

# NEWSLETTER

## *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

The topic of synodality is much talked about in Church circles these days. It means 'to walk together' and Pope Francis speaks strongly in terms of walking together being at the heart of the Church. For Francis we walk together with the risen Lord, with fellow members of His Body, the Church, and with the human family and all of creation. Listening to God and one another is vital to being a synodal Church. At this time in our history, we are amid a Church Synod on the topic of synodality itself. The first session was in Rome last year and the second session will be in Rome later this year.

In a very similar vein, the Australian Church held a Plenary Council, once again over two sessions, and the recommendations coming from those gatherings are still being received by the dioceses of Australia. In Brisbane we are having a meeting of the whole Archdiocese on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> September with a second session on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October to discuss those same recommendations and enact them in practical ways. This is hopefully all part of the process of discerning the voice of the Holy Spirit as we walk together in the Australian Church.

Two representatives are invited from the Deanery to attend the two sessions of the Brisbane Synod. If you feel called to participate in this process, I strongly encourage you to contact me so that we can discuss it further. There will be ample information to assist in preparing for the gathering. The agenda is based on the recommendations of the earlier Plenary Council and how these can be applied to the local Church of Brisbane. Please prayerfully consider this invitation and keep the Synod in your prayers.

God bless the week ahead,  
*Fr Kevin*

We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationships of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.



**Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially** Michael Bartlett, Colleen Hunter, Frances Cleary, Sr Theresa (Tess) Doonar, Harry Callahan **recently deceased and also for** Margaret Linnett, Dulcie O'Connell, Dolores Reyes, Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, Patrick and Clare Dugger, Kretschmer, McLachlan and Hanly families, Begley and Bourke families, Norman and Katie Timmins, Norman, Patrick and Daniel Timmins, Patrick and Pat Boyle, Karen Baker and Mike West.



**Please remember the sick in your prayers** – Hazel Langthorne, Remy Rossi, Pete Waldron, Joy Ashworth, Margaret McLaughlin, Anita Xavier, Lance Tutanoa, Roy Hogan and Nicola Fryer.

<b>Liturgy and Prayers this Week</b> 29 April – 5 May 2024			
Monday	-	St Catherine of Siena	-
Tuesday	-		-
Wednesday	7:00pm		Mass
Thursday	-	St Athanasius	-
Friday	8:00am	Sts Philip and James	Mass with Adoration + Benediction
Saturday	9:00am		Mass
Sunday	5.30pm(Vigil) 8:00am and 5:30pm		<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>
	Readings – Acts 10:25-26, 34-35 44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17		
Reconciliation	Saturday 9:30am and 5:00pm		
Rosary and Angelus	Saturday before the 9:00am Mass		
Meditation	Tuesday 4pm at the Convent, 50 Hawthorne Road, Hawthorne.		

### DIARY DATE CLAIMERS 2024

#### **Thursday 2 May**

Playgroup meet in hall at 9am

#### **Saturday 4 May**

Rosary in the hall at 4.15pm

#### **Sunday 5 May**

Baptism welcome at 8am Mass

#### **Friday 10 May**

Drop in Friday – hall at 10am

#### **Sunday 12 May**

MOTHER'S DAY

Regis prayer Service 10am

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

## PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

- **Collection Boxes at the church doors** - cash donations
- **Tap and Go device** – pre-set to \$10 donation at the door
- **Give via direct debit or your Credit Card** - please call the parish office or find the form on the website (Quick Links)
- **Direct deposit donation to our bank account** - **BSB 064 786 A/C 100016732 (Ref: surname)**

Another easy way to support the Parish is by using the Parish Giving App: <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>

## PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2024

Please mark these important dates in your diary.

**FIRST COMMUNION** (Year 4 children)  
**Celebration of First Holy Communion**  
**Across all Masses 25-26 May**

**CONFIRMATION** (Year 3 children)  
**Parent Workshop sessions**  
8 August 7pm **OR** 9 August 9:30am



## CIRCLES OF LIFE QLD 2024 Brisbane Women's Forum –

With the theme of Celebrating Women and ten years of Circles of Life QLD, please join on Saturday 18 May from 12pm at Lourdes Hill College, Good Samaritan Centre. Guest speaker is Jenny Woodward, with a panel of guests. Tickets are limited. Please visit [www.trybooking.com/CPQGD](http://www.trybooking.com/CPQGD) to book. Includes entertainment, light lunch, tea, coffee and dessert.

## Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

The Brisbane East Deanery will begin the **Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** study by Jeff Cavins in the **week starting the 3rd of June** with daytime sessions on Wednesdays and Thursdays and evening sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays, and will run for **8 weeks**. Through the fourteen narrative books of the Bible, this foundational study traces Salvation History from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church. For more information or to register your interest, please contact **Louise Simento** at **0456 700 040**

**A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us.** Mike and Paddy are on a cruise. Paddy says, 'It's awfully quick on deck tonight.' Mick says, 'Everyone will be watching the band.' Paddy says, 'There isn't a band playing tonight.' Mick says, 'I definitely heard someone say, A band on ship'.

## IN THE ARCHDIOCESE



**A VOCATION VIEW:** Who shall come forward to explain the love God has for His people who should be one in faith? We need more faith-filled, prayerful, and spirited people to make the Vine and the Branches One Again. How about you? Please pray for vocations. Scan the QR code to find out more or contact the vocation office on 1300 133 544 or [www.vocationbrisbane.com](http://www.vocationbrisbane.com) Follow us on @vocationbrisbane

**TWO MINUTE HOMILY** by priests from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane. You are able to watch this week's homily [here](#).

**CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN 150 YEARS CONCERTS** – to celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Cathedral at St Stephen, the Queensland Symphony Orchestra will perform three concerts. Friday 10 May at 7.30pm, Saturday 11 May at 1.30pm and 7.30pm. For tickets go to <https://qso.com/au/events/2024/specialevents/special-event-mozart-mas>

Catholic Mission invites **WORLD MISSION MAY ROSARY PRAYERS** sessions. Embrace the power of prayer with the World Mission Rosary Prayers throughout May, a time to honour Mother Mary. Join us online as we unite in faith and mission, offering our prayers with the global Catholic community. Prayer Schedule: When: Monday to Friday during May Time: 2 pm Brisbane. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer> Meeting ID: 893 8798 2280 Password: 876574



## THIS WEEK'S ACTION

Consider planting natives. They need less watering and also attract birds!



Parish of Saints Peter and Paul - Bulimba  
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**DID YOU KNOW?** The parish has a Facebook page (**Parish of Saints Peter and Paul – Bulimba**). Please visit and follow the page for the latest updates, faith-filled content, and events in our parish and community!

## Parish Social Justice Committee DATE CLAIMER

**SATURDAY 18 MAY 2024 at 6.30PM**

Workshop on **Refugee Advocacy Skills** to support those who wish to be a voice for the voiceless and an advocate for those treated unjustly. A flyer with more information to follow.

**YEAR OF PRAYER**— Pope Francis has invited the whole Church to celebrate a Year of Prayer to prepare for next year's Year of Jubilee.

*"I ask you to intensify your prayer to prepare us to live this event of grace well and to experience the power of God's hope".*

We are being called to go deeper into the experience of listening to God, speaking to God, being one with God in silence. As a way of deepening our experience of prayer, Archbishop Mark Coleridge has written a prayer that comes from his own listening to God. The Archdiocese has produced this onto prayer cards, which are available at the church doors or by visiting [evangelisationbrisbane.org.au](http://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** – offered at the 8am Mass during school terms. You are encouraged to send your children to the parish hall to hear the Word of God adapted to their level of understanding.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** - 50th Year Celebration Mass and High Tea. All couples and priests who have attended a marriage encounter or been involved in Antioch or Engaged Encounter, are invited to attend a special Mass followed by high tea. Guests are asked to bring a plate to share. • When: Thursday 25 May, 1.00 pm • Where: The Hub, 58 Opperman Drive, Springfield Lakes • RSVP: Leisha Razario & Joseph Deasmen 0481 307 821 / [qldbokings@wwme.org.au](mailto:qldbokings@wwme.org.au)

# MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Readings – Acts 9:26-31 1 John 3:18-24 John 15:1-8

## GATHERING HYMN

### ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
O burning sun with golden beam  
And silver moon with softer gleam:  
*O sing praises, O sing praises,  
Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Swift rushing wind, you are so strong,  
White clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O sing praises, alleluia!  
O rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
And lights of ev'ning find a voice;  
*O sing praises, O sing praises,  
Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!*

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**GLORIA** *Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.*

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,  
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the holy one, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will praise you Lord, in the assembly of your people.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;  
no one comes to the Father, except through me.  
Alleluia!

## APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,**  
**Creator of heaven and earth,** and in **Jesus Christ,**  
**his only Son,** our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin  
Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and  
was buried;  
he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again  
from the dead; he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father  
almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.  
Amen

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

## SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your  
Resurrection until you come again.

## LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
Grant us peace.

## COMMUNION HYMN

### BREAD OF LIFE

*Chorus*  
*Bread of life, hope of the world,*  
*Jesus Christ, our brother:*  
*Feed us now, give us life, lead us to one another.*

As we proclaim your death, as we recall your life,  
we remember your promise to return again.

The bread we break and share was scattered once as grain  
Just as now it is gathered, make your people one.

We eat this living bread, we drink this saving cup:  
Sign of hope in our broken world, source of lasting love.

Hold us in unity, in love for all to see;  
That the world may believe in you, God of all who live.

You are the bread of peace, you are the wine of joy,  
Broken now for your people, poured in endless love.

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## RECESSIONAL HYMN

### ALLELUIA! HEARTS TO HEAVEN

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;  
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise  
He, who on the cross as Victim, for the world's salvation bled,  
Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.

Now the iron bars are broken, Christ from death to life is born,  
Glorious life, and life immortal, on this holy Easter morn.  
Christ has triumphed, and we conquer by his mighty enterprise;  
We with him to life eternal by his resurrection rise.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;  
Alleluia to the Saviour who has won the victory;  
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! to the Triune Majesty.

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