

NEWSLETTER

First Sunday of Lent

The annual World Day of Prayer, occurring as it does in Lent, is a powerful expression to the world of Christians praying together in service of others. The day used to be called the Women's World Day of Prayer and a remnant of this history is still present because a group of Christian women from a different country in the world each year prepares the Service. Very early last year the women of Palestine were asked to prepare this year's prayer.

Sts Peter and Paul's, Bulimba, is hosting this year's Day of Prayer and the Christians of the district and all who wish to attend are most warmly invited. As hosts, we will be providing readers and a small group to lead the singing. In my experience, the members of other churches rarely require much encouragement in singing praise to God. If you can attend and can assist with the ministry of welcome, Reading or singing please contact the Parish Office.

In whose mind last year was it known that those preparing this year's day of prayer would be the recipients and in great need of the world's prayers today? World Day of Prayer. 10.00am Friday 1st March, Sts Peter and Paul's.

With the season of Lent having commenced please take advantage of the grace of these days. Some extra time in prayer, reading the New Testament, attending weekday Mass, Stations of the Cross or using the daily reflections provided are all excellent ways to enter the spirit of the season.

Just a reminder that the upgrade to the playground equipment in the grounds in front of the church is completed. The carpark, entrance off Main Avenue, is now open each weekend.

God bless you and your Lenten journey,

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 Bernie Spoerlein, Meripa Toma Deir, Rony Dan Heenan, Romao Figueiredo, Bernard Larkin, Sylvia Fane **recently deceased and also for** Dulcie O'Connell, Dolores Reyes, Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, John and Joan Momot, John Smith, Patrick and Clare Dugger, Kretschmer, McLachlan and Hanly families, 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

Thursday 22 February
Playgroup meet from 9am to 11am in the Parish Hall.

Sunday 25 February
Social Justice Group meet at 9am in the Parish Board Room.

Friday 1 March
World Day of Prayer 10am in the Church followed by morning tea.

✠ Liturgy and Prayers this Week 19 February – 25 February 2024			
Monday	-		-
Tuesday	-		-
Wednesday	7:00pm	St Peter Damian	Mass
Thursday	-	Chair of St Peter	-
Friday	8:00am 7:00pm	St Polycarp	Mass + Adoration + Benediction Stations of the Cross
Saturday	9:00am		Mass
Sunday	5:30pm(Vigil) 8:00am and 5:30pm		Second Sunday of Lent
	Readings – Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18 Romans 8:31-34 Mark 9:2-10		
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.		

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>

THE PARISH SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

will meet next Sunday morning after the 8am Mass. Anyone who is interested in social justice issues is very welcome to come along to the Parish Board Room.



PROJECT COMPASSION – This Lent, Caritas Australia will ask us to consider several stories of vulnerability and hope in action. We will meet some extraordinary women: Leaia from Samoa, Ronita from the Philippines and Memory from Malawi. In many situations around the world, women are the heart of the community. You can help improve lives for some of the most vulnerable communities on earth through your donations. **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.



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. The Ecumenical Service for this year has been prepared by the Christian women of Palestine. All welcome.



PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2024

Please mark these important dates in your diary.

FIRST COMMUNION (Year 4 children)

Parent Workshop sessions

24 April 7:30pm **OR** 26 April 9:30am

Celebration of First Holy Communion 25-26 May

CONFIRMATION (Year 3 children)

Parent Workshop sessions

8 August 7pm **OR** 9 August 9:30am



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

Why is Lent the best time of the year to run a marathon?

Because that's when you fast!

IN THE ARCHDIOCESE



A VOCATION VIEW: Lent: the springtime of the soul. It is a time to make a new covenant with God and develop new signs of our relationship with our Creator. Go into your desert and discover your calling. Please pray for vocations. Scan the QR code to find out more or please telephone the vocation office on 1300 133 544 or visit 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](#).

QLD CHURCHES TOGETHER – online ZOOM workshop series “**RESPONDING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**”. Because Church communities are not immune from Domestic Family Violence. Gain tools and insight and empower yourself. Three Wednesday evenings, 21 February, 28 February and 6 March. 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Register via Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/COJMX> For further information please call 3369 6792.



This week's goal: CRY OF THE EARTH

This week's goal refers to the challenges faced by the earth – climate change, pollution, acidification of the oceans. Consider participating in programme that promote care of water resources such as wells, lakes, rivers and oceans.



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.qld.edu.au/Enrolment/Pages/default.aspx#learningtogetherforlife> 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**, to enhance literacy acquisition and reading. The program relies on volunteers from the Parish and School communities. Sessions are conducted in the meeting room of the Good Samaritan Hall on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon 1:50pm to 2:55pm. To be part of this program or for further information, please contact Mary Clarris mclarris@bne.catholic.edu.au or phone 3399 1281.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be celebrated in the church throughout Lent on Friday evenings at 7pm. Please consider joining as part of your Lenten discipline.



A RESURRECTED LIFE - Daily Reflections for Lent. This pocket-sized resource will help guide readers through 5 to 10 minutes of daily contemplation inspired by a short text of Scripture from the day's Gospel reading, as well as reflections on how to put the Word into practice, and prayer. Copies are still available for purchase from the parish office at a cost of \$8.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING - Keeping up to date with Safeguarding Training is essential for parish volunteers. It is a requirement under the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards for this training to be completed every two years. The Archdiocesan Safeguarding Office is trialling the training in webinar format which some may find more convenient. If you are a volunteer in leading our **Children's Liturgy of the Word**, we ask you to participate in this. Date: 6 March 2024 Time: 6.30pm. Register now at <https://SafeguardingTraining-WebinarNinja>

MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Readings – *Genesis 9:8-15* *1 Peter 3:18–22* *Mark 1:12-15*

GATHERING HYMN

RETURN TO GOD

REFRAIN

*Return to God with all your heart,
The source of grace and mercy;
Come seek the tender faithfulness of God.*

Now the time of grace has come,
The day of salvation;
Come and learn now the way of our God.

I will take your heart of stone
And place a heart within you,
A heart of compassion and love.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Your ways, O Lord, are truth and love to those
who keep your covenant.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ: King of endless
glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every
word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise
to you, Lord Jesus Christ; King of endless glory!

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

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

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we
proclaim your death, O Lord, 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

BE NOT AFRAID

You shall cross the barren desert,
but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety,
though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands,
and they will understand
You shall see the face of God and live.

CHORUS *Be not afraid. I go before you always.
Come follow me and I will give you rest*

If you pass through raging waters in the sea,
you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the power of hell
and death is at your side,
Know that I am with you through it all.

Blessed are your poor, for the Kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn,
for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked tongues insult
and hate you all because of me,
blessed, blessed are you.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS MAY FALL

CHORUS *Though the mountains may fall
And the hills turn to dust,
Yet the love of the Lord
Will stand as a shelter for all
Who will call on his name.
Sing the praise and the glory of God.*

Could the Lord ever leave you?
Could the Lord forget his love?
Though a mother forsake her child,
He will not abandon you.

Should you turn and forsake him,
He will gently call your name.
Should you wander away from him,
He will always take you back.

Go to him when you're weary;
He will give you eagle's wings.
You will run, never tire,
For your God will be your strength.

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