provide counselling.





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**It's the Church that works to protect our environment.** You help raise awareness of our common home, the earth on which we live and the need to preserve it for those who come after us.

Of course, it's **the Church that has educated millions of Australian children over generations.** Your work in that area continues to have a major impact on our young people and the future of our country.

And it's **the Church that has provided first-class medical treatment in our hospitals for generations.** You have literally saved lives and continue to save lives. You have also accompanied the dying with tender care.

Thank you for all this and more – because that's not an exhaustive list of what you do from day to day in the Catholic Church. At this difficult time, I wanted you to know that your work is priceless and that it does not go unrecognised.

Thank you for your work in parishes, schools, hospitals and on the frontline wherever it may be.

It's work that should make you both proud and humble – proud for what has been achieved and humble before the God whose gifts make it all possible and who is as close to us now as ever before.

✠ Mark Coleridge  
1 March 2019

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
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