

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.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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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A Reflection for Father's Day

One of the greatest truths within our collective faith is that family is the building block of society. Each person within a family plays a very specific role within the community, which directly transfers to their role within the entirety of God's creation. The father of a family is the role which I will discuss now.

If you were to ask a child why they love their dad, you may solicit responses such as "because he is nice" or "because he is funny". Through scripture, it is clear that this model of fatherhood is exactly what God had in mind when He created men who are called to be fathers. Consider Psalm 103:13: "As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him". Men called to fatherhood are meant to love their children in a way that is much like how God loves each of us. An earthly father exists as a reflection of our Heavenly Father. The earthly father's central role is to love his family, and he can do this through his words and actions. Even at a young age, those children who have present fathers are witnesses of God's plan for His men.

As these children grow older and become more aware, they may start to reassess their answers to "why do you love your dad?". Many teenagers eventually begin to realize that their fathers provide for the family and protect the unit in totality. Just as God the Father provided Jesus with the tools necessary to evangelize the worst of sinners and never left Him ill-equipped, so too do our earthly fathers provide for their families. They may not be able to perform miracles, but they can do work and raise funds for their families so that survival is possible. They also provide emotional and spiritual support as they are traditionally "head" of the household and are called to lead the family in truth. Just as God the Father protected Jesus from evil, so too does the earthly father protect the family by warning them against temptation.

This protection does not come through a lack of spirituality. In fact, it is due to the inherent nature of a father as the head of the family to be a leader in spirituality to his wife and children. Again in Scripture, God's design for fatherhood is revealed through the relationship between Jesus and God the Father. In Jesus' darkest hours before His crucifixion, He asks for guidance and mercy from the Lord. In a similar way, our earthly fathers serve as our spiritual leaders, guiding us toward the peace and wisdom of our Lord.

Again, we must look into all duties of an earthly father in remembering that the most important task of the earthly father is to love his family. To be assured that God's plan is perfect, we can look to the Lord's prayer and see exactly in which ways our Heavenly Father shines through our earthly fathers.

"Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, **thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.**"

Indeed, God's will is done through other people on earth, but certain people are designed to reveal specific characteristics of God, like provision and spiritual leadership. The designated people for this important revelation are our fathers on earth. As the responsibility is very great, so is the reward.

Madeleine Naleski, The Catholic University of America

FATHER'S DAY

A Salute to Fathers

Whoever teaches his child, teaches not only his child but also his children's children - and so on until the end of generations. (Talmud)

One of the greatest things a father can do for his children is to love their mother. (John Green)

Before I got married, I had six theories about bringing up children.

Now I have six children and no theories. (Lord Rochester)

You don't raise heroes, you raise sons. And if you treat them like sons, they'll turn out to be heroes, even if it's just in your own eyes. (Walter M Schirra)

It was as good as a play to see his father with the children, but such a play as brings smiles with tears behind. (John Galsworthy)

What a father says to his child is not heard by the world But it will be heard by posterity. (Jean Paul Richter)

You will never die while you leave an image of yourself in your children. (Carlo Goldoni)

Happy Father's Day to all our dads!

Protecting children is

EVERYBODY'S

BUSINESS

National Child Protection Week

4th – 10th September

Children and young people thrive when they grow up safe, connected and supported in their family, community, and culture. They have the right to grow up in environments that support them according to their needs, now and into the future.

National Child Protection Week will be looking at what works to keep children safe and supported... what children are telling us... what families are telling us... what the evidence is telling us... and how to translate this knowledge into action.

We know that too many children are not growing up safe and supported and that Child Protection systems are overloaded. There are many opportunities to change the trajectory for these children. We can stop child abuse and neglect – and reduce its impact – by working together to make sure every child in every community has a fair go.

(NAPCAN)

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Our Recently Deceased

Madonna Hickey, Mark Pascoe Eddie Barrett, Eileen Long, Br Herman Kooymans MSC, Jim Breene, Thelma Jarrett, Emil Vlainic, Barry Eirle, Frank Knox & Tom West who have recently gone to their eternal reward.

Those Whose Anniversaries Occur at This Time

Stan Brett, Barrie Baxter, John Marchant, Gilbert Carfantan, Des Walsh, Basil Jeffreys, Paddy Youngberry, Angela Steiler, Valma Wendt, Peter Berry, Claude Roche, Mick McFadden, Patricia McAndrew, Lorraine Chivers, Sarah Courtney, George Woolnough, Gordon Taylor, Tom Saric, Jack Flynn, Mila Smajstr, Feliipa Altez-Calabuig, Carmel Tom, Barry Moore, Elizabeth Youlten, Francis Twomey, Kevin Downey, James O'Connell & Margie Ford.

Our Parishioners, Family & friends who are Sick

Brian and Doris McMackin Br Gerry Burke MSC, Ron Criss, Des Kelly, Joe Flynn, Elmer Rayton, Gwen Bazzo, Leo Schneider, Nikki Williams, Bev McCarthy, Kathryn Mobley, Laurie Barron, Bozidar Howard, Arthur Hangan, Margaret Ryan, Pat Stinson, Peter Vonnie Barraclough, Cameron Boxsell, 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, 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, Patricia Twinchek, Eileen Ryan, Paul and Eleanor Copeland.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18

Psalm Resp: *In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.*

Second Reading: Philemon 9-10, 17-18

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Weekday Readings:

Mon: 1 Corinthians 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7,12; Lk 6:6-11

Tues: 1 Corinthians 6:1-11; Ps 149:1-6,9; Lk 6:12-19

Wed: 1 Corinthians 7:25-31; Ps 44:11-12,14-17; Lk 6:20-26

Thur: *Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Feast + Gloria*
Micah 5:1-4; Ps 12:6-7; Mt 1:1-16,18-23

Fri: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-27; Ps 83:3-6,12; Lk 6:39-42

Sat: 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; Ps 115:12-13,17-18; Lk 6:43-49

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11,13-14

Psalm Resp: *I will rise and go to my Father.*

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Gospel: Luke 15:1-32

**Why do Dads who play golf, take an extra pair of socks?
In case they get a hole in one!**



From the Desk of Ms Catherine Micklejohn (APRE)

Student Formation

On Monday 22 August, ten Year 5 and Year 6 students participated in a Student Formation Opportunity at St. Benedict's Primary School. We joined students from Brighton, Petrie, New Farm, Albany Creek, and Mango Hill. The focus of the day was how we can use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to make a difference in our community! The students have a really enjoyable day and have brought back lots of great ideas for our St. Peter's School community. Beginning in 2023, we will embed student formation opportunities for all students throughout the school year using ideas and resources that are shared by the Brisbane Catholic Education Office team, as well as those generated by students and staff. I would like to commend the students on how they engaged with the day, and their willingness to step outside of their comfort zone. The Holy Spirit was definitely at work in them! Catherine.



This week two of the three formation groups will meet in Mary McKillop Hall next to St Peter's Church.

Faith Formation this Tuesday at 6pm

Outreach this Wednesday at 5pm

We are looking forward to seeing you there to enable our Parish mission to move forward.



Pastoral Council warmly invites you to attend the first of our Faith Formation Discussions.

Date: 9.00am next Sunday 11th September at St Mary's
Facilitator: Shane Dwyer (Evangelisation Brisbane)

TOPIC: 'The relationship at the heart of our faith, and why that relationship challenges us to the core of our being'

We are looking forward to seeing you all there.

From the Desk of Ms Kim Mooney (Acting APRE)

Welcome to Week 8 of Term 3. This week we are celebrating Climate Change week and our Environment group (led by Mr Brenden Walsh) and our EcoMarines, (led by Ms Leah Bool) have run a number of activities across the week. One such activity is the "Season of Creation" school art competition. Students have been asked to submit a piece of art responding to one or both of the quotes from Pope Francis – "Nature is God's Art" and/or "Everything is a caress from God". This competition is being run by Catholic Earthcare Australia, and entries are due next week. I will load photos of some of our entries in future newsletters. In 2021 Pope Francis invited all Catholics "to create the future we want: a more inclusive, fraternal, peaceful and sustainable world." St Columban's has taken this onboard and has a strong commitment to the environment and climate change, continually encouraging student led change which will lead to a more sustainable future.

As always, please join us at the college chapel at 7.45am, each Friday morning, to share Mass with us, and the refreshments which follow. We would love to see you there. Kim

Congratulations to the final group of young people at St Michael's, who make their First Reconciliation this Sunday. May you always know the love and forgiveness of your God who walks beside you.

Chatters will take place on Tuesday 13th September at Willow Tree Café 140 Morayfield Road, Morayfield commencing at 9.30am. We very much look forward to enjoying your company.

Goodbye Winter, here comes Spring!
Annual Vinnies Fundraiser
Tickets: \$25.00 (3 course meal, coffee/tea
Venue: St Mary's Woodford
Time: 11.30am Saturday 10th September
To purchase your tickets please
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After 6 months of patiently (well ok, almost patiently!) waiting the repairs to the Parish Office have now been completed and we can totally assure you the Administration Team is over the moon about it 😊

From Monday 12th September the Meeting Room will be made available to all Parish Groups so please call the Office to make any bookings.



Parish Collections:

Parish Giving for 27/28 August \$4022.70

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

Please don't forget to collect your new envelopes from the back of the Church.

Are you celebrating your Golden Wedding Anniversary? The Annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated with Archbishop Mark Coleridge on Saturday 24th September @ 11:30am at the Cathedral of St Stephen. Those celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary, or more, are invited to attend, together with your family and friends. The Cathedral car park will be available. RSVP: Wednesday 21st September, 2022 email: cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au; telephone: 33243030

Don't forget our Youth Group meets every Friday night at St Peter's. Its open to all young people and is well supervised and offers a lot of fun in a safe Christian environment. Darcy & Georgina



Quote of the Week: "Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries. Without them, humanity cannot survive. Our prime purpose in this life is to help others. And if you can't help them, at least don't hurt them." (Dalai Lama)

Have a great week, be kind to yourself and each other.

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