

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.

The Ascension of the Lord

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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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The course and cost for change is a telling and courageous one in the sense that whatever becomes the aftermath has the capacity to either make or mar someone and her/his surrounding circumstance. With the elections last Saturday, Australians have been able to toe the path of change and to make a change. That was telling and was a decisive and definite statement.

In the life of the apostles of Christ and the early disciples, a change is about to happen. They are about to witness something that has not happened before. Jesus is about to be taken from them in their clear sight as he ascends to the Father. In the account of Luke 24: 46-53, it was at the outskirts of Bethany, the village where Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead. There must be something remarkable about this village Bethany that all of this is happening within and outside her walls. Well, that is not our concern so it will be a story for another day. So, there Jesus lifts his hands up in prayer and blessed his apostles and while he was still blessing them, he 'withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven' in the sight of his apostles. They worshipped him and then returned to Jerusalem full of joy; and continually praising God in the temple.

Ordinarily, these men are supposed to be saddened and fainthearted at the sight of seeing their beloved master been taken away from them but they were not. Their elated spirit tends to be a sure sign that for the times Jesus appeared to them after his resurrection he must have assured them of something greater and on which to rest their hope; his ever abiding presence and the promise of an advocate who would teach them everything and remind them all that he taught them.

From the time of that first promise till now, and for all ages to come the presence of Jesus in our midst is assured. First, in the sacrament of his ever-abiding presence – the holy Eucharist. Second, in his word in the scriptures. Third, in us individually and among us collectively when we gather as community – the church. And uniquely in the midst of our brothers and sisters who are at the edges of life – the poor and the dying. Fourth, in our society - in our environment - in the beauty and wonder of creation that is constantly pushed to extinction due to human actions. And so on.

In his recent Instagram post, Pope Francis opines; "everyone's talents and involvement are needed to redress the damage caused by human abuse of God's creation. All of us can cooperate as instruments for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements and talents. (cf. *Laudato Si'* @franciscus). To do this, as St. Paul prayed in his letter to the Ephesians 1: 17-23, we need to be constantly ready and open to divine impulse. For God to give us a spirit of wisdom and perception of what he constantly reveals in us and among us in order to bring us to the full knowledge of him.

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To enlighten the eyes of our mind so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. What rich glories he has promised us as our inheritance in him and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us, through Christ our Lord. Amen

In this prayer of St. Paul, we as parish also pray for our young ones who will experience in a unique way for their first time, the unique presence of God in the sacrament of reconciliation that they remain, with us, open to divine impulse in order to be inspired from their unique experience. Peace be with you. *Fr Anthony*



Congratulations to Jordan Bennett

Baptised into our Parish Family this weekend.

"Biggest Morning Tea"

Tuesday 7th June at 9.30am in the Mary McKillop Hall

Chatters this month is hosting a "Biggest Morning Tea" in aid of Cancer research. Cost is \$5.00 per head, there will be raffles, lucky door prizes



and bucket loads of fun & friendship.



Did you know that 1 in 2 Australians are diagnosed with cancer before the age of 85? By coming along and just enjoying a cuppa and chat with friends you know or are yet to know, you will be helping raise vital funds to bring us closer to a cancer free future. Put the date in your calendar as

EVERY CUPPA MAKES A DIFFERENCE TO SOMEONE.

21st Ecumenical Covenant Celebration

St Mary's Catholic Church Woodford
Next Saturday 4th June 2022. 11am
followed by a light lunch. All Welcome
Call 0478601987 for more info

Thanks to all who attended the Little Flower Hospitality Group's "Chit-Chat" at Bribie RSL a great morning had by all!

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

This weekend the children from across our Parish who were confirmed last year experienced their first *Rite of Reconciliation*. They were beautiful in the way they approached the Sacrament and were gifted with an experience of loving forgiveness from their God.

CONFIRMATION & HOLY COMMUNION Parent meetings begin this week, day and times are listed below

Sunday 29th May 1.30pm St Michael's

Monday 30th May 1.30pm or 5.30pm St Peter's

Tuesday 31st May 4.00pm Little Flower

Wednesday 1st June 4.00pm St Mary's

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Our Recently Deceased

Veronica Gargan, Grace Gregory, Lorraine Hawking, Leonie Long, Kathleen Elliott, Theo Eldridge, Restitota Sanchez-Durban, Kaye Johns, Bob Ingliss, Michael Sharpe, Marlene Bruton, Fr Pat Cassidy, Fr Ian Howell, Gabrielle Rowe, Ani Cuderman, Carlos Leite, Maureen Flynn, Andy McCracke & Maureen Flynn. who have recently gone to their eternal reward.

Those Who's Anniversaries Occur at This Time

Beatrix Brady, Carmel Bellamy, Connie Ciantar, Imelda Ellis, William Jamieson, Jim Mulcahy, Michael Czajkowski, Fr Basil Meaney, James Hardy, Robyn Lamb, Dolly McNulty, Peter O'Keefe, Ralph Phillips, Doreen Murphy, Helen Langley, Peter Gough, Millie Dance, Antonio Piredda, Reg Branch, Michael Veress, Patrick Seoney, Carole Reilly, Bill Wingrave, Rita Sellen, Kenneth Lohrey, Nina Horton, Sheila Brown, Fr John McGlone & Hugh Crilly.

Our Parishioners who are Sick

Bozidar Howard, Arthur Hangan, Margaret Ryan, Pat Stinson, Peter Glover, Vonnie Barraclough, Cameron Boxsell, Beris Burns, Gerry van Dinter, Mike & Kaye Brown, Susan Genery, Terry Farrelly, Jim Breene, Rita Jacobs, Catherine Johnson, Judy Wade, Mick Casey, Jessica Timson, Susanne Weir, Heidi Greentree, Kerry & Felicity McGill, Noah Irvine, Dawn & John Roberts, Les Stephenson, Anton Lenhart, Anne Iverson, Michael Cooper, Col McLaughlin, Helen Teys, Kay Berge, Nicholas Edwards, Joana Van Laart, Bede Brittenden, Miriam Gittins, Tracey Morgan, Abel McHugh, Rita Hyde, Margaret Kelly & Eileen Ryan.

Birthday wishes

Congratulations to Aileen & Des Kelly who turn 80 & 90 respectively this weekend - well done!!



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From the Desk of Miss Catherine Miklejohn (APRE)

Breakfast Club

Earlier this term we introduced *Breakfast Club* at St. Peter's School. Each day before school we serve toast to our children to ensure that they all have food to fuel their brains and bodies! We are very grateful to the Knights of the Southern Cross who have financially supported this initiative. Thank you also to our school officers and teachers who run the *Breakfast Club*, as well as the students and teachers from St. Columban's College who support during the week. Take care and go gently – Catherine



Annual Mass Count

As you know, each weekend through the month of May, we have counted the number of people at all Masses across the parish. The Archdiocese has undertaken this count for a number of years. As Bishop Ken wrote to the priests of the Archdiocese in April, "These figures help us understand how many people are being reached in local communities, and across the whole Archdiocese. We will continue to share this data with you so that you are aware of the trends in your own community." When we receive the local numbers from the count this year, we will, for example, be able to compare these with past years. I realise we will need to take the last couple of years of restrictions into account. However, the figures will be useful, as Bishop Ken notes, for understanding both local and larger Archdiocesan trends. The Parish Pastoral Council will be able, for example, to identify the possible needs of outreach and guide decision making for pastoral priorities. We will publish the results of the count in the newsletter in the coming weeks. Thank you. Fr David

From the Desk of Mrs Raechel Fletcher (APM&I)

Uluru Statement - statement from the heart.

The Uluru Statement from the Heart is an invitation to the Australian people from First Nations Australians. It asks Australians to walk together to build a better future by establishing a First Nations Voice to Parliament enshrined in the Constitution, and the establishment of a Makarrata Commission for the purpose of treaty making and truth-telling.



SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

The Ascension of the Lord

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11;

Psalm Resp: *God mounts his throne to shouts of joy, a blare of trumpets for the Lord.*

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23;

Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

Weekday Readings:

Mon: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 67:2-7; Jn 16:29-33

Tues: *The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Zeph 3:14-18; Ps Resp Isaiah 12:2-6; Luke 1:39-56

Wed: *St Justin* Acts 20:28-38; Ps 67:29-30,33-36; Jn 17:11-19

Thur: Acts 22:30, 22: 6-11; Ps 15:1-2,5,7-11; Jn 17:20-26

Fri: *Charles Lwanga & Companions*

Acts 25:13-21; Ps 102:1-2,11-12,19-20; Jn 21:15-19

Sat: Acts 28:16-20,30-31; Ps 10:4-5,7; Jn 21:20-25

Pentecost Sunday

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11;

Psalm Resp: *Lord, send out Your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.*

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-17;

Gospel: John 14:15-16,23-26

News from Our Youth Ministry

High schoolers, please join us at St. Peter's every Friday night of term 6.30-8.30pm for ★ **Encounter** ★ youth group - a **real** night of mad games, good snacks, quality mates and the opportunity to go deeper into faith in a new and exciting way. We would love to welcome you if you are new & if you are returning, bring a mate! Contact Darcy Rogers to register that week (or register at the door) darcy.rogers@bne.catholic.edu.au & follow us on Instagram to stay updated @**encountercaboolture** Keep an eye peeled for ★ **youth mass** + **hangs** ★ once a month.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (29May- June5,2022)

We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him. (cfMatthew2:2)

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 was chosen by the Middle East Council of Churches, "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship" More than ever, in these difficult times, we need a light that shines in the darkness and that light, Christians proclaim, has been manifested in Jesus Christ. The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service in Brisbane will be hosted by the Anglican Diocese of Brisbane on Friday 3 June at 11am at St John's Cathedral, 373 Ann Street, City. All Christians are welcome.

Parish Collections



Parish Giving for 21 / 22 May \$3545.05

Thank you for your constant support of our Parish.
If you are new to our Parish and would like to join our
Planned Giving Program, please email our Finance Officer
finance.livingwaters@bne.catholic.net.au

The total amount banked across the Parish for Project
Compassion was \$8190.50
Tax Deducible Receipts are being posted this week to all
those who have requested them.

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