

Living Waters Catholic Parish

Embracing the Communities of:

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

2nd Sunday in Lent

15th / 16th March 2025

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SEEING GOD'S GLORY IN OUR LIVES

God's glory is always present in our lives. Sometimes we are too attached to our own expectations to see it. We might be too set in our ways, unwilling to let God change us. But God's glory shines through when we let go and let Him work in us. We often miss God's glory because we are focused on ourselves. We want to project a certain image to the world. But this blocks others from seeing God's work in us. The readings teach us to have faith in God's promises, like Abraham did. When God told him his descendants would be as numerous as the stars, Abraham believed even though he couldn't see it.

As we reflect on these readings, we are reminded to look for God's glory in everyday life. It might be in small acts of kindness or moments of peace. When we open our hearts to God, His glory shines through us. We need to let go of our own image and let God's light be seen.

Applying this to our lives means being open to change. It means trusting God's plan and believing in His promises. On the 2nd Sunday of Lent, let us commit to letting God's glory shine through us. This Lent, may we grow in faith and openness to God's work in our lives.

God's covenant with Abram is a powerful sign of His commitment to His people. Abram did not doubt God's promise. He believed even when it seemed impossible. This faith is what made him righteous before God. We, too, are called to trust in God's promises. Like Abram, we need to trust God's plan for us. Even when we cannot see the future, we must believe that God is faithful. His promises are sure, and His covenant is everlasting.

We also see God's commitment to His people through the covenant. It is a sign that God will never abandon us. He is always with us, guiding and protecting us. As we journey through Lent, let us remember God's promise and covenant with us. In our lives, we can apply this message by trusting in God's promises. No matter what challenges we face, we can have faith that God is with us. His commitment to us is unchanging. Let us hold on to this truth as we continue our Lenten journey.

Lord, help us to trust in Your promises like Abram. Guide us to live as citizens of heaven, focusing on Your glory. Open our hearts to Your work in our lives. May we reflect Your love and light to the world.

God Bless you,
Fr Akesh

This week, Caritas Australia's Project Compassion shares another story of education. We visit a primary school in Samoa with 400 students and 11 teachers. Until 2023, the school had no reliable access to fresh water. At times, teachers had to fetch water from neighbouring families, and this took considerable time out of the day and limited classes. It also meant that each class had a single bucket of drinking water for everyone to share. Thanks to your generosity, this has now changed. Education can continue uninterrupted. Samoa may seem a long way away but let us think for a moment of some of the words Jesus said on the night before he died. He prayed 'may they all be one.' We see the high price of division and conflict in so many places.

People face each other with such hostility. As we unite against poverty, we are slowly creating the solution. Our actions are teaching the world to see possibilities more than problems.



Let's Celebrate!

Congratulations to **Tai Gale** who celebrated his **80th** birthday & **Emma** her **21st** birthday last weekend. *We hope you celebrated without too much interference from Alfred!*

Congratulations also to **Peter & Colleen Kane** celebrating their **50th Wedding Anniversary** this weekend. May God continue to bless you both.



St Paddy's Day Concert with the 'Young @ Heart' Singers.

This Thursday 10am Little Flower

Please stay after the mass and enjoy the glees of this wonderful Irish singing group.

Pope Francis' March Prayer Intention

Before Pope Francis was hospitalised, he videoed his prayer intention for March around broken families and the need for *forgiveness*. The pontiff believes forgiving one another renews the family and provides hope. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent

St Mary's Church - 8.30am

Little Flower Church - 5.00pm

St Peter's Church - 5.30pm

Fr John will be in Sydney for a meeting of the Executive Council of the National Council of Priests from Sunday through to Thursday.

Across the Parish during March & April

16th March SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

17th March ROSARY 9am St Mary's & 9.30am St Peter's

20th March KSC General Meeting – 6pm Mary McKillop Hall

21st March Mass with the Archbishop 5pm St Mary's

21st March Encounter Youth 6pm St Peter's Church/Hall

23rd March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

23rd March Filipino Mass 12noon St Peter's

24th March ROSARY 9am St Mary's & 9.30am St Peter's

24th March Little Flower Hospitality Meeting

24th March 'Growing St Peter's' - 4pm Mary McKillop Hall

28th March Fourth Friday Lunch St Mary's Hall

28th March Encounter Youth 6pm St Peter's Church/Hall

30th March FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

30th March 1st RECONCILIATION 2pm St Peter's Church

31st March ROSARY 9am St Mary's & 9.30am St Peter's

4th April Last day of the School Term

6th April FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

EASTER RECONCILIATION RITES

Sunday 6th April 11am St Michael's (Individual Rite)

Monday 7th April 10am St Mary's (Individual Rite)

6pm Little Flower (Communal Rite)

Tuesday 8th April 6pm St Peter's Second (Communal Rite)

7th April ROSARY 9am St Mary's & 9.30am St Peter's

Priests Commitments

Sunday 16th March -2nd Sunday in Lent

8:00am Little Flower Bribie (Fr Ashley Warbrooke)

8:00am St Mary's Woodford (Fr Akesh)

10:00 am St Peter's Caboolture (Fr Ashley Warbrooke)

10:00am St Michael's Kilcoy (Fr Akesh)

5:00pm St Peter's Caboolture. (Fr Akesh)

Monday 17th March

9.30am Mass St Mary's (Fr Akesh)

Wednesday 19th March

9.30am Mass St Peter's (Fr Akesh) Grade 3 will be joining

Thursday 20th March

9.15am Mass Little Flower (Fr Akesh)

Friday 21st March

7.30am Mass St Columban's College (Fr John)

Saturday 22nd March

6:00pm St Peter's Caboolture (Fr John & Archbishop Mark)

6:00pm Little Flower, Bribie (Fr Akesh)



From the Desk of Chris Inglis

Acting Assistant Principal Religious Education

Hello everyone!

We have had a busy week returning to normal operations following ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred. Our Year 1 students have been preparing to participate in and lead a liturgy on Friday focused on the theme of 'Creation' after spending the beginning of the year unpacking creation stories in the Bible.

Praying you are all safe and well.

Take care Chris.



From the Desk of Angela Woodriff

Assistant Principal Mission & Identity

This week has been quite eventful as we faced the unexpected interruption caused by Cyclone Alfred.

We hope that everyone is safe, and that the cyclone did not impact you or your loved ones. Our thoughts are with those who may have been affected, and we wish you all the best during this time.

As we look ahead to Week 8, our Year 7 and Year 9 students are gearing up for the NAPLAN assessments. This is an important time for our students, and we are confident that their hard work and preparation will pay off. Let's continue to support and encourage them as they get ready for these assessments. Ange

Parish Pastoral Visit - 21st / 22nd & 23rd March.

Next weekend we welcome Archbishop Mark Coleridge to our Parish. His Grace will be with us from Friday through until Sunday lunchtime. The first Mass he'll celebrate will be at St Mary's on Friday night followed by a light supper (we sincerely hope you will join us!) We have asked people to indicate their attendance and what they may like to contribute in the way of food on sheets which can be found at the front of all our churches. Responding to this will assist us with catering. A Pastoral visit is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our Parish and to meet the Archbishop, which provides a direct connection to the wider Church leadership, it serves as a visible sign of support and encouragement for our parish community.

Friday

Parish Office / School and College Communities

Time 9.30am	Arrival at Parish Office & Greet Parish Staff
Time 10.00am – 10.30am	Meet with Principal/APRE/ Executive P&F and school Board
Time 10.30am – 11.10 am	Meet with School Staff in St Peter's Staff Room – tea, coffee cheese & biscuits
Time 11.15am – 11.20am	Whole School 'meditation time' before returning to classes.
Time 11.30am – 12 noon	Tour of School, visit classroom
Time 12.15 pm – 1.45pm	Lunch with Parish Staff, School/College Leadership Team.
Time 2.00pm – 3.00pm	Meet & Greet Staff & Students and Tour of St Columban's College
Time 5.00pm +	Mass at St Mary's followed by dinner & 'meet and greet' with parishioners

Saturday

Parish Community

Time 12.30pm – 2.30pm	Lunch with PPC & Finance Council, 'meet and greet' with selected parishioners and groups from across the Parish.
Time 6.00pm	Mass at St Peter's Caboolture
Time 7.00pm	Dinner with Fr John & Fr Akesh

Sunday

Parish Community

Time 8.00am	Mass Little Flower, Bribie Island
Time 10.00am	Mass St Peter's, Caboolture
Time 11.00am – 11.30am	Morning Tea with 'meet and greet' with Parishioners
Time 12 noon	Finish Parish Visit

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Our Recently Deceased: Anne Kelly, Judy Plant, Gilbert Leach, Kevin Gabriel, Brenda Fyshwick, Edna Houchin, Br John Wells, Elizabeth (Betty) Smith, Derek Evans, Greg Holdsworth, Marie Howard, Peter Dinneen, Bro Pat McKeon, Bev Wilson, Kath Burgess, Suzi Henri, Terre Simmons, Noela Riethmuller, Eleanor Copeland & Peter Gray.

Those whose Anniversaries Occur at this Time: Alan Iverson, Margaret Kennedy, Don Watt, Margaret Neale, Kerry Wright, Ron McGrath, Anna Kopp, Molly Grace, Ted Norman, Margarida Numes, Anne Mullen, Lee Travers, Janelle Runge, Joe Salgado, Mick Lee, Eileen Corbett, Jill Cervetto, Des Forbes, Nora Lynn, Jovita Ubaldo, Fiona Godfrey, Marcelle Sproker, Robert Moyes, Terry Peet, Len Musarra, Clothilda Silva & Jim Munro.

Those who are Sick: Kira Wojtowicy, Alex Azzopardi, Natalie Ciantar, Pat & Tony Holcroft, Margaret Griffin, Elspth & Alan Jones, Christine O'Brien, Fr Wrex, Wendy Brown, Jayden Lowe, Mary Jamieson, Des Greentree, Margaret & Ron Jones, Xander Ferguson, Marlene Albert, Horrie Hunt, Jeanette Herd, Tina Pennisi, Don Joiner, Sheila Musarra, Brian Kavanagh, Suzie Collyer, Helen Johnson, Tricia Fischer, Joshua & Myra Sessions, Joan Fitzpatrick, Della Lopez, Brian Wyvill, John Hempseed, Gregory Kelly, June Bell, Ken McKewin, Susanne Weir, Jessica Timson, Michael Cooper, Patricia Twinchek, Ray Davis, Helen & Gerry Van Dinter, Eileen Hangan & Gerard Brown.

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