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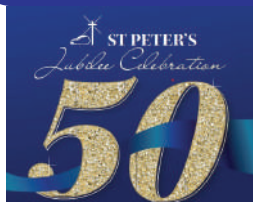


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MISSION STATEMENT

"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."



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

15th September 2024

Readings: Isaiah 50:5-9 James 2:14-18 Mark 8:27-35

Peter: Saint or Satan?

"Get behind me, Satan!" Like any other Jew of his time, Peter waited expectantly for the advent of the Messiah, who, according to prophecies, would usher in a new era of peace and prosperity. Jesus' Messianic mission is all about selfless service and sacrificial love. Peter symbolizes you and me. "If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, renounce yourself, take up your cross and follow me!" says Jesus, adding, "For if you want to save your life, you will lose it." Peter's initial satanic impulse turns into ultimate saintliness when he declares, "Lord, you know that I love you!". Peter will, eventually, follow Jesus faithfully and be crucified, upside down.

A 10-year-old girl who died of bone cancer writes: "I have a life-threatening disease, but it is not going to interfere with my life, until it kills me. I am no doubt scared; I am scared to death. But I am not going to sit down and brood over. What is important in my life is life."

Jesus is the Lord of life and not afraid to take life even into the death-ridden areas of human existence: sickness, conflict, dispute. So, if we want to meet Jesus today, we will find him in the face of the fragile and in the vulnerable. He will be there standing beside us in our pain as well as our joy. He will be looking us in the face when we want to run and to hide. He will not let go of us when life turns harsh. That is taking up the cross.

Answering the question about the people's speculations about the identity of Jesus, the disciples reported that some say he is John, others Elijah, other people still say one of the prophets. It is good to note that though the people did not get the real identity of Jesus Christ, they connected him with men of God, of proven integrity and power. On the part of the disciples' identity analysis of Jesus Christ, Peter identified him as the Christ which in Hebrew is rendered as Messiah. Instantly Peter took the Lord aside and began to forbid him from taking that way, but our Lord rebuked Peter by saying: "Get behind me Satan your thoughts are man's not God's!"

St. James tells us "Faith without good works is dead." In the same way Christianity without Christian life is useless just as "faith without faithfulness is worthless." To be a Christian is not just a name, it is a call into a life pattern, the life pattern of Christ. It is the life pattern of love and service to God and humanity. Do not allow any day to pass without living by your identity as a Christian.

What is our image of God? Who is God, who is Jesus for me? Not what others say about God or Jesus but what do I believe? Who is Jesus for me personally? No matter what we like to think, Jesus reveals God as God is. So, he is challenging us to go deep to the roots of our faith by making this faith truly personal. Jesus clearly shows that if we are to accept him as our Lord, we must accept his way of suffering, whenever it comes in our life.

Fr Johny Edapulavan CMI

In our parish this week: September 2024

Monday 16	Tuesday 17	Wednesday 18	Thursday 19	Friday 20	Saturday 21	Sunday 22
Sts Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian 8.00am Mass	8.00am Mass	6.30pm Adoration 7.00pm Mass	11.00am Funeral Service for Patricia Gray	Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions 9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass	St Matthew 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass 11.30am Tongan Mass 6.00pm Mass with Cuppa to follow

Ministers at weekend Masses - Please advise Belmira by Monday of any dates that you will be unavailable from October to December for the next roster. The rosters will be compiled this week. New ministers are welcome. If you would be interested in joining one of the Mass Ministries, please see Belmira or Julie.

Funeral Service Patricia Gray: Long term and foundation parishioner, Patricia 'Pat' Gray passed away on Tuesday. Deacon Mike Jones will celebrate Pat's funeral service this Thursday 19th September here at St Peter's commencing at 11am. All who knew and loved Pat are invited to attend. Please remember Pat's husband Rod and the family in your prayers.

The Season of Creation 2024 – will be celebrated for five weeks between The Feast of Creation on September 1st and the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on October 4th. The Theme for this year is: **To hope and act with creation.** In the foundation belief that we will come to see the created world as a gift of our Creator God, the 2024 guiding symbol is, 'the first fruits of hope'. *Romans 8: 19-25.*

Donations for flowers to decorate the church are always welcome. Please contact Fr Johny or the Parish Office

Marian Valley Retreat: We are organising a one day retreat to Marian Valley on Saturday 19th October. Marian Valley – Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians is about 10km from Canungra and south of Brisbane in the Gold Coast Hinterland. The Pauline Fathers founded it in 1995. Its main chapel is dedicated to the Black Madonna and has many other smaller chapels built by pilgrims of the Shrine. We have enough people interested so we will hire a bus so that we can travel together. We need to finalise numbers so that we can book the appropriate sized bus. Please indicate your interest on the form near the main doors in the church.

Morning Tea Gathering: Our next regular monthly get together at the local coffee shop will be held at More Cafe in Springwood Mall (near Woolworths) at 10am on **Monday 7th October.** All are welcome to come along.

Those who have died: Pat Gray, Nat Faranso, Jelmana

Book of Life & Mass Requests:

George Jonas, Phil Kerlake, Stephen O'Brien, Rodrigo Jebamalai, Harry McKenna, Frist Jansen, Sean McCormick, Walter Donohue, Kathleen Pettiford, Ben Steffens, Kenneth Breuer, Christine Weverink, Gwendoline Gough, John Probert, Sylvia Rappensberg, Charles Murray, Kathleen Davis, Valmai Waterson, Jack Fox, Les Dwyer, Audrey Hussey, Elizabeth Severein, Roy Boyland, Dorothy Jackson, Wilfred Howell, Marilyn Croft, Ricquard Lyster

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Nick Bakker, Robert Cussans, Yolanda Timkoe, Rikki-Lee Curran, Valerie Isaac, Brother Amos, Ameka, Mitchy, Kerriane Meulman, Kent McMahon, Phyllis Mayer, Philomene Crowley, Nan Hauff, Janet Hicks, Maxine Macdonald, Joy de Souza, Sandra MacDonald, Don Tallon, Kevin Collier, Don O'Donoghue, Ray Parker, Phillip Van Rooyen, Olga Mariani, Patricia Green, Reg Van Rooyen, Mel Singh, Rhonda Lawson, Sr Lila Galvin, Kathy Jensen, Steph & Les O'Gorman, Teresa Leong, Pat McDonnell, Katie Costello.

Please contact the Parish Office via phone or email to add names to the list for Prayers for those who have died or who are sick.

Please ensure you have the permission of the person who is sick to make their name public prior to contacting the Office.



Readings for next weekend:
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 James 3:16-4:3 Mark 9:30-37

WOW (Wise Owl Wednesdays): Our September WOW will be a Book & plant swap, Faith Video clip and discussion on Wednesday 25th September 10am to 12 noon. Bring your plant cuttings or potted plants or books to swap or just join us for morning tea and raffles! RSVP by Mon 23rd Sept to the Parish Office or put your name on the list near the main doors of the church.
Open to all those aged over 65 in our local community.



News From Our Rochedale St Vincent de Paul (Vinnies)

As a result of the fundraising activities of the 2024 Spring Music Festival held in the school's Simon Peter Centre recently (which included the raffle tickets sold on our veranda a few weeks ago), Vinnies has received \$2429.00. This will go towards our continuing work with those in need of urgent assistance in our local area of Rochedale, Rochedale South, Springwood and Underwood. Congratulations to all raffle winners!! They have been notified of their success. A huge thanks to all those who contributed by buying raffle tickets, making a donation and by helping with ticket selling and BBQ assistance on the day. Rochedale St Vincent de Paul are so grateful to have this wonderful contribution and opportunity at this event. Thank you!!

Over the last 4 weeks, our Rochedale Vinnies has given over \$2750.00 worth of emergency assistance to 50 people, including 29 children. This included \$1920 worth of food vouchers, \$657 help with emergency accommodation and medicines (all financed through our fundraising), and \$160 worth of food items generously donated by our Parishioners. Donation of more food items into the wooden baskets to the left-hand side of the sanctuary (near the candle stand) would be very welcome.

RCIA: Congratulations and welcome to our RCIA Catechumens Janelle Luchetti, Jim Wright and Yvette Kim who last weekend participated in the Rites of Acceptance and Election. Please continue to pray for Janelle, Jim and Yvette as they begin formal preparation for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion.

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FAITH MATTERS: Next Friday, October 20th, is the feast of **Saints Andrew Kim Taegon and Paul Chong Hasang and companions.**

These saints are martyrs for the faith in Korea. It is amazing how deep was the faith in many of the martyrs who underwent extreme torture to witness to their faith in many places in Asia, including Japan, Korea, China, and Vietnam.

The first native Korean priest, Andrew Kim Taegon was the son of Christian converts. Following his baptism at the age of 15, Andrew travelled 1,300 miles to the seminary in Macao, China. After six years, he managed to return to his country through Manchuria. That same year he crossed the Yellow Sea to Shanghai and was ordained a priest. Back home again, he was assigned to arrange for more missionaries to enter by a water route that would elude the border patrol. He was arrested, tortured, and finally beheaded at the Han River near Seoul, the capital.

Among the other martyrs in 1839 was Columba Kim, an unmarried woman of 26. She was put in prison and tortured. She and her sister Agnes were disrobed and kept for two days in a cell with condemned criminals but were not molested. After Columba complained about the indignity, no more women were subjected to it. The two were beheaded.

Christianity came to Korea during the Japanese invasion in 1592 when some Koreans were baptized, probably by Christian Japanese soldiers. Evangelization was difficult because Korea refused all contact with the outside world except for taking taxes to Beijing annually. On one of these occasions, around 1777, Christian literature obtained from Jesuits in China led educated Korean Christians to study. A home Church began. When a Chinese priest managed to enter secretly a dozen years later, he found 4,000 Catholics, none of whom had ever seen a priest. Seven years later there were 10,000 Catholics. Religious freedom came to Korea in 1883.

Pope John Paul II canonized 98 Koreans and three French missionaries who had been martyred between 1839 and 1867, when he visited Korea in 1984. Among them were bishops and priests, but for the most part they were lay persons: 47 women and 45 men.

We marvel at the fact that the Korean Church was strictly a lay Church for a dozen years after its birth. How did the people survive without the Eucharist? It is no belittling of this and other sacraments to realize that there must be a living faith among the lay people there.

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saints-andrew-kim-taegon-paul-chong-hasang-and-companions/>
Shrines to the martyrs of Vietnam and Korea can be found at Marian

Valley at Canungra.

St Peter's Faith Enrichment Ministry

Youth Update

New members always welcome!

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Ignite Conference 24: 19 - 22 September 2024 at St Laurence's College, 82 Stephens Rd, South Brisbane. Ignite Conference draws together a network of high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from around the country, sending them out with a passion for mission and authentic faith in Jesus. Experience four days of real-world formation, encouragement in faith, great people and powerful worship. St Peter's Parish is willing to financially support our youth to attend Ignite by covering half of the ticket fee. Please contact Fr Johny or the Parish Office to discuss. For more information about Ignite Conference 24 go to <https://igniteconference.com.au/brisbane>



St Peter's Planned Giving:

We would be very grateful, if you are able, to support the Parish financially. There are several options.

Via Direct Bank Transfer: To direct transfer your Planned Giving to our bank account, our BSB is 064-786 and Account number is 100000067. Please use your surname and Planned Giving (or PG) as reference.

Envelopes, Credit Card or Direct Debit: Please contact the Office to set these up.

'Parish Giving' App: The logo to look for in the app store is a yellow and white cross forming a circle on a purple background. See our parish website for detailed 'User Guides'.

Tap & Go Donations: No cash at Mass? Try our donation terminal near the main doors: \$10 donation per swipe to support St Peter's Parish.

Roster: 21st & 22nd Sept	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Joyce Lyster & Arulmani	Baji Itteera	Malcolm Carroll
AV Operator	Mike Collier	Mick Denton	Jonathan Vigor
Readers	C. Mal Jensen 1. Neil Ballment 2. Lyndal Bray-Claridge	C. Alina George 1. Megan Philpott 2. Blanca Mastrangeli	C. Bob Burns 1. Raylee Burns 2. David Roati
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Carl de Mello Joyce Lyster Ann Maree Collier	Conrad D'Netto, Alan Vigor Lisa Hammett Anne Scanlon Vivienne Linnett	Cesarina Gigante Anne Fry Volunteer please
Musicians	Elizabeth Fort	Rita Bishop	Volunteer please
Cleaning Group 2: Brian & Janice Mason, Jeffrey Aranha, Tina Nguyen			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass :Cuppa after 6pm Mass Sunday 22nd Sept.:Kate Guy, Helen Graczyk, Malcolm Carroll			
This week 15th-21st September		Sacristan: Prashanthi Selvarathnam	Counting: Bob's group



Are you new to our Parish? WELCOME!! WELCOME!!

We'd like to formally greet you, so please contact the Parish Office on **3341 4421** or stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au

OTHER PARISH CONTACTS

Care & Concern: Transport: 0403 051 103

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♥ Evangelisation Task Group Facebook

♥ St Peter's Catholic Parish Evangelisation

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Representative: Malcolm Carroll 0410 193 569 or sgrep.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au

STOpline: 1300 304 550

Social Justice Group Facebook

St Peter's Rochedale Social Justice Group

St Vincent de Paul:

New members: Kevin Fry 0417 002 782

How to Leave a Legacy that makes a Difference Forever!

Thanks to one of our generous parishioners, the **St Peter's Rochedale Family endowment fund** has been established and will permanently be invested for growth and the principal will never be spent down. Each year the fund distributes 5% of the balance back to the Parish. As the fund matures over time, through investment growth and donations, the distributions increase and become a steady stream of annual income for the good works of our Parish.

Please consider making a gift to our parish endowment. You can put an extra cheque marked "endowment" into your giving envelope or put your donation into a plain envelope marked "endowment".

This is a way for parishioners, who believe in sharing their gifts and reaching out to others, to leave a legacy of care and support far beyond their lifetime. I hope that each of you will prayerfully consider a gift today or name the St Peter's Rochedale Family Endowment Fund in your Will as a special offering to the Rochedale Parish Community.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment and generosity. Please pray that our parish perpetual fund grows like the loaves and fishes!

Entertainment Memberships: School holiday promotion:

Purchase a 12 month Single City Membership for \$70 & receive a free Multi City upgrade and have access to exclusive offers across 20 cities in Australia and New Zealand. Whether you're staying local or exploring new destinations, a Multi City Membership will unlock a world of savings and fun for the entire family with travel, dining and entertainment savings.

Help boost St Peter's fundraising. St Peter's Online Order Page is <https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97>

Date Claimer: Logan Deanery Christmas Carols Friday 22nd November 5.30pm to 9pm at St Edward's Daisy Hill.

Around the Archdiocese

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass: Those couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary or more are invited to attend, together with family and friends, the annual Mass celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge at The Cathedral of St Stephen on Saturday the 28th of September at 11:30am.

RSVP by Wednesday 25th September to cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au or phone 3324 3030

SYNOD24 Last weekend 140 Synod members gathered at Xavier Hall at Holy Spirit Seminary to begin discussing, debating, discerning and voting on actions that we can take as an Archdiocese to implement the Decrees of the Plenary Council of Australia. Please continue to pray for all those participating that they may hear the voice of the Holy Spirit in the stories, questions, challenges, hopes and joys of others.

Closing Mass (open to public): Saturday October 12th 2pm- 3pm at the Australian Catholic University Chapel, 1100 Nudgee Rd, Banyo

Faith Foundations Short Course for Parish: If you've wondered, What's next? Or are looking for new ways to share, experience and learn about your faith with others - this is your chance to dip a toe in the water. This online course features six live, fortnightly workshops with interactive discussions - all from home. Suitable for both newcomers and those advancing their education journey, it includes contemporary teaching, lively discussions, and optional personal reading and videos to deepen your Bible understanding. The course caters to various learning levels, exploring the Bible's key themes and divine inspiration. It aims to enhance your personal faith and can be applied in parish or ministry settings. *You may also pursue the 11238NAT Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology with assessment from the Institute of Faith Education (National Provider No. 31402).* Contact us to enrol! Phone: 07 3324 3485 Visit: ife.qld.edu.au/parish Email: ife@bne.catholic.net.au


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