



# Catholic Parishes Kangaroo Point East Brisbane and Buranda Newsletter



29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

22 OCTOBER, 2023

## Mass Times

ST LUKE'S CHURCH  
43 Taylor St, Woolloongabba  
**Friday: 9.00am Mass**  
**Sunday: 8.00am Mass**

ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH  
81 Mowbray Tce, East Brisbane  
**Wednesday: 8.00am Mass**  
**Saturday: 5.00pm Vigil Mass**

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH  
26-36 Leopard Street,  
Kangaroo Point  
**Sunday: 9.00am Mass**

Reconciliation: By appointment

## All Saints Day

Mass for All Saints Day will be held at 8.00am at St Benedict's on 1 November, 2023.

There is no Mass scheduled for All Souls Day, however, our neighbouring Parishes have masses on at these times:

- Bulimba — Sts Peter and Paul Church, Cnr Main Avenue and Riding Rd, Balmoral at 9.00am.
- Cathedral of St Stephen at 8.00am; 10.00am and 12.30pm.
- South Brisbane — St Mary's, Merryvale Street, South Brisbane at 7.00am.

## Catholic Mission

Today we welcome Anne-Marie and David Todd who will be speaking about the appeal to support the Sisters and the Church in Timor Leste for the health clinic in their community.

## Fr Peter's Message

### I Can't Hear You

In preparation for the Plenary Council in Australia last year we were asked to "listen to the voice of the Spirit", to ask ourselves "What is the Holy Spirit saying to the Church in Australia at this time?" It was a noble goal and I have to say we gave it a very good effort. Parishes and diocese collected an enormous number of responses and tried valiantly to collate them into what might become foundations for future planning and discussion. One of the key requirements was that we should 'listen' to each other and not just 'talk at' each other.

One of the key differences between 'listening' and 'hearing' is that listening presupposes that after hearing the words, we will be open to changing our opinion and perspective. That we will consider the logic and facts that others might offer, and be open to considering another's point of view. We should always be open to the fact that someone else in the room might know more than we do. Not an easy concept to accept, but a necessary one, if we hope to achieve any consensus, which was the great hope of the Plenary Council. Speaking and listening in this environment should not require shouting or anger, although passion and conviction are certainly acceptable. If my point is valid and my argument logical, then volume should not make it more acceptable.

Already this year we have witnessed three very passionate protests that have, as far as I can see, done little to further their cause, because they have presumed that to speak loudly and angrily will help people understand the issues. I'm referring to those who protested outside the Australian funeral of Cardinal George Pell, the Extinction Rebellion protesters and the Australia Day protest marches that got connected to the Voice to Parliament supporters and adversaries all on the same day.

I have no trouble at all with peoples' right to protest as I regard it as one of the great freedoms offered to us here in Australia. My concern is with how the protests happen, such that it is understandable that those of us who are seeking to listen, in the very best sense of the word, have great difficulty hearing a clear voice and message. It is not unreasonable to expect that those who have a message to deliver, particularly one they feel passionate about, should try to be both clear and careful in making sure it hits the mark. For example, a person gluing themselves to a road surface or climbing onto the Story Bridge and waving a printed message might succeed in stopping traffic, but as for attracting people to their cause or listening to their argument, I can't see it happening. When you threaten someone or make them feel uncomfortable, as opposed to being concerned, then it is quite understandable for the listener to put up barriers and guard against being assaulted, even if it is only verbally.

The old adage of catching more flies with honey has a new relevance now that those with a cause to push these days seem to need to scream and shake fists at those they expect to listen. Perhaps they think that if they see politicians yelling and belittling the opposing party with unsavory language or sarcastic put-downs, then that is how you win an argument or show that you are serious. If you want me to listen speak so that I can hear your argument. I want to listen, but sometimes I just can't hear. Perhaps it's time for a little less obfuscation and a little more conversation.



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# Around our Parishes

## Feast Days

Saturday: St Simon and St Jude

## Parish Council Morning Tea 5 November, 2023

The Parish Pastoral Council invites you to join them for morning tea at St Joseph's Church after the 9.00am mass on 5 November, 2023. This is an opportunity for us to meet any new parishioners in the Parish and renew old acquaintances.



## Baptisms

Baptisms are held in the parish on the **second Saturday** each month at *St Lukes* at 10.30am and the **fourth Sunday** following the 9.00am mass at *St Joseph's Kangaroo Point*. Preparation is held on the **second Saturday** of the month at *St Lukes Buranda*, at 10.30am.

## Your Prayers

We pray for our fellow parishioners and friends who are unwell especially:

*Michael Mulligan, Pauline Burnett, and Jeanette McMahon.*

We pray also for our recently departed and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

## Parish Lucky Number (KPEB)

The winner of last week's lucky number was:

**'Lucky' Lyn Horner**

## What's happening ....

**Position Available – Administration Officer.** A part time (flexible working hours per week) position in the Parish Office is available. Please contact the Parish Office or Ian Naylor (HR) on 3324 3451 or [ian.naylor@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:ian.naylor@bne.catholic.net.au) for any enquiries.

**Scripture Group** meets at St Benedict's Church East Brisbane on the **fourth Wednesday** of each month at **7pm**. Everyone welcome to attend.

**Children's Liturgy**, Children's liturgy led by Jayne Camuglia assisted by other accredited parents will be held in the **The Coolock Room**, at St Joseph's at the 9.00am Mass. You are encouraged to send your child along to hear the word of God adapted to their level of understanding.

## Upcoming Highlights....

**Rite of Christian Initiation – RCIA - On Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at the 9:00 am Mass at St. Joseph's** we have three people who will become full members of the Parish and the Catholic Church, we are looking for two people who would like to be their sponsors on the morning of the Mass. If you feel you can help this couple could you please call the Parish Office number on 0467 775 862.

## Statement from Archbishop Mark Coleridge The Voice Referendum

Now that the referendum result is known, it's time to look forward rather than look back. There will be a time for looking back, but a cooling off period may be needed if we are to see more clearly. Now is the time to ask not how we got here but where this result leaves us as a nation, where we need to go from here and how we might get there.

One thing is clear: the nation is more divided than ever and in many ways. It's ironic that a process supposed to unite the nation has done just the opposite. There's an urgent need now to create a new kind of national unity, and that can't be left to the politicians, because there's more to this than politics. The task belongs to all of us.

A second thing is still clearer and more urgent: the search for reconciliation based on truth and justice must continue, even if the referendum process and result have made that more difficult. This too is something that can't be left to the politicians, because again there's more to it than politics.

After this result at Federal level, the focus will have to move to the States. But it will also have to move to non-government organisations like the Churches. The Australian Catholic bishops have spoken of the need for a new engagement with Indigenous peoples, and that now becomes more pressing. In the Archdiocese of Brisbane we will commit ourselves more resolutely to our Reconciliation Action Plan and keep asking what else we can do. Fine words and symbolic gestures are not enough.

The process leading to this vote has been a highly politicised slog that has changed Australia, and not for the better. Now the real work begins. It's up to all of us to ensure that what we do from here serves national unity and racial justice, because we'll never have the first unless we have the second.

The Most Reverend Mark Coleridge  
Archbishop of Brisbane

# The Order of the Mass

## GLORIA (when spoken)

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.**

## FIRST READING: **Isaiah 45:1.4-6**

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whom he has taken by his right hand  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip the loins of kings,  
to force gateways before him  
that their gates be closed no more:  
It is for the sake of my servant Jacob,  
of Israel my chosen one,  
that I have called you by your name,  
conferring a title though you do not know me.  
I am the Lord, unrivalled;  
there is no other God besides me.  
Though you do not know me, I arm you  
that men may know from the rising to the setting of the  
Sun  
that, apart from me, all is nothing.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM: **Ps: 95 1.3-5. 7-10 R. v 7**

(R.) Give the Lord glory and honour.

## SECOND READING: **Thessalonians 1:1-5**

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in  
Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord  
Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God  
the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We always  
mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all,  
and constantly remember before God our Father how  
you have shown your faith in action, worked for love  
and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus  
Christ. We know, brothers, that God loves you and  
that you have been chosen, because when we  
brought the Good News to you, it came to you not  
only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit  
and as utter conviction.

## GOSPEL: **Matthew 22:15-21**

*Give to Caesar the things that belong to Caesar and  
to God the things that are God's.*

The Pharisees went away to work out between  
them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they  
sent their disciples to him, together with the Hero-  
dians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an  
honest man and teach the way of God in an hon-  
est way, and that you are not afraid of anyone,  
because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell  
us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay tax-  
es to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of  
their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do  
you set this trap for me? Let me see the money  
you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denari-  
us, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose  
name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to  
them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what be-  
longs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to  
God.'

## APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
(At the words that follow, up to and including 'the Virgin  
Mary', all bow.)

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
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.

# Hymns

## Buranda Parish

### ENTRANCE

#### Glory and Praise to Our God

Refrain:

*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.*

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.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.  
Shine on the world like bright stars;  
You are offering it the word of life.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

### OFFERTORY

#### Firmly I Believe, and Truly

Firmly I believe and truly  
God is Three and God is One;  
And I next acknowledge duly  
Manhood taken by the Son.

Simply to his grace and wholly  
Light and life and strength belong;  
And I love supremely, solely,  
Him the holy, him the strong.

Praise and thanks be ever given  
With and through th' angelic host,  
To the God of earth and heaven,  
Father, Son and Holy Ghost

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### COMMUNION

#### Christ Be Our Light!

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.

Refrain:

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

Longing for shelter, many are homeless  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
Walls made of living stone.

Many the gifts, many the people,  
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
Making your kingdom come.

### RECESSIONAL

#### Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God,  
With hearts and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done,  
In whom the world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms  
Has blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love,  
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God  
Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us;  
Lord, keep us in Your Grace,  
And guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills  
In this world and the next.



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