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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."

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 28th July 2019

Readings: Genesis 18:20-32 Colossians 2:12-14 Luke 11:1-13

Building connections with the wider community

As the Church of Jesus Christ, we can't just concentrate on ourselves. We have to reach out, talk to other people and build connections with other communities. Our Church exists for the world. About a year ago, the question "As a Catholic Parish, how can we connect with the wider community?" was raised and discussed at one of our Parish Pastoral Council meetings. At the meeting, Les Hauff was appointed as the Parish representative, whose role is to try to build a relationship with different Christian Churches, other religions and communities in our area.

During this period of time, Les has been working hard to make connections with the wider community. He has visited the different Christian Churches in our region and talked with their leaders. After the recent tragedy in Sri Lanka, a local Muslim community sent us a condolence card with over 300 signatures, expressing their prayers and thoughts for the victims, their families and the whole Christian community. Les, representing our whole community, began to build a connection with this Muslim community. Later, the community accepted our invitation to a morning tea at our parish office, with their Imam and four other representatives intending to come. The whole Parish Pastoral Council was very excited about the visit and we tried our best to prepare for the morning tea.

Last Saturday at 10:30am, we successfully hosted the morning tea. Three of the representatives of the Muslim Community, including their Imam, sent an apology. However, the other two representatives, Mr Faris Fazalbhoy and Mr Muhammad Jangda, visited us and enjoyed the morning tea. There were nine representatives from our parish, including Deacon Mike and myself, who participated in this joyful occasion. We introduced our visitors to our parish and school, its history, size, our liturgical celebrations, and three of our ministry groups among our over 30 ministry groups, namely the Social Justice Group, Care and Concern and St Vincent de Paul Society. The two guests talked with us about what they do as a community as well. They also spoke about how they practice their faith. For example, they pray five times a day. (How many times a day do we pray?) They have to go to their holy city, Mecca, at least once in their lifetimes. (Our parish is organising a pilgrimage tour to the Holy Land in September next year. Are you coming with us?) The morning tea lasted about 1.5 hours. To finish, we took some photographs to document this significant gathering. I think it was a great experience, for both parties. *(Continued on page 3)*



IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

MON 29th July	Saint Martha 8.00am Mass
TUE 30th July	8.00am Mass 7.00pm RCIA 7.30pm Baptism Information meeting
WED 31st July	Saint Ignatius of Loyola 6.30am Mass
THU 1st Aug	Saint Alphonsus Liguori No Mass
FRI 2nd Aug	8.30am Rosary 9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00—9.20am Reconciliation available 9.30am Healing Mass
SAT 3rd Aug	Saint Dominic 9.00am Social Justice Group meeting 4.30pm Crossroads 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
SUN 4th Aug	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass with Crossroads Baptisms 6.00pm Mass

Invitation to Andrew Chinn Concert: On Tuesday 13th August, Australian religious songwriter and singer, Andrew Chinn, will be visiting St Peter's school to share his songs with our children. Andrew's songs, such as "These Hands", "We Are One", "You are My Rock" are used in classrooms and liturgies around Australia, New Zealand, USA and Canada. Parents and parishioners are warmly invited to be a part of the celebration of faith and fun. There is no charge for adults or parishioners who may want to bring along young children (not yet school age). The concert will take place in the Simon Peter Hall at St Peter's School at 1:45 - 2:45pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

St Peter's Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands: From 2nd-17th September 2020 interested parishioners will be undertaking a 16 day pilgrimage to Jordan and Israel with Magi Pilgrimages. Fr Baiyi will accompany us. Indicative price based on 25 people is \$6490 AUD. There is also the option to add on a 5 day pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi (indicative cost based on 15 people \$3790 AUD). At this stage the pilgrimage is being offered to St Peter's parishioners only. Depending on numbers we may need to advertise the tour to other parishes so if you are interested please don't delay in returning a registration form to Stephanie Lenihan: salenihan@hotmail.com or phone 0413 268 860

Youth Update:

High School Youth Group (Grade 7-12)
this Saturday 3rd August 7-8:30pm in the Parish Centre.

Young Adults (18-35yrs Old):

Tuesday 20th August 7-9pm, venue to be confirmed. If you are in either of these age groups, we really hope you can make it. As always if you have any questions or would like to know more please contact Olivia on youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au or on our Instagram @rochedaleyouth. God Bless

Communion to the house-bound: We need more Ministers to take Holy Communion to the house-bound and Nursing Homes. It requires about 1½ hours on some Tuesdays – AM and PM. ... "I was sick and you visited me.... In so far as you did this to one of the these my brothers, you did it to me." Matt 25: 37,41. If you can help, please contact Helen Graczyk or Mary Naughton.

PLenary COUNCIL 2020:

National Theme for Discernment #5

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is a Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a yearning for the Church to be a sign of God's kingdom for all people in Australia – to be able to see the Catholic Church in action, and to recognise

Jesus. Find out more at

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



Roster Notification: Mass Co-ordinators, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and Readers, please advise any dates unavailable 31st August to 24th November for the new roster.

Readings for next weekend:

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23 Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11
Luke 12:13-21

Date Claimers

Mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

Mary Thursday 15th August at 7.30pm

Parish Reflection Day: Saturday 31st August 9am to 4pm at the Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston. Theme: Call to Holiness (Rejoice and Exult). Cost \$30 per person (includes lunch and morning tea. Please complete one of the yellow expressions of Interest forms.

Parish Dinner Party: Saturday 7th September 7.15pm to 11pm at the Runcorn Tavern. Tickets \$65 per person, cash or credit card accepted.

Faith Matters!

In his letter *Rejoice and Be Glad: The Call to Holiness*, Pope Francis reminds us 'Holiness' means being yourself. He offers us many examples of holy lives throughout this document: the saints who encourage and accompany us. The saints pray for us and give us examples of how to live, but we are not meant to be 'cardboard cut-outs' of them. Everyone is called to be a saint. All we need to do is to "live our lives in love" and "bear witness" to God in all we do. We are meant to be ourselves, and each believer is meant to "discern his or her own path" and "bring out the very best of themselves."(GE11)

Spend some time at the end of each day reflecting on this question: How have I been the very best version of myself today?



Newsletter Reflection Continued from page 1:

Dear friends, please support us and pray for us as we try to connect with our wider community. We hope we can do something on a local level to strengthen connections, by building awareness, understanding, tolerance and empathy, and thus, to further the unity of humankind. All human beings were created by God, and so all of us should be one in God's love.
Fr Baiyi

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.

Entertainment Books: Still only \$70. You can enjoy \$1000's worth of discounts while supporting fundraising for St Peter's Catholic Parish. Buy an Entertainment Membership today and receive a BONUS \$10 Woolworths WISH eGift Card! Hurry, offer ends 11:59pm AEST, this Sunday 28th July.
Go to <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2224e97>

See the Noticeboard for Invitations from around the Archdiocese

Special anniversary Invitations:

St Kevin's Parish, Geebung is celebrating its **60th Anniversary** on Sunday 4th August.

St Ita's School, Dutton Park is celebrating it's **Centenary** on Sunday 11th August

Our Lady of Assumption School, Enogerra is celebrating its **Centenary** on Sunday 18th August

Other Invitations of Interest

Anti-Euthanasia Appeal: At Speaker's Corner, 15 George Street, Brisbane, Sat 3rd Aug from 2:30pm.

Encounter Timor Leste in September Visit palms.org.au/encounters or call Palms on 02 9560 5333

One G_d, Many Voices—Abrahamic Faiths Concert. Thurs 29th August 7pm for 7.30pm Griffith Uni, Nathan Campus (Building N35) Annual Evening of Jewish, Christian & Muslim Sacred Voices and Music and Kosher-Halal Supper. Free entry, all welcome. RSVP: by 20th Aug to 3735 7052 or icd@griffith.edu.au.

St Ignatius Parish's Annual Women's Night of Spirituality Tuesday 30th July 7.30pm Stuartholme

Women of the Way Retreat 23-25th August. Watson Park Convention Centre. Dakabin.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend August 2nd to 4th at Santa Teresa, Ormiston

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have died: Ian Chapple, Annie Kelleher (Shelagh Ballment's mother)

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Patrick Kelleher, Catherine Sullivan, Bridget Weeks, Philomena Joyce, Anne Bates, Bill Graham, Lester de Mello, Graham Bourke, Bill Bray, Yvonne Mesalic, Jean Lilburne, Helena Scott, Lesley Winter, Irena Wlodarczyk, Tom Lyng, James Durham, Fr Bill Taylor, Michael Allen, Margaret Lewis, Michael Kerlake, Thomas Flanagan, George Kirehner, Tom Curtin, Agatha Thien, Elizabeth Field, Blanche Naughton, Jane Doyle, Arthur McKenna, Mary White, Patrick Naughton, Julia Smith, Vivienne Broomell, Alfred Duffey, Ella Dixon, Perry Tzavellas, James Murray, Forde Ewart, John Scott

Please pray for those who are sick, especially: Barbara Pashen, Joseph Peko, Anne Fry, Vickie Routledge, Ian Thompson, Kevin Kelly, Edna Bultitude, Vilma Ghouse, Callum Poynter, Sue Power, Rebecca Power, Rex Bowen, Terry Naughton, Catherine Nystrom, Kevin Hargrave, Joyce Byrne, Rory Bakker, Simon Hinton, Ray Parker, June Richards, Brad Richards, Barrie Martin, Irene Hughes, Marcos Mendoza, Gwen Green, Esme Jensen, Margaret Drummond, Michael Harkin, David Richardson, Kaitlin Bakker, Karen Johnson, 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, Andrew Briskey, Elmore Kotzur, Monica Ah Koy, 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.

3rd & 4th Aug	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 6pm
Mass Co-ordinators	Carl de Mello	Effren Tuazon	Malcolm Carroll
AV Operators	John Donohue	Michael Denton	Kate Guy
Readers	C. Neil Ballment 1. David Crowley 2. Olivia Brown	C. Jackson Sabu 1. Jada Nathan 2. Kimberley Kanages	C. Margaret Connors 1. Anne Fry 2. Charisse Mone
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Carl de Mello Shelagh Ballment Lyndal Bray-Claridge	Deacon Mike Jones Joan D'Netto Julie Hondroudakis Lydia Chew	Marilyn Mills Gwen Martin Mel McKay
Altar Servers	Angelina, Jai	Agnes, Angela	Finn, Jerome, Eza
Musicians	Rita	Tim	Liz

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

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

Cuppa: Sunday August 4th after 9am Mass: Rachelle Johnson, Amanda Revelo, Kimberley Kanages

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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