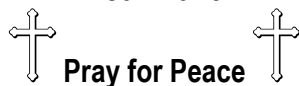


Year 2019



Pray for Peace

Parish Website:

www.stjosephsbrackenridge.com

Parish Facebook:

www.facebook.com/stjosephsbrackenridge

Parish Email:

bridge@bne.catholic.net.au

**17th Sunday of the Year
28th of July**

Liturgical Calendar

Today:

Year C. Mass prepared by Group 6.

Readings:

Genesis 18:20-32. Psalm 138. Colossians 2:12-14. Luke 11:1-13.

Next Week 3-4/8.

Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23. Psalm 90.
Colossians 3:1-5,9-11. Luke 12:13-21.

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. Ex. 32:15-24,30-34. P.106. John 11:19-27.

Tue. Ex.33:7-11,34:5-9,28. P. 103. Matt. 13:36-43.

Wed. Ex. 34:29-35. P.99. Matthew 13:44-46.

Thu. Ex.40:16-21,34-38. P.84. Matthew 13:47-53.

Fri. Lev.23:1,4-11,15-16,27. P.81.Matt. 13:54-58.

Sat. Ecc.1:2,2:21-23. P.90. Luke 12:13-21.

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-17th Sunday in
Ordinary Time C
(Luke 11:1-13)**

-Veronica Lawson RSM

This Sunday's gospel offers three little cameos about praying and about God's generous giving. There are two teachings on prayer forming a frame around an enigmatic parable. In the first cameo, Jesus has finished praying and one of the disciples asks him to teach them to pray. Jesus responds as any devout first century Jew might respond. He evokes the words of the Jewish blessing prayer: "May the great name of God be exalted and sanctified, throughout the world. May God's kingship be established in your lifetime." Jesus calls God "father", a metaphor or image denoting the saving power of God over against the destructive power of the Roman emperor.

The prayer continues with an acknowledgement that bread, the fruit of the earth, is the gift of God: "Keep giving us each day the bread we need." This is not a prayer for more than is needed, but for just as much as is needed to sustain Earth's beings. The final petitions in the prayer are for forgiveness of sin "as we forgive each who is in debt to us" and for freedom from testing. We cannot live without the peace of mind that comes from forgiving, from being forgiven and from the knowledge that God is with us in times of trial such as the present ecological crisis with all its demands for radical change.

The parable that follows has raised questions for interpreters. Is it about persistence or about avoidance of shame? These are two very different concepts, but both have been suggested as the motive for the sleeping neighbour's response to the friend in need and as the proper rendering of the Greek word *anaideia*. The literal meaning of *anaideia* is avoidance of shame. This makes sense in a culture where anyone would be shamed by refusal to help a neighbour unable to meet the demands of hospitality, especially where one could well find oneself in similar need some time. No one would dream of refusing such a request for help, whether for the sake of friendship or to avoid being shamed, not even those who let it be known that they resent having to get out of bed in the middle of the night.

Persistence in prayer is a desirable quality but it has nothing to do with the parable of the friend in need who asks only once for "three loaves" and can expect to receive them. The translation "persistence" seems to derive from association with the repetition of seeking and searching and knocking, in other words with the sayings that form the third little cameo.

Here Jesus draws on the experience of his listeners: if flawed disciples know how to give "good gifts" to their children, then they should not be surprised that those who ask for the Holy Spirit will receive this best of all gifts from God as they seek to renew the face of the Earth.



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 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

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

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

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. During business hours contact the relevant Regional Intake Service.

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

Website: 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, our Prep to Year 3 students are invited to join us in the Parish Centre during the Liturgy of the Word at the 9am. Rostered 4/8. Robyn Masterman. Enq. Barbara

Kindy Liturgy.

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

St. Joseph's Seniors Bus Trip to Caloundra

RSL. 52 Seniors, & Friends had a "Fun Day" at the Caloundra RSL's Christmas in July festivities last Tuesday. It was very pleasing to see so many friends from the early days of the parish & many new faces joining us this time. It was a great occasion, eating our favourite "Christmas goodies", drinking, pokies, singing & dancing. Laura Doolan Trio entertained us & provided the music for some lively dancing... A few Raffles on the way home, rounded off the bus trip. Everyone had a great time. Without your continued support, we wouldn't be able to provide these bus trips, as we always need a minimum number of "bums on seats" to run them. We sincerely Thank You all for joining us.. St. Joseph's Seniors provides many activities for our Parishioners, so come along & enjoy everything on offer. Ron & Therese Kissane

Seniors' Monthly Get-Together Tue. 6/8.

The Mass on this Tuesday (6/8), will be a Healing Mass with the School Children. After this 9am Healing Mass, please bring a plate to share for morning tea. Guest Speaker - Health Promotion Officer, from Arthritis QLD. James will cover many aspects of Arthritis & how it affects Seniors. It will be a very interesting & enlightening

address, so come along to find out from a qualified practitioner, exactly how this subjects relates to each one of us. Enquiries & Transport.. Therese & Ron Kissane

We Pray God's Healing touch and love-

-for all those who are sick and for those who care for them.

To have family/friends included in our newsletter, please contact 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.

Archdiocesan/Secular Calendar.

28/7-4/8. 17th & 18th Sundays of the Year. Centacare CFRS. Bible Sunday (ACBC) Catholic Education Week. Theology in the City Series 6. Ashes Tour. Marriage Encounter Weekend. National Vocations Awareness Week. Saints Martha. Petet Chrysologus. Ignatius of Loyola. Alphonsus Mary Ligouri. Peter Faber. Dominic.

Liturgy Roster.

Liturgy Preparation.

For weekend 10-11/8. 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, 3-4/8. 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.

4/8. Group 1. Philip & Peter. 11/8. Group 2. Debbie, Matthew & Julian.

Newsletter Photocopying.

Rostered 3/8. Kathleen .

Prayer Blog.

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

Rising Youth Ministry.

Ages 5 – 18 welcome. Enq. Lana

Nouwen Network.

The Nouwen's purpose is to support all those suffering from mental illness and their families, across all faith communities. The next gathering will be at Café Espresso, 351 Beams Rd., Taigum at 12.30pm., on Wed. 7/8 Enq. Gloria

Parish Pastoral Council.

The Parish has traditionally supported the School fete by volunteering to attend to car parking duties on the School oval between the hours of 8am and 12:30pm. Can anyone with a couple of hours to spare on the 3rd of August and wanting to volunteer please contact Tom Gordon on 3269 0383 (and leave a message).

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 with the heading "For the attention of the Pastoral Council".

RCIA.

Please continue to pray for Craig, Kelli, Jodi, Andrew and Selina as we explore our Catholic Faith with them. Enquiries: Margaret

Lawn Maintenance.

Anas Raed: 0413 271 432. David Nabeel: 0490 388 459. Email: da.mowingservices@gmail.com

Vocation Views.

God knows what we want before we ask. God knows who we are before we discern. God invites us to pray: to ask and to discern.

Direct Credit Option Available!

Our preferred method for parish giving is via direct debit to your credit card or bank account. If you wish to donate directly to the parish (via your online banking), please use the following account:- BSB 064786 Account 005931500 Bracken Ridge/Bald Hills Catholic Parish. Receipts issued on request, unless requested through the Parish Office.

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. Joseph's School.

Woolworths Earn & Learn. If you shop at Woolworths, please collect the stickers and drop them into the St Joseph's box at the Bracken Ridge store, or drop them into the Office. Sticker sheets can be obtained from any Woolworths store, or the School Office.

Fete 3/8.

Catholic Mission.

'Do not fear for I am with you'. Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers, and for reaching out to children and communities in need in Ghana and throughout the world. Your generosity makes it possible for Programmes such as the Nazareth Home for God's Children to provide love and support for children rescued from life-threatening situations. Thank you also to so many parishioners who have become monthly giving partners throughout Ghana Mission Partners Programme. For more information about the work of Catholic Mission, or the Extraordinary Missionary Month in October, please contact our friendly Team at freecall 1800 257 296 or at

catholicmission.org.au/about-us/contact.
catholicmission.org.au/Ghana

Or

August. More information is available online at www.catholicfoundation.org.au/grants or call 3324 3200.

Blackall/Tambo News.

A group of ten parishioners and friends will be making their way to Blackall to attend the Better in Blackall Festival which runs from Wednesday 14th to Saturday 18th August. The 5 day festival includes Art and Cultural displays, Street Parties, sunset wine tasting, Billy Cart Races, Bar-B-Que cook-offs, Markets and Country Music Legend Troy Cassar-Daly. Some of us will be returning to Blackall for the annual St Patrick's Fete which will be held on 23rd November. Sharyn and John Rogers.

JAJA 2019.

In late September early October JAJA is performing the acclaimed Broadway musical "Next to Normal". In the production, playwright, Brian Yorkey brings to audiences a script laced with all the frustration, pathos and heartbreak that occur in a family trying to cope with a wife and mother affected by Bipolar Disorder. Add to this complex story, a stirring musical score by Tom Kitt, and it becomes a Pulitzer Prize winning Rock Opera which highlights the loss of self for the wife, Diana, and the dilemma she faces in choosing an appropriate therapeutic treatment that works for her. The performance dates are 27,28 September and 4, 5,6 October 2019. The musical contains mature themes. The timing of these performances is to dovetail with Mental Health Week in Queensland and all profit will be donated to Headspace and Centrecare's Catholic Psychiatric Ministry. Tickets can be purchased at [trybooking https://www.trybooking.com/BDJRN](https://www.trybooking.com/BDJRN).

Discovering Global Mission.

How can our skills create better opportunities for disadvantaged people? Communities in Timor Leste, PNG, Samoa, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to build local capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. Find out how teacher Guida Cabrita assisted both educators and students in Timor Leste, and how sharing your skills can immerse you in a world of deep cultural discovery. Qualified medics, teachers, tradies, business and admins are always required.

Discover Palms Australia: Sunday 11/8 at 1pm.
Brisbane Square Library. Community Meeting Room, 266 George St. Brisbane.
www.palms.org.au

Apply now for The Annual Grants Programme -

-at www.catholicfoundation.org.au/grants/ Grant funding is made possible through the Annual Catholic Campaign and supports programs planned for the year 2020. This year's funding is designated for parish renewal initiatives which may be parish-based or provided by an external group. Parish renewal programs would include areas of leadership development, youth involvement, music ministry, worship, outreach, faith education, ecumenism, Alpha (reaching out to those who may feel unwelcome in the Church) and other areas of renewal of local parish life in the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Funding is also available in the area of theological education. Applications close Friday, 30

Care for Creation.

<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 .

Interested in caring for God's creation? The Bald Hills Bushies are a group of volunteers who are working to regenerate land and plant wildlife/koala corridors at the beautiful Burrungwarra Reserve Bald Hills. They are in need of new members. This dedicated group meets on the 3rd Sat. each month at 7.00a.m. Anyone with time to spare please contact the group via the BC Council ward office: 3667 6000. <http://www.baldhillsbushies.org>

The Village-

- the Parish Mothers' Group will next meet 9/8 on All mothers with babies under the age of one very welcome. Enq. Emma Beach

One God, Many Voices.

Abrahamic Faiths Concert. Thu. 29/8. 7pm. for 7.30pm. start. At Griffith University, Nathan Campus (Building N35). Centre for Interfaith and Cultural Dialogue. Annual Evening of Jewish, Christian and Muslim Sacred Voices and Music. Followed by Kasher-Halal Supper. Free entry. All are welcome. RSVP by 20/8 to 3735 7052, or email icd@griffith.edu.au Free parking after 7pm.

Our Library.

Just make your choice and write your name and the title of the book you are borrowing in the booklet provided. Please check out the wide variety available.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

The next weekend will be held at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston. 2-4/8. Enq. Maria and David 3342 1456 or dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au Try the Website on www.wmwe.org.au

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

In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop.

Join the National Pilgrimage, journeying to places in Australia made holy by St. Mary MacKillop. Melbourne 22/10, visiting Penola, Adelaide and other significant places, and concluding in Sydney 2/11. Cost \$3,575 - \$4,390 (twin share) depending on capital city of departure. Single supplement for all areas \$685 pp. Enq. email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or call Sr. Therese on 0417 683 123, or Sr. Annie on 02 8912 4818.

Sovereign Order of Malta.

Annual Lourdes Healing Mass. St. Paschal's Church, 30 Warraba Ave., Wavell Heights. Sat. 17/8 at 10am. Followed by Morning Tea. Contributions of cakes, sandwiches etc. most appreciated. All welcome.

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.

Journey Catholic Radio Programme.

www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and or subscribe to weekly shows by email.

St. Veronica Welfare Committee.

We are looking for volunteers in both our West End Office and Thrift Shop. St. Veronica's is a registered charity and we are so blessed to be run entirely by unpaid volunteers, which ensures that 100% of donations reach its beneficiaries. Do you have skills in administration, banking or retail? St Veronica's Welfare Committee could be the ministry for you! For more information and to find out how you can help, please contact us on 3844 7423, email stveronica@gil.com.au or visit www.stveronica.org.au. (When you foster a child through St. Veronica's, you know that a hundred percent goes to the child. Ed.)

Delamore Retirement Community Kedron.

Enq. 3357 7028 to arrange a tour of the facilities.

Can you help?

Does anyone drive past Symes Grove on weekday afternoons at approximately 6.45Pm., towards Bracken Ridge? If so, would you be willing to pick up a volunteer at Symes Grove and take them to a spot near St. Joseph's? If you can help, please call Pat

My name is Christian.

My name is Christian,
I'm not shouting "I am saved",
I'm admitting I am lost and need Jesus to be my guide.
My name is Christian,
I don't pretend to have all the answers, I'm still humbly learning to ask the right questions.
My name is Christian
this does not mean that I am exempt from all feelings of pain, hurt, anger, jealousy or even hate. But it does mean that I am given the grace to deal with these feelings according to His will.
My name is Christian
and no matter what life throws at me, I know my hand is in the hand of Jesus and that at all times He will hold it and walk beside me forever. All I need to do is believe!
My name is Christian

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.

Children are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded from harm by all.

A copy of the full policy document can be found on the able at the entrance of the Church and on the wall of the Parish Centre.

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

Level 2 is the traditional face to face training session as in the past. However, before one can do Level 2 they have to have completed Level 1. If you did the training at the Parish in July 2017, then you are Ok until July this year.
Enq. Terry Tolhurst

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

Youth Groups

BLITZ:-

Meeting this Sunday 28/7 in the Parish Centre from 4.30 – 6pm. All students Years 4 – 6 welcome. Gold coin donation.

Enq Emma Beach



ROCK:

Next meeting Sun. 4/8. 5-7pm., in the Parish Centre.

All students from Grades 7 - 12 are welcome.

Enq Emma Beach



SALT:-

'Rejoice and Be Glad" Retreat Sat. 17/8 from 9am – 3pm., at Santa Teresa, Ormiston.

Explore the Beatitudes in everyday life and enjoy reflection time and companionship by the bay. Day facilitated by Emma Beach. Morning tea & lunch provided, no cost. RSVP to Jess by 4/8.

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

WAG (World Action Group)



Last week we collected \$235.75 for Water Wells in South Sudan.



This week is the Catholic Mission Appeal.



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.

Enq Jan or Jan

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). 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	\$473.
Direct Debit	\$1843.
Loose	\$926.
Total	\$3231.

Budgeted Weekly Target: \$3404.

Average – Week 29. \$3373.

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

Many thanks for your support.



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