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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."

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

21st April 2019

Readings: Acts 10:34, 37-43

Colossians 3:1-4

John 20:1-9

Easter Refection *by Deacon Mike Jones*

One could be forgiven for thinking that Easter was a time of indulging ourselves with an excess of chocolate eggs, bunnies and a variety of other sweet delights. Certainly as a small child that was how I saw it but I like to believe that what St Paul had to say to the Corinthians applies to me now, *"When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things."* (1 Corinthians 13:11)

With the rest of the Church I too can now express the true joy of Easter and proclaim, **Alleluia! He is Risen!**

Saying those words is like drinking a tall glass of cold water after being out in the desert all day. Lent is over and it is now time to celebrate the great joy of Easter!

At the Easter Vigil, the Exsultet is sung as Mass begins in darkness, illumined only by candles throughout the church. The Exsultet is a beautiful hymn of rejoicing in Christ's triumph over sin and death. One part states: *O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ! O happy fault that earned for us so great, so glorious a Redeemer!* This line stands out because it calls the sin of Adam "necessary" and refers to it as "O happy fault." At first, this may seem strange. Why is it that we refer to the sin of Adam, Original Sin, as "necessary" and "happy." The answer is Easter. It's because God, in His perfect wisdom and love, took sin and the consequence of sin (death) and used them as the means of the salvation of the world. That's what Easter is all about!

This may be hard to comprehend so it's worth thinking about more deeply. Without Adam's sin, there would be no Jesus. God would not have had to become one of us. So even though the original sin of Adam, as well as all future sin, is evil and wrong, God in His perfect power and love chose to use it as the very means of the salvation of the world. How? By allowing the sins of the world to persecute Him and crucify Him, and then, by turning that suffering and death into the very means of salvation. Jesus destroyed sin by destroying the consequences of sin which is death. Death loses in the Resurrection! Jesus' Resurrection takes away the effects of all sin for those who cling to Him.

Easter is a time when we must do just that. We must "cling" to our resurrected Lord! We must cling to Jesus who is alive and well. We must cling to His Resurrection and strive to share in it. How do we cling to our Resurrected Lord? There are many ways. Here is one:

Take joy in everything. Start with whatever it is that burdens you the most. Whatever it is that makes you angry, sad or depressed. Whatever that is, it can potentially become one of your greatest sources of grace and joy. Seriously, it can. If the brutal Crucifixion of Jesus, the Son of God, can turn out to be the greatest event in all of human history, then your personal suffering, your burden, or even your sin can very much become a source of great joy as long as you let God transform it into part of His Resurrection!

This is the meaning of Easter! Easter means that nothing can keep us from the joy that God wants to give us. Nothing can steal that joy away. Sure, at times we will struggle just as Jesus did in the Agony of the Garden of Gethsemane but those sufferings will not win. The Resurrection was won with Christ and it will win with us when we cling to Him. Jesus persevered and, in the end, rose victorious. This is Easter! *(continued on page 2)*



IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

MON	22nd Apr	
TUE	23rd Apr	8.00am Liturgy of the Word
WED	24th Apr	
THU	25th Apr	ANZAC Day 8.00am ANZAC Day Mass
FRI	26th Apr	9.00am Rosary
SAT	27th Apr	5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
SUN	28th Apr	Second Sunday of Easter 9.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass

Fr Baiyi and the Parish Office would like to wish all parishioners, their families and friends a Happy, Holy and Safe Easter.

Readings for next weekend: Second Sunday of Easter (Year C) Acts 5:12-16 Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19 John 20:19-31

Easter Reflection (continued): Know that God wants you to experience the joy of Easter in your life. Let Him fill you with hope and with the joy that only the Resurrection can bring. God wants Easter to begin now in our lives! Happy Easter! *Alleluia! He is Risen!*

Deacon Mike

Congratulations to Amanda-Jane Revelo and Rashelle Johnson on your Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil! We warmly welcome you into full communion with the Catholic Church. It has been a joy to accompany you and watch your growth in faith. As a community, we continue to pray that you will always remain faithful to God throughout your life.

From Fr Baiyi: My dear parishioners, My brother passed away on Wednesday 17th April. After a lot of consideration, I have decided to take the suggestion of our Parish Pastoral Council, to stay at home to be with my family at this very difficult time. As you may be aware, I would love to be with you for the celebrations of Holy Week and Easter and I have even prepared all my homilies and already sent them to Julie. But now I don't think I have a choice.

After Easter, I don't think I have to rush back to Rochedale. So, with the approval, support and understanding of the Archdiocese, I have decided to take my annual leave now. I will be back to the parish on 13th May. In this case, I will be able to not only be here for my brother's funeral but also attend the wedding of my sister's son held on 30th April. With the help of the Archdiocese, our parish staff will find enough supply priests for weekends and special occasions. Thank you very much for your understanding and for your prayers for my brother, my family and myself. Wishing each of you a fruitful, blessed and happy Easter. *Fr Baiyi*
ANZAC Day Mass is at 8am on Thursday April 25th. Fr John Conway from St Bernardine's Mass is at this earlier time to allow people to attend the ANZAC Day March in the city. We will share morning tea after Mass so please bring a plate of food to share.

Share the Dignity provides nationally to homeless and at risk women, sanitary products to allow them a sense of dignity at a time when they need it most. No woman should suffer the indignity of choosing between eating and buying sanitary items. Please support this charity by donating sanitary items during April

Children's Liturgy will resume for Term 2 next Sunday 28th April at the 9am Mass. Leaders please notify Jodie asap of any dates that you will be unavailable for roster in the new term.

Care & Concern Morning Tea: An early MOTHER'S DAY morning tea will be hosted by Care & Concern on Sunday 4/5/19 following the 9am Mass. Please join us on the verandah for a little indulgence. All Welcome.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP MOVEMENT: If you have not yet filled in an enrolment form to join the Passionist Family Group Movement, it is not too late. Please complete a form and either hand it in to the Parish Office or to the Family Group Co-ordinators, Kristy & Alan Scanlon.

Happy Easter From All At Caritas Australia!

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...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 0438 949 099 or mcarroll580@gmail.com

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.


Divine Mercy Sunday celebrations at St Patrick's, Beenleigh: 2.30 pm: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and evening prayer 3.00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet. Adoration to Blessed Sacrament continues 4.00 pm: Holy Rosary 4.30 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet 4.45 pm: Benediction 5.00 pm: Holy Mass Confession available from 2.30 pm

"Discere" the Latin term meaning "to learn" or "to find out" is a one day retreat for young adults who are discerning a possible call to the Priesthood or to Religious and offers an opportunity to reflect and discover more about their Vocation. 9:00am – 4:30pm Saturday 27th April at the Carmelite Monastery, Wellington St Ormiston 4160 Find out more or register through: vocation@bne.catholic.net.au or call 1300 133 544.

Federal Election 2019—Catholic Bishop's Statement: The bishops call for respect in public debate, share Catholic social teaching and detail some key issues to reflect on before you vote. "Politics in service of peace: a statement by the Catholic bishops of Australia for the 2019 federal election" can be found at www.catholic.org.au.

One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies: The One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies multinational pro-life prayer event is scheduled for 3, 4 and 5 May this year. Persons participating will pray at least one Rosary for the protection of the unborn. For details and to register go to: <http://www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.org/>

Jeff Cavins, who is well known worldwide for his regular program *Life on the Rock* and *Understanding the Mystery of the Bible*, will be in Brisbane to talk about the Catholic Faith and Scripture. Sunday 5th May at St James Catholic Church and Hall, 165 Old Cleveland Rd, Coorparoo from 12 noon to 5pm. Free (but we request donations to defray expenses). Bring a plate to share, drinks provided. Phone Sonny on 0421437752.

You are called to Mission: Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste,  Palms Australia Global Volunteering Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. Overseas Catholic communities are inviting you to immerse yourself for 1 to 2 years. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, you can give opportunity by sharing them with our global family! Come for Global Mission Info: Sunday May 19th @ 3:30pm in the Brisbane Square Library Community Meeting Room, 266 George St, BRISBANE

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have died: Zhiding Gong (*Fr Baiyi's brother*), Benny Toal (*Anna Carver's brother*), Jim Nunan, Kathleen Bowser, Jason Letts, Kevin Partridge, Edna Halligan

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Joan Potent, Roma Murray, Jill Bayliss, Betty Cloherty, Stephen Chin, Anne Smith, Eileen O'Mara, Robert Finn, Benito Vicenzino, Alice Gillen, Apolonio Aguas, Arthur Young, Betty Armstrong, Elizabeth McCall, Hilda Laing

Please pray for those who are sick, especially: Terry Naughton, Catherine Nystrom, Kevin Hargrave, 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, 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, John Green, Alan Camp, Ramona Cruz, Ursula Williamson, Kieran McKenna, Trevor Parker, Fabio Viola, Sesinando de Leon Jnr, Sandra Murphy, 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.

27th&28th April	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 6pm
Mass Co-ordinators	Carl De Mello	Kevin Healan	Anne Fry
AV Operators	Steve Danudibroto	John Donohue	Mike Collier
Readers	C. Lyndal Bray-Claridge 1. Jo Cullen 2. Monika Svarc (Jnr)	C. Alan Vigor 1. Kathy Seymour 2. Jackson Sabu	C. Anne Fry 1. Bob Burns 2. Raylee Burns
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Carl De Mello Danny Vaihu Monika Svarc (Snr)	Shane Seymour Kevin Healan Bev De Paola Jim Nathan	Donald Fernando Diane McKeone Marilyn Mills
Altar Servers	Luna, Angelina	Jada, Agnes, Angela	Eza, Chevonne
Musicians	Anne	Rita	Liz

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

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

Cuppa: Sunday 28th April after 9am Mass: Stephanie Lenihan, Marilyn Mills, Emeline Uwimana

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

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