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# NEWSLETTER

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## Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops**  
*A global Synod towards greater participation of all the church.*

After three (3) years of global consultation (*to which the Australian church community contributed a synthesis of its own considerations*) the church is poised for a unique **Synod of the times**: asking how the church could become more focused on greater listening and participation of all of the baptised, not just the Catholic hierarchy.

It is hoped the Synod, to be held across two (2) sessions – the first from **4-29 October 2023**, and the second in **October 2024** will respectfully and honestly acknowledge differences while seeking ways forward ... *in a 'synodal' experience.*

Earlier this year, Pope Francis dramatically expanded participation in the Synod to include lay women and men, **for the first time** granting them a right to be appointed as full voting members of the church's primary consultative body.

For many people who are able and willing, it is as if the Spirit were gently journeying with us into this synodal space: empowering the body of Christ throughout the journey.

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*This weekend we welcome Fr Kevin back from annual leave. We hope he has enjoyed the break and is refreshed and energised!*

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** Mario Favari and Michael French **recently deceased and also for** Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, John and Joan Momot, Patrick and Clare Dugger, deceased members of Begley, Bourke, Hanly and McLachlan Families, Ross, Giuseppe and Francesca Saffiotti, Jarrett Family, John Smith, Joanne Keke, Lily Byrnes, Beppo Pagliaro, Frank Kiley, Dulcie O'Connell, Todd Robinson and Mal Thomson.



**Please remember the sick in your prayers** – Mary Irene Garland, Hazel Langthorne, Joy Ashworth, James Lloyd, Angela Krista, Pete Waldron, Peter Piccone, Margaret McLaughlin, Anita Xavier.

Liturgy and Prayers this Week 9 October - 15 October 2023			
Monday	-	St Denis	-
Tuesday	-		-
Wednesday	7:00pm		Mass
Thursday	9:00am		Mass
Friday	8:00am		Mass
Saturday	9:00am		Mass
Sunday	5:30pm(Vigil) 8:00am and 5:30pm		<b>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
Readings – Isaiah 25:6-10 Philipians 4:12-14, 19-20 Matthew 22:1-14			
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.		

### DIARY DATE CLAIMERS 2023

**Sunday 8 October**  
**Children's Liturgy of the Word @ 8am Mass**  
**Regis Bulimba Service @ 10.30am**  
**Friday 13 October**  
**DROP IN FRIDAY @ 10am in hall**  
**Sunday 22 October**  
**Social Justice Committee meets @ 9am in parish boardroom**

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

**COVID REQUIREMENTS** – Please continue precautions -

- *Maintain good hand hygiene.*
- *Stay home if 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>

Sts Peter and Paul's primary school is upgrading the play area on the oval. The carpark is closed for a few months.

Please note the **PARISH OFFICE** hours will vary from the 'usual' opening times over the next weeks as staff are on annual leave. If you need to visit, you may wish to call first and check if the office is attended. Apologies for the inconvenience.

**REGIS BULIMBA PRAYER SERVICE** will be held today (Sunday 8 October) at 10.30am. All welcome to attend in support of the residents in the Aged Care facility.

**DAILY MASS BOOKS** – the parish office is taking orders for the 2024 Daily Mass Book. Price is \$26 each. Please advise the office as soon as possible if you would like a copy ordered. **THANK YOU**



**DROP-IN-FRIDAY** Come and enjoy hospitality and morning tea with some friendly people on the second Friday of each month in the Parish Hall 10am-12 noon. Next date is 13 October. All very welcome.

**PLAYGROUP** has resumed for Term 4. Parents, grandparents and carers are welcome to join in the activities on offer. Runs Thursday mornings during term time 9am-11am.

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

Looking worried, a man admitted to his doctor that he was becoming more forgetful. 'Sometimes I can't remember where I've parked the car, where I'm going or what I'm going to do once I get there. What can I do?' The doctor replied in his kindest tone, 'Pay me in advance.'



**This week's goal:  
Community Resilience and  
Empowerment**

Consider supporting a local environment initiative

**Still wondering how to vote for the Referendum?**

Under suggested reading from the SJ Committee, you may wish to read the attachment with this newsletter.

It records a conversation between a father and son from our parish, together with an affirmation from an Aboriginal Elder.

Australia's Catholic bishops have asked people to participate in respectful dialogue about the referendum. In their recent Social Justice Statement, the Catholic bishops asked all people of good will to 'weigh up all the arguments and information carefully and make a choice which you think respects the hopes and aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. Choose the option which you believe offers the best chance of healing and justice for the First Peoples of our land.'

**Kitchen Table Conversations** are a brilliant way to engage people in respectful conversations, learning about the Voice as a way to inform their decision. *Resources available to listen, learn and pray as we take this one journey, together!* [www.indigenousvoice.church](http://www.indigenousvoice.church)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** will resume again today (Sunday 8 October) during the 8am Mass. *We ask parents to reinforce behavioural expectations with your children while in attendance, as our leaders give voluntary of their time to deliver this Ministry in a meaningful way. Thank you*

The **CATHOLIC LEADER** October edition is available at the church doors. Please place money in the poor boxes.

The **ROSARY** will be held in the parish hall this Saturday 7 October from 4.15pm-5.15pm. All are welcome to attend and consider learning the Rosary through its seven blessings –  
It gradually gives us a perfect knowledge of Jesus Christ  
It purifies our souls, washing away our sins  
It gives us victory over our enemies  
It makes it easy for us to practice virtue  
It sets us on fire with love of Our Blessed Lord  
It enriches us with graces and merits  
It supplies us with what is needed to pay all our debts to God and to our fellow man  
It obtains all kinds of graces for us from Almighty God

## IN THE ARCHDIOCESE



**VOCATION VIEW:** An employer would fire any employee who never does the job properly. God's plan calls us to live our vocation daily in the best way we can. Please pray for Vocations. To speak to someone about your vocation, contact the Brisbane Vocations Office on 1300 133 544 or [vocation@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto: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](#).

**ENROLLING NOW** for Year 5 in 2025, St James College, a Catholic co-education school for Years 5-12 in the Edmund Rice Tradition will hold an information session on Tuesday 10 October at 6pm. They offer more resources, more support, more options. Register at [JTA.link/SJCY5](http://JTA.link/SJCY5)

**ST DON BOSCO'S RELIC TO VISIT BRISBANE** - The Salesians of St Don Bosco are celebrating 100 years since they arrived in Australia to work in the spirit of St Don Bosco. The Relic is touring Australia (13 – 22 October) to give people the opportunity to pray to St Don Bosco in a special way with the relic. Brisbane is its last stop! The Cathedral of St Stephen, Annerley or Wynnum parish are the closest for the Brisbane East Deanery area. For up to date information, please visit [www.stdonboscobrisbane.weebly.com](http://www.stdonboscobrisbane.weebly.com)

Archbishop Mark Coleridge has thanked the community for their recent support of the **ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN** advising it has already had an impact on local people and communities. 'Your gift will help those who need it most. Because of you, we can be there to lend a helping hand and to continue serving the Gospel through our service to others'.

# MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Readings – Ezekiel 18 :25-28    Philippians 2:1-11    Matthew 21:28-32

## GATHERING 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.

That when our life of faith is done  
in realms of clearer light  
we may behold you as you are  
in full and endless sight.

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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

The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord,  
because I have made known to you everything I  
have learnt from my Father.  
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

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

## COMMUNION HYMN

### WILL YOU LOVE ME?

Will you give me your life forever?  
Will you carry my cross ev'ry day?  
Will you walk in the light of my presence? Will you follow  
the truth of my ways?

#### CHORUS

*Will you love me as I have loved you?  
Will you live with me the darkness as I die?  
For the moon and the stars will be gone like the night,  
And the sun will be shining on you.*

Like the purest of gold in the furnace, is your love strong  
enough to endure?  
Does your faith carry on through the shadows?  
Does it shine in the night for the world?

Can you walk in the footprints of silence through the  
wilderness sands in the sun.  
From the desert of doubt and temptation, to the glorious  
mountain of fire?

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## RECESSIONAL HYMN

### A NEW HEART FOR A NEW WORLD

#### REFRAIN

*Create a new heart, Holy Lord,  
beckon our lives through your word,  
open our eyes to your call,  
united as one for your world.  
Heighten our minds to your thoughts,  
Heal us of pride and of hurt,  
may we go forth in your name  
we pray our hearts change.*

The heart of the cross,  
lowly and poor, calls us on.  
Lord, it is you promising hope,  
promising truth.



Restless,  
the hearts who yearn for your peace in this land.  
Deepen the dream justice brings life,  
justice redeems.

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