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N E W S L E T T E R

Sixth Sunday in Ordi<mark>nary</mark>

I am very grateful to all members of the Parish Finance Council for their diligence and generosity in overseeing the finances of the Parish. After the enormous challenge of the church refurbishment in 2015/16 it is now a case of paying the bills. This, however, is an increasingly demanding task as we deal with rising costs and falling parish participation and the associated falling income. Wayne Wessels, chairperson of the Finance Council, and I will be attending an Archdiocesan gathering on the topic of parish sustainability because several parishes face the fact that they are not.

A Finance Report has been prepared to inform you of our parish income and expenditure. This was sent with the weekly email and there are copies available at the door of the church. Your comments and any questions are most welcome. Members of the Finance Council are Wayne Wessels, Bridie Carroll, Kevin Twomey, Malcolm Hall, Melanie Broadbent, Patrick Mulholland, Paul Sheppard, Lisa McCormick and Julia McLean.

Due to financial considerations and thinking a little more creatively, Bulimba parish is responsible for the office administration of the parish of Buranda and the parish of Kangaroo Point/East Brisbane. These parishes still have their own priest and pastoral groups. It is very much a work in progress, and I am most grateful to Helen Cole and Helen Price for their cooperation and dedication.

Still on financial matters, we are returning to the traditional practice, after Covid, of a collection during Sunday Eucharist. Carrying cash may be a diminishing practice by many, but the collection, while the traditional way of offering financial support, says much more to us. Listening to the Word of God and nourished at the Table transforms us and through us the world. Reminded every week that worship is about others and our communion with them is experienced in "the collection". The collection is part of our prayer as much as any other activity at Mass. Thank you to the collection ministers who have returned to their vital role.

God bless you and the week ahead, *Fr Kevin*

| Liturgy and Prayers this Week 12 February – 18 February 2024 | | | |
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| Monday | - | | - |
| Tuesday | - | | - |
| Wednesday | 9:00am 7:00pm | Ash Wednesday | Mass Mass |
| Thursday | - | | - |
| Friday | 8:00am 7:00pm | | Mass + Adoration + Benediction Stations of the Cross |
| Saturday | 9:00am | | Mass |
| Sunday | 5:30pm(Vigil) 8:00am and 5:30pm | | First Sunday of Lent |
| Readings – Genesis 9:8-15 1 Peter 3:18–22 Mark 1:12-15 | | 22 Mark 1:12-15 | |
| 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. | |

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 Bernie Spoerlein, Meripa Toma Deir, Rony Dan Heenan, Romao Figueiredo, Bernard Larkin, Sylvia Fane recently deceased and also for Dolores Reyes, Dulcie O'Connell, Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, John and Joan Momot, John Smith, Patrick and Clare Dugger, Kretschmer, McLachlan and Hanly families, Les and Ruby Richards, Norma, Katie, Norman, Patricia and Daniel Timmins, Patrick and Pat Boyle, Karen Baker, Mike West, Begley and Bourke families.

Please remember the sick in your prayers – Hazel Langthorne, Joy Ashworth, Pete Waldron, Margaret McLaughlin, Angela Krista, Anita Xavier, Mick Shelton, Ray Moresi, Megan Stuart, Remy Rossi, Lance Tutanoa, Roy Hogan.

DIARY DATE CLAIMERS 2024

Monday 12 February Parish Finance Council meet at 7pm Wednesday 14 February

Ash Wednesday Parish Lenten Group meet at 11am

Thursday 15 February Playgroup 9am-11am Parent Workshop for Penance 7pm in the Parish Hall

Friday 16 February Parent Workshop for Penance 9:30am in the Parish Hall

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)

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FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER DURING LENT - Pope Francis has asked that we dedicate 2024 to *PRAYER* in preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025. You are invited to Regina Caeli Church, 81 Waverley Road, Camp Hill for six Friday evenings before Passion (Palm) Sunday, focusing on the next Sunday's Gospel using a range of great prayer traditions. You'll be very welcome! There is plenty of space on site for car parking. **Place: Regina Caeli Church, 81 Waverley Rd, Camp Hill. When: Fridays during Lent Time: 6:00pm- 6:40pm**



PROJECT COMPASSION – Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of envelopes and give generously this Lent

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH – Our pastoral needs are great. You can help. Join our planned giving program

and be part of our regular work for Christ. Contact the parish office or see the brochure at the back of

the church. Commencing from this Sunday we will resume sending the collection plate around during the offertory at Mass.



Parent Workshop sessions 8 August 7pm OR 9 August 9:30am



LENTEN PRAYER GROUP will be hosted in the parish on Wednesdays at 11am starting *Ash Wednesday*, 14 February. Please let us know by telephone or email if you are interested in joining the discussion. The resource *A Resurrected Life* will be used and available for \$8 each. EVERYONE WELCOME.

A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us.

This morning I was in a shoe shop trying on a shoe and said to the assistant, 'It's too tight'. She said, 'Try it with the tongue out'. I said, 'It'th nho ghood, it'th thtill thoo thight'.



This week's goal: Community Involvement in Advocacy and Campaign

This week's goal refers to the fact that the actions have to be planned and executed in network to promote integral ecology. Consider participating in an ecological event such as Earth Day – happening in April 2024.



Sts Peter and Paul's School Enrolment Applications are currently being accepted for 2024-2027. Enrolment applications for Prep 2025 are being processed so interviews to be scheduled. To be considered for enrolment in Prep 2025, applications must be submitted urgently. If you have not yet submitted an

application for the sibling of a current student, or if friends or family are considering this intake, applications are available - https://www.stspp.gld.edu.au/Enrolment/Pages/default.aspx

<u>#learningtogetherforlife</u> Many prospective families like to attend a school tour in conjunction with submitting an application. We'd love for you to join us!

Sts Peter and Paul's School runs a **Support-a-Reader Program**, which is designed to develop reading skills and enhance literacy acquisition. The program relies on volunteers from the Parish and School communities. Reading is conducted in the meeting room of the Good Samaritan Hall on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon 1:50pm to 2:55pm. If you would like to be part of this program or for further information, please contact Mary Clarris <u>mclarris@bne.catholic.edu.au</u> or telephone the school office on 3399 1281.

ASH WEDNESDAY is the first day of the season of Lent. It is designated by the Church as a day of fasting and abstinence, as is Good Friday. In current Catholic practice, fasting means having only one full meal a day. Smaller quantities of food may be eaten at two other meals. The law of fasting applies to people from 18 to 59 years old. Abstinence is the practice of abstaining from the use of certain kinds of food. Everyone aged 14 years and older usually abstains from meat. The ashes that are marked on our foreheads on the first day of Lent are a symbol of humility, purification and sorrow.

Mass will be celebrated in the parish at 9am and 7pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be

celebrated in the church throughout Lent on Friday evenings at 7pm.





WORLD DAY OF PRAYER will be celebrated at Sts Peter and Paul on Friday 1 March at 10am, followed by morning tea in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

Our monthly **REGIS AGED CARE PRAYER SERVICE** will be held this Sunday 11 February at 10.30am. (*50 Brisbane Street, Bulimba*). All are welcome to join with the parish in offering our support for residents.

IN THE ARCHDIOCESE



A VOCATION VIEW: Today's Gospel says that: "Jesus was moved with pity when He saw a leper". Are you moved with love or pity when you see the outcast of today's society? Who will come forward to minister Christ today? Please pray for vocations. Scan the QR **code** to find out more or please telephone the vocation office on 1300 133 544 or visit <u>www.vocationbrisbane.com</u> 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.

LITURGY IN FOCUS Lecture and Discussion Series. Join internationally acclaimed Catholic speaker, Fr Richard Leonard SJ as he presents LIVING LITURGY: BEING SENT OUT ON MISSION TO THE WORLD. Wednesday 13 March 2024 7pm-8.45pm Hanley Room, Francis Rush Centre (located beside the Cathedral). For more information and to register, visit <u>Richard Leonard (weebly.com)</u>

MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Readings – Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1 Mark 1:40-45

GATHER YOUR PEOPLE

CHORUS

Gather your people, O Lord. Gather your people, O Lord. One bread, one body, one spirit of love. Gather your people, O Lord.

Draw us forth to the table of life: Brothers and sisters, Each of us called to walk in your light.



We are parts of the body of Christ, Needing each other, Each of the gifts the Spirit provides.

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<u>GLORIA</u> 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 turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us: God has visited his people. 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, *(all bow)* 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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION HYMN EYE HAS NOT SEEN

CHORUS

Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, What God has ready for those who love him; Spirit of love, come give us the mind of Jesus, Teach us the wisdom of God.

When pain and sorrow weigh us down, be near to us, O Lord, forgive the weakness of our faith, And bear us up within your peaceful word.

Our lives are but a single breath, We flower and we fade Yet all our days are in your hands, So we return in love what love has made.

To those who see with eyes of faith, He Lord is ever near Reflected in the faces, of all the poor and lowly of the world.

We sing a mys-t'ry from the past, in halls where saints have trod, Yet ever new the music rings, to Jesus living song of God.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN SING A NEW SONG

Sing a new song unto the Lord; Let your song be sung from mountains high. Sing a new song unto the Lord, Singing alleluia.

All God's people dance with joy! O come before the Lord. And play for God with glad tambourines, And let your trumpet sound.

Rise, O children, from your sleep. Your Saviour now has come. He has turned your sorrow to joy, And filled your soul with song.

Glad my soul for I have seen the glory of the Lord. The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised, I know my Saviour lives.

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