

Year 2019



Pray for Peace

Parish Website:

[www.stjosephsbrackenridge.com](http://www.stjosephsbrackenridge.com)

Parish Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/stjosephsbrackenridge](http://www.facebook.com/stjosephsbrackenridge)

Parish Email:

[bridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:bridge@bne.catholic.net.au)

1st Sunday of Advent  
1st of December

Liturgical Calendar

Today:

Year C. Mass prepared by Group 6.

Readings:

Isaiah 2:1-5. Psalm 121. Romans 13:11-14.  
Matthew 24:37-44.

Next Week 14-15/12.

Isaiah 11:1-10. Psalm 71. Romans 15:4-9.  
Matthew 3:1-12.

Mass Times:

Bracken Ridge/Bald Hills – Sat. 6pm. Sun.  
7:30am & 9am.

Brighton – Sat. 5pm. Sun. 7am.

Sandgate – Sun. 9am. & 5pm.

Zillmere – Sat. 6pm. Sun. 7am. 9am. & 5pm.

Reconciliation:

Every Sat. 5:15pm to 5:45pm and before all weekend Masses.

Weekday Mass or Liturgy: 9am.

Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays.

Readings:

Mon. Isaiah 4:2-6. P.121. Matthew 8:5-11.

Tue. Isaiah 11:1-10. P. 71. Luke 10:21-24.

Wed. Isaiah 25:6-10. P.22. Matthew 15:29-37.

Thu. Isaiah 26:1-6. P. 117. Matthew 7:21,24-27.

Fri. Isaiah 29:17-24. P.26. Matthew 9:27-31.

Sat. Is. 30:19-21,23-26. P.146. Matt 9:35-10:1,5-8.

Mass at Home:

Both City and Regional. Channel 10. Sundays at 6am. Mass is available for viewing at any time at <http://www.mfyah.com.au/>

St. Stephen - Cathedral Mass:

Live at 10am., every Sunday on website: <http://bne.catholic.net.au/webcast>

Communion for the Sick:

To share our Sunday liturgies with sick family members and/or friends, please see Leader/Coordinator before Mass.

Reflection from: - the Word among us.

## Parish News

# St. Joseph's and St Anthony's Bracken Ridge and Bald Hills

## Reflection.

Reflection on the Gospel-1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent  
Year A

(Matthew 24:37-44)

-Veronica Lawson RSM

"Where is the Life we have lost in living?" asks the Chorus in T. S. Eliot's *The Rock*. The Jesus of Matthew's gospel is implicitly asking the same question as Eliot's Chorus. He is making much the same observation as Henry David Thoreau, "Most [people] lead lives of quiet desperation and go to the grave with the song still in them." We are invited to find Life in our living and to sing the songs that are in us. We are to be agents of our own future rather than unthinking participants in the destruction of our planet. Right now, the human community is challenged in unprecedented ways to restore the life we have lost by living beyond our means and by destructively exploiting the riches of the Earth.

As we begin a new liturgical year, Matthew's Jesus invites us to contemplate the ultimate realities even as we attend to the demands of the present. He tells us to be "awake", to be "ready" all the time, not because death or the end of the world are around the corner, but because we need to recognise the multiple "advents" or arrivals of the Christ, the Human One, who calls us beyond self-absorption to Life. He reminds us that we are no different from our forebears who from earliest days have gone about their daily business without being sufficiently attentive to what really matters.

In our times, we have allowed thieves to break in and plunder our planet, our common home, because thieves come in guises that we fail to recognise. They so often look just like us and do the things we do. It may be that we must first be attentive to our own ways of plundering the house that is home to all of God's creatures.

We spend much of our time looking back. That has its place, since our history informs our present and helps us in shaping our future, though all the while we know with Auden that "[t]he past is foreign country: they do things differently there". Advent invites us to look forward rather than back and to dream gospel-inspired dreams that will enable creative change in our own lives and in the life of our planet. It invites us to be awake, to be ready for any eventuality.

Dreams and visions have always been the precursors to effective and life-giving change. We need the grace to see visions and to dream dreams that make for justice and peace and that permit us to walk more freely in the light of God's ways. We seek the grace to "see" God's word as did the prophet Isaiah in the first reading (Isa 2:1-5). We need to put our energy into creating life-generating systems that enable us to move forward in the paths of gospel compassion and love.

*Matthew 24:37-44 For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Human One. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Human One. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left.*

*Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your master is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Human One is coming at an unexpected hour.*



Pray for Peace

Parish Priest: Fr. Gerry Hefferan . Ph: 3269 0446.

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representative: Clare Kennedy

Pastoral Coordinator: Margaret Halpin

Sacramental Coordinator: Helen Hickey

School: 30 Eldorado St, Bracken Ridge. Principal: Mr. Gary Creevey, Ph: 3261 2858.

St. John Fisher College: John Fisher Drive, Bracken Ridge. Principal: Ms. Catherine Galvin, 3269 8188.

Parish Office: Bronwyn Venzke, [bridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:bridge@bne.catholic.net.au) Ph: 3261 3670. Monday, Tuesday & Friday mornings.

St Vincent de Paul: Jeff Walsh

Parish Care Group: Marcia Caruso

Youth Leader: Emma Beach

Hospitality Group: June and Keith De Broughe,

Newsletter: Barbara Masterman (Cut-off time: noon Fridays).

**Please leave the area facing the Parish Centre free for the elderly and those among us who have some mobility difficulties and need our sensitivity with parking even if it appears the area is not being used.**

### **Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility**

Concerns/Complaints?

Archdiocese of Brisbane - Office for Safeguarding Services

P: 3324 3752

E: [safeguarding@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:safeguarding@bne.catholic.net.au)

STOPLine Service

STOPLine is an external service provided for the Archdiocese to receive confidential disclosures.

Disclosures can be made anonymously.

P: 1300 304 550

E: [AQB@stopline.com.au](mailto:AQB@stopline.com.au)

Queensland Police Service

All incidents and concerns that may be criminal should be reported directly to the police for investigation.

P: Policelink 131 444 Crimestoppers 1800 333 000

E: [policelink@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:policelink@police.qld.gov.au)

Child Safety Services

If you suspect a child in need of protection from abuse or neglect is being harmed or neglected, contact Child Safety Services.

P: 1800 177 135 or 3235 9999 (After hours)

Website: [www.communities.qld.gov.au/childsafety](http://www.communities.qld.gov.au/childsafety)

### **Our prayers matter.**

Pray for Peace. Let us all 'Pray@8' Pray@8 cards are available at the doors of the Church. Please take one for yourself and one to give away. "Loving God. Let your gentle presence settle over our troubled lands. Teach us to walk in the way of your peace. Amen."

### **Children's Liturgy.**

Today. Years Prep – Three are invited to join us in the Parish Centre during the Liturgy of the Word. Rostered 8/12. Barbara Masterman. Enq. Barbara

### **Kindy Liturgy.**

Sessions will be announced at the commencement of 9am., Mass. Children aged 3, 4 & 5 are invited to join us in the Parish Centre during the Liturgy of the Word. Enq. Margaret

### **We Pray God's Healing touch and love-**

-for all those who are sick and for those who care for them. Stephanie Irvine. Darren de Warren. Michelle & John Charters. Murray Dyke. John Rhule. Beth Faelellii. Kate Hutchinson. John Hanley. Jessie Peters.

To have family/friends included in our newsletter, first please check that the person for whom you are requesting prayers is happy to have their name printed in our newsletter. Enq. Barbara

### **Condolence.**

Our prayers and thoughts are with those who have recently lost loved ones.

### **Recently Deceased:**

### **Memorial:**

All our deceased family members and friends.

### **Thank You.**

Thank you Father Gerry and the Parish for your support at the recent death of my husband. Blessings from Renza and the family.

### **RCIA.**

Enq. Margaret Halpin

### **Seniors' Christmas Party.**

Tue. 3/12. After the 9am., Healing Mass, come along in your "Christmas Gear" & enjoy a day of celebrations & fun at our Annual Christmas Party. We will provide "bicies", Christmas cake & a "cuppa" for Morning Tea. Entertainment by the St. Joseph's School Choirs AND Christmas Lunch

(incl. drinks). A "Very Special Visitor" will also be dropping in to reward the "good boys & girls". Please bring a present (MAXIMUM value \$10). Ladies bring a lady's present. Men bring a man's present. We will be running our usual Christmas Raffle, it will be a "cracker" as usual. Bring along a few extra \$\$\$\$ to increase your chances of taking home some great prizes. For catering purposes, would anyone wishing to attend, please add your name to the list at the rear of the Church, or contact us to indicate that you want to be included in the celebrations. Our Christmas Party is always well attended, but we really need to know how many will be coming, as we certainly don't want to run out of "goodies" on the day. Peter Guy will be selling Lions Christmas Cakes & Puddings. Great idea for Christmas gifts. Cakes \$13 (1 kg), \$17 (1.5kg). Plum puddings \$13. Come along & join in the celebrations. Our Final Event for 2019. Enquiries & Transport – Therese & Ron Kissane

### **Archdiocesan/Secular Calendar.**

1-8/12. 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays of Advent. Centacare CFRS. Anniversary of the Dedication of St. Stephen's Cathedral. The Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary. Saints Francis Xavier. John Damascene. Nicholas. Ambrose.

### **Religious Leaders Common Statement on End of Life Care.**

Dying well is an important part of what it means to flourish as individuals and communities. We support high-quality palliative care, better conversations about death and dying and provision for the spiritual dimension of healing such as chaplaincy and pastoral care. A full text of document is found here: <http://archbne.org/dtyk>

### **Euthanasia—We Can Live Without It E-Petition**

It is a fairly simple process to add your voice of opposition to VAD/ euthanasia via the Petition link here: <https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/work-of-assembly/petitions/petitiondetails?id=3176>

### **Be part of the Media Apostolate.**

If you can commute to the Cathedral parish once every 3 months and would like to become a volunteer webcaster, please email [communications@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:communications@bne.catholic.net.au) or phone 3324 3227. This service is an invaluable assistance to people who are infirmed or shut-in.

### **The Lights of Christmas.**

At St Stephen's Cathedral. This free, family-friendly event incorporates a spectacular light show projected onto the walls of the Cathedral, while a kaleidoscope of moving colour will transform the adjacent chapel. This event will run from Wednesday, 11/12 until Christmas Eve and include music, food and children's activities from 6.30pm., followed by the 12-minute show running continuously from 7pm.

### **Our Library –**

-is situated in the Workroom to the left as you enter the Church. Just make your choice and write your name and the title of the borrowed book in the booklet provided.

### **St. Vincent de Paul –**

Christmas Cards and Columban Calendars are on sale now. Columban Calendars \$10 each.

Christian Christmas Cards \$4 for a pack of 8.

'Keep Christ in Christmas Stickers are \$1 per sheet.

### **Parish Pastoral Council.**

Our Parish family continues our exploration of the other five Plenary Council 2020 Themes.

If you have any ideas or concerns within the Parish please raise them with your pastoral councillors personally or alternatively by sending an email to [bridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:bridge@bne.catholic.net.au) with the heading "For the attention of the Pastoral Council".

### **Liturgy Roster.**

#### **Liturgy Preparation.**

For weekend 14-15/12. Group 2. Enq. Helen Hickey. All interested parishioners are invited and welcome to attend any of the preparation sessions. Please contact the leader for dates, time and venue.

#### **Leaders/ Proclaimers of the Word.**

For next weekend, 7-8/12. Group 1.

#### **Eucharistic Ministers.**

For next weekend. Group 1.

#### **Music Ministry.**

For next weekend. Group 1.

#### **Servers.**

If you would like to serve, please see Fr. Gerry before Mass.

#### **Counters Roster.**

8/12. Group 1. Philip & Peter. 15/12. Group 2. Debbie, Matthew & Julian.

#### **Newsletter Photocopying.**

Rostered 7/12. Kathleen Anable.

### **Vocation Views.**

In our materialistic society, someone must stand up to stay awake and speak for our spiritual heritage. Could that be you?

### **Prayer Blog.**

See Parish Blog updates on our website and on the board near the Sacristy. Parishioners are invited to write and share how they pray and to share reflections.

### **Care for Creation.**

All of us can co-operate as instruments of God for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements and talents". (Pope Francis, Laudato Si' On Care for our Common Home.14).

<https://stjosephsbrackenridgecareforcreation.weebly.com/past-events.html>

Parish Care for Creation group. The Parish Care for Creation Group meets in the Parish Centre at 4.45pm., on the third Saturday of each month. All very welcome. Enq Rosemary and Peter Bugden

### **Journey Catholic Radio Programme.**

[www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) where you can listen anytime and or subscribe to weekly shows by email.

### **Nouwen Network.**

The Nouwen's purpose is to support all those suffering from mental illness and their families, across all faith communities. Enq. Gloria

### **St. Joseph's School.**

A very happy, holy and safe Christmas to all. School finishes for the year on Friday, 6/12 at 12 noon. The 2020 start will be Wednesday, 29/1. A Concert for Parish Seniors 3/12. The P & F. hires

out the Tennis Courts. If you would like to use the Courts on weekends, contact evenings or holidays, email [STBRtennis@gmail.com](mailto:STBRtennis@gmail.com).

#### **WHS Incident Report.**

Parishioners and visitors are reminded of the requirement to immediately report any health or safety incident, injury or damage that occurs within our Parish. Reporting assists our Parish to provide the necessary assistance, take remedial action and provide mandatory notifications to the Archdiocese and the Division of Work Health and Safety QLD.

#### **Following on from the Royal Commission.**

##### Specialist Support – Updated

Director of Professional Standards Office (Qld)

Helpline - 1800 337 928

Centacare Family and Relationship Services -

Brisbane 07 3251 5000

Lifeline - 13 11 14

UnitingCare - Chermiside 07 3624 2400

Living Well - Strathpine 07 3028 4648

#### **St Benedict's Parish, Northlake's -**

-invites applications for the part time position of Parish Secretary. The role requires a Parish Secretary for a shared position of 18.5 hours per week. Commencing Mon. 20/1/20. The role is based at our St Benedict's Parish Office at Level 2, 12 Endeavour Blvd, Mango Hill. The North Lakes Parish is led by Rev. Bryan Roe (Parish Priest). Applications should be submitted with a cover letter addressing the selection criteria and a current curriculum vitae to James Herd via email: [herdj@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:herdj@bne.catholic.net.au) no later than Friday 6/12.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.

#### **Finding God in the Quiet Centre.**

A weekend opportunity for women to leave behind the chaos and clutter that can be a part of life and enter in to quiet in community. Come and experience a time of prayerful reflection in the beauty of God's good creation. Facilitated by Grace Harwood (Dragonfly Ministries). Fri. 13/12. 6pm., to Sun. 15/12. 3pm., at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Wellington Street, Ormiston. \$370 (\$340 for pensioners, f/t students and unemployed) includes all accommodation, meals, resources and facilitation. An additional \$30 fee for those with special diets. Enq. Grace Harwood, Dragonfly Ministries: [grace@dragonflyministries.net.au](mailto:grace@dragonflyministries.net.au) or 0409 524 283.

#### **Saint Therese Of Lisieux - Australian Visit 2020.**

The Catholic Leader reports a family of saints – the relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux and her parents Sts. Louis and Zélie Martin – will be touring Australia for the first time in 18 years. From February through May 2020, the relics will travel to Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory, Victoria, Tasmania and Western Australia. The visit was announced on the feast day of St Thérèse, organised by Catholic Mission, which has partnered

with InvoCare to bring the relics to 17 Australian dioceses. A draft itinerary (subject to change) shows the relics travelling to Brisbane on February 5, and then visiting Coorparoo Mt Carmel (February 6-7); Springfield Parish (February 7-8); Cathedral Parish (February 9–10); Gympie Parish (Gunalda and Gympie Church visits—February 10-11); Caboolture Parish (Bongaree Church— February 11); Kedron Parish (February 11–12); Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre Ormiston (February 13); Burleigh Heads Parish (February 13–14) and Nerang Parish (Allambie Park and Marian Valley Retreat—February 14-15) before heading to northern NSW.

#### **Blackall/Tambo Update.**

Once again the people of Blackall were overwhelmed by the generosity of the Parishioners and friends of the Bracken Ridge Parish. The 2019 St Joseph's Parish Blackall Fete was a great success. "Thank You" to all who contributed so generously. Our Team will be giving a Presentation at all Masses on the Weekend 7th & 8th December. Many Thanks to this year's Blackall Team - Maurice & Glenda Murdoch, Greg & Sharyn McLagan, Michael & Debbie Dee Gee, Kerry Lewry, Mac & Susan Angus-MacInnes. John & Sharyn Rogers.

#### **30th Anniversary of the Dedication of St.**

Stephen's Cathedral. At the 10am. Mass on Wednesday 4/12. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will celebrate Mass to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral of St. Stephen, following the 1989 renovations. Enq. [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au).

#### **St Gerard's Christmas Festival.**

Nightly from 29 /11 – 23/12. Including New Carols by Candlelight Outdoors 21/12 at 7pm. with Renata and Paradise City Band. Massive Light Display, Gift Shop and Op Shop, Coffee Shop, BBQ. Free Musical Entertainment every night. See website for schedule ([www.olaparishchermiside.org.au](http://www.olaparishchermiside.org.au)) 146 Maundrell Terrace, Chermiside West.

#### **Ignite Summer Camp.**

"All Fired Up". Mapleton. 10-13/1/2020. Four massive days, huge outdoor games and 200 new best mates. Ignite Summer Camp is designed for high schoolers to make awesome real friendships and provide a space to encounter Jesus in a powerful and dynamic way. Earlybird: \$285. Regular; \$310. Earlybird ends 1/12. Family discount and transport options available. Enq. [igniteyouth.com/summercamp](http://igniteyouth.com/summercamp)

#### **Footsteps Of St. Paul.**

Journey with St. Paul as you relive the Acts of the Apostles and the famous letters of the New Testament. Explore Greece and Greek islands in this 10N pilgrimage led by Catholic Priests that features Athens, Corinth, Mykonos, Kusadasi, Crete, Santorini, Hosios Loukas, Delphi, Thessaloniki, Philippi and Kavala for an all-inclusive Land Package price of \$4490 + Tips. The fare includes Entrances & Sites as per itinerary + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + 3N Cruise with Lunch + All Breakfast & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides. 2020 Departures

Available: 12th May 2020 and 20th Oct 2020. For inquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or 1300721561 or email [info@magiholidays.com.au](mailto:info@magiholidays.com.au)

#### **Its hamper time.**

The families of people in prison were so happy with the lovely hampers we made for them the last few years and were so thankful for our kind thoughts. This year we will pack hampers in new Christmas supermarket bags - they have to be carried on public transport; so not too heavy or breakable - nothing over 1 litre or 1 kg please. And no chocolate because of the heat! Suggest Christmas treats eg cakes, puddings, custard, lollies, sweet or savoury biscuits, bonbons, chips. Also useful are non-perishable foods – eg cans of ham, fish, tomatoes, fruit; soft drink in cans, juice in cartons. Personal care items are also good. Please bring in a NEW reusable Christmas shopping bag and put them at the back of the church before Sunday 15 Dec, when we will pack from 2 pm. Helpers needed! Phone Sue. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

#### **SIMBANG GABI 2019.**

A Filipino tradition of joyful waiting for the birth of Jesus - a 9-day pre-Christmas celebrations (15-23 December) with Carols, Holy Mass and fellowship held at different churches around Brisbane North. Here at St. Joseph and St. Anthony's church it will be on Sunday 22/12. 5.30pm. Carols; 6pm. Holy Mass (in English); then Fellowship at Parish Centre. Please, bring a plate to share. Flyers with the complete 9-day schedule can be collected at the back tables of church. For more info: Amando Soriano ; Rose McKenzie . Everyone is invited.

#### **Lawn Maintenance.**

Anas Raed: 0413 271 432. David Nabeel: 0490 388 459. Email: [da.mowingservices@gmail.com](mailto:da.mowingservices@gmail.com)

#### **Mother Teresa Shrine.**

At Marian Valley - for St. Teresa of Calcutta. Walk around to see other Shrines, visit to the Adoration Chapel, walk the Way of the Cross. Enq. David Leahy 0478 63 88 75.

#### **Life Procession.**

Pray to End Abortion. Third Saturday of each month. Mass St. Brigid's. Red Hill. 6.30am. Gather at Roma Street Parkland. Walk to Wickham Terrace praying the Rosary. Enq. [www.prolifeprocession.org](http://www.prolifeprocession.org)

#### **A Safeguarding Prayer.**

Lord Jesus, may we welcome the kingdom of God anew into our hearts and lives, embracing discipleship and openness to others.

You call us to walk with integrity in the service of others.

May our service be filled with kindness, and respect for all God's people, giving special protection to children and the vulnerable.

May we seek the truth, listen to those wounded by abuse,

and choose to act with compassion and justice. Give us the strength to serve humbly and faithfully, and to love one another as we are so loved by You. Amen.

Our Parish Family—Sister Parish with Blackall-Tambo Parish in the Diocese of Rockhampton & supporting South Sudan—Patroness St Josephine Bakhita

We acknowledge the Turrbal people, the traditional custodians on whose land we worship.

QUICK REFERENCE ...

**Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults.**

*Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy.*

Our Parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.

The SCVA people at the Archdiocese have now divided training into two levels: Level 1 is for nearly all volunteers and covers the basics of SCVA. It can be done online at: [www.safeguardingaob.com.au/safeguardingtraining](http://www.safeguardingaob.com.au/safeguardingtraining) Level 2 Training.

Caboolture Parish. To be confirmed.

Holy Cross Church, 85 Nottingham St., Kippa-Ring. 29/10. 6 – 7.4pm.  
<https://www.trybooking.com/531017>

Enq. or assistance with booking contact Terry Tolhurst or [admin.bridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:admin.bridge@bne.catholic.net.au)

**Friday Night Prayer Vigils**

Quiet prayer and reflection in the Church. 7-8pm. All welcome.

**SVDP**

Meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month after 9am Mass. Enq Jeff Walsh

**Seniors' Group.**

This Group meets in the Parish Centre after the 9am. Mass on the first Tuesday of each month. Enq. and/or transport: Therese & Ron Kissane

**@BNEArchdiocese Mobile App.**

Archbishop Mark's Homilies, Mass times, News, events. Enq. [brisbanecatholic.org.au](http://brisbanecatholic.org.au)

**Youth Groups**

BLITZ:-

Meeting this Sun. 1/12 in the Parish Centre from 4.30 – 6pm. All Grades 3 - 5 welcome.

Enq Emma Beach



ROCK:

Next meeting in 2020 on Sun. 2/2. Gathering in the Parish Centre. All students Grades 7 – 12 welcome.

Enq. Emma Beach



SALT:-

Young Adults Group (Ages: 18 to 30). All welcome. Enq. Jess

**WAG (World Action Group)**



Last weekend we collected \$221.45 for Water Wells in South Sudan.



This weekend we are collecting for our friends in the Blackall/Tambo Parish.



As always, we thank our very generous parishioners for continuing to support our Parish projects.



Enq. Terry and Rita Tolhurst

**St Joseph's Craft Group**

Our Craft Group meets on the 3rd Monday of every month after the 9am Mass 9.30-11.30am.

Jan or Shirley

**Men's Prayer Group**

Held every Tuesday evening in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm. All gentlemen of the Parish invited and welcome. Enq. Philip

**Ladies Prayer Group**

Held each Wednesday morning in the Church, from 9.30 – 10.30am. This is followed by tea or coffee in the Parish Centre. All most welcome to join us. Enq. Margaret .

**Cath. Social Justice Council website.**

([www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au)). Copies of the Statement are available on the Paper Table.

**Our Parish Newsletter online**

<http://www.stjosephsbrackenridge.com/parishnewsletter.html>

**Giving**

Our Parish takes up one collection for the support of our priest, parish and contribution to the Archdiocese. It is taken up before the offertory. Current number of Envelope Givers: 59. Current number of Direct Debit Givers: 104.

Thank you for your giving from last weekend:-

Envelopes	\$570.
Direct Debit	\$1732.
Loose	\$1135.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3437.</b>

*Budgeted Weekly Target:* \$3404.

Average – Week 47. \$3385.

Should you wish to donate directly to the parish (via your online banking), please use the following account:- **BSB064786 Account 005931500** Bracken Ridge/Bald Hills Catholic Parish .

Please consider joining our Planned Giving Programme

Name:.....

Address.....

Ph:.....

Email:.....

Please place slip on the collection plate or email Bronwyn Venzke at [bridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:bridge@bne.catholic.net.au)  
Many thanks for your support.



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