

# NEWSLETTER

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

All the very best to everyone involved in the different school communities in which our families are involved. A new academic year commences this week for most students and our prayers are with them. We are especially conscious of those young children beginning their formal education. For the new families to Sts Peter and Paul's this is a perfect time for you to look again at your own journey of faith and the example you can offer your children.

To the teaching and support staff we also assure you of our prayers and pray that you see your role in the light of faith and with Christ the Teacher as your guide.

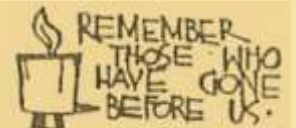
This Sunday the devotion of Santo Nino will take place at Sts Peter and Paul's at 11.00am. This devotion is a Mass in honour of the infant Jesus and is very strong among the Filipino communities. The obvious influence of the Spanish missionaries as well as what we know as the Infant of Prague find a faith and cultural expression in this devotion. What is particularly striking is the prayerful love that is shown by women and men and the young and old.

This faith community as well as many other parishes in this country would be so much the poorer if not for the living faith, prayerful devotion and generous ministry of the Filipino community members. Your ministry here at Sts Peter and Paul's is very much appreciated and we wish you well on your feast day and throughout the year.

God bless and enjoy your week,

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 and John Loftus recently deceased and also for Dolores Reyes, Dulcie O'Connell, Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, John and Joan Momot, Patrick and Clare Dugger, Ross, Giuseppe and Francesca Saffiotti, Jarrett Family, John Smith, Mal Thomson, Stan Grzegorzolka, Les and Ruby Richards, Kretschmer, McLachlan and Hanly families, 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, Roy Hogan, Lance Tutanoa and Bernard Larkin.

### **DIARY DATE CLAIMERS**

#### **Tuesday 23 January 2024**

School resumes for Term 1  
Carer's meet in hall @ 10am

#### **Friday 26 January 2024**

Australia Day Mass @ 9am

#### **Sunday 28 January 2024**

Baptisms @ 9:30am

### **Liturgy and Prayers this Week 22 January – 28 January 2024**

Monday	-		-
Tuesday	-		-
Wednesday	7:00pm	St Francis de Sales	Mass
Thursday	-	Conversion of St Paul	-
Friday	8:00am	Australia Day	Mass + Adoration + Benediction
Saturday	9:00am		Mass
Sunday	5:30pm(Vigil) 8:00am and 5:30pm		<b>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	Readings – Deuteronomy 18:15-20 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-28		
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*)
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Another easy way to support the Parish is by using the Parish Giving App: <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>

**THE CATHOLIC LEADER** has now moved to an individual subscription distribution model. Please see subscription envelopes at the Church doors.



The BRISBANE EAST DEANERY will begin **Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant** – an 8-week study by Dr Andrew Swafford and Jeff Cavins in the **week starting the 22nd of JANUARY** with daytime sessions on Wednesdays and Thursdays and evening sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays, ending the week of Friday 22nd March. This study will highlight the critical distinctions between the Old and New Covenants and give participants an appreciation of the riches God has given them in the New Covenant. **Please contact Louise 0456 700 040 as soon as possible for further details.**

**MEDITATION** recommences at 4pm on Tuesday 6 February at Lourdes Hill Convent, 50 Hawthorne Road, Hawthorne. All welcome.

**YOU ARE INVITED** to join the Filipino community this Sunday as they celebrate Sinulog 2024 the **Feast of Santo Niño**. Mass will be celebrated at 11am in the parish by Fr Saldie Resolado, OSA, followed by procession. You are welcome to bring your own statue for blessing. Refreshments will be available afterwards in the parish hall. You are asked to bring a plate to share. ALL WELCOME.

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

What do you call a cow after she gives birth?

*Decaffinated*

## IN THE ARCHDIOCESE



**A VOCATION VIEW:** Even a great person like Jonah turned away, at first, from what God called him to do. It is never too late to hear the Lord say, “Come, follow me”. 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](http://www.vocationbrisbane.com)  
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**TWO MINUTE HOMILY** by priests from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane. You are able to watch this week’s homily [here](#).

**ST STEPHEN CATHEDRAL** - Evening of Music and Reflection to launch the MASS OF THE ASCENSION. 6pm Wednesday 8 May 2024. This evening brings together a new composition of the Eucharist, other songs and pieces of music which seek to do just this: to name God in song in ways that help us to pray; to voice God in ways the generations of the future might resonate with. For more information contact [xaviercentre@acu.edu.au](mailto:xaviercentre@acu.edu.au)

An information day for anyone who would like to find out more about becoming a guide and/or a **WELCOMER AT THE CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN** will be held on **Thursday 1 February from 9:30am until 1pm** in the Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre. Refreshments will be provided. We’d love to welcome you. Please register your interest with Carmel Devery at the Cathedral Office on 07 3324 3006 or by email [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au)

**POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER INTENTION** for January 2024 – *Prayer for Christian Unity*

“If we are guided by the Holy Spirit, abundance, variety, and diversity never cause conflict. The Holy Spirit reminds us first and foremost that we are children loved by God – everyone equal in God’s love, and everyone different.”

*Let us pray that the Spirit helps us recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian communities, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions within the Catholic Church*



## This week’s goal: Cry of the Earth

This week’s goal refers to the need of production and consumption of goods and foods without destruction of the environment. Consider how we can put this into action by purchasing locally produced goods from small markets.

**ARE YOU A CARER?** Do you look after someone who lives with disability, has a medical or mental health condition or is frail due to age? You might be young or old, looking after a relative or friend 24 hours a day or just some of the time. If this sounds like you, you are welcome to join with others at the parish carer’s meetings, held on the last Tuesday of each month. Consider coming to the next meeting on Tuesday 23 January, held in the parish hall from 10am-12pm. All welcome.

**ALPHA LAUNCH 2024.** Are you someone aged 18-25 who is curious about life, purpose and faith? Then ALPHA Young Adult is the program for you. Our Lady of Graces, Carina are currently preparing for ALPHA and invite you to join for food, fellowship, discussions and questions. First session is Thursday 18 January from 6pm-8.30pm in the parish library. For further information, contact the Parish Office on 3398 2977 or [carina@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:carina@bne.catholic.net.au)

**WHAT IS A PLAYGROUP?** Play Matters Australia supports children and families to build relationships, skills and confidence through play. Playgroup is part of the early childhood education and care sector where parents and carers stay and play with their children in a safe and welcoming space. Play Matters Australia supports community playgroups by working closely with a team of volunteers that have access to an array of resources to guide them in coordinating the playgroup as well as a team of play experts to support them. Playgroups are a great place to meet other families, play with other children, and connect with your local community. All families are welcome to attend when playgroup resumes this **THURSDAY 25 JANUARY** in the parish hall from 9am-11am.



# MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Readings – Jonah 3:1-5, 10 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

## GATHERING 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.

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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

Teach me your ways, O Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
The kingdom of God is near:  
believe the Good News!  
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

### IN THE RADIANCE OF YOUR GAZE

CHORUS

*I will walk in your presence my Lord,  
In the land of your loved creation.  
I will live in the radiance of your gaze,  
From the warmth of your heart, my God.*

When I lift my eyes up to the hills  
I wonder who'll be my help?  
My help will be from the Lord who made me,  
Made the heavens and the earth.

May the Lord be sure you do not fall,  
Never sleeping, always your guard.  
You shall be at peace,  
For the Lord is mindful of your footsteps and your ways.

God is your protection and your shade,  
standing ever close by your side.  
Neither the sun nor the moon shall harm you,  
By day or by night.

From evil, the Lord will keep your soul  
And will hold your life in safe arms.  
As you walk, your God will guard your going,  
For ever your true strength.

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## RECESSIONAL HYMN

### WE WALK BY FAITH

We walk by faith, and not by sight:  
No gracious words we hear  
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke  
but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side,  
Nor follow where he trod;  
Yet in his promise we rejoice and cry  
"My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,  
And may our faith abound;  
To call on you when you are near,  
and seek where you are found.

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