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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."

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

4th November 2018

Readings: Deuteronomy 6:2-6 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 12:28-34

Just a few thoughts.....

In this weekend's Gospel, a scribe approaches Jesus and asks him: "What is the first of all the commandments?" Naturally Jesus replied what he had learned as a small child: "There is only one Lord and God." And you are "to love the Lord your God with your whole heart, soul and mind."

I assume these words are very familiar to you. For many of us, these words were etched in our minds and hearts at a very young age. Hopefully, this continues to be true today. However, these words are so very familiar to us that we may not even hear them. In essence, Jesus asks only two things of us: to love God with all our hearts and to love our neighbour as ourselves. Sounds simple, doesn't it?

The challenge in Jesus' statement is that our focus in life may be very divided. Take a few minutes and honestly ask yourself: How many times a day do I think about God? Do I take or make time to pray every day? Do I pray once, twice, several times a day, or not at all? Then ask yourself: Am I happy with my responses? If not, do you want to make more effort to pray and spend time with God? Or are you content with your life as it is?

Now that you have reflected on your relationship with God ask yourself: How do I strive to love my family members, my neighbour, my co-workers or someone I happen to meet on the street? Do I consciously strive to love every person I encounter, even the individuals I may not like?

Hopefully, the time we spend with God each day makes us more aware of the people we encounter every day. God's love for us and our love for God should flow out from us to the individuals and the people with whom we interact, work and live.

This weekend I invite you to be mindful of the people you encounter. Strive to be loving and kind to every individual with whom you interact. You may find that other people will be loving and kind to you also. "What goes around typically comes around!"

Deacon Mike

Readings for next weekend: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

1 Kings 17:10-16

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults: Our parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all of our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.

Training: Part of this process is that all Volunteers must have training in the Policy and its applications. Whilst an online training program should be ready by the end of the year for most volunteers, those who work directly with children or vulnerable adults must attend **face to face training** sessions if they have not already done so. There is a training session at **Coorparoo Heights Parish Hall, 81 Waverley Rd, Camp Hill on Wed 14th November 10am to 12noon**. Another will be held on **Wed 21st November** at **St Bernardine's at Regents Park** from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Please see Jo or Julie for more information. **Registration essential.**

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IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:	
MON 5th Nov	8.00am Mass 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting
TUE 6th Nov	8.00am Mass with children 11.00am Melbourne Cup Lunch 4.30pm St Vincent de Paul meeting 7.00pm RCIA
WED 7th Nov	6.30am Mass 7.00pm Faith Enrichment meeting
THU 8th Nov	No Mass
FRI 9th Nov	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass
SAT 10th Nov	Saint Leo the Great 5.00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
SUN 11th Nov	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass 10.15am Parish Gathering re the Plenary Council 4.45pm Youth RCIA 6.00pm Mass

Book of Life and Book of Remembrance:

Every November, Catholics have a grand tradition of remembering the dead in prayer. It is a core belief we profess each Sunday in the Creed that we are joined in the "communion of saints" - linking the living and the dead in the family of God. Our parish Book of Life is on display near the doors of the church all through the year and each week the names are taken from this for the newsletter and we pray for those whose anniversary of death we remember that week. This Book of Life and our new Book of Remembrance (only to be used during November) will be a point of focus for us on the sanctuary for the whole of November calling us all to remember those included in our prayer especially this month. Please feel free to add any names to the Book of Remembrance at any Mass during November. To add names to the Book of Life contact the Parish Office.

Children's Liturgy We require at least one parent to accompany the group each Sunday with the leader so we have 2 adults present. Thank you to all the parent helpers!

RCIA: This Sunday at the 9am Mass 2 Catechumens, Amanda Revelo and Rashelle Johnson, will publicly declare their desire to continue their Journey of faith and deepening their love of God, through the **Rite of Acceptance**. They will be baptised at Easter and then be in full communion with the Catholic Church. Please continue to support and pray for these ladies.

Are you a Mass Co-ordinator, Reader or an Extraordinary Minister of Communion or would like to be? The next Mass Co-ordinators/ Communion/Readers Rosters will cover the summer holiday months running from 1st December to end February 2019. Please indicate on the slips on the table near the main doors, any dates you know that you will be unavailable or any changes for the next roster and pop them in the grey Peter's Post box on the wall. New Ministers welcome. Training provided. Please read the updates on the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Policy in this newsletter

Celebrate the Year of Youth - 5.30pm -9pm 24th November. If you're between the age of 13 and 30 come and celebrate the Year of Youth! Free event! Food trucks, live entertainment and music, and freebies. We have several people from St Peter's attending so we can car-pool. Contact Jo for more information and to register.

Deanery Youth Mass 6pm Saturday 1st December at St Maximilian Kolbe church, Kingston-Marsden. All families with children welcome to this vibrant celebration with Bishop Ken Howell. Contact Jo for more information.

Thank you to Wally Scanlon who volunteered his time to **paint** the Sacristy and the Confessional for us. Doesn't the new paintwork look lovely? You might have also noticed our revamped **noticeboards** on the verandah. Thank you to the Church beautification team and Dudley Cullen for the work on these. Thanks also to Lawrie Winter who has installed the new **motorised projector screens** and also lowered the height of the **floor lights on the sanctuary** so they are less of a tripping hazard. We have been busy!

Parish-School Family Mass 9am Sunday 18th November. All welcome!

Donations: An optometrist will be visiting remote villages in Vanuatu soon and is asking for donations of spectacles, Bibles, lead pencils, coloured pencils, crayons and exercise books. Place your donations in the marked box at the back of the church.

Plenary Council 2020

Listen to what the Spirit is saying

We will have another Parish Gathering next **Sunday 11th November** from **10.15am** in the Parish Centre. Come along and be sure to extend an invitation to friends and family to join us to have their say— "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

You may be asking "What else can I do to prepare for the Plenary Council?"

Pray: The Holy Spirit is leading us and the stillness of prayer opens our hearts to hear God's voice. You can find the Plenary Council prayer on their website.

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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.

Bequests and Endowments: Have you considered leaving a bequest or endowment to the parish in your will? Pick up one of our new bequest brochures.

Safeguarding Updates continued from page 1: **Blue Cards & Police Checks:** It has been noted that many of our ministries have an implied level of trust. As such there is an expectation that anyone ministering in one of these positions of implied trust be of a high standard of character. This includes Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion because they are seen up on the sanctuary reading the Word of God and sharing out the Body and Blood of Christ. All of the members of these ministries throughout the Archdiocese are being asked to complete a Blue Card form and Police Check regardless of how many years you have already been a minister so *please* do not be offended. Please speak to Jo or Julie or Malcolm (our Local Safeguarding Representative) for more clarification.



St Vinnies' News: SVDP are seeking summer clothing suitable for teenagers (size 8 to 14) for a needy family. Please call Brian on 0419 992 294. If you are interested in joining St Vinnies and would like some information on what we do please call John Blake on 0411196775.

Christmas Lights at the Cathedral: This Christmas St Stephen's Cathedral will host a spectacular sound, light and projection show to celebrate the season of peace, joy and goodwill. From the creators of Sydney's Vivid Lightwalk, the Lights of Christmas will illuminate the side of the Cathedral with an enchanting 12-minute show, which will run continuously from 7:30pm until midnight every evening from 12th to 24th December. We are thrilled to invite all parishioners to join us on the lawn at St Stephen's for this magnificent event.

Volunteering Overseas with Palms Australia Info night Fri 9th Nov 5.30pm to 7pm Brisbane Square Library

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

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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: John O'Sullivan, Valerie Lee, John Watson

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Dharshan, Joseph Reilly, Mary Bowden, Veronica Cullen, Bridget Finn, Doris Edna Duffey, Margaret McGovern, Margaret Walton, Kevin Turner, Margot Harris, James Field, Bill Donovan, James Heery, Aileen Kilner, Lesley Power, David Daish, Alicia Anderson, Pat Feeney, Doris Jenkins, Hugh Perkins, Rita McIvor, Brian Culbert, Patricia Kennedy, Peter Phillips, Rose McKenna, Christopher Langford, Richard Kemp, Reginald Smith, Bill Steele

Please pray for those who are sick, especially 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, Tony McDonald, John Drew, John Green, Kevin Dingwall, 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.

10th & 11th Nov	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 6pm
Mass Co-ordinators	Joyce Lyster	Marilyn Mills	Helen Graczyk
AV Operators	Steve Danudibroto	Mick Denton	Michael Collier
Readers	C. David Crowley 1. Geoff Hondroudakis 2. Monika Svarc jnr	C. Alan Vigor 1. Jackson Sabu 2. Volunteer please	C. Malcolm Carroll 1. Helen Graczyk 2. Margaret Connors
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Carl de Mello Monika Svarc Snr Joyce Lyster	Jo Cullen Diane McKeone Kevin Healan Marilyn Mills	Mel McKay Bev de Paola Anne Scanlon
Altar Servers	Angelina, Luna, Eza	Jada, Agnes, Angela	Chevonne, Finn W, Jerome
Musicians	Liz	Tongan choir	Rita

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

Children's Liturgy: Angela Thomas **This week:** **Sacristan:** Celine Phillips **Counting:** Bob's Team

Cuppa: Sun 11th Nov after 9am Mass: Kate Glynn, Jim Nathan, Brent Martin, Tongan community

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