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."



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

21st July 2024

Readings: 2 Kings 4:42-44 Ephesians 4:1-6 John 6:1-15

God of Impossibilities

The miracle of the multiplication of bread was **motivated by compassion and generosity.** Compassion towards the **crowd** is the need of the hour. It is a heart-to-heart communication. If we express true compassion for the needy, God will come to our aid and help us out in the crisis. In a world faced with hunger on a global scale, the challenge of Jesus, "Where can we buy bread for these people to eat?" remains a challenge for the human beings. **The basic challenge is to understand what it means** for others to be hungry, thirsty, sick, homeless, jobless, and lonely. In fact, we need them to be human. **God can transform something little into something great**. So, we must not doubt God as the disciples did. This is because, **our God is a God of impossibilities**. As Christ tells us: "With God all things are possible", and Paul affirms: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me".

The generosity of the little boy is to be appreciated and he is the **hero in Jesus' miracle.** He generously offered what he had and became the motivation of a great miracle for his community. God works with what we have. Am I ready to hand over everything into His Hands? Thousands die on our streets hungering for bread while the rich die due to overeating. **To be compassionat**e is to be like Christ. **To be generous** is to cooperate with Christ. A generous and compassionate attitude towards others can enrich the life of many. When God gives, He gives abundantly. This glorious giving is the theme of today's readings. The Lord's hand and heart is immeasurable.

Gandhi said, "If God were to come to this world, he would come in the form of bread." Jesus is Bread – satisfying human hungers with his words, his works, and his whole life broken and shared. Jesus challenges every Christian **to be bread.**Our breadness lies in our capacity to radically give ourselves to others in self-sacrificing love.

Jesus says; "I am the bread of life... the living bread came down from heaven... the bread by which you will live forever... this bread that I will give is my flesh, for the life of the world... unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will have no life in you... whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood real drink."

The scripture emphasizes this sharing. You must bring something before you can get a whole lot. In Exodus Moses and Aaron had to bring something (their staff) for miracles to happen. In 1st Kings the widow had to bring her last oil and flour before she got the miracle of abundance. The servants of Elisha had to bring some bread which he multiplied. From the benevolence of a small boy a great crowd went home satisfied. **Sharing is an expression of Love.** God loved the world so much that he gave his son for our salvation that God shared **with us which is so precious.** The call for us today is to share to make our world a better place to live.

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In our parish this week: July/August 2024								
Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 31	Thursday 01	Friday 02	Saturday 03	Sunday 04		
Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus 8.00am Mass	8.00am Mass with school children 4.30pm SVDP Meeting 7.30pm Baptism Information meeting	St Ignatius of Loyola 10.00am-12.00pm WOW - Christmas in July 6.30pm Adoration 7.00pm Mass	Liguori	8.30am Rosary 9.00am Adoration 9.30am Healing Mass 11.30am Yr 2 Liturgy of the Word	5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am Mass 10.30am Baptisms 6.00pm Mass		

Your Prayers are Invited for RCIA - Journeys of Faith at St Peter's: Our Parish continues to welcome and support those who seek to belong in our Catholic Christian community. Please take time to remember in your prayers all those who have made their RCIA journey with us, especially: Elaine Tse and Ryan Lin (2021); Kelly Chew (2022); Jessie Yuan and Ken Chen (2023); Linh Huynh (2024); Rikki-Lee Curran (2024). We pray that these, our companions in Christ, seek and receive the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit as they live their lives of worship and service. At the 9am Mass this Sunday 28th July we welcome and pray for Christopher Murray as he enters our community through the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Please pray for Yvette and Janelle who are continuing their journey to Baptism, and Jim who will prepare for Confirmation and Holy Communion.

WOW (Wise Owl Wednesdays) Our July gathering for WOW will be on Wed 31st July 10am to 12 noon in the Parish Centre. Please join us for a High Tea to celebrate 'Christmas in July' with raffle and lucky door prize. RSVP to the Parish Office by Monday 29th July. Open to all over 65. Last year's WOW Christmas in July was very popular so please book in.

Sacramental Program: We have 21 children preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday 9th August at 6.30pm. They have been preparing themselves with their workbooks and have attended a workshop over the last few weeks. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

Logan Deanery Christmas Carols: The Logan Deanery Pastoral Council are planning a gathering of the whole deanery - a Christmas Carols event in November. Two people from each parish are required for the organising committee. If you would be interested in being on the committee, please contact Fr Johny or the Parish Office.

Readings for next weekend: **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Exodus 16:2-4, Ephesians 4:17,20-24 John 6:24-35

Workshop: As part of the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane Reconciliation Action Plan there will be an informative Workshop.

It will be an amazing day to learn from First Nations Guest speakers, to share ideas and resources, to ask questions, to engage in actions to build bridges and true reconciliation. respect and unity. We invite all of you to this very special event. You can use the QR code here or there will be a folder near the main church door to register your name.



Marian Valley Retreat: We hope to organise 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. If we get enough people interested we will hire a bus so that we can travel together. Please indicate your interest on the form in the church near the main doors.

Mass Series: Beginning in August we will watch the Mass series with Archbishop Mark Coleridge during weekend Masses.

First Aid Training: Calling for expressions of interest in attending a First Aid Training Day organised by the Logan Deanery. Date & venue TBC. The parish will support participants by paying half of the costs. Contact the Parish Office if you would like to attend the training.

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 5th August. All are welcome to come along.



Those who have died: John Summers (Pauline Angus' nephew), William (Bill) Kelleher (Shelagh Ballment's brother), Denise Ryan Book of Life & Mass Requests: Catherine Sullivan, Bridget Weeks, Philomena Joyce, Ted Carter, Ken Thomas, Helena Kostecka, Mina Sartori, Anne Bates, Bill Graham, Lester de Mello, Graham Bourke, Bill Bray, Yvonne Mesalic, Jean Lilburne, Helena Scott, Lesley Winter, Irena Wlodarczyk, Tom Lyng, James Durham, Fr Bill Taylor, Michael Allen, Margaret Lewis, Michael Kerslake, Thomas Flanagan, George Kirehner, Tom Curtin, Agatha Thien, Elizabeth Field, Blanche Naughton, Jane Doyle, Arthur McKenna, Mary White, Patrick Naughton, Julia Smith, Vivienne Broomell, Alfred Duffey, Ella Dixon, Perry Tzavellas, James Murray, Forde Ewart, John Scott, Kathleen Smyth, Hilda Thomson, Raymond Littlefield, Narelle Cogliati.

Please pray for those who are sick, especially:

Yolanda Timkoe, Rikki-Lee Curran, Valerie Isaac, Brother Amos, Ameka, Mitchy, Kerrianne Meulman, Kent McMahon, Phyllis Mayer, Oliver Bunn, 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.

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FAITH MATTERS:

Our God is a God of Plenty through Jesus

God has always provided his people with what they need. Perhaps it's not always what they themselves desire. We remember how he provided quails and Manna for his people newly freed from bondage in Egypt and how some of them complained to Moses.

This week we hear other stories from both the Old Testament and the Gospel in which God through Elisha provides enough to feed 100 men and possibly their families from 20 barley loaves and some fresh grain. In the Gospel we hear of Jesus feeding some 5,000 men and most likely that many or more women and children from the meagre packed lunch of a small boy. In both stories we are told that there is plenty left over.

Our response to the Psalm this weekend is "The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs."

We can sometimes be pessimistic about the resources that Jesus has provided for us, and for his Church and its Mission. We should have confidence that God has given us what we need, as meagre as it may seem at the time, because Jesus can multiply our meagre resources just as he did with the lad's small lunch as long as we are prepared to offer what we have up to God, just as the lad did with his five loaves and two fish.

We pray: Lord we pray for the faith to trust you to give us what we need to complete the plans that you have for us. Amen

Faith Enrichment Ministry



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.

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Roster: 3rd & 4th August	Saturday 6pm Mass	Sunday 9am Mass	Sunday 6pm Mass		
Mass Co-ordinator	Dee Daniels & Chris Jesuthasan	Stephanie Lenihan	Liberty de Jesus		
AV Operator	Callista Jesuthasan	Mick Denton	Jonathan Vigor		
Readers	C. David Crowley 1. Shelagh Ballment 2. Pat Bransdon	C. Alina George 1. Megan Philpott 2. Lisa Hammett	C. David Roati Anne Fry Vickie Routledge		
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Joyce Lyster Trish Meulman Rob Meulman	Julie Hondroudakis Alan Vigor, Deseree Quan Del Reynolds Swapna Joseph	Helen Graczyk Kate Guy Laly Chackoo		
Musicians	Ihsan Laksmana	Carmel Northey-Cherrett	Elizabeth Fort		
Cleaning Group 5: Neil Mo	ne, Julie Hondroudakis, Kathy W	inter & Jackie Leena			
Cuppa & Chats after Mass:	No Cuppa after night masses du	ring Winter.			
This week 28th July-3rd August 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: 0450 287 902

- Co-ordinator: Lynn White 0403 051 103
- Memorial Wall & Gardens:
- Mark Connolly 0434 147 835

 Evangelisation Task Group Facebook f
 - 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: Kevin Frv 0417 002 782

St Mary MacKillop: Shalom World TV is premiering a new series, "Glorious Lives," which features inspiring life stories of Catholic saints. Of special note is the life story of Australia's beloved saint, St. Mary MacKillop, scheduled for August 8th at 7:00 PM, aligning with the saint's feast day. The film not only showcases St. Mary MacKillop's remarkable achievements and contributions but also features interviews with historians, educators, and individuals inspired by her legacy. Viewers will experience the challenges St Mary overcame and the steadfast faith that drove her mission. This compelling film, produced over six months, combines dramatic re-enactments with expert interviews to delve into St Mary MacKillop's extraordinary life. See the flyer on the whiteboard on the Church verandah.

Shalom World TV is a Catholic family entertainment television channel, accessible for free download on all smart TVs and devices, allowing unlimited viewing. Go to https://www.shalomworld.org/

Safeguarding Training: Thank you to those Ministers who have updated their Safeguarding Training which must be done every 2 years. The link to the Safeguarding training video can be found on the Archdiocese of Brisbane website. Go to: https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/. Scroll down to find the link that says 'Safeguarding Training Video'. Please contact Julie in the Parish Office for more information and to fill in the forms once you have completed the training.

Entertainment Memberships: Special Offer! Until 11:59am AEST on Thursday 30th July, for \$70 (the price of the single city membership), you will receive a FREE upgrade to a Multi City Membership, valued at \$120 AND you will also receive a \$30 Activ Visa eGift card with your purchase as well! Get access to \$1000's worth of discount offers and 2 for 1 deals to many hospitality, retail, leisure & travel businesses across 20 cities. Help boost St Peter's fundraising. St Peter's Online Order Page is

https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/2224e97

Around the Archdiocese

Healing Mass Invitation: The Order of Malta invites you to our Lourdes Day Mass on Saturday 3 August 2024 at 10am. This Healing Mass will be held at St Mary's Catholic Parish, South Brisbane (Cnr Merivale and Peel Sts). Those in attendance who have a need for healing will receive a bottle of water brought from the shrine at Lourdes and a blessing for good health. Everyone is welcome. On-site parking is available in the large carpark adjacent to the Church and the rear carpark adjacent to St Mary's House. Street parking and Council carparks are nearby.

SYNOD24 marks the Implementation Phase of the Fifth Plenary Council. Since 2018 our Australian church has been asking the question: "What is the Holy Spirit asking of us at this time?". Through listening, dialogue and discernment your voices have been heard and captured through Fifth Plenary Council Decrees. Now it is time to move our Archdiocese into action.

"How can we be a more co-responsible church on mission?"

On September 6th and 7th and October 11th and 12th of 2024, the Archdiocese of Brisbane will celebrate a Synod to mark the next phase of the Plenary Council journey, the Implementation Phase. Our Archdiocesan Synod will discern the practical and Spirit-led actions that we, as the Archdiocese of Brisbane, need to undertake in the Implementation Phase of the Plenary Council. Bearing in mind

that the Decrees have yet to be officially approved by the Apostolic See, these actions will be practical and able to be implemented immediately.

Opening Mass (open to public): Friday September 6th 9am- 10am at the Australian Catholic University Chapel, 1100 Nudgee Rd, Banyo Closing Mass (open to public): Saturday October 12th 2pm-3pm at the Australian Catholic University Chapel, 1100 Nudgee Rd, Banyo These businesses support our parish, please support them.



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