



NEWSLETTER

Catholic Parishes of Bulimba • Buranda • East Brisbane • Kangaroo Point

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

29 June 2025 (Year C)

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Today's readings call us to be aware of Saints Peter and Paul as our constant companions in our journey of faith.

Peter, the bluff, hearty fisherman became the leader among the disciples, even during the life of Jesus. To him it was given by the Father to recognise and confess faith in Jesus as the one who would realise all the hopes of Israel. Failing tragically, he soon became the courageous leader and spokesman of the infant Church. Paul, the conscientious Pharisee and lover of the ways of old Israel, was also a man of passion. At first determined to destroy the Christian movement, he became, the fearless champion and interpreter of the faith, despite incredible hardships and betrayals.

They were so different. Their work in establishing the Church reminds us of the challenging ways of God, calling us all – though so different - to take up our responsibilities as disciples. The collaboration to which Peter and Paul were called was not without its difficulties and misunderstandings; their faith-filled response, however, made that collaboration a foundation that will be remembered until the end of time. So different in temperament and background, their discipleship led them to share a great deal: each underwent a humiliating conversion; each embraced the Saviour Cross - as their lives were 'poured out as a libation (i.e. a precious liquid poured into the ground as a sacrifice)'; each of them was sustained by the certain hope that they would share in the power of the Lord's resurrection. Both were to end their days as they gave their witness – in their teaching and the shedding of their blood - in Rome, the centre of their world.

The commission given to Peter in today's gospel implies a great authority - 'binding and loosing' was an effective authority in the life of Israel. Jesus' words refer to the final 'Kingdom'; the authority given to Peter concerns the 'Church', or 'Assembly', called together by God as a foreshadowing of the Kingdom. With the passing of time, as the steadfast faith of the Roman Church, nurtured by the Apostles, became a rallying point for the Church's unity, this was seen as a fulfilment of the promise of Jesus to Peter. In 1995, in a remarkable gesture, Pope John Paul II – in the encyclical, 'Ut unum sint' – called upon Christians of all traditions to assist the Holy See to understand how it should carry out its mission as the Church's principle of unity. Let us pray today that this desire will be fulfilled.

Fr John Thornhill sm

Liturgy and Prayers This Week 30 June to 6 July 2025

	Bulimba	Buranda	East Brisbane	Kangaroo Point
Wednesday				
Friday	8am (Mass)	9am (Mass)		
Saturday	9am (Mass) 5.30pm (Mass)		5pm (Mass)	
Sunday	8am (Mass) 5.30pm (Mass)	8am (Mass)		9am (Mass)

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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.

AROUND OUR PARISHES

BULIMBA

Prayer Requests

Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially Cielo Patricia Medrano Lindarte, Frank Tarditi **recently deceased and also for** George Bracken, Paul Troja, Patricia Vieyra, Mary Hooper, Emma Moretto, Peggy Teache, Ann Toomey, Harold & Dulcie O'Connell, Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, Patrick and Clare Dugger, Begley and Bourke families, Karen Baker, Mike West, Timmons and Lyons families, Patrick and Pat Boyle, Ross Saffioti, Saffioti and Jarrett families.

Please remember the sick in your prayers – Luigia D'Allura, Hazel Langthorne, Pete Waldron, Margaret McLaughlin, Anita Xavier, Lance Tutanoa, Roy Hogan, Catherine Kearney, Madonna Lapez (nee Cullen), Remy Rossi, Carol Visueshware, Rita Zoch, Patrick Larkin.

This weekend we welcome **FR DAVID WILLIS, OP** to celebrate Mass with us. Fr David resides in the Dominican community at Carina. We look forward to his presence and ministry with us. Please make him feel welcome.

WINE AND CHEESE EVENING to launch 'An Evening of Providence' will be held this Saturday 28th June, 6.45pm—8pm in the parish hall. Give hope to stateless women and children in Northern Thailand. Hear their stories, support their education, secure their safety, protect their human rights. For those unable to make the launch but would still live to support the campaign, you can do so by making a payment as follows -

Providence Project
064-786 100026385

Please reference your surname

All funds raised will be transferred directly to the Sisters of Providence in Thailand at the conclusion of our campaign. Thank you for supporting this parish Social Justice initiative.

A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us.
Kale is so versatile....it literally fits into any size trash can.



LITTLE STEPS SJ INITIATIVE THIS WEEK'S ACTION

Listen and respond to the cry of the Earth,
the cry of the poor and the cry of our future.

When buying new appliances, consider the energy rating.
The appliance may initially cost more but will save
money (and the planet) in the long run.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2025

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Information sessions for parents of children in Year 3, or those 8 years of age or older who have been Baptised.

24 July 7pm **OR** 25 July 9:30am

Parents wishing to enrol their child must attend this meeting to receive information and resources about the program.

Celebration of Confirmation—Thursday 28 August

ST VINCENT DE PAUL Bulimba chapter meet Thursday 10 July at 6pm in the parish hall. New members welcome to attend.

PARISH MORNING TEA will be offered after Sunday 8am Mass on 6 July. All welcome to join in for hospitality and conversation.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER—4-6 July at Santa Teresa, Ormiston. For further details visit <https://www.wvme.org.au>

KANGAROO POINT/EAST BRISBANE . BURANDA

Prayer Requests

We ask you to pray for the recently deceased Meta O'Halloran **and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time**— Shirley Goldsworthy, Caitlin Donohue. **Please remember the sick in your prayers** - Michael Mulligan, Leo Rawlings, Tony Cotter, Paul Mann.

PARISH LUCKY NUMBER (KPEB)

Last week's winner: **DAVID SHETTY**

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

The **ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL** will take place across all weekend Masses on 19/20 July 2025. Further details to follow shortly.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD will be held next Sunday 6 July in the Coolock Room during the 9am Mass at St Joseph's., Kangaroo Point. You are encouraged to bring your children to hear the Gospel adapted to their level of understanding.

PARISH MORNING TEA will follow the 9am Mass on Sunday 6 July. All parishioners welcome.

ANOINTING MASS will be held at 9am on Friday 4 July at St Luke's Buranda. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is the Church's sacrament for those who are sick and aging, and is a sacred moment when we pray for God's grace to strengthen someone who is suffering from any form of illness.

LOOKING AHEAD...

2 July 8am Mass at St Benedict's—**CANCELLED**
4 July 9am Anointing Mass at St Luke's
6 July Children's Liturgy of the Word—St Joseph's

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.
Respect & Protect.

SAFEGUARDING COMPLIANCE UPDATE

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has recently introduced their updated system for online safeguarding and other training, known as Arch E-Learn. Parishioners due for training may have received an email with details similar to the following -

From: Archdiocese of Brisbane

archelearnvolunteer@tribalhabits.com

Subject: New pathway enrolment—Volunteer Training (Group B)

Please be assured that it is safe to click on the links in the email.

As the parish is due to undergo a Safeguarding Audit shortly, and to assist volunteers (*who are on the Safeguarding Training Matrix*) with completing their ArcheLearn training, the Archdiocese will host Volunteer Training Webinars. Please attend a session if you have not already completed your training.

During these sessions the following will be covered:

Safeguarding Training (1hour), Sexual Harassment (25mins), Emergency Management (20mins) and WHS Induction Checklist (15mins)

Please note that these timings are an estimate. If you attend sessions over multiple days, please log in **10 minutes earlier ahead of time.*

25 June 2025 11:30 – 13:30 Microsoft Teams

Meeting ID: 443 268 304 055 3

Passcode: tJ6gG3Sa

08 July 2025 18:00 – 20:00 Microsoft Teams

Meeting ID: 491 452 627 347 3

Passcode: q8Bc2EG7

HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISHES

As a Catholic community, we are deeply grateful for the goodwill and generosity that sustain our mission and service to others. Your continued support is vital to our work, helping us to live out Christ's love in Bulimba, Buranda, and Kangaroo Point/East Brisbane.

To arrange planned giving for your parish, we invite you to reach out to the parish office for more information.

Thank you for being a cherished part of our faith journey.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE



A VOCATION VIEW: When we recognise who Christ truly is, we can rejoice knowing that God has revealed this to us. How can we be like Peter and follow God's plan for our lives? Scan the QR code to find out more or contact the vocation office on 1300 133 544 or www.vocationbrisbane.com Follow us on @vocationbrisbane

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 Lord set me free from all my fears.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!
You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.
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,
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.

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

FIRST READING

Acts 12:1-11

*Now I know it is indeed true:
the Lord has saved me from the power of Herod.*

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly.

On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. 'Get up!' he said 'Hurry!'- and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, 'Put on your belt and sandals.' After he had done this, the angel next said, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. 'Now I know it is all true,' he said. 'The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.'

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

All that remains now is the crown of righteousness.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-19

You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'