

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH

Rochedale Springwood

Since 1974

955 Rochedale Rd, Rochedale

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

25th September 2022

World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Readings: Amos 6:1, 4-7 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31

Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees

This is the theme for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees on 25 September, and the title of Pope Francis' message this year. His message opens with this quote: 'Here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come' (Heb 13:14). That is a 'city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God' (Heb 11:10). 'His plan calls for an intense work of construction, in which all of us must be personally involved...The tragedies of history remind us how far we are from arriving at our goal, the new Jerusalem.' We must not lose heart in the face of the tribulations of recent times but 'renew our commitment to building a future that conforms ever more fully to God's plan of a world in which everyone can live in peace and dignity.'

Pope Francis: 'God's plan is essentially inclusive and gives priority to those living on the existential peripheries. Among them are many migrants and refugees, displaced persons, and victims of trafficking.' 'Building the future with migrants and refugees also means recognizing and valuing how much each of them can contribute to the process of construction.'

The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office reflection refers to a passage from Amos about privileged citizens who live in luxury while others suffer. It writes about a similar attitude among some in Australia: preservation of the rights of the privileged at the expense of the disadvantaged. Australia's Plenary Council 'challenged us all to listen to the experiences and wisdom of those on the margins of society and our Church'...in order to 'flourish in our cultural diversity'.

Australia is a multicultural society, comprising First Nations peoples, descendants of migrants and refugees, and those who came as migrants and refugees. Over 50 percent of people are migrants or refugees themselves or have at least one parent who is a migrant or a refugee. Among us are many asylum seekers hoping for permanent settlement. In our area Logan City is culturally diverse, including people of more than 217 ethnicities.

The theme of this day is inclusiveness. That is at the core of policies of multiculturalism, that are not only about celebrating cultural diversity, but also about ensuring equity and the right to participate fully in society, whatever one's cultural background or arrival status. A multicultural community needs to be free of prejudice, embracing inclusiveness and a 'fair go' for all. Whilst migration is a voluntary decision, refugees are forced to migrate by circumstances beyond their control. All have the right to participate in and contribute to society. Australia is yet to realise the economic potential of its diverse population: many migrants and refugees have knowledge, qualifications, experiences, and cultural and linguistic skills that are needed here, but are not recognised or are underutilised in the workforce and in society generally.

Building our Australian society upon the principle of inclusion of people of all cultural backgrounds, in the spirit of our Pope's message, is an important goal. One for which we all, in our Church and communities, share roles and responsibilities.

The Social Justice Group



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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."



| Sept/Oct | In our parish this week |
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| Mon 26th | Memorial Wall work continues 8.00am Mass 7.00pm RCIA |
| Tue 27th | St Vincent de Paul 8.00am Mass 4.30pm SVDP Meeting 7.00pm Faith Enrichment Meeting 7.30pm Baptism Information meeting |
| Wed 28th | No Mass |
| Thu 29th | Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael No Mass |
| Fri 30th | St Jerome 9.00am Rosary No Mass |
| Sat 1st Oct | St Therese of the Child Jesus 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday |
| Sun 2nd | 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass - No Children's Liturgy 6.00pm Mass |

Pivotal Players: The Word on Fire Pivotal Players series focuses on saints and a few others who have made a great impact on our church and faith as we understand it today. Next episode.....**7pm Wed 5th October.**

Save the date: Altar servers get together October 28th

Please Note: There will be no Masses on Wednesday 28th or Friday 30th September.

Readings for next weekend:
Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C)
Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17:5-10

Memorial Wall Expansion Project: Building work for the construction of the new Memorial Wall and Garden commenced on Monday 19th September. Due to Workplace, Health and Safety requirements, there will be **strictly no access** to the Memorial Wall area and surrounds during the construction period, which is anticipated to end in early October. **No access will be permitted to the rear driveway** or carpark on weekdays. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Thank You: Dear friends, Thank you Father Baiyi for coming to hospital and bringing me holy communion. It was a real treat. Thank you everyone for your prayers and your lovely thoughts via cards, emails and phone calls. You are an amazing, precious, parish family. God bless and heaps of love, Erika Meerwald

Bishop Tim Norton SVD will pay an episcopal visit to our parish from Friday 7th to Sunday 9th October. Bishop Tim will visit the school on Friday and join the Youth of the parish for a BBQ on Friday evening from 7pm. Bishop Tim will then meet with the Pastoral Council & Finance Council and the leaders of our Ministry groups on Saturday morning. On Saturday afternoon at 3pm, we will have a **blessing of pets** on the lawn beside the church. Bishop Tim will celebrate Saturday 6pm Mass and Sunday 9am Mass and join parishioners for a cuppa after each of these 2 Masses. Please come along to one of these Masses to meet and welcome Brisbane's new Bishop. Please bring a small plate of food to share at the cuppa following Mass.

St Peter's Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands 2023: Our pilgrimage which was meant to take place in 2020 is on again. We will now be travelling with Harvest Pilgrimages in **October 2023**. Please check out the itinerary and indicative price in the printout on the table near the main church doors. Updated airfares will not be available until November. If you would like to join us or to receive the link to the pdf document with the itinerary please contact **Stephanie Lenihan** at salenihan@hotmail.com or mobile: 0413268860 As we need to provide numbers to Harvest asap, please contact Stephanie no later than Friday 28th October.

Those who have died: Queen Elizabeth II, Alfred Eaton, Wally Vanek Snr, John Drew, Clare Conway, Delle Conway

Book of Life & Mass Requests:

Hilda & Sean McCormick, Annette Thorley, Trish Wilkinson, 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, Margarer Homas, Don Dewar, Colin Pettiford, Joan Stevens, Tom Stevens, Yat-Fung Choi, Shum Kong, Andrija Slivka, Ronald Paten, Sarah Denton, Sergio Viola.

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

John Donohue, Josephine Cullen, Harriet Ling, Steph and Les O'Gorman, Kaye and Len Torrens, Rhonda Lawson, Liz Hill, Margaret Woltmann, Bev de Paola, Sr Lila Galvin, Margaret Linnett, Meryl Elliott Mitchell, Robert Fuchs, Teresa Leong, Des Baptist, Karen Johnson, Mel Singh, Lee Gregory, Gillian Van Rooyen, Phil Van Rooyen, Pat McDonnell, Katie Costello, Kathy Jensen.

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.



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Faith Matters: St Vincent de Paul - Feast day 27th September

History: - St Vincent de Paul who was born in 1581 in the French village of Pouy, educated by the Franciscans, he worked to raise money to fund his university studies in Toulouse where he studied theology. He was ordained 1600, years later on a ship in 1605 bound for Narbone, he was captured, brought to Tunis and sold as a slave. Two years later he and his master managed to escape and return to France.

St Vincent served as a chaplain to the Count of Goigny, he was placed in charge of distributing money to the deserving poor. From that point forward he spent his life preaching missions to and providing relief to the poor. He even established hospitals for them. This work became his passion.

Today: - The St Vincent de Paul Society is a lay Catholic Organisation that aspires to live the gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice, hope and joy, and by working to shape a more just and compassionate society. The St Peter's chapter meets on alternate Tuesday afternoons. Please come along if you are interested.

Prayer:

Noble Saint Vincent de Paul, beloved servant of the poor, may we follow your example and do good works. Amen.



The hand of Christ blesses the cup



The hand of love offers the cup



The hand of suffering receives the cup

https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=326

https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/About/Mission_Vision/

Faith Enrichment Ministry

Entertainment Memberships: Support St Peter's Parish Fundraising and get access to \$1000's worth of discount offers and 2 for 1 deals at a huge number of dining, retail, tourism and accommodation businesses. You can purchase a single city (\$69.99) or Multi City subscription (\$119.99) which gives access to 21 cities across Australia and New Zealand. Online Order Page <https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97>

Ignite Conference: This Thursday til Sunday, a group of young adults from this parish will be attending Ignite Conference! I ask that you keep them in your prayers over this weekend. We pray that they are filled up with the Holy Spirit and God's love over the four day conference!

BBQ with Bishop Tim: Bishop Tim is visiting our parish and we are hosting our very own Youth BBQ with him on Friday 7th October at 7pm in the Parish Centre, it will be a great opportunity to talk to him and ask him any questions you have about faith! Please RSVP for catering purposes to Chloe.



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: \$5 donation per swipe to support St Peter's Parish.

| Roster: 1st & 2nd Oct | Saturday 6pm Mass | Sunday 9am Mass | Sunday 6pm Mass |
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| Mass Co-ordinator | Mark Connolly | Francis Yoo | Helen Graczyk |
| AV Operator | Eric Quan | Arthur Leow | Mike Collier |
| Readers | C. David Crowley 1. Lyndal Bray-Claridge 2. David Roati | C. Megan Philpott 1. Fion Fiju 2. Del Reynolds | C. Megan Carroll 1. Vickie Routledge 2. Malcolm Carroll |
| Extraordinary Ministers of Communion | Shelagh Ballment Jo Cullen Carl de Mello | Julie Hondroudakis Anne Scanlon Joan D'Netto | Cesarina Gigante Ann Maree Collier Kate Guy |
| Musicians | Volunteer | Elizabeth Fort | Elizabeth Fort |
| Cleaning Group 5: Neil Mone, Dona Thomas, Telesia Naupoto, Julie Hondroudakis, Judith Littlefield, Kathy Winter. | | | |
| Cuppa & Chats after Mass : Cuppa after Sunday 9am Mass: Joan D'Netto, Cristy Vecchio & Bernie Vecchio. | | | |
| This week 26th Sept - 2nd Oct | | Sacristan: Peter Jeong & Helena Cha. | Counting: Carl'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: 0412 267 337

♥ Co-ordinator: Lynn White 0403 051 103

♥ Memorial Wall & Gardens:

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♥ 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: John Blake 0411 196 775

Alpha is starting again: Over the last 2 years we have hosted Alpha in our parish. It was such a success that we are blessed to now have a team who are prepared to host it again.

Alpha will commence on **4th October in the Parish Centre from 6.30pm to 8.30pm** with FREE dinner and chat. We invite you to come along if you haven't been before. Remember this is not just for Catholics but for anyone who is searching, wondering where they fit into life. It is in a very casual informal friendly environment where we watch a short video and then have a conversation about it. If you know a neighbour, friend or work mate who you feel could benefit from this night please bring them along. They can come to one, some or all 10 of the sessions.



Bookings are essential for catering for dinner and drinks. Please place your name on the board on the Alpha table or phone the Parish Office.

Season of Creation 2022 - Listen to the Voice of Creation *The Season of Creation, from 1st Sept - 4th Oct, is a time set aside each year to focus on God's gift of creation and our responsibility to care for it, our common home.*

...There are also the poorest among us who are crying out. Exposed to the climate crisis, the poor feel even more gravely the impact of the drought, flooding, hurricanes and heat waves that are becoming ever more intense and frequent. Likewise, our brothers and sisters of the native peoples are crying out. As a result of predatory economic interests, their ancestral lands are being invaded and devastated on all sides, "provoking a cry that rises up to heaven" (*Querida Amazonia*, 9).



(from Pope Francis' message for the World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation on September 1)

The St Peter's Parish invites you and your animal companions to our

Annual Pet Blessing

Saturday 8th October at 3pm,
on the grassed area next to the Church
All are welcome!

We can't wait to meet the special members of your family
RSVP to the Parish Office 3341 4421

Consultation meeting: Thank you to those parishioners who attended the meeting on Wednesday evening with Deacon Andrew O'Brien and Mrs Lisa Forbes, representing the College of Consultors who advise the Archbishop on appointments of Parish Priests. The meeting was very positive and we outlined the particular charism of St Peter's parish, what we did well here and our goals for the future with the support of our new parish priest.

Around the Archdiocese

Multi Cultural Mass Share your cultural faith expression and celebrate the diversity of the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Brisbane at the annual Multicultural Mass. The Mass will commence at 2.30pm on **Sunday 25th September** at St Stephen's Cathedral in observance of World Day of Migrant and Refugees (25 September), highlighting this year's theme, *Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees*. It will be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and concelebrated by priests ministering to cultural communities throughout the Archdiocese. Cultural performances and refreshments in the cathedral grounds will follow. For more information or to register, head to <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM22>

Can you undertake an Overseas Mission with Palms Australia? American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Zambia are requesting Australian Catholics to live in and share their skills with parish communities. Embrace one of these Mission opportunities abroad and mentor those with little other opportunity. You will be well prepared and supported by Palms Australia who have engaged Australian Catholics in this mission since 1961.

Enquire online or Ph: 0422 742 567 and Register for a Webinar on Saturday September 24th at 11:30am where you can talk directly with Veronica Lawson who is mentoring teachers in Pago Pago, American Samoa now. Or visit others already engaged in Mission with Palms on our 13-day Encounter Tour to Timor-Leste from October 16th to 28th.

The Cathedral Seminars: A Church of Saints & Sinners What implications does our faith have for how we live today? Grow in understanding of not just what the Church teaches but how to incorporate it into your lived experience in this seminar as we explore why and how we look to the saints and the significance that they have on our lives as Catholics. **Thursday 29th September** from 7.00pm to 8.30pm at the Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, Cathedral Precinct (196 Charlotte St, Brisbane). Cost: \$10pp RSVP: Tuesday 27 September

Parking will be available under the Cathedral (access via Charlotte St) and refreshments will be provided on arrival to help those who came straight from work.

Register now at: <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/CathedralSeminar-September>

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