

Living Waters Catholic Parish

Embracing the Communities of:

Beachmere, Little Flower Bribie Island, St Peter's Caboolture, St Michael's Kilcoy, St Mary's Woodford.

First Sunday in Advent

26th / 27th November 2022

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It is right about that time of the year when we, having done some soul-searching begin to make some resolutions because it is a New Year- a new liturgical year. And what a way to begin it with Isaiah's prophetic vision and invitation to "go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we can walk in his paths..."

In the Old Testament, sacred mountains like Mount Sinai are seen as sacred sites of revelation and inspiration symbolising security, peace and stability. So, the prophet Isaiah invites us to this 'divine quietude' and also foretells a future where the Lord shall turn our swords into ploughshares and our spears into sickles. A future where one nation shall not lift up arms against another nation, no war, no violence, and which one of us would not like such a world.

Evgeniy Vuchetich's (1908-1974) gigantic sculpture of a man with a hammer beating a sword into a ploughshare was gifted to the United Nations on December 4th 1959 by the USSR (cf. <https://www.un.org/ungifts/let-us-beat-swords-ploughshares>) in her commitment to military disarmament referencing this prophecy of Isaiah inscribed boldly on the granite stair wall, northwest corner of UN's Peace Park in New York (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ralph_Bunche_Park) now called Isaiah's Wall and Stairs. Counting 63 years after this solemn gesture it does appear that the realization of Isaiah's prophecy is still a far cry. No wonder then at the beginning of this new liturgical year this prophecy echoes again to our ears reminding us how far we have gone away from God's precepts and the commitment we made to each other as United Nations to make our world a just and better place with the intent to take care of each other by beating our swords and spears, our weapons of mass and nuclear destruction into ploughshares and pruning hooks.

Furthermore, both the Gospel (Mt. 24: 37-44) and St. Paul's letter to the Romans 13: 11-14 speak of salvation and the watch word is "stay awake". Make no mistake about this, Salvation does not reside within the ambience of religion alone rather it goes beyond it and could be translated and adapted in different shapes and forms in other confines including economics, social, environmental, political and otherwise. The commitment as United Nations to beat our swords and spears into ploughshares and sickles was a commitment to save ourselves and our world, and the future of our children from further destruction and depletion. Our commitment to our profession of our faith as Christians nay, Catholics and to the teachings of Jesus Christ each time we gather to celebrate at his altar is to take care of one another. Our commitment as the Commonwealth of Australia whether as citizens, First Nations People, or Immigrants is to make this land a better place for all who live within it. So yes, we can contribute to the salvation of one another and so we must 'stay awake' to any principles, any polity or policy, teaching etc. couched in any conversation trying to sway us from that commitment.

Peace be with you!

The Little Flower Chit-Chat group would like to invite all Parishioners to their final gathering for the year. 12 noon this Monday 28th November at the Bribie RSL. Wear red and white and be prepared for a wonderful time full of surprises! You will need to cover the cost of your lunch and any beverages but the funs free!

Little Flower Hospitality Group & St Peter's Craft Group
invite you to buy one or more tickets in their raffles before & after Mass this weekend and next weekend

Chatters has ended for the year and will restart on Tuesday 10th January 2023 in the Mary Mackillop Hall. Many thanks for your attendance & friendship. Have an enjoyable Christmas & New Year and we very much look forward to enjoying your company again in January next year.



Aussie families are struggling to survive the increasing cost-of-living pressures this Christmas. Your generosity can provide urgent relief for a family who's doing it tough this Christmas and give them hope for a better future. Envelopes are available at the back of our churches, or on the seats at both Little Flower & St Peters. These can be returned to the Piety Stall or on the collection plates. Thank you in anticipation.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve Masses -

Little Flower - 6pm & 8pm

St Peter's - 7pm (BYO Chair Multipurpose centre in the School) & Midnight (Church)

St Mary's - 6.30pm

St Michael's - 5pm

Christmas Day Masses -

Little Flower - 8.00am

St Peter's - 7am (Church)

& 10am (BYO Chair Multipurpose centre in the school)

St Mary's - 9am

St Michael's - 9.30am

Please note there will be no mass on Boxing Day



Please Remember in Your Prayers

Our Recently Deceased

Tadeusz Ocyszek, Regina Radziszewska, Irene Kingsman, Ben Venturato, Patricia Walker, Terry Johnson, Kay Berge, John Payne, Billy Rowe, AnnaKutty Matthew, & Jean Hickey. who have recently gone to their eternal reward.

Those Whose Anniversaries Occur at This Time

Thomas O'Connor, Greg Shay, Elizabeth O'Brien, Joe Rutkin, Vincenzo Belmonte, Faye Tyrell, Giovanna Marzo, Beryl Hanlon, Rinaldo Musso, Marie Toche, Madge Bailey, Dawn Griffith, Renata Byrne, Alfred Wijendra, Edwin Hague, Concetta Nicolosi, Vince Corvi, Maria Jorgenson, Beryl Somerset, Patrick Connor, Raffaele Manca, Colin Bennett, Frank Ushay, Pat Perry, Brian Brambrick, John Spencer, Margaret Clarke, Len Copine, Bernice Brimstone & Maria Karcz,

Our Parishioners, Family & friends who are Sick

Bernard Smith, Margaret Neale, Beris McHugh, Aileen Suhmann, Jane O'Byrne, Margaret Kelly, Urszula Parchimowicz, Moya Handsley, Doris McMackin, Br Gerry Burke MSC, Ron Criss, Des Kelly, Joe Flynn, Gwen Bazzo, Nikki Williams, Bev McCarthy, Kathryn Mobley, Laurie Barron, Bozidar Howard, Arthur Hangan, Margaret Ryan, Pat Stinson, Vonnie Barraclough, Beris Burns, Gerry van Dinter, Mike & Kaye Brown, Susan Genery, Terry Farrelly, Catherine Johnson, Judy Wade, Jessica Timson, Susanne Weir, Heidi Greentree, Kerry & Felicity McGill, Dawn & John Roberts, Les Stephenson, Anton Lenhart, Michael Cooper, Col McLaughlin, Helen Teys, Nicholas Edwards, Joana Van Laart, Bede Brittenden, Miriam Gittins, Tracey Morgan, Abel McHugh, Rita Hyde, Patricia Twinchek, Eileen Ryan, Paul and Eleanor Copeland.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm Resp: *Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord*

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Weekday Readings:

Mon: Isaiah 35:1-10; Ps 84:9-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tues: Isaiah 40:1-11; Ps 95:1-3; Matt 18:12-14

Wed: *St Ambrose* Isaiah 40:25-31; Ps 102:1-4, 8 10;

Mt 11:28-30

Thur: *The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Gen 3:9-15; Ps 97:1-4; Eph 1:3-6,11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Fri: Isaiah 48: 17-19; Ps 1:1-4,6; Mt 11:16-19

Sat: Sirach 48: 1-4,9-11; Ps 79:2-3,15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:10-13

Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm Resp: *Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace forever*

Second Reading: Romans 15:4-9

Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

From the Desk of Miss Catherine Miklejohn
(Assistant Principal Religious Education)

Advent

On Monday, we gathered as a school to celebrate the season of Advent. This important event is typically lost in the busyness of the end of the school year, and so the decision was made to recognise this with a Liturgy of the Word. The focus of our liturgy was on the period of waiting before the birth of Christ, and the gifts we can share with each other such as understanding, compassion, joy, and peace. Using Jesus as their model, the children were encouraged to be generous with their actions and kind in their thoughts.

Our Year 6 Spirituality Ministry and the Junior Choir led us beautifully in prayer.

Take care and go gently – Catherine



St Peter's Christmas Lunch

St Peter's Hospitality Group would like to invite all Parishioners to their Christmas Lunch. Tuesday 13th December at 12noon in the Caboolture Sports Club, Station Rd Morayfield.

You will have to pay for your own meal, and it will be delivered to your table. Numbers are needed by the end of November for seating. Please invite your family and friends! The group look forward to enjoying your company. RSVP Michele 5499 2125, Mary 0416 167 405, Audrey 0498 981 059 or Aileen 0412 096 311

'Celebration of Unity'

Our next meeting is this Wednesday, so we will share the next stage of our planning with you then. However, do please date claim the celebration – 19th February, 2023.

Heart of the Disciple Advent Discussion Groups

Little Flower Bribie

Fredrick Ozanam Centre

Enq: Colm 0499 729 081

Tuesday 29th Nov 1.30pm

Tuesday 6th Dec 1.30pm

Tuesday 13th Dec 1.30pm

Tuesday 20th Dec 1.30pm

St Mary's Woodford

Church Hall

Enq: Della 0478 601 987

Friday 25th Nov 9.00am

Friday 9th Dec 9.00am

Friday 16th Dec 9.00am

Friday 23rd Dec 9.00am

From the Desk of Mrs Rachel Fletcher
(Assistant Principal Mission & Identity)

Collecting for the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal
This article will be the last for the year as we wrap up formal classes at the end of the week, ready for alternate activities next week. Our College community has been busy collecting items for the St Vincent De Paul Christmas appeal all term. Our goal was to have 30 very full hampers ready for collection on Friday. The generosity of our students and families to help others in need is overwhelming. It will be a very easy target to meet with surplus going to Caboolture action group.



This Friday night and all day Saturday 20 of our Yr 10 and 11 students will be participating in our first ever Edmund Rice camp held here at the College. We will host a group of little buddies, children who are experiencing some disadvantage and bring some sunshine and care into their lives. The program is called Head to Heart and we are very excited to introduce this into our student formation program.

I wish you all peace and goodwill over the Christmas season – next year I will be away from the College for 6 months but Ms Angela Woodriff will be keeping you up to date with happenings concerning the Religious life of the College. Live Jesus in Our Hearts forever.



Christmas Day Lunch

No family coming home this year and not going anywhere? Would you like to join with other Parishioners and enjoy a home cooked Christmas lunch with all the trimmings? 12 noon Christmas Day at Little Flower Church Thoroughly enjoyable company and at no cost to you. For all enquiries, please phone the Parish Office

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Parish Collections

Parish Giving for 20th /21st November \$4396.05

Thank you for your constant support of our Parish both financially and prayerfully.

Living Waters Magnetic Name Badges

Calling people by their name is important, would you like to have a Living Waters badge? The Office can supply a magnetic one for \$5.00 each. It not only tells people your name but names your Parish too!

2023 Liturgical Rosters

Thank you to all our Ministers of the Word & Musicians who collected their copies of Break Open The Word & next years rosters. For all our Ministers of Communion, your rosters are available at the rear of the church. Can you please look for yours as you leave mass.

Living Waters Parish Mass schedule

Little Flower: Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 8.00am
Thursday 9.15am
St Peter's: Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 10.00am & 5.00pm
Wednesday 9.30am
Friday 7.45am
St Mary's: Sunday 8.00am
Monday 9.30am
St Michael's: Sunday 10.00am
Tuesday 12 noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Individual: 5.00pm Little Flower & St Peter's every Saturday night. Outside of these times please contact the Parish Office.

Quote of the Week: "Some cause happiness wherever they go; others whenever they go." (Oscar Wilde) 😊
Have a great week; be kind to yourself & each other.

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