

# Living Waters Catholic Parish

Embracing the Communities of:

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

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

20<sup>th</sup> / 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024

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### REPENT, AND BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS

Today on the third Sunday of the ordinary season the Church celebrates **Sunday of the Word of God**. Pope Francis intended this initiative to set aside moments to reflect on the great importance of the Word of God for everyday living. **The Word of God is:**

#### \*Spiritual Weapon

Which can fight against devil's snares and overcome his temptations.

#### \*Guiding Map

Which informs to do good and avoid evil thus shows the path which leads to Heaven.

#### \*Living Fountain

Which has springs of Eternal wisdom which provides spiritual comfort.

#### \*Divine Novel

Which contains salvation history of God's infinite love towards humanity.

#### \*Sacred Treasure

Because it contains the Holy Words of Holy God which enriches our spiritual life.

**"Woe to me, If I do not preach the Gospel".**

**The Call of the first four group of fishermen by Jesus: -**

**Job:-**Discipleship

**Company:-**Kingdom of God

**Interviewer:-**Jesus

**Candidates:-**Peter, Andrew, James, John

**Place:-**Sea of Galilee

**Qualification:-**Willingness

**Salary:-**Eternal reward

All the 4 were fisher men. Hence when Jesus called them, they were busy with their NETS. Peter and Andrew were casting their nets while James and John were mending their nets.

Today the same Lord needs true disciples [not merely Christians with titles but genuine followers]. He passes by us, as He passed by the Sea of Galilee. Perhaps the difference would be the disciples in the gospel were busy with their NETS, while we are busy with our INTER NETS.

The Gospel says they immediately left their NETS and followed Jesus. Like disciples we may not be able to totally leave aside our [INTER] NETS but all of us are called to spend time with the Lord and in doing good works, more than what we spend on internets.

From "Fishermen" to "Fisher of men" not just an Exchange but a Change.

"Social profession" was changed into "Religious vocation". "Men of Galilee" now became "Men for Galilee". Experts of Sea" were now chosen an "Apostles of land". "Boats and nets" they left to take up "words and actions" of Christ. "Their father on earth they left to know 'Jesus' Father" in heaven. "Home's family" they left to form a "Disciple's family".

All this happened with the words of Jesus **"Follow me"**. Great things happen when God intervenes in our life. **Following Christ, not only makes our Life Meaningful but also Beautiful.**

Blessed be Sacred Hearts, now and forever. Fr. Akesh Xalxo



## Holy Baptism Congratulations to Isabella Morgan

Baptised into our Parish Family this weekend.

*Our next Parish Parent Baptism Meeting will be held in the Parish Office at 5pm on Feb 7th*



Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January

Reflect, Respect & Celebrate

## Happy Australia Day!

*Mass times for Australia Day -*

**St Peter's 7.45am** - a good ol Aussie morning tea to follow Mass at St Peter's **Little Flower 9.15am** - Traditional damper with syrup will be on offer at Little Flower washed down with a good strong cuppa.

*The Parish office will be closed on Friday.*

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We also take this opportunity to wish Fr Krupa a very happy birthday - he celebrates it on Australia Day, so.... 'Good on ya mate, have a good one!'



## Changing the Narrative One Year at a Time

**Joondoburri Walk** (adjacent to Bribie Kindy, Cotterill Ave, Bribie Island)

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 9.45am for a 10am start**  
**Guest Speakers, Art Yarning Circle, Smoking Ceremony by PIEEC Jarjams**

Bring a chair, there will be a free sausage sizzle and water provided.

**All welcome to join us as we connect and share in acknowledging the country where we are all fortunate enough to live, work and play and to celebrate the earliest inhabitants the Joondoburri people.**

## AROUND THE PARISH

**The Little Flower Hospitality Group's Meeting**, this Monday, at 10am at the Church. We encourage all members to attend and welcome all new members.

**Growing St Peter's Meeting**, this Monday at 4.00 in the Mary McKillop Hall. Everyone is welcome, as we work to grow our St Peter's community in 2024.

**Friday Mass** will resume at St Columban's College Chapel on February 9<sup>th</sup> at the usual time of 7.45am up until then please continue to go to St Peter's. Thank you.

**RAP Meeting** Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 4pm Parish Office Meeting Room.

**Chatters** 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 9.30am Jacaranda Café, Caboolture. All welcome

**ASH WEDNESDAY** February 14<sup>th</sup>

**KSC General Meeting** 6pm February 15<sup>th</sup> Mary McKillop Hall

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

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## WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

*Rosary - Monday 9.30am St Peter's Church*

*Christian Meditation - Wednesday 9.30am Little Flower Church*

*Mother's Prayer - Thursday 9.30am Parish Office Meeting Room*

*St Peter's Craft Group - Friday 10.30am Parish Office Meeting Room*

*Prayer & Praise - every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday St Peter's Church 2pm - 4pm*

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5,10

Psalm Resp: *Teach me your ways, O Lord.*

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

### Weekday Readings:

**Mon:** 2 Sam 5:1-7,10; Ps 88:20-22,25-26; Mark 3:22-30

**Tues:** 2 Sam 6:12-15,17-19; Ps 23:7-10; Mark 3:31-35

**Wed:** *St Francis de Sales* 2 Sam 7:4-17; Ps 88:4-5,27-30; Mark 4:1-20

**Thur:** *Conversion of St Paul* Acts 22:3-16; Ps 116:1-2; Mark 16:15-18

**Fri:** *Australia Day + Gorla*

Isaiah 32:15-18; Ps 84:9-14; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Matthew 5:1-12

**Sat:** 2 Sam 12:1-7,10-17; Ps 50:12-17; Mark 4:35-41

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Duet 18:15-20

Psalm Resp: *If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.*

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

**Parish Collections: for 13/14 January \$4421.80**



**Thank you for your financial & prayerful support of our Parish.**

There's an old riddle that says five frogs are sitting on a lily pad. One decides to jump off. How many are left? If your answer is "four", thank your maths teacher for your excellent maths skills. Unfortunately, this is not a test of your maths abilities.

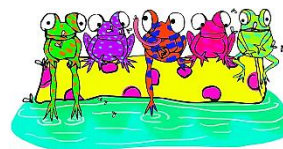
**It's a life problem.**

The correct answer is "five". Yes, all five are still sitting there on the lily pad.

**The one frog only decided to jump but hasn't.**

Life is not a spectator sport; it's indeed a contact sport. and there are no practice sessions, and you've been in the game from day one. As cliché as it seems 'The journey starts with a single step' - not by thinking about taking that step.

**Moral: Be the frog who not only decides to jump off the lily pad but actually jumps!**





*Term 1 for 2024 begins this Tuesday. We look forward to welcoming all back for another year.*

**Please Remember in Your Prayers**

**Our Recently Deceased**

Margaret Genery, Baby Genery, Pat Stinson, Margaret Ryan, John Ruff, Angela Edwards, Kristy Silk, Laurie Holdsworth, Kevin Cranston, Beryl Mulligan, Dudley Chilcott, Barry McKenna & John Lloyd Dampil.

**Those whose Anniversaries Occur at this Time.**

Gordon Gannon, James O'Connor, June Allom, Anna Luda, Thelma Barclay, Kevin Larson, Freda Cole, Phillip Parker, Michael Brown, Cath Williamson, Peg Neimann, Fr Miranda Bezaka, George Thornber, Aubrey Robinson, Peter Chapman, Adele Royston, Peter Barker, Kath Williams, Joan McKillop, Arnold Newitt, John Patterson, John Morrow, Phyllis Smith, Shirley O'Connor, Mary Gillett, Bill Ross, Lorraine Tuckerman, Ted Batiste & Joan Nuss.

**Our Parishioners, Family & Friends who are Sick.**

Sandra McShane, Joshua & Myra Sessions, Joan Fitzpatrick, Recy & Loycito Dampil, Roger & Joan L'Huillier, Anne Kelly, Marlyn Hooper, Neil Clunes, Czes Parchimowicz, Della Lopez, Teresa Mills, Barbara O'Neill, Arthur & Eileen Hangan, Pat Hegarty, Brian Wyvill, John Hempseed, Gregory Kelly, June Bell, Ken McKewin, Laurie Barron, Susanne Weir, Jessica Timson, Michael Cooper, Patricia Twinchek, Ted Hawkins, Ray Davis, Helen & Gerry Van Dinter, Gerard Brown.

**Each** month, Pope Francis puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These monthly prayer intentions reflect the concerns of the Holy Father for the humanity and the sacred mission of the Catholic Church. For the month of January, we invite you to join us in prayer for the gift of diversity in the Church.

The Oxford Dictionary defines Diversity as 'the practice or quality of including or involving people from a range of different social and ethnic backgrounds and of different [genders](#), sexual [orientations](#), etc.'

Pope Francis says: "Only the Spirit can awaken diversity while at the same time building unity," "When we are the ones who try to create diversity and close ourselves up in what makes us different and unique, we bring division."

On the other hand, he said, "when we are the ones who want to build unity in accordance with our human plans, we end up creating uniformity, standardization."

The pope said the Holy Spirit can appear "to create disorder in the church" by bringing such different gifts to its members, but when everyone allows themselves to be guided by the Spirit, they learn to treasure variety rather than letting it become a source of conflict.

The Holy Spirit can make people uncomfortable, Pope Francis said. "Newness always makes us a bit fearful, because we feel more secure if we are the ones who build, program and plan our lives in accordance with our own ideas, our own comfort, our own preferences."

The spiritual journey is no different, he said. "We fear that God may force us to strike out on new paths and leave behind all our too narrow, closed and selfish horizons in order to become open to his own."

Seeking the newness God's offers through the Holy Spirit "is not a question of novelty for novelty's sake, the search for something new to relieve our boredom, as is so often the case in our own day," he said. "The newness which God brings into our life is something that actually brings fulfillment, that gives true joy, true serenity, because God loves us and desires only our good."

**Parish Mass Schedules**

**Little Flower: Bribie Island**  
Sat 6.00pm & Sun 8.00am  
Tues 5.00pm & Thur 9.15am

**St Peter's: Caboolture**  
Sat 6.00pm, Sun 10.00am & 5.00pm  
Wed 9.30am  
St Columban's: Fri 7.45am

**St Michael's: Kilcoy**  
Sun 10.00am  
Thurs 5.30pm

**St Mary's: Woodford**  
Sun 8.00am  
Mon 9.30am

**Parish Reconciliation Times**

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

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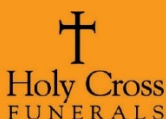
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