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## NEWSLETTER

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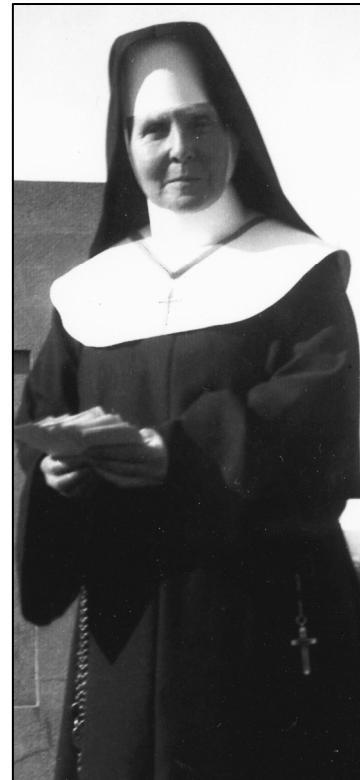
# Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE SISTERS ARRIVE

There was excitement on the New Farm wharf on Friday morning, 7 January 1916. Archbishop James Duhig was waiting on the wharf at 8 am with Fr Arthur O'Keeffe from Bulimba, Fr J O'Leary from Coorparoo, eight other priests from the parishes of Brisbane and a group of parishioners from Bulimba and Coorparoo. The Orient steamship *Osterley* arrived from Sydney and docked on its way back to London. There disembarked the first Sisters of the Good Samaritan to come to work in Brisbane. They included Sister Mary Catherine Mulholland (primary principal *pictured*), Sister Mary Adrian Kelly (music), Sister Mary Gabriel Daley (infant school) and class teachers Sister Mary Ignatius Duhig and Sister Mary Patrick Francis Kelleher.

After morning tea at Coorparoo, the sisters arrived at their temporary residence on the corner of Lindsay Street and Hawthorne Road to find that an enthusiastic committee of ladies had decorated it with bunting and greenery and hung messages of welcome. Two huge Australian flags were displayed at the entrance along with the Irish flag of green and gold. Then it was time for speeches. Father O'Keeffe hoped the stay of the sisters in Brisbane would be long and happy. The archbishop congratulated the clergy and parishioners of Coorparoo and Bulimba for the welcome they extended to the sisters and added his own. Mr T Lehane returned thanks on behalf of the Catholic laity, assuring the sisters that they would have no trouble with the children at Bulimba.

The following morning Archbishop Duhig celebrated Mass for the sisters at Sts Peter and Paul church, with a second Mass celebrated by Fr O'Keeffe. Then the clergy and the sisters inspected the school buildings and the sisters provided them with breakfast. After Mass on Sunday morning, Fr O'Keeffe presented each member of the congregation to the sisters. The parents and children promised to cooperate and help them. All were eagerly looking forward to the first day of school.



### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will sing of your salvation,  
O my God.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring  
good news to the poor and  
freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19  
1 Corinthians 12:31 – 13:13  
Luke 4:21-30*



Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially Ken Levy, Carmelo Trimarchi, Ray Jarrett, Peter Yeates and Wayne Rogers recently deceased and also for David Saunders, Alexander McNamee, Alf Pearcy, Reg Sladen, Nerina Piccone, John Fletcher, Gary Fletcher, Stan Grzegrzolka, Rudy Schodel, Connor Elliott-Graham, Noel Nicholson, Dorothea Piper, Isabel Navratil and Joyce Stefano.

With best wishes



Parish Priest

## Please remember the sick in your prayers – Margaret

Anne Pritchard, Karen Cassady, Leo Maher, Paula Maher, Lucy Gibb, Matilda Swain, Julie Wessely and Emily Deldot.



## DATE CLAIMERS 2016

Monday 1 February	RCIA Group meet at 7pm
Wednesday 3 February	Parish Council meet at 7:30pm
Thursday 4 February	Playgroup 9:30am in the Hall Sacramental Team meet at 4:30pm Liturgy Committee meet at 7pm
Friday 5 February	Drop In Morning 10am in the Hall
Sunday 7 February	Celebrating Opening of Sts Peter & Paul's School at 8am Mass
Thursday 17 March	Sacrament of Confirmation Parents Session 7:30pm in Hall
Friday 18 March	Sacrament of Confirmation Parents Session 9:30am in Hall
10 February	Ash Wednesday
27 March	Easter Sunday
Thursday 14 April	Parent's Session for Confirmation/Eucharist 7:30pm
Friday 15 April	Parent's Session for Confirmation/Eucharist 9:30am
14 & 15 May	Celebrations for Sacrament of Confirmation at all Masses
28 & 29 May	Celebrations for Sacraments of Confirmation/First Eucharist

**PARISH JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE** - Join the parish "Jubilee of Mercy" pilgrimage on Sunday 13 March, 9:30am to 3:30pm. Lunch provided. Come for a reflection day on God's Mercy. Perfect for Lent. Contact the office to express your interest.

**RCIA** – Please continue to support our candidates in prayer, help them by example and welcome them through our friendship. Their journey continues 7pm Monday 1 February.

**PARISH MORNING TEA** - Parishioners are invited to morning tea after 8am Mass the first and third Sunday of each month. **We are URGENTLY in need of volunteers to help with this roster.** The commitment is approximately 4 times in the year. The parish provides all the supplies and the main duties are setting up and clearing away after. Please contact the parish office with your offer of help.

**DROP-IN-FRIDAY** Come and enjoy some great hospitality plus morning tea with some friendly people in the Parish Hall on Friday 5 February 10am-12 noon. Learn to play canasta or 500. Join the knitting table or just join in the conversation.

**VOCATION VIEW** – The Lord says: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you were born I dedicated you." Who are you in your vocation before God? Pray for vocations. To talk to someone about your vocation, please contact the Vocation office on 3336 9392 or [vocation@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:vocation@bne.catholic.net.au)



**Humour** - *McNab had become a bit hard of hearing but he didn't want to pay for a hearing aid. So he bought a piece of flex, put one end in his top pocket and the other end in his ear. It didn't help his hearing but he found that people spoke to him more loudly.*

**NO PARKING** please on brick paved area in front of the church.

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School newsletter: [www.stspp.qld.edu.au](http://www.stspp.qld.edu.au)

## SACRAMENTS IN 2016

*Please mark the following dates in your diary for this year.*

### CONFIRMATION (Year 3 children)

#### *Parent sessions*

Thursday 17 March 7:30pm

OR Friday 18 March 9:30am

#### *Celebration of Confirmation*

Weekend 14/15 May at all Masses



### CONFIRMATION/COMMUNION (Year 4 children)

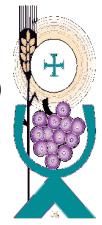
#### *Parent sessions*

Thursday 14 April 7:30 pm

OR Friday 15 April 9:30 am

#### *Celebration of Sacraments*

All Masses on weekend 28/29 May



**PARISH LENTEN GROUPS** – anyone wishing to be involved in leading a group this year please contact the parish office ASAP and register your interest. Lent begins 10 February with Ash Wednesday.



**WE CELEBRATE WITH THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY OF STS PETER & PAUL THE BEGINNING OF A NEW YEAR AND THE CENTENARY OF THE SCHOOL.** Celebrating the Opening of Sts Peter & Paul's School at 8am Mass,



Sunday 7 February. We congratulate the year 6 students on their elevation to leadership roles. The Parish warmly welcomes you to this celebration of the opening of the 2016 school year and wishes you every blessing from God in your learning and in your growing together.



**YEAR OF MERCY** "The Church feels a great need to keep this event alive...The walls which too long had made the Church a kind of fortress were torn down and the time had come to proclaim the Gospel in a new way...We recall the poignant words of St John XXIII when, opening the Council, he indicated the path to follow: 'Now the Bride of Christ wishes to use the medicine of mercy rather than taking up the arms of severity...' (Pope Francis, *Misericordiae Vultus* – Bull of Indiction of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy - par 4, MV)

**"Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ"** - **St Jerome** Brisbane East Deanery initiative - The Little Rock Bible Study Group. This program leads people to a greater understanding of the Bible, an awareness of God's living presence in sacred Scripture, and an appreciation of how the Bible can be applied to daily life. We are asking for facilitators to help with the learning, productivity, or communication, by providing indirect assistance, guidance, or supervision with training for 4 weeks from 26 April 10:30am at St Thomas Parish. Each session is about two hours. No prior Bible Study or training is required. Bible Study groups will be for 6 weeks from 24 May 2016. Contact St Thomas secretary Lisa, 3398 1154 or [ssthomas@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:ssthomas@bne.catholic.net.au).



## PARISH ROSTERS NEXT WEEK

### Readers, Communion Ministers, Sacristans and Altar Servers

Team 1 - please arrange a substitute if you are not available.

### Children's Liturgy

7 February – Kerry Pontikis, Vivienne Thompson, Toni Barwick and Clare Thorburn.

14 February – Libby Graham and Anne Victor.

### Hospitality Roster

7 February – Diana Lopes and Carsley Family.

21 February – Susannah Morisaki and Anita Tichelaar.

### Casserole Bank

*Extra supplies very welcome – please deliver direct to SVDP storeroom*

**+ Liturgy this Week** 1 February – 7 February 2016

MONDAY	7:00am		Mass
TUESDAY	-	The Presentation of the Lord	-
WEDNESDAY	7:00pm		Mass
THURSDAY	9:00am		Mass
FRIDAY	8:00am	St Agatha	Mass
SATURDAY	9:00am	St Paul Miki and Companions	Mass
SUNDAY	<b>6:00pm (Sat); 8:00am; 6:00pm</b>		<b>Mass: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Children's Liturgy of the Word at 8:00am Mass
	<i>Readings – Isaiah 6:1-8 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11</i>		

**OTHER LITURGY AND PRAYER**

RECONCILIATION	Saturday at 9:30am and 5:00pm
MEDITATION	Tuesday at 7:00pm (Lourdes Hill Convent) and Wednesday at 9:30am (Parish Hall)
ROSARY for peace	Saturday before 9:00am Mass
ANGELUS for vocations	Friday and Saturday before Mass

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

**CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT**

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people.

Light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.

Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has pow'r to save us.

Make us your living voice.

Many the gifts, many the people.

Many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants to one another,

Making your kingdom come.

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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

**Response after Renewal of Vows by Sr Mary Randle**

**HAIL MARY GENTLE WOMAN**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;  
blessed are you among women

and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

pray for us sinners now and at the hour of death. Amen

*Refrain*

*Gentle woman, quiet light,  
morning star, so strong and bright,  
gentle mother, peaceful dove,  
teach us wisdom, teach us love.*

You were chosen by the Father; you were chosen for the Son.  
You were chosen from all women, and for woman, shining one.



Blessed are you among women, blest in turn all women, too.  
Blessed they with peaceful spirits.

Blessed they with gentle hearts.

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**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**

**LORD TO WHOM SHALL WE GO?**

**CHORUS** *Lord, to whom shall we go?*

*You are our bread, broken and shared.*

*Lord, to whom shall we go?*

*Yours are the words of life.*

Our fathers ate, yet their hunger remained.  
Their hearts were not satisfied.

O Lord, you feed us with the finest of wheat,  
Our pledge of eternal life.

The bread you give is the living bread,  
Your flesh for the life of the world.

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp for my steps,  
A light for my path of life.



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**RECESSIONAL HYMN**

**GLORY & PRAISE TO OUR GOD**

**CHORUS** *Glory and praise to our God,  
Who alone gives light to our days.  
Many are the blessings he bears  
to those who trust in his ways.*

We the daughters & sons of him who built the valleys & plains  
Praise the wonders our God has done in ev'ry heart that sings.

In his wisdom he strengthens us, like gold that's tested in fire.  
Though the power of sin prevails, our God is there to save.

Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day our God is waiting to save,  
always ready to seek the lost, to answer those who pray.

God has watered our barren land and spent his merciful rain  
Now the rivers of life run full for anyone to drink.

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