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NEWSLETTER

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Pentecost

Today is the Solemnity of Pentecost when we celebrate the outpouring of The Holy Spirit on the disciples and their sharing of the Good News of Jesus Christ with the world. This day is acknowledged as the birth of the Church since it is the day when the frightened and confused disciples emerged from the upper room, boldly proclaiming the mighty acts of God through the crucified and risen Lord.

It is the same powerful Spirit who is the life and energy of the Church today and who has descended upon each of us in the Sacraments and in living our faith in Jesus who is risen and with us always. From what dilemma, confusion, behaviour pattern, or disempowering judgement of another would we like to emerge. The Spirit desires to set us free so that we may live in the manner God desires for us. Call upon that Holy Spirit of fire to burn brightly amidst any darkness and be free to live in the bright light of the risen Jesus.

A very warm and Spirit filled invitation to celebrate Pentecost and our belonging to the faith community over cheese and wine after 5.30pm Mass Saturday and after the 8.00am Mass Sunday. It will be good to experience again the joy and simple pleasure of gathering over a drink or morning tea.



Congratulations to Bishop Ken Howell who has been appointed by Pope Francis as Bishop of Toowoomba. Ken, who is very much a son of Brisbane, has made several visits to the parish as Auxiliary Bishop of Brisbane. We wish him well as he commences this new ministry and is installed in Toowoomba on the 11th July.

We congratulate those who were baptised at Easter and who celebrate their first Pentecost with their faith community. The Spirit who you received in the Sacraments is the same Spirit who led you to Christ and who now fills your heart so that you may live the faith you proclaim.

Pictured: The baptism of James Boss at Sts Peter and Paul's with his sponsor Catherine.

God bless, Fr Kevin

Liturgy and Prayers this Week 29 May – 4 June 2023			
Wednesday	7:00pm	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Mass
Friday	8:00am		Mass + Adoration + Benediction
Saturday	9:00am	St Charles Lwanga and Companions	Mass
Sunday	5:30pm (Vigil) 8:00am and 5:30pm		The Most Holy Trinity
	Readings – Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 John 3:16-18		

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 Giuseppe Rossi and Margaret Linnett and Sylvia Long recently deceased and also for Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, Stan Grzegrzolka, deceased members of Begley and Bourke Family, Patricia Vieyra, Giuseppe Saffioti, Francesca Saffioti, Ross Saffioti, Jarrett Family, John Moore, Vince Torraino, Sr Joan Jarrett RSM, Vincent Long, and Peter Dimitrios.



Please remember the sick in your prayers – Harold O'Connell, Pete Waldron, Tony Desbrow, Margaret McLaughlin, Peter Piccone, Hazel Langthorne and Douglas Begley.

DIARY DATE CLAIMERS 2023

Saturday 27 May

Wine / Cheese after 5:30pm Mass

Sunday 28 May

Children's Liturgy at 8am Mass Morning Tea after 8am Mass

Thursday 1 June

Musicians meet at 7:30pm

Saturday 3 June

Rosary 4:30pm in Parish Hall

Sunday 4 June

Cake Stall

Family Mass at 8am Mass

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Laudato Si'

COVID REQUIREMENTS - Please continue precautions -

- Maintain good hand hygiene. Stay home when you are sick
- Maintain social distancing (1.5m) in the Church.
- Wear a mask when in close contact with others.

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

Archbishop Mark Coleridge has published a document entitled "LAMPS ABLAZE: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023", outlining seven priorities for the Archdiocese. From the Second Sunday of Easter until Pentecost, we will introduce each of the seven themes. The seventh priority is:

Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority Seven: Embedding Synodal Governance

We have begun the long and complex process of moving towards a synodal mode of governance in the Church, but the process is far from complete; and there is much to be done to embed synodal governance more securely at every level in the Archdiocese... Synodality implies inclusion, and therefore we will have to keep asking how we might at every level include women in the decision-making processes of the Archdiocese. So too synodality requires transparency and accountability, and we will have to keep asking what we need to do make the Archdiocese more transparent and accountable.



Download the whole document at tinyurl.com/lampsablaze



Goal Four

Adoption of Sustainable Lifestyle

Travel Responsibly – take public transport, walk or cycle when you can.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023

FIRST COMMUNION (Year 4 children)
Celebration of First Holy Communion 10-11 June

CONFIRMATION (Year 3 children)
Parent information sessions
20 July 7pm OR 21 July 9:30am
Celebration of Confirmation 29 August





SOCIAL JUSTICE NEWS – Voice to Parliament Community Forum – **RESERVE YOUR PLACE** - Later this year, Australians will vote in a referendum that will decide whether First Nations people should be recognised in our Constitution and have a Voice to Parliament. If you would like to know more about this important matter, consider attending a community forum organised by Di Farmer MP. The forum will take place on Tuesday 30 May, 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the Polding Theatre, Lourdes Hill College. Bookings are essential via https://bit.ly/voicecommunityforum.

Still thinking about how to vote for the referendum? The Parish Social Justice committee offers some helpful reading and viewing. See attachment with newsletter email this week or take a hard copy from the side doors.



Brisbane East Deanery - Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible study from 29 MAY with daytime and evening sessions over 8 weeks. Participants will meet every week at one of the local parishes in the deanery to view a video presentation by Jeff Cavins followed by a group discussion. Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible helps you to get the "big picture" of the Bible by showing how fourteen narrative books tell the complete story from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church. To register your interest, please contact Louise Simento at 0456 700 040.

Please come along and enjoy some delicious baked treats at the next **PARISH BAKE STALL**. The stall will be held at evening Mass on Saturday 3rd June and morning Mass on Sunday 4th June. Cash and EFTPOS options available with all proceeds going to community members in need.



A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us. The judge asked the woman what she stole. She replied, "I stole a can of peaches." The judge then asked, "how many peaches were in the can?" "Six," replied the woman. After consideration, the judge decided to sentence her one night of jail for every peach she stole. Six nights total. At this moment, the woman felt helpless, she didn't know what to do. And before the judge smacked the mallet down to make it final, her husband entered into the courtroom and yelled, "your honour, wait!" The judge stopped and listened to the husband. "She also stole a can of peas!"

IN THE ARCHDIOCESE



VOCATION VIEW: Through His death, resurrection and ascension, Christ showed us the path to eternal life. Know that the Lord is with you always, through your struggles and triumphs, and that he will hear your prayers. Please pray for Vocations. To speak to someone about your vocation, please contact the Vocations Office on 1300 133 544 or vocation@bne.catholic.net.au

TWO MINUTE HOMILY by priests from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane. You are able to watch this week's homily here.

CORPUS CHRISTI procession in the Cathedral of St Stephen, Sunday 11 June, commencing at 2pm. The procession with the Blessed Sacrament will go from the Cathedral, through the city streets and then conclude with Benediction upon return.

IONA OPEN DAY Monday 29 May 1:30pm to 4:00pm. 85 North Road, Lindum. Register at iona.qld.edu.au or enrol@iona.qld.edu.au

ST STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL Choral Scholarships for boys - Years 4-6 in 2023. Do you know a boy who loves to sing? Join one of Australia's best Cathedral Choirs for an opportunity for boys with musical potential. Ph: 3324 3030 or cathedral.music@bne.catholic.net.au

MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Readings – Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23

GATHERING HYMN

HOLY SPIRIT, LORD OF LOVE

Holy Spirit, Lord of love, wisdom coming from above; Gifts of blessing to bestow on your waiting Church below.

Once again in love draw near to your people gathered here; Since our great baptismal day, you have led us on our way.

You have been our constant guide, ever watching by our side, May we now till life shall end, choose and know you as our friend.

Give us life to live for you; give us love, forever new; Come, then Holy Spirt come; make each heart your happy home.

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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

Lord, send out your spirit and renew the face of the earth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.
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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS HYMN SPIRIT COME, TRANSFORM US.

Spirit, come, transform us. Come, be our breath, be our hope. Spirit, come, transform us. Come, be our breath, be our hope.



Deep in the womb of our heart reveal your presence, O God.

Draw us to share others burdens, healing and loving with truth

You are the one who unites us in striving for justice, for peace.

Sing in our heart, be the dancer, birthing our love as we grow.

Teach us to live with compassion, unfolding creator's love.

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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

ONE BREAD ONE BODY

REFRAIN

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, Woman or man, no more.

Many the gifts, many the works, One in the Lord of all.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, Gathered to one, for all.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN SEND DOWN THE FIRE

Send down the fire of your justice, Send down the rains of your love; Come, send down the Spirit, Breathe life in your people, And we shall be people of God.

Call us to be your compassion,
Teach us the song of your love;
Give us hearts that sing, Give us deeds that ring,
Make us ring with the song of your love.

Call us to learn of your mercy, Teach us the way of your peace; Give us hearts that feel, Give us hands that heal, Make us walk in the way of your peace.



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