Newsletter



Catholic Parishes Kangaroo Point • East Brisbane • Buranda



21 April 2024

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Mass Times ST LUKE'S CHURCH

43 Taylor Street, Woolloongabba Friday: 9:00am Mass Sunday: 8:00am Mass

ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH 81 Mowbray Terrace, 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

#### Your Prayers

We ask you to pray for the recently deceased *Jeanette Heymen*. May she rest in peace. Please remember the sick *Brian Prove, Michael Mulligan, Jeanette McMahon , Betty Bourke* 

## **Baptisms**

Baptisms are held on the Fourth Sunday following the 9:00am Mass at St Joseph's Kangaroo Point.

Preparation is held on the Third Sunday at Sts Peter and Paul's Bulimba

# Please telephone the parish office for further details

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.

#### Fr Peter's Message

#### Haughty Eyes

Proverbs 6:16-19

"There are six things the LORD hates, seven that are detestable to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, a false witness who pours out lies and a person who stirs up conflict in the community."

Everybody sins. No big news there. But while we know that every sin is an affront to God, it seems that there are some sins, according to the Old Testament that are an 'abomination' to God. We know these as the seven deadly sins. I actually never really knew where they came from and what made them so "deadly". The reference above is actually the source of the expression, however the terms used in Proverbs seems to differ from the traditional titles that we are more familiar with, namely Lust, Gluttony, Greed, Sloth, Wrath, Envy, and Pride. It has also been suggested that we throw in Hatred, Hypocrisy, (wilful) Ignorance and Despair. Clearly the list is not exhaustive, but that's enough to keep us busy. However they all seem to start with Pride.

While the term "haughty eyes" seems like a very old expression, however its meaning is very contemporary. It refers to people who look condescendingly on others. Those who see others as inferior and see themselves as superior to others. It's that condition that goes before a fall, although I often wonder why so many proud people never recognise the fall or if they do, they are quick to blame others for it. The attitude of pride is often seen in the school playground, when children with a particular talent sometimes use it to make other children feel inadequate. Unchecked pride can develop in adulthood to people who will never accept criticism or censure. How dare they?

Pride often goes hand in hand with the "person who stirs up conflict". Such a person is like one who throws petrol in a fire that others are trying to put out. One of the surest ways to stir up conflict is to "gossip", or drag up old issues that might have been resolved but will not be allowed to die. They try to create conflict in others, while doing nothing to settle the dispute, so that they themselves might be considered beyond reproach. The media is subtlety (or not so subtlety) guilty of this when they trawl through people's lives looking for past misdemeanours that "need to be exposed as a matter of public interest". Why is it necessary for us to know every intimate detail about others particularly those who may have made serious mistakes in the past and have already paid dearly for their transgressions? Perhaps it is that when we make others feel small we might feel less so about ourselves. Is that something we can be proud of, we with those haughty eyes.

Is there an antidote for this optical ailment? What sort of spectacles will fix this blurred vision of the world? While seeing people through "rose coloured glasses", might provide temporary relief, the long-term remedy might be as simple as treating others with a healthy dose of gratitude and forgiveness. Not an easy medicine to take at first, but with practice and application it can become almost second nature. Little by little you might be able to get those troublesome seven 'deadlies' down to six.

Fr Peter Díllon,, Administrator



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# **Around our Parishes**

#### What's happening ....

#### Parish Lucky Number (KPEB)

The winner of last week's lucky number was: MARIE GRIMAUD. Any parishioners interested in being part of the Lucky Number Draw simply need to speak with Isobel at the foyer of St Benedict's Church at Mass on Saturday evening.

Proceeds of the lucky number draw go to support the St Vincent de Paul and other social needs in the Parish. GOOD LUCK!!!

#### **VOCATION VIEW:**



This is the World Day of Prayer of Vocations. The world needs worthy Good

Shepherds of the 21st Century, caring unselfishly for the needs of God's people. Please pray for vocations. Scan the QR code or please contact 1300 133 544 or www.vocationbrisbane.com

Follow us on @vocationbrisbane.

TWO MINUTE HOMILY by priests from the Brisbane Archdiocese. You are able to watch this week's homily at --https:// shorturl.at/dotuG

#### PARISH SCRIPTURE GROUP— (NOW MONTHLY)

The next meeting is Tuesday 30 April at St Benedict's Church, East Brisbane at 7pm. Everyone is welcome.

#### Collection Changes for Kangaroo Point/ East Brisbane parish.

At the last combined meeting of the parish pastoral and finance council it was decided that since the traditional two collections were now combined, it seemed sensible to have just the one collection at Mass. Of the weekly collection an 18% levy is given to the

Archdiocese, while the remainder is available for the support of the clergy and the operation and maintenance of the parish. It is hoped that parishioners will take this opportunity to consider their weekly contribution, and hopefully maintain their generous contribution

whenever possible. For those of you who would prefer to use a Direct Debit arrangement, where you weekly amount can come directly from your bank account, then we have the necessary forms available at the welcome desk in the front of both our parish churches or email the parish office.

Thanking you in anticipation of your contribution.

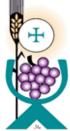
MASS TO COMMEMORATE ANZAC DAY will be celebrated on Thursday 25 April at 9am at St Benedict's, East Brisbane. Lest We Forget

ST FRANCIS SOCIAL EASTER 2024-You are invited to join in a good old fashioned dance and social mixer for young Catholic adults in their 20s and 30s. Saturday 27 April at 7pm St Francis of Assisi Church Hall, West End. GOOD TUNES + GOOD DANC-ING + GOOD CROWD + FOR A GOOD CAUSE + A GOOD NIGHT OUT. Scan for more information and to purchase tickets.



# SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM—FIRST COMMUNION

We invite you to take part in our preparation program for First Holy Communion. This generally occurs for children at 9 years of age or who are currently in Year 4 and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.



It will begin with the parents' sessions which will be held in the parish of Sts Peter and Paul, Bulimba on either Wednesday 24 April (at 7.30 pm) or on Friday 26 April (at 9.30 am). The children's enrolment in the sacramental preparation occurs over four weeks and takes place

in the home with the aid of the sacramental resources which we will provide. There will be a special Celebration of God's Mercy to prepare your children for their first communion on Thursday 23 May at 6pm. It is a key part of the sacramental preparation for the Archdiocese of Brisbane and you should plan to be present.

First Holy Communion will be celebrated at St Joseph's, Kangaroo Point on the Feast of The Most Holy Trinity, Sunday 26 May at 9am.

Enquiries can be directed to Sts Peter and Paul's parish by phone 3399 2386 or email bulimba@bne.catholic.net.au



2024 Year of Prayer YEAR OF PRAYER – Pope Francis has invited the whole Church to celebrate a Year of Prayer to prepare for next year's Year of Jubilee.

"I ask you to intensify your prayer to prepare us to live this event of grace well and to experience the power of God's hope".

We are being called to go deeper into the experience of listening to God, speaking to God, being one with God in silence.

As a way of deepening our experience of prayer, Archbishop Mark Coleridge has written a prayer that comes from his own listening to God. The Archdiocese has produced this onto prayer cards which are available at the church doors or by visiting evangelisationbrisbane.org.au

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD continues in the Coolock Room at St Joseph's during the 9am Mass on the first Sunday of the Month. Thank you to our volunteers who lead this session. You are encouraged to send your children along to hear the Word of God adapted to their level of understanding. Children's Liturgy next on 5 May 2024

# The Order of the Mass

#### <u>GLORIA</u>

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: Acts 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

#### SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;

all we know is, that when it is revealed

we shall be like him

because we shall see him as he really is.

#### GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

*The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.* Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:

the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;

this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me,

just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;

and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold,

and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd.

The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me;

I lay it down of my own free will,

and as it is in my power to lay it down,

so it is in my power to take it up again;

and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

#### 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.



# ENTRANCE

### LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS

REFRAIN

Lift up your hearts to the Lord, Praise God's gracious mercy! Sing out your joy to the Lord, Whose love is enduring,

Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth! Praise the name above all names! Say to God, "How wondrous your works, How glorious your name!"

Let the earth worship, singing your praise. Praise the glory of your name! Come and see the deeds of the Lord, Bless God's holy name!

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#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

#### **OFFERTORY**

Quiet Music

#### **COMMUNION**

LIKE A SHEPHERD

Like a shepherd he feeds his flock Chorus And gathers the lambs in his arms. Holding them carefully close to his heart, Leading them home.

Say to the cities of Judah: "Prepare the way of the Lord". Go to the mountain top, lift your voice: Jerusalem here is your God."

I myself will shepherd them, For others have led them astray: The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds And pasture them, giving them rest.

Come unto me if you are heavily burdened And take my yoke upon your shoulders, I will give you rest.

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#### RECESSIONAL RIVER OF GLORY

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River of glory, springs of our birth, Flood of God's riches poured on the earth. We are born from the darkness And clothed in the light! We are bathed in the alorv of God!

Fountain of mercy, Grace flowing free, Streams of salvation, Spilling with love from a tree!

Darkness is banished, Night turned away. Christ is our sunlight, Lifting and leading our way!

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