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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."*

## Parish Feast Day of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles

2nd July 2017

### St Peter, the role model of the followers of Christ

(Readings: Acts 12: 1-11 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16:13-19)

St Peter is the patron saint of our parish as well as myself. Today let us celebrate this feast by not only the external liturgies but also the internal reflection on life stories and evangelization experiences of St Peter. Through this, we hope that we can be better followers of Christ.

Firstly, St Peter was a frank and outspoken person. In today's Gospel, Jesus asked the disciples who they thought He was. Peter spoke up, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Of course, his answer was right. Jesus praised him and promised "on this rock (Peter means rock) I will build my Church". However, whether or not Peter had understood the full meaning of the concept, the Messiah, remains a question. Had he really realized how Jesus would fulfil His mission as the Messiah? Obviously not, otherwise when Jesus was foretelling His passion and death later, he would not say, "This must never happen to you", which resulted in Jesus' response, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me" (Matt 16:22-23). Actually, Peter was one who just blurted out whatever he had in mind, a child-like person. This perfectly matches Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me ... for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs" (Matt 19:14). It would be easier and quicker for people like Peter to accept and proclaim that Jesus is our saviour.

Secondly, Peter was one who could correct himself when he realized his faults and mistakes. After he disowned Jesus three times, the crow of the cock reminded Peter of what Jesus had said earlier and he went out and wept bitterly (Matt 26:75). From then on, he never disowned Jesus again but followed Him constantly and closely. Even when he was facing death in Rome, he didn't shrink and disown Jesus but sacrificed his life for Jesus' sake. None of us is perfect, just like Peter. Let us learn from him: when we realize our mistakes and faults, we don't lose our hope but relying on Jesus, try to correct them and move forward.

Thirdly, Peter was a disciple of Jesus who wholeheartedly followed Him from the beginning to the end. When Jesus was arrested, he followed Him to the courtyard of the high priest (Matt 26:57-58). When the women reported to the apostles the news of Jesus' resurrection, their "words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb, stooping and looking in" (Luke 24:11-12). To Peter, if there was any chance to follow Jesus, though Jesus had died, he would not miss it. By following the will of Jesus, he went to Rome and bore witness to Jesus by shedding the last drop of his blood. Peter followed Jesus till the last minute of his life, becoming a role model for us in following Jesus.

Dear friends, St Peter was a loyal follower of Jesus, having met all the requirements of the best disciples. He was not perfect but exactly because of that, he has set us a good example on how we, who are not perfect, should also follow Jesus. Let us learn from St Peter, being people with child-like minds, the spirit of correcting mistakes and faults when realizing them, and resolving to follow Jesus till the end no matter what. Fr Baiyi

**Readings for next weekend: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Zechariah 9:9-10 Romans 8:9,11-13 Matthew 11:25-30

## IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK:

<b>MON 3rd July</b>	<b>St Thomas</b> No Mass 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting
<b>TUE 4th July</b>	No Mass 4.30pm St Vincent de Paul meeting 7.30pm RCIA Enquiry Night
<b>WED 5th July</b>	No Mass
<b>THU 6th July</b>	No Mass
<b>FRI 7th July</b>	8.30am Rosary 9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am—9.20am Reconciliation available 9.30am Healing Mass
<b>SAT 8th July</b>	5.00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
<b>SUN 9th July</b>	<b>14th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Aboriginal &amp; Torres Strait Islander Sunday</b> 9.00am Mass followed by Cuppa & Chat 6.00pm Mass

**St Peter's Feast day** will be celebrated this weekend 1st and 2nd July. We are holding a special Cuppa and chat after the 9am Mass. Please join us to celebrate our special day.

**Children's Liturgy** will take a break for the school holidays and resume again Term 3. Leaders please contact Jodie to let her know any dates you will be unavailable for the new roster.

**Altar Servers:** Any children or adults wishing to become altar servers please fill in your contact details on the blue slips at the back of the church and place them in the box provided.

**Parishioner would like a lift** to 9am Mass on Sundays. Rochedale Estates area. Phone 3341 4408

**Wanted:** Child's A-frame whiteboard to be used for advertising Tuesday morning Mass. Please phone Steph Lenihan 0413268860



**Our parish will host the annual Propagation of the Faith appeal this weekend July 1st & 2nd.**

If we are regular participants in the Sunday Mass, it can seem that the demands on our finances are all too frequent. But as the Gospel reading from Matthew reminds us, being a person of faith has a price. This passage is a powerful reminder that if we are to be truly disciples of Christ, we have to put others first; this is the Cross of sacrifice and self-abandonment. It is the cross that missionaries all around the world, including Sr Mary in Uganda, take up daily and it is the cross we are asked to accept, according to our circumstances, as donors to the Catholic Mission Propagation of the Faith appeal. On behalf of the missionaries, and those they serve, thank you, in anticipation for your generosity. **David McGovern, Director, Brisbane & Toowoomba Diocese**

We welcome as guest speaker Trish McGrath. Please give generously to those in need.

**Care & Concern** Winter Warmers Lunch 22nd July 12noon until 2.30pm. All Welcome Cost \$10 See flyer on church door for details.

**LAST CHANCE** Retreat Santa Teresa 15/16 Sept See parish office or Jo Cullen if interested 0419733878 Payment by end July.

**RCIA:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is commencing in the Parish in July. We have an Enquiry Night this **Tuesday 4th July, 7.30pm**. Please take home about 10 blue leaflets and distribute them to neighbour's letter boxes before the Inquiry night. Speak to Fr. Baiyi or Mary for more information.

**Social Justice News:** Archbishop Mark Coleridge will be celebrating the Mass for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday at St Stephen's Cathedral, on 2nd July, at 12 pm. Everyone is welcome.

We will be celebrating our Mass for ATSI Sunday on the weekend of 8/9th July. There will be a retiring

collection after every Mass for the needs of the Murri Ministry. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

*Erika on behalf of the SJG*

**Father Baiyi** will be on retreat from Monday 3rd until Thursday 6th July. There will be no morning masses until Friday 7th.

**Church Cleaning:** New rosters available.

**No Evening Cuppa & Chat in winter** but we can all still enjoy them after the 9am Masses on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. And an extra special one this weekend for the Parish Feast!

**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.

**Entertainment Books 2017/18** are available for purchase from our parish. Full of discount vouchers to restaurants, hotels, and leisure activities to 1st June 2018. \$65. You can purchase online at [www.entbook.com.au/2224e97](http://www.entbook.com.au/2224e97) or buy today or during the week from Julie in the Parish Office.

**An invitation to young women who may be interested in discerning a religious vocation** to join Bishop Ken Howell for an evening meal and informal discussion at Wynberg. The meal will be at 790 Brunswick Street, New Farm, on Thursday, 20 July 2017 beginning at 6.30pm. Contact Fr Baiyi if you are interested in attending.

**Blue Cards:** We really appreciate the wonderful parish involvement in following the Blue Card Regulations. However, please remember to personally hand in your application to the parish office, as we need to sight the supporting documentation before it is sent. Also if you are renewing your Blue Card, please ensure that you give the parish a copy of your letter when you receive your new/renewed Blue Card, so we can keep a copy and update our records. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the parish Office.



**Vinnies News:** Donations would be welcome of new or good quality second hand blankets and towels. Also, donations of sewing materials are still welcome to help the St Vinnies' sewing group at Woodridge.

***Invitations from around the Archdiocese:***

**Marriage Beyond the Wedding – You're not alone on this journey:** Teams Oceania Conference July 1st & 2nd at Marist College, Ashgrove. Come along and hear some great speakers who will enrich your marriage:

- Fr Adrian Farrelly - "Contemporary marriage in the context of Amoris Laetitia"
- Dr Ryan Messmore - "Marriage - The Larger Story" & "Forgiveness"
- Shayne & Shanelle Bennett - "Courage to swim against the tide: mission, growth and joy" .....& many more!

For the full program, flyer & prices go to Teams Oceania website: [www.teamsoceania.com.au](http://www.teamsoceania.com.au) and click on upcoming events. You can also go to [www.trybooking.com/256672](http://www.trybooking.com/256672) to book. Everyone is welcome!

**menALIVE Conference:** MAX17-A National Catholic Event for Men. 14-16th July at St Leo's Catholic College, Uni of Qld, St Lucia, Brisbane. Contact Peter Carrigan on 0404 496 405 see [menalive.org.au](http://menalive.org.au)

**Women of the Way Annual RETreat**— 25-27 Aug 2017

Venue: Watson Park, Old Gympie Road, Dakabin, Brisbane

Theme: Live Alive -No Longer a Slave to Fear; I am a Child of God (Gal 4:7, Ezek 34:27)

Presenters: David & Natalie Tensen Resident Priest: Fr Chima Ofor

Contact: ph 0402 316 288 or email [wowqld@gmail.com](mailto:wowqld@gmail.com) RSVP: Aug 14

**The Oratory Winter Ball:** Fundraising for the education of the Brisbane Oratory in Formation's four seminarians – Saturday 22 July 2017, 6:30pm, Level 2 Portside Wharf, Hamilton. All are invited to join us for an evening of live music and dancing by the river. Tickets and further details available at <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=258077&>.

**Date Claimer: St Ignatius Parish Toowong's Annual Women's Night of Spirituality**—Tuesday 5th September at 7.30pm - Stuartholme School Chapel. St Ignatius Parish Toowong is very pleased to be able to continue to hold this annual event as a legacy of the work of Fr Peter Quin sj.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Those who have died:** Annie Mah, Melba Connole, Sharon David, Barbara Mierzwa

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Richard Ryan, Paul Ray, Lillian Francis, Violet Jackson, Harold Adcock, Michael Saii, Brian Fitzgibbons, Walter Bloxsidge, Darryl George, Doris Pinto, Johann Weverink, Gerald Loy, Margaret Weston, Ken Neilsen, Aub Evans, Patrick O'Leary, Olga Mahony, Maurice Machin, Mark Goodwin, Perc Feeney, Mary Warnaminde

**Please pray for those who are sick, especially** Rev. Dcn. Peter Olsen, Trevor Parker, Sandra Murphy, Fabio Viola, Ipari Morison, Cora Gatbonton, Michael Smith, Peter Harris, Sylvia Privitera, Andrew Briskey, Pat Mildren, Ann Mendoza, Elmore Kotzur, Flex Dance, Michael Ah Koy, Monica Ah Koy, Kevin Kelly, Annette Sparks, Hamish Stuhmeke, Joe Wegener, Roger Byrne, Ingeborg McIntosh, Don Bechly, Brian Button, Ramona Cruz, Bonnie Dematillar, Terri Mills, 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.*

**Roster 8th & 9th July 2017**

Co-ordinator		Readers		Communion	Altar Servers	Musicians
Sat 6:00pm	Peta Grandin	C 1 2	Michael Claridge Lyndal Bray-Claridge Geoff Hondroudakis	Carl de Mello Rob Meulman Trish Meulman	Volunteers please	Carmel
Sun 9:00am	Efren Tuazon	C 1 2	Theresa Cruz Bev de Paola Romana Langdon	Deacon Mike Jones June Wilson Jo Cullen	Volunteers please	Anne
Sun 6.00pm	Malcolm Carroll	C 1 2	Fiorenzo Matarazzo Lynn White Vickie Routledge	Ann Maree Collier Malcolm Carroll	Volunteers please	Liz

**Church Cleaning:** 1 Micheal Denton, Roy Steinwede, Sue & Donald Fernando

**Children's Liturgy:** none      **This week: Linen:** Celine Phillips      **Counting:** Bobs team

**Cuppa:** Sunday 9th July after the 9am Mass: Kate Glynn, Jim Nathan, Jo Cullen, Tongan Community

**Other Parish Contacts**

**Care & Concern:** Transport: 0412267337  
 Co-ordinator Lynn White 0403 051103  
**Family Group Facebook:**  
 St Peters Rochedale Family Groups  
**Memorial Wall & Gardens:** Les O'Gorman 3341 3862

**Rosary Group:** Fridays 9:00am (1st Fridays 8.30am)  
**Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representative:**  
 Malcolm Carroll 0438 949 099 or mcarroll580@gmail.com  
**Social Justice Group Facebook:**  
 St Peter's Rochedale Social Justice Group

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