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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."*

## Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year C)

**19th May 2019**

Readings: Acts 14:21-27

Revelation 21:1-5

John 13:31-35

## Everything is in God's Hands

There are many things in human life that cannot be predicted. Last year, after my Dad's funeral, a friend of mine said to me: "Baiyi, you may not come back and visit us in the future as often as in the past, as both your parents have passed away now. However, I still hope I can see you a lot as we are good friends." I agreed with him. At that moment, I thought to myself, perhaps, I would be able to see more of the world in the next few years. When my parents were getting on in years, I had spent as much time as possible with them during my holidays. Then I had had chances to see my friends in China at least once a year. However, I hadn't had a chance to travel to anywhere else.

Then, in September last year, my brother, Zhiding Gong, was diagnosed with terminal cancer. I wanted to spend time with him before his illness became too debilitating. So I decided to visit him. All my siblings, my two sisters-in-law and I travelled together for a week. Then, Zhiding and I went on alone for another week. We had some quality time, together. Of course, before I left China for Australia, I visited my friend mentioned above and some others as well. Though they felt very sorry for my brother, my friends were glad to see me.

At the beginning of 2019, my sister's son decided to get married on 30<sup>th</sup> April. The whole family was hoping that I, the priest from the family, who had already married so many couples, could officiate at the wedding of my own nephew. As I knew that my brother could die at any time and it would be hard for me to visit China twice in a year, I told my nephew the difficulty of the situation. He understood my predicament and said to me: "Please offer a special Mass for my marriage if you can't make it".

On the 7<sup>th</sup> April, I was told that my brother was very low. I knew his last days were approaching. The timing wasn't good as Holy Week was only a week away. I'd love to be with my parishioners during this special time. So I was planning to return to Rochedale on Holy Thursday morning. After I arrived home in China, my brother's condition was really "up-and-down". We all knew he was dying soon, but nobody could tell us when exactly. At the suggestion of our Parish Pastoral Council, and with the support and approval of the Archdiocese, I decided to take my annual leave to continue to be with my family. I changed my air tickets on Holy Monday. My brother died two days later.

After the funeral, we had one week to adjust our hearts for my nephew's wedding. It was such a big success. Within one month, in my personal life, not only was there a sad occasion, but a happy one as well. I know that's life. "For everything, there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance." (Ecclesiastes 3:1,4). I understand I can't predict anything but I know everything's in God's hands. Following His Will is always the best way. **Thank God for everything. I thank all those who have prayed for my brother, my family and me and all those who have offered assistance, in any form, during my absence.**

*Fr Baiyi*

**Readings for next weekend: Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year C)**

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

John 14:23-29

## IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

MON 20th May	8.00am 7.30pm Young Students RCIA
TUE 21st May	8.00am Mass with children
WED 22nd May	6.30am Mass
THU 23rd May	No Mass
FRI 24th May	<b>Our Lady, Help of Christians</b> 9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass with Year 3
SAT 25th May	5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday,
SUN 26th May	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> 9.00am Mass, Mystagogia 6.00pm Mass



**Mystagogia:** Our newly baptised adults are at the end of their supported journey of faith and are in the period of *Mystagogia*. This is a time for them to reflect on what it really means to be Catholic and the importance of the Eucharist in their lives. You, the community, now have a big role in making them feel part of our worshipping community, to befriend them and make them welcome - Sunday 26th at 6pm Mass and Sunday 2nd June at 9am Mass. Please continue to pray for these ladies.

**RCIA Inquiry Night:** Thursday May 30, 7:30pm in the Parish Centre. RCIA are holding a night for those wanting to know more about the Catholic Faith. If you know anyone interested please invite them to come and talk to us, or contact Mary on 0413 224 339.

**Parish Reflection Day 'Call to Holiness':** Sunday May 26, 9am to 4pm, Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre. Cost is \$30 per person (includes lunch and morning tea). Booking essential. Other dates include August 31 and November 30. For more details or to register, contact the parish office.

**Transport:** I am looking for 4-5 men who would be willing to bring an elderly gentleman from Arcare Springwood, to the Sunday 9am Mass once a month. He has his own wheelchair. If you can help, please contact me for more information. Thank you. Mary Naughton 0413 224 339.

**Safeguarding Children Vulnerable Adults Training:** Next sessions June 20, 10am at Sunnybank Paloma Centre and June 25, 6pm at St Agnes, Holland Park. Registration required, contact the parish office for more details. Before attending, the Safeguarding Essentials Presentation (level 1) video must be completed at: [www.safeguardingaob.com.au/safeguarding-training](http://www.safeguardingaob.com.au/safeguarding-training)

**Earn and Learn:** Support St Peter's Primary school by collecting Woolworth's Earn and Learn stickers! Please leave them in the bucket at the Church entrance

**Heart Women's Conference:** Saturday May 25, Mt Gravatt Bowls Club. A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Dream again. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. Invite your mothers, sisters and friends! Register: [Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com](http://Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com) or call 1300 734 880.

**Saint Peter's Primary School Car Wash Fundraiser:** Saturday June 1, 9am to 4pm. \$10 for small cars, \$15 for SUV, with a bake sale and cold drinks while you wait. All proceeds and donations go to the year 6 end of year celebrations, so come and support the students of Saint Peter's!

**Family School Mass:** Pentecost Sunday 9am, June 9. Please join together as a community

**New Rosters Available:** The June to August rosters for Mass Coordinators, AV Operators, Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion are available at the Church entrance. Please pick up your envelope.

**Welcome to St Peter's new Youth Coordinator Olivia Brown!** She can be contacted at: [youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au)



### **The Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy of the Brisbane Archdiocese states:**

*...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10:14*

"Children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded."

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.

Our Parish Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representative is **Malcolm Carroll**. If you have any questions or concerns contact Malcolm on 0410 193 569 or [sgrep.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sgrep.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au)

**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.

**National Volunteer Week:** May 20 - 26. In the coming days, Australia will celebrate the 30th National Volunteer Week. Throughout the parishes and by virtue of its work Centacare, the Archdiocese has one of the largest numbers of volunteer groups throughout the state, around 8000 and counting. Our volunteers are at the heart of everything we do, so thank you to all those who volunteer in the parish!

**St Thomas More College Visitor's Day:** Tuesday May 21st and Tuesday August 20th at 9:15am and 4:15pm. To register call 3323 4600 or visit [www.DoMoreBeMore.trueau.com](http://www.DoMoreBeMore.trueau.com)

**All Hallows' School Open Day:** Sunday May 26, 11am. Go to [www.ahs.qld.edu.au](http://www.ahs.qld.edu.au) for more details

**Awaken Pentecost Retreat:** Sunday June 9th, 10.30am at the Greek Orthodox Memorial Hall. Come and be transformed and renewed in the Holy Spirit and come together for Holy Mass, praise & worship, quiet prayers, talks and miraculous healing. Led by Stephanie Le and Fr Lam with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. RSVP required. Contact the parish office for more details.

**Who Celebrates The Liturgy?** June 26th, 7pm. A public lecture by Professor Tom O'Loughlin that explores the meaning of the Vatican II liturgical principle, the role of the priest in the liturgy and how we should celebrate Sunday Mass. His presentation will help us rethink ministry and Christian life for the present age. Tickets cost \$10. For full details, go to <https://liturgybrisbaneworkshops.weebly.com/tom-oloughlin.html>

**Orientation to Mental Health Pastoral Care:** Thursday August 18, 9am, at the Chermiside Kedron Community Church. A workshop for people who assist or advocate for others and who are interested in learning more about mental health and pastoral care. Keynote speaker is Dave Andrews. For more information, contact the parish office.

**Entertainment Membership:** With the 2018/2019 Entertainment Membership about to expire, now is the perfect time to buy the brand new 2019/2020 Entertainment Membership! You can enjoy thousands of valuable offers for everything you love to do, all while supporting fundraising for St Peter's Catholic Parish. Contact the parish office for more details.

**Position Vacant - Parish Secretary (Job Share):** Applications are open for a position at St Benedict's Parish, Northlake's. Candidates with excellent administration and secretarial skills are required for a job share position of parish secretary for 18.2 hours a week. One candidate will be required to work Monday to Wednesday and the other candidate will be required to work Wednesday to Friday. For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers.

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

**Those who have died:** Lyle McLachlan, Don Bechly

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Colin Towne, Evelyn Jean Bishop, Joyce Lynagh, Beatrice Jones, Jeffrey Martin, Carl Becker, Dulcie Johns, Ken Kearney, Joyce Booth, Ruby Brownlee, Nidya Vellido, Sandra Chapman, Fr Michael Carew, Ken Thorley, Joshua Duffy, William More Campbell, Bernard Gibbs

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

*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.*

25th&26th May	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 6pm
<b>Mass Co-ordinators</b>	Joyce Lyster	Lydia chew	Aurelie Twidale
<b>AV Operators</b>	David Crowley	John Donohue	John Donohue
<b>Readers</b>	C. Shelagh Ballment 1. Joyce Lyster 2. Neil Ballment	C. Stephanie Lenihan 1. Mary Naughton 2. Maria Chamberlain	C. Helen Gracykz 1. Aurelie Twidale 2. Daniel Twidale
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Deacon Mike Jones Joseph Varkey Lyndal Bray-Claridge	Kieran Lenihan Jo Cullen Diane McKeone Lydia Chew	Jim Nathan Anne Scanlon Alan Scanlon
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Angelina	Jada, Finn, Leo	Finn, Jerome, Chevonne
<b>Musicians</b>	Anne Flood	Carmel	Liz

**Church Cleaning:** 3 Brian & Janice Mason, Jeffrey Aranha, Diane McKeone

**Children's Liturgy:** Paola      **This week: Sacristan:** Glenys Peters **Counting:** Bob's Team

**Cuppa:** Sunday 26th May after 9am Mass: Rashelle Johnson, Kimberley Kanages, Amanda Revelo



**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:**  
**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  
**St Vincent de Paul:** New members: John Blake 0411 196 775

**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  
**Rosary Group:** Fridays 9:00am (1st Fridays 8.30am)

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