

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH



Rochedale Springwood

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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 PRIEST

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

17th November 2024

Readings: Daniel 12:1-3 Hebrews 10:11-14, 18 Mark 13:24-32

MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS ON WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

The prayer of the poor rises up to God. Christian hope embraces the certainty that our prayer reaches God's presence, not just any prayer but rather the prayer of the poor! Let us reflect on the faces and in the stories of the poor so that prayer can become a path of communion with them and a sharing in their suffering.

The poor hold a privileged place in God's heart, to the point that, God is "impatient" until he has rendered justice to them. God knows the sufferings of his children because he is an attentive and caring father. As a father, he takes care of those who are most in need: the poor, the marginalized, the suffering and the forgotten. We are all poor and needy. We would not even have life if God had not given it to us. "Each individual Christian and every community are called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and promotion of the poor, and for enabling them to be fully a part of society. This demands that we be docile and attentive to the cry of the poor and to come to their aid".

We need to make the prayer of the poor our own and pray together with them. This is a challenge we must embrace and a pastoral activity to be nurtured. Moreover, "the worst discrimination which the poor suffer is the lack of spiritual care. The great majority of the poor have a special openness to the faith; they need God, and we must not fail to offer them his friendship, his blessing, his word, the celebration of the sacraments and a journey of growth and maturity in the faith. Our preferential option for the poor must mainly translate into a privileged and preferential religious care".

The World Day of the Poor is a pastoral opportunity not to be underestimated, for it challenges every believer to listen to their prayer, becoming aware of their presence and needs. It is an occasion to implement initiatives that help the poor and to recognize and support the many volunteers who dedicate themselves passionately to the poor. We must thank the Lord for the people who support the poorest among us. They are priests, religious, lay men and women who, by their testimony, give voice to God's response to the prayer of those who turn to him.

Saint Teresa continually repeated that it was from prayer that she drew the strength and faith for serving the poor. When she spoke at the UN on October 26, 1985, showing everyone the rosary, she always held in her hand, she said: "I am only a poor sister who prays. By praying, Jesus puts his love in my heart, and I go to give it to all the poor I meet along the way. Pray too! Pray, and you will notice the poor who are beside you. Perhaps on the same floor in your apartment building. Perhaps even in your houses, someone is waiting for your love. Pray, and your eyes will open, and your heart will fill with love". We are called to be friends of the poor. May Mary, who appeared at Banneux and left a message not to be forgotten: "I am the Virgin of the poor," sustain us on this journey.

Fr Johny Edapulavan CMI

In our parish this week: November 2024

Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22	Saturday 23	Sunday 24
<p>No Mass from Monday to Friday this week as Fr Johny is on Retreat.</p> <p><i>Parish Office open 9am-12pm only</i></p>	<p>No Mass</p>	<p>10.00am-12pm WOW end of year Celebrations</p> <p>No Mass or Adoration</p>	<p>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p> <p><i>Parish Office closed</i></p>	<p>St Cecilia</p> <p>9.00am Rosary No Mass</p> <p>5.30-8.30pm Logan Deanery Carols at Daisy Hill</p>	<p>St Columban</p> <p>5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass</p>	<p>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</p> <p>9.00am Mass followed by Cuppa</p> <p>6.00pm Mass</p>

WOW (Wise Owl Wednesdays):

Our November WOW will be held on **Wednesday 20th November** from 10am to 12noon. WOW End of 2024 Celebration. Please join us for morning tea, raffles and Secret Santa. Open to all those aged over 65 in our local community.



RCIA:

In recent weeks we have welcomed through Baptism Janelle Luchetti, Yvette Kim with Ira and Erin, and Jim Wright. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they continue their faith journey to Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion on 24th November.

'May we welcome with generosity and compassion all who seek to belong among us, sharing God's love with all we meet and serve.'

Morning Tea Gathering: Our final monthly Morning Tea get together for the year will be held at the local coffee shop, More Cafe, in Springwood Mall (near Woolworths) at 10am on **Monday 2nd December**. All are welcome to come along.

Christian Religious Instruction (CRI) Needs YOU!

Do you have a heart for local mission – reaching those literally in your own backyard? Why not consider going back to school in 2025?

In Queensland State Schools we have the wonderful privilege of being able to volunteer to teach children within the Christian Religious Instruction program. Volunteers from many different Christian denominations form a team to teach CRI at Rochedale State School. As a CRI teacher or helper, you can read the Bible and share the gospel message clearly through our curriculum which has full lesson plans, student workbooks and online resources. All that is needed is 30 minutes a week to teach, some time to prepare, 3 online training modules, a Blue Card and a letter from our parish priest. We always need and welcome new volunteers of all ages and all walks of life to our group and I can confirm that it is such a rewarding outreach ministry of our church. Maybe you would consider joining us?

If you would like more information please contact our CRI coordinator or myself:

Sonia Kenny soniakenny@gmail.com or 0422 068552

Rita Bishop ritabishop@yahoo.com or 0408154751

Readings for next weekend:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Daniel 7:13-14 Revelation 1:5-8 John 18:33-37

Logan Deanery Christmas Carols Celebration:

Friday 22nd November 5.30pm to 9pm at St Edward the Confessor, 104 Chatswood Rd, Daisy Hill. Fun for all ages - food trucks, kid's games, glow sticks & so much more. Come and sing, pack your chair/picnic blanket and bring your Christmas Cheer!!!

Jesus is the reason for the season



CHRISTMAS BRUNCH hosted by Care & Concern in support of St Vinnies in the Parish Centre. **Saturday 30th November** from 10.30am to 1.30pm Tickets \$15. Come join in the spirit of Christmas & Christian Fellowship. ALL WELCOME!

Brunch, Carols Sing a long, trivia, raffles & Christmas Craft stall. (Please be prepared with cash)

Please place your name, contact number and dietary requirement in the 'blue folder' at the back of the church.

Contact Lynn 0403051103 for any queries.

Payments to the parish office by Friday 22nd November 2024 please or pay C&C ladies on church verandah. Places are filling up fast.



Books for sale in the church or Parish Office

God's Word 2025 - \$20 -

Liturgical diary with all of the daily readings for 2025 plus daily reflections.

HOPE Reigns Advent Books - \$5 -

Group and Individual Reflections for Advent 2024 which begins on Sunday 1st December 2024.

Break Open the Word 2025 - \$26 - a fabulous resource for those who are Ministers of the Word. Advent begins on 1st December 2024 - Year C.

Those who have died: Patricia Jones, (*Carmel Nothey-Cherrett's Aunt*), Patricia Cussans (*Dawn Evans' Sister in Law*), Tom Morris, Philomene Crowley (*David's mother*), Shirley Shephard (*Janelle Luchetti's grandmother*)

Book of Life & Mass Requests: Allen Thrower, Len McGovern, John Pritchard, Roy Bowser, Darryl Fisher, Robert Kelly, Arthur Simpson, John Hayward, Peg Ryan, Teresa Slattery, Frances St John, Blanche de Mello, George Dotta, Hilda Fox, Ray Collins, Percy Dixon, Barry Rafter, Freeda Naughton, Pearl Ruthven, Lorraine Lawrence, Marjorie Kelly, Felix Aguiar, Eileen Nemesi, Guido Rosso, Joan Chidgey, Brant Jones, Clyde Cook.

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Jamal Chalhouh, im Collins, Ann Gooiker, Ian Forno, Robert Cussans, Yolanda Timkoe, Rikki-Lee Curran, Valerie Isaac, Brother Amos, Ameka, Mitchy, Kerriane Meulman, Kent McMahon, Phyllis Mayer, Nan Hauff, Janet Hicks, Maxine Macdonald, Joy de Souza, Sandra MacDonald, Don Tallon, Kevin Collier, 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.



PARISH OFFICE

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Phone: 1800 846 643

FAITH MATTERS: Saint Columban 23rd November

A conscientious Saint Columban, also known as Columbanus, was an influential Irish missionary and monk born in Leinster around 543 AD.

Columban felt called to an ascetic life, but tradition tells us that the good looks and winning ways of the Irish girls “were a snare to him”, and he found his studies were less attractive than “the winsome prattle of light-hearted maidens”. Nonetheless he felt compelled by the words of God to Abraham to “Go out of thine own country.... into a land that I shall show thee” and left Ireland.

After training in Ireland under Abbot Comgall at Bangor Abbey, Columban set out with a group of twelve companions to evangelize the European continent. His journey led him through present-day France, Switzerland, and Italy, where he founded several monasteries and promoted a strict and disciplined monastic rule that greatly influenced European monasticism.

Known for his zealous spirit and dedication to monastic life, Columban played a crucial role in spreading Christianity throughout Europe during the early Middle Ages.

Columban was not only a rigorous monk but also a fearless reformer. He spoke out against corruption in the church and the immorality of secular rulers, which often brought him into conflict with authorities. yet he persisted in his mission with great resilience. Saint Columban died in Bobbio, Italy, in 615 AD. His legacy endures through his writings, which reflect a unique blend of Irish monasticism and missionary zeal, leaving a lasting impact on European Christianity.

We pray that, like Columban we might discern God’s will for us, resist the distractions of life that we encounter, and have the courage to stand up for what we know to be right.

St Peter’s Faith Enrichment Ministry

Rochedale Vinnies’ Christmas Appeal
‘The Lord hears the cry of the poor’ (See Ps 34:7)

Share God’s gifts of love & hope at Christmas by giving:

- ☒ **Donations of Cash or Gift Cards from:**
Woolworths, Drakes, Coles, K Mart, Big W
- ☒ **Donations of Christmas Goodies:**
Christmas Puddings or Children’s Toys for All Ages

Gift Cards or Cash - pin in marked envelopes to the
“VINNIES’ GIVING TREE”.

Christmas Goodies - place at the foot of the tree.

OR handed in to the Parish Office
by Sunday 8th December, 2024




Columban Calendars for 2025:
 Available now from the Piety Stall. **\$10** each.

Prayer for the month of November
 Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
 And let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May they rest in peace. Amen.
 May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed,
 through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Roster: 23rd & 24th Nov.	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Chrysanth J	Baji Itteera	Arul Mani
AV Operator	Mike Collier	Eric Quan	Kate Guy
Readers	C. Peta Grandin 1. Volunteer 2. Shelagh Ballment	C. Alina George 1. Stephanie Lenihan 2. Lisa Hammett	C. Vickie Routledge 1. John Blake 2. Cesarina Gigante
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Rob Meulman Lyndal Bray-Claridge Ann Maree Collier	Alan Vigor Del Reynolds Shilgy Matthew Deseree Quan Fion Fiju	Laly Chackoo Anne Fry Malcolm Carroll
Musicians	Carmel Northey-Cherrett	Rita Bishop	Elizabeth Fort
Cleaning Group 1: Lyndal Bray-Claridge, Kate Guy, Deb Meggs, Nita Stratton-Funk & Helen Graczyk.			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass : Cuppa after 9am Sunday Mass on 24th Nov.: Anne Scanlon, Rashelle Johnson & Rosie Bertolacci.			
This week 17th - 23rd Nov	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: 0413 268 860

♥ **Co-ordinator:** Lynn White 0403 051 103

♥ **Memorial Wall & Gardens:**
 Mark Connolly 0434 147 835

♥ **Evangelisation Task Group Facebook** 

♥ St Peter’s Catholic Parish Evangelisation

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults

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

Advent provides the opportunity for a deepening of prayer life which can assist with the demands of this busy time of year. It is a time of joyful expectation as we look forward to celebrating the Birth of Jesus and to the time when Jesus will come once again to our world. There are beautiful prayer books for Advent and these are a wonderful way to focus our attention to the coming of Jesus and prepare our hearts to celebrate this. St Peter's Parish is selling the **Hope** series, from the Archdiocese of Brisbane, featuring reflections from Br Damien Price. These are sure to inspire and are a simple way to start or end the day in prayer. They are at a small cost of \$5.



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CHRISTMAS APPEAL

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| <p>DROP OFF LOCATION
 Murri Ministry
 5 Abingdon Street,
 Woolloongabba
 Time: 10am - 3pm
 Monday - Wednesday</p> | <p>ITEMS NEEDED
 → Non-perishable Christmas food
 → Monetary Gift Vouchers (Aldi, Coles, Woolworths)</p> |
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Last day for drop off 02/12/2024

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL
 (07) 3991 1921 murriministry@bne.catholic.net.au

Entertainment Memberships: Bonus multi-city upgrade + \$30 e-gift card with purchase of any Entertainment Membership. Also, all members can access 5% off all Virgin flights! With just one domestic flight, you could save enough to cover the cost of your membership. Hurry - this deal expires on 5th November. Help boost St Peter's fundraising. St Peter's Online Order Page is <https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97>

Youth Update

New members always welcome!

✉ youth.stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au 📷 @rochedaleyouth

Seeking volunteers or beneficial ideas on growing our youth ministry:

Do you have a passion for promoting the Catholic faith to our young people?

Do you have any great ideas for ways to engage our primary school, high school and young adults?

Are you a parent or grandparent or a young adult yourself who would like to be involved?

Please contact the Parish Office on 3341 4421 or via email stpetroch@bne.catholic.net.au



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.

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