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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."

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

22nd September 2019

Readings: Amos 8:4-7 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Luke 16:1-13

Crossroads, RCIA for Children in Years 9 to 12

Every year, our parish organizes sacramental programs for children in Years 3 and 4. According to the sacramental policy of our Archdiocese, Year 3 students are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation. The following year, they will receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist for the first time. However, there are always some children who, for whatever reasons, don't receive these sacraments when they are in Year 3 or 4. This is why we have prepared Crossroads, the RCIA journey for children in Years 9 to 12. In 2019, there were 13 children who attended Crossroads in our parish.

In this small group of 13 children, different children were in different situations, too. Some of them hadn't been baptised. After the session on Baptism, they were baptised before our Confirmation night on Friday 30th August, so they could be confirmed with other children in the normal parish sacramental programs. Two of them have stayed in the sacramental program and will receive Reconciliation and First Communion next year. For the others, as they were old enough, they didn't have to wait until next year to receive the other two sacraments. As a result, on Tuesday 3rd September, we arranged the liturgy for them to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation. During the 9 o'clock Mass on Sunday 8th September 10 older children received their first Holy Communion with the final child receiving his this weekend.

In the Crossroads program, we provide five sessions for the participants. These sessions cover all the important catechetical themes, such as Holy Scripture, prayer, the Holy Trinity and so forth. These sessions have been organized and conducted by a special task group. There are five members in the team, coordinated by Josephine Cullen. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Crossroads team. All of them have done their jobs very well. With their hard work and thoughtful efforts, our Crossroads program has run smoothly and successfully.

Like the Crossroads team, we form other task groups to deal with different situations from time to time. In our parish, as you can tell, our principle and policy is to be flexible when meeting different needs of our parishioners. In today's society, for many different reasons and as a result of different influences, people may have different opinions, even biases, about our Church and are no longer regular church-goers. For them, preparing their children for sacraments may not be their first or top priority. However, many still think that receiving the sacraments is important, although they may be slow to make decisions around this. They may forget the dates and times. As long as they still bring their children to our church for sacraments, we try our best to look after them with Jesus' gentleness and love.

My dear friends, I am very proud of our parish. We are active, supportive, pastoral, friendly and flexible. There are many parishioners who are willing to respond to the different needs of our parish. Please continue to pray for our parish and support us in whatever way you can. As you support the development of our St Peter's spiritual family, you are growing in your relationship with God, as well.

Fr Baiyi

Readings for next weekend: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1, 4-7

1 Timothy 6:11-16

Luke 16:19-31

IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:	
MON 23rd Sep	Saint Pius of Pietrelcina 8.00am Mass
TUE 24th Sep	8.00am Mass 4.00pm St Vincent de Paul meeting 7.00pm RCIA 7.30pm Baptism Information meeting
WED 25th Sep	6.30am Mass
THU 26th Sep	No Mass 7.30pm Care & Concern meeting
FRI 27th Sep	Saint Vincent de Paul 9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass 10.30am Funeral of Pauline Lennane
SAT 28th Sep	10.00am Understanding Dementia & Risk Factors Seminar 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
SUN 29th Sep	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Social Justice Sunday 9.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass

Understanding Dementia and Risk Factors:

Alzheimer's Queensland will be presenting a seminar in the Parish Centre on Saturday 28th September. Commencing with morning tea at 10am, the 45 minute seminar will commence at 10.30am. See Jo for details and to RSVP for catering purposes.

Social Justice News: Dear friends, next weekend 28th & 29th September we will be celebrating **Social Justice Sunday**. The theme this year deals with the digital world. The parish has purchased the Social Justice Statements, Leaflets and Prayer Cards. We just ask for a gold coin donation to cover the cost of the purchase. Thank you very much. *The SJG 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.

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.

Holy Souls Memorial Mass: 9.30am Saturday 2nd November. We will remember all those who have died,

Youth Update: Our High School and Junior (yr4-6) Youth Groups will be taking a break due to the school holidays. Term 4 dates for all youth events will be in next weeks newsletter and emailed out so please look out for that.

Just a reminder that **Ignite conference** is happening in Brisbane this week. The conference night sessions are free and open to the public and all ages. I encourage you to attend as it is an incredible experience. If you would like more information don't hesitate to contact me or have a look on the Ignite Youth website.

Thank you again for your ongoing support, Olivia
Contact: youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au.
Instagram: @rochedaleyouth

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:

Brisbane Assembly: Fri 4th & Sat 5th Oct 2019
The Brisbane Assembly is less than a fortnight away! If you would like the opportunity to take part in a the Assembly and participate in communal discernment led by experienced facilitators, please contact Jo Cullen.

The Plenary Council process has now moved into Phase 2, the "Listening and Discernment" phase. A great many of our parishioners were involved in the 1st Phase which was very encouraging. The process of being informed and responding for Phase 2 here at St Peter's will unfold over the next few months culminating in a Plenary Forum here in February.

Learn more about the Christian practice of discernment and download the guide, "Let's Listen and Discern", at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Melbourne Cup Lunch 11am to 2.30pm Tuesday 5th November.

Fundraising towards our Youth Ministry. 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.



Kingdom Now: A one day Parish Renewal Event

for all parishioners in the Logan Deanery. Sunday 3rd November at the Logan Entertainment Centre. 3pm-5pm Inspiring speakers and panels on the topics of parish renewal, music and worship, youth engagement and social justice. 6pm-8pm Emmanuel Worship leads us in a powerful evening that includes Mass with Archbishop Mark Coleridge. All Welcome. Free entry.

Faith Matters! Prayer is ... Receiving God's Help and Wisdom.

We all experience times of uncertainty, difficulty, suffering and sorrow. Yet, Scripture is rich with promises of God's loving presence, provision, comfort and wisdom. Here are just a few that we can draw on in such times. Why not learn these promises by heart to have at the ready when needed.



"It is the LORD who goes before you; he will be with you and will never fail you or forsake you. So do not fear or be dismayed." (Deut 31:8)

"They that hope in the LORD will renew their strength; they will soar on eagles' wings. They will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint." (Is 40:31)

"The LORD is near to the broken-hearted, and saves the crushed in spirit." (Ps 34:18)

"But if any of you lack wisdom, you should pray to God, who will give it to you; because God gives generously and graciously to all." (James 1:5)

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.

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

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

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

It is a fairly simple process to 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>

See the Noticeboard for Invitations from around the Archdiocese

Season of Creation: 'We Do... Care for our common home.' Monday 23rd Sept 7.00-8.30pm The Aspinall Centre, 4 Klumpp Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt. Phone 3849 7158. (Including supper)

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Procession: St. Stephen's Cathedral 5th October. Rosaries (two mysteries) 10.30am followed by Marian Mass at 11.30am. Process around the streets approx 12.15PM(Elizabeth St, Adelaide St, Edward St, Cathedral) Benediction to conclude at the Cathedral.)

March for Life 2019 : Saturday October 12 2pm, meeting at Queens Gardens, 144 George St Brisbane CBD. Marching to Parliament house. We RALLY for the UNBORN, for proper care for pregnant WOMEN and for the GENERATIONS to come. Please bring friends and family with you. 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.

Future Teacher Scholarships 2020: Brisbane Catholic Education (BCE) is offering scholarships to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tertiary students who are enrolled in a full time teaching degree at a University campus located within the Brisbane Archdiocese from the beginning of 2020. Successful applicants will receive up to \$4,500 in fee support per annum towards an education degree and a teaching position in a BCE school/college for a minimum of two years after graduating. To apply: <https://tinyurl.com/bceteachingscholarship>. Contact Gemma Crowley, Organisational Development (07) 3033 7523 or orgdev@bne.catholic.edu.au Submit your application and references by 8th November 2019

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have died: Irene Hughes (*Mel McKay's mum*), Pauline Lennane, Verlyn Gagahe, George Valesini, Patricia Summers, Nick Kisaloff

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Leanne Privitera, Fukuichi Hirakawa, Fr John (Margaret) McMahon, Elizabeth Severein, Roy Boylans, Wilfrid Howell, Marilyn Corft, Ricquard Lyster, Ann Ryan, Gus Mitchell, Walter Blattman, Eileen Caligari, Margaret O'Brien, Annette Thorley, Trish Wilkenson, Luigi Nemesi, Cyril Smith, Jane McKenzie, Kevin O'Mara, Barbara Gleeson, Joan Jebamalai, Bernard Bevan, Ante 'Tony' Bekavac, Mary Cecilia Taurino, William Howard, Cecilia Carlon, Louisa Swan, Melville Donohue, Mary-Josephine Lynch, George Grundy, Mostyn Morgan, Dorothy Wright, Robert Smith, Ian Derbyshire, Margaret Homas, Don Dewar

Please pray for those who are sick, especially: Kevin Fry, John Franks, Michael O'Grady, Barbara Pashen, 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, John Drew, 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.

28th & 29th Sep	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am		Sunday 6pm
Mass Co-ordinators	Carl De Mello	Efren Tuazon		Kate Guy
AV Operators	Mike Collier	Julie Hondroudakis		John Donohue
Readers	C. Peta Grandin 1. Clive D'Silva 2. Shenelle Nelson	C. Jonathan Vigor 1. Kieran Lenihan 2. Arthur Leow		C. Malcolm Carroll 1. Lynn White 2. Anne Fry
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Deacon Mike Jones Rob Meulman Trish Meulman	Lydia Chew Steph Lenihan Alan Scanlon Marilyn Mills	Jo Cullen Bev De Paola Donald Fernando	Cesarina Gigante Kate Guy Dona Thomas
Altar Servers	Angelina, Rene	Agnes, Angela, William		Talia
Musicians	Liz	Carmel		Anne Flood

Church Cleaning: Group 5 Mark & Gabrielle Connolly, John Viola, Kieran Lenihan, Kimberley Kanages

Children's Liturgy: None **This week: Sacristan:** Glenys Peters **Counting:** Bob's Team

Cuppa: None, 5th Sunday of the Month

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
Social Justice Group Facebook: St Peter's Rochedale Social Justice Group
Rosary Group: Fridays 9:00am (1st Fridays 8.30am)

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