

# ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH



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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."

## Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year A) 7th May 2023

Readings: Acts 6:1-7    1 Peter 2:4-9    John 14:1-12

## Fair Trade

**What is Fair Trade:** Fair Trade farmers, working in democratic cooperatives including other small business producers of products such as food, clothing, textiles, and crafts, receive a minimum price for their produce. In addition, producer organisations receive the Fair-Trade Premium. The premium can be invested in wells, hospitals, better farming equipment and sustainable farming methods that can improve the living standards of farmers, small producers and their families.

**How Fairtrade works towards a living income:** In addition to the benefits of the Fairtrade Minimum Price and Premium, Fair Trade aims to establish a Living Income Reference Price. A living income is defined as sufficient income to afford a decent standard of living for all household members – including a nutritious diet, clean water, decent housing, education, health care and other essential needs, plus a little extra for emergencies and savings – once farm costs are covered. *Living income - (fairtrade.net)*

Given that farmers in developing countries struggle to earn a living income, this Fair Trade initiative will go a long way to improving their living standards. Fair Trade have calculated Living Income Reference Prices for West African cocoa, coffee and vanilla. One of our closest neighbours is Tonga who are the seventh largest producers of Vanilla in the world. <https://scienceagri.com/10-biggest-countries-of-vanilla-production-in-the-world>

However, cyclones and El Nino climate events have impacted growers of vanilla significantly in recent years. Without the assistance of Fairtrade, many small farmers would not be able to earn a living income. Fairtrade Australia and New Zealand has been supporting vanilla farmers in Tonga since 2013. The Vanilla Growers Association of Vava'u (VGA) is the only Fairtrade certified producer organisation in Tonga which is made up of 302 vanilla growing households. They have chosen to work together to secure committed market access and business and community development opportunities through the Fairtrade minimum price and premium. *Vanilla farmers in Tonga fight back against climate challenges | Fairtrade Australia New Zealand (fairtradeanz.org)*

**The Catholic Church Response:** Pope Francis states that the economy must serve the planet and its people not profits. Each of us is called to do our part as consumers to ensure that the economy works for everyone. Pope Benedict XVI reminded us that as consumers we have a specific social responsibility: "It is good for people to realize that purchasing is always a moral—and not simply—economic act. Hence the consumer has a specific social responsibility, which goes hand-in-hand with the social responsibility of the enterprise." (*Charity in Truth, no. 66*)

Fair Trade creates opportunities for us to respond to this call in a small but significant way every day through the choices we make as consumers. When we make the conscious choice to purchase Fair Trade items, we are putting the values of Catholic social teaching into action and working to realize our vision of economic justice. ([www.crsfairtrade.org](http://www.crsfairtrade.org))

We can support the people of Tonga and many other developing nations by purchasing Fair Trade items in many stores in Australia and overseas. We should research the companies we buy products from and give our support to the ones which have responsible business practices and transparent supply chains.

**Your dollar votes can make a difference to the lives of many in the developing world.**

*Social Justice Group*

## In our parish this week: May 2023

Monday 8	Tuesday 9	Wednesday 10	Thursday 11	Friday 12	Saturday 13	Sunday 14
8.00am Mass  7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	8.00am Mass with school children  4.30pm St Vincent De Paul Meeting	No Morning Mass  6.30pm Adoration  7.00pm Mass	No Mass	9.00am Rosary  9.30am Mass with Grade 3 Children	5.00pm Reconciliation  5.30pm Rosary  6.00pm Vigil Mass  7.00-8.00pm High School Youth Group Gathering	6th Sunday of Easter 8.30am Rosary 9.00am Mass with Children's Liturgy. Cuppa after 9am Mass 10.15-11.15am Primary School Youth Group Mtg 4.30pm RCIA 5.30pm Rosary 6.00pm Mass

### Marian Valley Retreat - Saturday 6th May.

Please note: Those who have registered for the retreat, the bus is leaving St Peter's at 8.15am this Saturday morning 6th May. Please bring a hat and sunscreen, water bottle and your own lunch. Morning tea will be provided. The bus will leave Marian Valley at 1.15pm to return to St Peter's.



### Early Mother's Day Invitation from Care & Concern

- Cuppa & Cake on the church veranda - after 9am Mass this Sunday 7th May. All welcome.



Wishing all mums and those who fill a mothering role in our parish family a very **Happy Mother's day**

**Weekday evening Mass:** We will trial Wednesday evening Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Mass for 3 Wednesdays in May beginning Wednesday 10th May. Adoration will commence at 6.30pm and Mass at 7pm on Wednesdays 10th, 17th and 24th May. There will be no morning Mass on any other Wednesday during May and no Mass at all on Wednesday 31st May.

**First Holy Communion preparation:** The children and their families will attend a Rite of Enrolment at Masses this weekend 6th & 7th May at 6pm Saturday and 9am Sunday. Children and their parents are working through their workbooks in readiness for the preparation workshop on Sunday 28th May. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

**'Pass the Pastor' Home visits:** Fr Johny would love to come to visit the homes of parishioners for a chat. This will be a great way for Fr Johny to get to know us and for us to get to know him. Fr Johny would be willing to bless your house at the same time if you wish. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange a time for Fr Johny to visit.



**Readings for next weekend:  
Sixth Sunday of Easter (Yr A)**  
Acts 8:5-8 14-17 1 Peter 3:15-18 John 14:15-21



**Congratulations** to Roger and Sia Ta'ale on the occasion of the baptism of their son Felise last Sunday 30th April. Welcome to St Peter's Parish family, Felise. Please keep Felise and his family in your prayers.

**Grocery donations:** With your help, Fr Johny would like to continue to be able to continue to give assistance to those who need help, especially within our own parish. When you are able, please bring non perishable grocery items and place them in the baskets in front of the altar at Mass.

**Crossroads RCIA: Do you have a child in high school or young adult who has not received their sacraments yet?** We have a fabulous program called **Crossroads**, starting in May, which is specially designed for high school children and young adults. Please contact Jo Cullen for more information.

**OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME**  
**Travel with St Peter's Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands 4th-20th Oct 2023:** For more information, please contact Stephanie Lenihan on 0413268860 or email salenihan@hotmail.com asap.



**St James College:** Open Day Friday, 26 May from 11.00am till 1.30pm. Enquiries to Maria Young, Enrolments Officer, 3230 8600 or MYoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au. www.jta.link/SJC.

**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. Great gift for Mother's Day!  
**Special Offer for Mother's Day** Until Midday Wednesday 24th May receive a bonus \$20 Gift Card when you purchase a 12-month Membership or a \$40 Gift Card with a 24-month Membership. St Peter's Online Order Page is <https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97>

**Those who have died:** Margaret Linnett (*Vivienne's mother*), Margaret Woltmann (*Mary Crowley's sister*)

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Kathleen Sharplin, Fatima Chin, Frank Underwood, Roger Dixon, Keith Barrow, Raye Leishman, Bob Leishman, Lo Sau Ming, Joan Donnelly, Edmond Casey, Merline Muldoon, Gabriel Cosgrove, Kathleen Cook, Augustin Kostecki, Carmel Caldwell, Gerrit Severin, Peter Viola, Clare Lynch, Bobbie Richmond, Patti Bistagne, David Northey, Elsie Bishop, Eunice Carter, James Hayward, Gordon Giles, Phyllis Beliveau, Ruth Rosso.

#### Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Dan O'Gorman, Hazel Stone, Don O'Donoghue, Phillip Van Rooyen, Kevin Collier, Leigh O'Shea, Kerrienne Meulman, Ray Parker, Dawn Evans, Kathy Seymour, Olga Mariani, Diane Land, Isabelle Mosteart, Patricia Green, Reg Van Rooyen, P.J. Paul, Maureen Flynn, Lien Pham (Maria), John Donohue, Harriet Ling, Rhonda Lawson, Kay Torrens, Steph & Les O'Gorman, Sr Lila Galvin, Meryl Elliott Mitchell, Robert Fuchs, Teresa Leong, Mel Singh, 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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**New Ministers needed:** Our Church Cleaning Ministry group is in need of new volunteers as we have had some people move away from the parish area. Groups of 4 or 5 clean the church on a rotational roster, usually on a Saturday morning. We also need more ministers to take **Holy Communion** to the local nursing homes and the housebound on Tuesday mornings. Please contact the Parish Office or speak to Jo Cullen for more information on joining any of our Ministry groups.

♥ **Youth Update** ♥  
**New members always welcome!**

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**Please contact our Youth Ministry Coordinators, Feba & Shenelle using the contact info above, for information about Rochedale Youth**

**High School Youth Group** - Saturday 13th May 7pm - 8pm in the Parish Centre after 6pm Mass.

**Primary School Youth Group** Sunday 14th May 10.15am to 11.15am in the Parish Centre after 9am Mass

**Young Adults** - Dinner postponed. New date to be advised. Keep on the lookout for the new details

Coffee & Catechesis Sunday 7th May 10.30am.

**FAITH MATTERS: Standing up for Jesus**

Is life as a Catholic just about Mass on Sunday and being a "good" person? Is that what Jesus indicated Christian life was all about? Jesus said his followers would be persecuted like him. Was it not his challenge of the status quo that caused it?

Is it okay just to plod along comfortably, not getting too involved in the areas of life where we may stand out from the crowd; to be a fence-sitter; to be luke-warm? If I am focussed on my own life and situations, without involving myself in maintaining the moral standards of the outside world, am I truly living as a disciple of Jesus?

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing."

Am I prepared to step outside my comfort zone and make a persistent effort to stand up for what is good and wholesome, in Love?

I do not have to do it in my own strength, as "It is God, for his own loving purpose, who puts both the will and the action into us" (Philippians 2:13). It is in the power of God's own Holy Spirit, as poured out at Pentecost, that I am able to draw on the courage and the strength to do what my Saviour and Lord calls me to do.

There is much to stand up for. Jesus needs you. The world needs you. You need you!

*Faith Enrichment Ministry*



**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: 13th & 14th May	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass
Mass Co-ordinator	Carl de Mello	Stephanie Lenihan	Jo Cullen
AV Operator	Brisha Jesuthasan	Eric Quan	Mike Collier
Readers	C. Feba Baji 1. Melissa Boyles 2. Joyce Lyster	C. Jonathan Vigor 1. Sheree Mae Marfil 2. Shenelle Nelson	C. Edmund Lai 1. David Roati 2. Cecilia Lai
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Carl de Mello Lyndal Bray-Claridge Joseph Varkey	Julie Hondroudakis Del Reynolds Anne Scanlon	Jo Cullen Malcolm Carroll Anne Maree Collier
Musicians	Tim Hondroudakis	Rita Bishop	Elizabeth Fort
Cleaning Group 1: Lyndal Bray-Claridge, Kate Guy, Deb Meggs, Nita Stratton-Funk.			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass :Saturday 13th May after 6pm Mass: Ann Maree Collier, Peta Grandin & Mike Jarvis.			
This week 7th - 13th May		Sacristan: Suma Joseph	Counting: Marcos' 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:** 0450 287 902

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

♥ **Memorial Wall & Gardens:**

Mal Jensen 0411 641 312

♥ **Evangelisation Task Group Facebook**

♥ St Peter's Catholic Parish Evangelisation

**Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults**

**Representative:** Malcolm Carroll 0410 193 569 or  
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**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

## St. Luke The Fifth Sunday of Easter:

### Priority IV: Responding to Abuse and the Abused

Archbishop Mark writes: In responding to abuse and the abused, we need to move beyond considerations of law and finance... Of course, we need to attend to legal and financial matters, but the paramount concern needs to be the good of those abused. Not all victims and survivors look to the Church for spiritual and pastoral accompaniment and care, but some do, and others may in time, if ever trust can be established. We can learn from experience elsewhere in seeking to respond more effectively to abuse and the abused. Unless we do, this will remain a gaping wound – certainly for victims and survivors but for the whole Church as well – which makes it hard for us to move in the future.

As such, we must look beyond those who have mis-represented God, to the one who came to us as God made flesh, Jesus. It is in Jesus that our understanding of God, broken by scandal in the Church, can be restored. The God that Jesus reveals to us is gracious, merciful, filled with compassion, slow to anger and abounding in love. The God revealed in Christ works to heal the wounds of sin and comfort the most broken and vulnerable. Jesus bestows mercy on the woman caught in adultery, transforms the life of Zacchaeus the tax collector, heals the bleeding woman, and calls out the Pharisees when they mis-represent the God they claim to follow. Jesus challenges us when he says, "very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do." In the wake of this great scandal, we are all called to be like Jesus, in order that we might take small steps to respond to abuse and the abused.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge - (abridged by Fr Johny)

Lamps Ablaze - Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Download the whole document at [tinyurl.com/lampsablaze](http://tinyurl.com/lampsablaze)

## Around the Archdiocese

### The principal gathering of the Archdiocese of Brisbane in 2023

Archdiocesan Summit 2023 - is a three-day gathering of clergy, religious, educators, catechists, lay leaders and communities from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane for keynote presentations, workshops, panel discussions, prayer and encounter with Jesus.

Visit [brisbanesummit.com](http://brisbanesummit.com) for all the registration options.

**When:** 6pm Thursday 18th May - 3pm Saturday 20th May

**Where:** Riverlife Centre (47 Jennifer St, Seventeen Mile Rocks)

**Corpus Christi Procession:** 2pm Sunday 11th June - starting and ending at the Cathedral of St Stephen, Elizabeth St, Brisbane and featuring prayers, rosary, hymns and Benediction with proceedings led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

**Catholic Leadership Intensive:** In these 10 sessions, clergy and laity will learn side-by-side as we explore contemporary leadership practices integrated with scripture and the example set by Jesus and His followers. Facilitated by the Parish Leadership team of Evangelisation Brisbane, this is an opportunity to grow and develop in your leadership whatever your context.

**When:** 7-9pm Mondays, 29 May - 14 August 2023

**Where:** Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary Banyo

**Cost:** From \$150 for groups and individuals under 35 years old

Find out more and register at

<https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/leadershipintensive>

### Engaged Encounter - Marriage Preparation Course - July 2023.

Engaged Encounter will have a live out weekend July 15 & 16, 2023 for couples at Mother of Mercy Parish, Hendra. Engaged Encounter is a marriage preparation weekend that facilitates honest and constructive dialogue for engaged couples. Active in over 200 dioceses around the world, CEE is an internationally recognized Marriage Preparation Course within the Catholic Church. For more information kindly go to [www.engagedencounter.org.au](http://www.engagedencounter.org.au) or email [cee.brisbane@gmail.com](mailto:cee.brisbane@gmail.com) or call 0481 307 821

### Mystery and Mission: The Art of Liturgical Celebration:

Registration is now open for the National Liturgy and Liturgical Music Conference to be held at the Brisbane Hilton from 28 - 30 Sept. We invite you to explore the full program of keynotes and workshops on the Conference Website at <https://mysteryandmission.com.au>. Early-bird discount extended to those registrations received by 30 May

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