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.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

18th 19th February 2023

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Archdiocesan Prevention & Protection Policy

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm.

They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all. Safeguarding Is Everyone's Responsibility

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Celebrating our Parish Unity



When Archbishop Mark decreed the establishment of Living Waters Parish in December 2019 to take effect from 1st January 2020, he wrote: "In John's Gospel, Jesus offers 'living water' to the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well. May the rivers and waterways of this new parish always be a reminder of Jesus' promise of this 'living water' and may it become, in the people, a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

As we enter our fourth year as Living Waters Parish, we hear again the archbishop's words. So, as we gather to celebrate how we have been, are and will be a spring of living water in our place and time, we remember Jesus' invitation to us that he will be the living water of our life. We will bring together water from our rivers and waterways and reaffirm our unity to be a people of life-giving refreshment welling up to eternal life. With this action we will reflect on God's Word, listening to the prophet Ezekiel with the promise of our God who will feed and nourish us in all our needs, hear Jesus' word of prayer that we are one with God and each other in love, and be reminded by St Paul of the wonder-full giftedness of our unity through diversity as the Spirit forms us into the Body of Christ. "For as in one body, we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another."

As St Paul continues, he expands on the graces given to each and all so that the giftedness of all comes together as a life-giving community for the world. He points to those who give generously of themselves. As I hear him in these words, I've been reflecting on all the members of our parish who give generously of themselves in prayer, through gifts of organisation and leadership, by all manner of ways that you give generously of your time, talents, and resources so that we are formed by the Spirit as a life-giving body of Christ. As such we are grateful to God and give thanks for who are, and we look forward to the ongoing graciousness of God as we accept the mission to be disciples of living water today and tomorrow.

Thank you and God's blessing be on us all in our celebration.

Fr David

Celebrating our Inaugural Unity Mass

After months of planning, we have finally arrived. How wonderful to be able to come together and celebrate Eucharist as a combined family of God. To be able to enjoy each other's company, to make new friends or catch with old ones, to enjoy our entertainment after mass; the skies the limit in creating memories!

Special thanks to our committee members for their generous time and talents over the past few months, to St Columban's Principal Michael Connelly for sharing his space, Wade Schimke and Angela Woodriff for their constant help and support and of course to all of you gathered here – **THANK YOU.** May you take away from today a very real sense of community & belonging.

News from Around the Parish

Little Flower Hospitality Group's Chit Chat will be held on Monday 27th February at the Bribie RSL starting at 12 noon. All Parishioners are welcome so do come along (and bring a friend) BYO Lunch but the company's free!

World Day of Prayer Friday 3rd March

<u>Bribie Island</u> - hosted by the Lutheran Church, 10am at the Orchid House. Please bring a plate to share.

Woodford - hosted by the Anglican Church, 2pm St Matthias Church. Afternoon tea provided, all welcome.

<u>Kilcoy</u> - hosted by the Anglican Church, 9am St Mary's Church. morning tea provided, all welcome. <u>Caboolture</u> - hosted by the Seven Day Adventist Church, 9.30am. morning tea provided, all welcome.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time "Mass of Unity"

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16

Psalm Resp: We are His people, the sheep of His flock.

Second Reading: Romans 12: 3-8

Gospel: John 17: 21-23

Weekday Readings:

Mon: Sir 1:1-10; Ps 92:1-2,5; Mk 9:14-29

Tues: Sir 2:1-11; Ps 36:3-4,18-19,27-28,39-40; Mk 9:30-37

ASH WEDNESDAY: Joel 2:12-18; Ps 50:3-6,12-14,17;

2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Matt 6:1-6,16-18

Thur Duet 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4,6; Lk 9:22-25 **Fri:** Is 58:1-9; Ps 50:3-6,18-19; Matt 9:14-15

Sat: Is 58: 9-14; Ps 85:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Gen 2:7-9,3:1-7

Psalm Resp: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned

Second Reading: Rom 5:12-19 Gospel: Matthew 4: 1-11

ASH WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday we mark ourselves with ashes as a 'new beginning' allowing the life of Jesus Christ to make us whole and new again. It has been a long Catholic tradition to begin these 40 days of Penitence by gathering for Eucharist.



Mass times in the Parish will be:

Little Flower: 9.30am St Peter's: 9.30am and 6.00pm St Mary's: 7.30am St Michaels': 6.00pm

The church also asks all its members to mark the day by fasting and also abstaining from eating meat.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Will be held every Friday during Lent St Mary's Church - 8.30am St Peter's Church - 5.30pm



Please Remember in Your Prayers

Our Recently Deceased

Margaret Gough, Bernadine Cia, Marie Webster, Ray Walsh, Bill Ross, Lily (Noah) O'Brien, Anna Ludwig, Peter Chapman, Luke George, June Horan, Kevin Scott, Lillian Edwards, Anna Putzolu, Eileen Kelly & Almerina Bonomi. who have recently gone to their eternal reward.

Those Whose Anniversaries Occur at This Time

Trevor Wacker, Winifred Portley. Darrall Evans,
Lucy Lovell, Noreen Morris, Tarita Santo, Kay Furneaux,
Margaret Kerr, Jack Hakfoot, Tony Buchhorn, Ann Lacey,
Haldon Kuster, Maurenn Hanlon, Anesthesia Ruston,
Marie Bryan, Rosalie Williams, Bob Bell, Eileen Heales,
Jack Hartcher, Joe Salgado, Thomasine Terry, Joan Catton,
Brian Wagstaff, Lyla French, Ernest Kilpatrick,
Amanda Sunter, Waly Parker, Marie Spencer,
Eileen Webber, Annie van Bekkum, Kevin Cahill,
Jill Eldridge, Miriam Duncan, Kenny Carbery,
Beverley Brewer, Susan O'Donnell, John Batt, Lillian
Rafter, Margaret Glasson, Ray McNamara, Joan Sumner,
Jean Cousins, Nancy Elmer, Bill Sechi & Dr Ron Parker.

Our Parishioners, Family & friends who are Sick

Tegan Myerscough, Angela Rankin, Marie Phillips, Ken McKewin, Tony Grealy, Von O'Neill, Avril Egan, Charlie Fletcher, Ted Hawkins, Margaret Neale, Aileen Suhnann, Margaret Kelly, Urszula Parchimowicz, Doris McMackin, Des Kelly, Joe Flynn, Kathryn Mobley, Laurie Barron, Bozidar Howard, Pat Stinson, 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, Patricia Twinchek, Helen Teys, Joana Van Laart, Miriam Gittins & Col McLaughlin.

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News from Our Schools



St Peter's Primary School Principal: Mr Matt Mackinlay St Columban's College Principal: Mr Michael Connelly



From the Desk of Miss Catherine Meiklejohn (APRE)

Classroom Teaching of Religion

The teaching of Religion at St. Peter's School remains a priority at our school, as it is our Catholic Identity that makes up distinctive and unique. In each cycle of learning the children explore an inquiry question to help guide their learning and deepen their understanding of a particular strand; those being, Sacred Texts, Beliefs, Church, and Christian Life. Here are some of the inquiry questions being explored by our children in the early years at the moment:

Prep - How can know about God and the goodness of creation?

Year 1 - What does the Old Testament teach us about life and God?

Year 2 - How can we describe the nature of God?

Year 3 – How does prayer show God's presence in our daily lives?

I look forward to sharing more with you throughout the year. Take care and go gently - Catherine

PROJECT COMPASSION ENVELOPES



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Project Compassion boxes and donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season will be available at all our churches next weekend, we're sorry that you will be one week behind in your support.

LENTEN DISCUSSIONS GROUPS

This year's Lenten theme is 'from Ashes to Hope' and provides you with an opportunity to spend a few minutes a day calling out to God from our hearts.

Lenten Studies at <u>St Mary's</u> commence at 9.30am on Friday 24th Feb and then all Fridays in Lent.

At <u>Little Flower</u> they will be in the Fredrick Ozanam Centre each Wednesday at 3pm starting on March 1st.

LENTEN BOOKS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE PARISH OFFICE FOR COLLECTION.

From the Desk of Mrs Angela Woodriff (APRE)

Last week saw the College gather in prayer at the Commissioning of Student Leaders and Tie Ceremony as well as the whole College Opening Liturgy. With many staff, parents, students, and siblings in attendance, it was certainly a wonderful community occasion.

The presentation of the Senior's ties and badges is a significant tradition which symbolises the beginning of a new phase in the lives of our Year 12 students. As part of the Ceremony, we presented badges to our new student leaders and acknowledged the role of all Year 12s in leading the College in 2023. Receiving the tie is a recognition that they are moving into a more adult world, where they must harness their skills to become courageous, resilient, committed, and compassionate learners to achieve their goals.

As a whole College Community, we came together to participate in our inaugural opening liturgy where we had the opportunity to ask God's blessing on our school community in the coming year and again to remind us of our identity and mission as a College. Fr Anthony and Br lan Robertson joined us for the morning, sharing their thoughts on the journey of education in the light of Christ and Edmund Rice principles; Presence, Compassion and Liberation - we thank them both for their insights.

Many Blessings Angela





Parish Collections

Parish Giving for 11/12 February \$4530.60

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

YOUTH NEWS

Last Friday we had our second encounter of the year which we like to call our all-in night. This night generously supported by Living Waters Parish allows us to hire or buy something fun for the youth to participate in, this week we had laser tag! Laser tag was such a hit and brought in a whopping 71 young people ranging from grade 7-12! The amazing volunteer leadership team with Encounter put it all out there with testimonies from one of our leaders Charli and an exhort from our parish youth co-ordinator Matt. We received an influx of positive messages, affirmations and Feedback from parents and youth and now are sure that Encounters ministry will thrive in the coming terms! So, if this is something that interests you and you are in grades 7-12 we would love to see you this Friday night from 6:30PM at St Peter's Church Caboolture so come along this Friday to Belong, Renew and Encounter!

NORTHERN DEANERY LENTEN RETREAT: "From Ashes to Hope" Saturday March 11th 2023, 9am to 2pm.

St Mary's Hall, 16 Peterson Road, Woodford

Parishioners and Friends are invited to attend the Northern Deanery Lenten Retreat, where you will receive friendship, a nice morning tea, fresh country air, spiritual satisfaction, food for thought, and a personal message to you of hope that Jesus will place in your heart. Shane Dwyer from Evangelisation Brisbane will be our Retreat facilitator and will speak on the topic of "From Ashes to Hope."

The day will begin at 9 am and will finish at 2pm after Mass. This is a free Retreat, with morning tea provided, but please bring along your own lunch and water bottle.

Please come along, we would love to see you there. The Retreat will be ideal preparation for Easter.

For any enquiries please contact St Benedict's Parish Office on 34901768 or email admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au

Mass schedules

Little Flower: Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 8.00am Tuesday 5.00pm Thursday 9.15am

St Peter's: Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 10.00am & 5.00pm

Wednesday 9.30am

St Columban's College Chapel: Friday 7.45am

St Mary's: Sunday 8.00am

Monday 9.30am

St Michael's: Sunday 10.00am

Thursday 5.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

See the good in everyone; seek the good together, God loves each one, without exception, intensely and personally. God expects us to treat each other as living images of God, with care and respect. Pope Francis













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