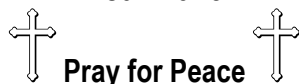


Year 2019



Pray for Peace

Parish Website:

www.stjosephsbrackenridge.com

Parish Facebook:

www.facebook.com/stjosephsbrackenridge

Parish Email:

bridge@bne.catholic.net.au

Pentecost Sunday

9th of June

Liturgical Calendar

Today:

Year C. Mass prepared by Group 5.

Readings:

Acts 2:1-11. Psalm 104. 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13. John 20:19-23.

Next Week 15-16/6.

Proverbs 8:22-31. Psalm 8. Romans 5:1-5. John 16:12-15.

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. Genesis 3:9-15,20. P.87. John 19:25-34.

Tue. Acts 11:21-26.13:1-3. P.98. Matthew 5:13-16.

Wed. 2 Corinthians 3:4-11. P.99. Matthew 5:17-19.

Thu. 2 Cor. 3:15-4:1,3-6. P.85. Matthew 5:20-26.

Fri. 2 Corinthians 4:7-15. P.116. Matthew 5:27-32.

Sat. 2 Cor. 5:14-21. P.103. Matthew 5:33-37.

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-Pentecost Sunday

Year C

(John 20:19-23)

-Veronica Lawson RSM

Pentecost Sunday is sometimes called the birthday of the Church. For the ancient Israelites, Pentecost (meaning 'fiftieth') was a harvest festival celebrated fifty days after the harvesting of the first sheaf. When the Jerusalem temple was built, this harvest festival was transformed into a pilgrimage feast to celebrate the covenant that Israel had made with God on Mt Sinai. The Jews of the first century, including Christian Jews, celebrated the great pilgrimage feast of Pentecost. Several decades after the death of Jesus, the early Christians reflected on their origins and chose this feast to mark the birth of God's new covenant with God's people.

In today's first reading (Acts 2:1-11), Luke tells the new Pentecost story in symbolic language that evokes the story of Moses and the people of Israel receiving God's Law on Mt. Sinai. Just as God's presence to Israel was marked by earthquake and thunder and fire, so God's Spirit enveloping the people of the new covenant appears in a mighty rush of wind and tongues of fire. Luke's account also evokes early rabbinic teaching that the voice of God on Sinai divided into seventy tongues and all the nations received the Law in their own tongues. In other words, the dispersion and division created by the hubris of those who built the Tower of Babel is symbolically reversed with this outpouring of God's Spirit.

For the content of the new covenant, we turn to the gospel reading from John 20:19-23. The risen Christ appears to the disciples huddled behind locked doors. He "shows them his hands and his side". In other words, he provides incontrovertible evidence that he is the crucified one. He offers the simple greeting: "Peace be with you," the greeting we offer each other at every Eucharistic celebration. The disciples respond with joy. He sends them on a mission of peace in continuity with his own God-inspired mission. He breathes on them the gift of the Holy Spirit and tells them that God will forgive those whom they forgive, and will "retain" or "seize hold of" the sins or transgressions of those whose sins or transgressions they "retain".

To seize hold of evil-doing is to expose it and deal with it. Sometimes it is best to forgive and simply allow everyone to move on. In other situations, amnesty only exacerbates the problems. Much of the enduring conflict in our world derives from the inability of ordinary people and of leaders to know how to deal with transgression.

The Holy Spirit is the unique source of our power to forgive, of our power to refrain from vengeance, and of our capacity to deal with or "seize hold of" the sins of the perpetrators of violence and abuse in our Church and in our world. Let us pray that the Spirit will guide us in the way of truth and give us the courage to deal with evil-doing in our midst.



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.

**Last and this weekend –
we welcome and congratulate all our
children celebrating First Eucharist.**



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: AOB@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."

PARISH DINNER.

Sunday 30th June at 5pm.

Father Bernie Costigan Centre

(Please add your name and number of attendees to
the list for catering purposes.)

No cost - free to all who wish to attend.

Children's Liturgy.

Today for Prep to Year 3 students. Held in the
Parish Centre during the Liturgy of the Word at the
9am. Mass. Rostered 16/6. Josh de Gee. 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 Outing –

A Visit to Parliament House. Tuesday, 18th June.
After the 9am. Mass, we will catch the CityExpress
Bus (330) from St. Joseph's Stop in Phillips Street
to the City Hall. After Morning Tea & an early lunch
& City Hall Tearooms., we'll board the Citycircle
Bus, arriving at Parliament House at 12.30 for the
tour (1- 2 pm). Everyone must produce Photo ID on
the day. Anyone wishing to attend, MUST contact

us by Thu. 13/6. Please also bring along your
GoCard. It will be an interesting day, so feel free to
join us for this outing. Enquiries: 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

Thank you.

"Earl wishes to sincerely thank all parishioners
whose prayers during his recent ordeal brought so
much comfort and peace. As a result he now prays
on a regular basis for all the thousands of people
who have to bear the pain of their trauma because
they have no one to pray for them in their time of
need."

Condolence.

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

Recently Deceased:

Memorial:

All our deceased family members
and friends.

Liturgy Roster.

Liturgy Preparation.

For weekend 22-23//6. Group 1. Enq. Margaret
Halpin. 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, 15-16//6. Group 6 .

Eucharistic Ministers.

For next weekend. Group 6.

Music Ministry.

For next weekend. Group 6.

Servers.

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

Counters Roster.

9/6. Group 5. Brian, Jan & Ann. 16/6. Group 6.
Bronwyn & Mike.

Newsletter Photocopying.

Rostered 15/6. Vicki .

Archdiocesan/Secular Calendar.

9-16/6. Pentecost Sunday. The Most Holy Trinity.
Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month.
Centacare CFRS. Mary Mother of the Church.
Saints Barnabas Apostle. Anthony of Padua.

Volunteers and Blue Cards.

Parish Volunteer Forms and Archdiocesan 'Code
of Ethical Behaviour' forms are available for
volunteers to sign. Please collect these forms
from Bronwyn at the Office, Terry or Margaret.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has implemented standards
of conduct for voluntary church workers to maintain a safe
and healthy ministry environment. Our commitment to
these standards requires that we conduct background
referencing for all persons who intend to engage in
voluntary ministry having direct and regular involvement
with children, young people and vulnerable adults. This
referencing is always kept up to date.

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.

Plenary Council 2020.

You are welcome to reflect on and submit your
response online at
www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au Let us pray for
the success of this Council.

Parish Pastoral Council.

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".

Nouwen Network.

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

RCIA.

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

Vocation Views.

The Holy Spirit is our advocate. He will speak of us
and give power to become the person God call us
to be. It is through the power of the Spirit that we
live out an authentic vocation. Say "Come Holy
Spirit" when you're in doubt, and He will come.

Prayer for Vocations.

Loving God,

With one voice we lift up our hearts
to thank you today for our lives,
our vocation and all your gifts to us.
Inspire us all to know and live our vocation.

Give courage to young people,
to listen and follow the call,
to serve you in the Archdiocese
as your priests, religious and lay ministers.

Bless us, your family of Brisbane.

Help those you call to listen
to what your Holy Spirit is saying to us.

Guide them to serve in your vineyard,
that they may fulfill your holy will and
make all things new.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Direct Credit Option Available!

Our preferred method for parish giving is via direct
debit to your credit card or bank account. However
should 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
will not be issued 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.

Rising Youth Ministry.

Ages 5 – 18 welcome. Enq. Lana

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 – Chermside 07 3624 2400****Living Well - Strathpine 07 3028 4648****St. Joseph's School.**

Mr Stokes' Farewell. We would love as many parents and past students who have had some connection with Mr. Mark Stokes to join us for a special assembly on Wed. 19/6 at 8:30am., to celebrate his long career, most of which has been at St Joseph's. There will be a morning tea for any attendees following the assembly if able to stay. If you are in contact with other staff, students and parents who you feel would love to join us, please invite them on our behalf.

Woolworths Earn & Learn is back! 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 school office. The more we collect, the more resources we can get for the school. Sticker sheets can be obtained from any Woolworths store, or the office. Thank you for your support. **Athletics Carnival 13-14/6. Fete 3/8.**

Trivia Night.

St. John Fisher College invites you to their Inaugural Trivia Night on Sat. 22/6 at the College from 6pm. Whip out the old sports uniform and book yourself a table for this fabulously fun event with all proceeds going to SJFC Sport. Food and drinks will be available for purchase on the night with heaps of great prizes to be won including; 24 Fit Bracken Ridge gym membership, Park Lane Jewellery, player signed Reds and Firebirds jersey, custom built kids cubby house, \$100 Coles Voucher, \$50 Athletes Foot Voucher, tickets to our Jags and Jazz event and much more. Bookings are essential and can be made online at: www.trybooking.com/BBWCT

Care for Creation.

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

Lawn Maintenance.

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

Volunteer Immersion Programme.

Are you between 18-35 years old and want to make a difference? Join us for the Canossian Australian Volunteer Immersion to Papua New Guinea from 23/6 – 3/7. This will be a formation based opportunity to help out in our Canossian mission in Port Moresby and to immerse yourself in another experience of life. Enq. Sr. Mel on 0484 007 508.

Special Collection for Victims of Easter -

Bombings in Sri Lanka. After Mass on 19 May, our parish took up a retiring collection to support some victims of the Easter bombings in Sri Lanka. Thank you to all the generous parishioners who

contributed to the total amount of \$789.75. Online donations can be made: www.aidtochurch.org/SriLanka or deposited into CAN's bank account: Account name: Aid to the Church in Need. Account number : 008601759 BSB: 012321.

Become a Prison Chaplain.

Centacare currently seeks expressions of interests from men and women who would be interested to know more about the work of chaplains. If you would like to discuss this role, call: Judy Norris on 3324 3193. A reference from your Parish Priest is required along with all Archdiocesan safeguarding compliance requirements including Blue Card and police check.

The Village-

- the Parish Mothers' Group will next meet on August 2. Any mother with a baby under the age of one is very welcome. Please contact Emma Beach on

The menALIVE MAX 19 weekend.

An Annual National Catholic Men's Conference Event. The theme this year is "INTO THE BREACH". The material and experience on the weekend is all NEW to previous years and comprehensively different to the parish weekends run nationally. Brisbane. 7.30pm. Friday 12 - 2pm. Sun 14/7. From \$275 per person includes 2 nights' accommodation 6 meals. Register now at <https://cvent.me/Koql2> or mail@menalive.org.au Peter 0404 496 405 or Robert 0412 745 734

Who Celebrates The Liturgy?

Tom O'Loughlin's work in Brisbane will focus on this simple question. It will help explore the meaning of the Vatican II liturgical principle of full, conscious, active participation in the liturgy by the whole assembled people of God. What is the role of the priest in the liturgy? How should we celebrate Sunday Mass? His presentations will help us rethink ministry and Christian life for the present age. Public Lecture. Wednesday 26/6. 7 to 8.30pm., in the Hanly Room at St Stephen's Cathedral (free parking available). Full details available online at <https://liturgybrisbaneworkshops.weebly.com/tom-oloughlin.html> Purchase tickets online: \$10 individual. [Click here to register and purchase individual tickets.](#) \$40 parish or school group (as many as you like). Day with priests. Thursday 27/6. 9.30am. to 3.3 pm. (lunch provided) at Xavier Room at the seminary. RSVP: clergy支持@bne.catholic.net.au

Vinnies Winter Appeal.

Many thanks to those who have already given. Donations so far have reached \$2500.15 with a promise of more to come! Donations will help those in need in our Parish of Bracken Ridge and Bald Hills. These people are visited by our local St. Vincent de Paul Conference (Members of our Parish.) Please leave your donation in an envelope at the back of the Church. If you require a receipt please request one by writing your name and address on the back of the envelope and a receipt will be provided. Thank you to all parishioners who have already donated. Enq. Jeff Walsh

Position Vacant – Parish Secretary (Job Share).

Applications are open for a position at St. Benedict's Parish, Northlake's. Candidates with excellent administration and secretarial skills are

required for a job share position of parish secretary for 18.2 hours a week. One candidate will be required to work Monday to Wednesday and the other candidate will be required to work Wednesday to Friday. Enq. Please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers. The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

News from Blackall.

The cold is setting in here with a vengeance today - right on time for Winter! The week after our beautiful Easter Celebrations, we welcomed the Rev Bishop Michael for the First Communion and Confirmation Ceremony for six young ones from St. Joseph's. Bishop Michael had a swag of meetings including property visits and Mass in Tambo. Since then, as a result of the hugely successful Lenten Retreat which we had in early March, we are organizing, with the support of the Verbum Dei Sisters in Brisbane, our very own Prayer Group which we are calling "School of Prayer". It will be a monthly meeting, starting 15/6, so please keep this group of people in your prayers. Last week Blackall was home to dozens of caravans for over a week while they were joining at least 1000 RVs to smash the current World Record on a continuous line of Rvs. This parade occurred along the Isisford-Barcardine Road, which is a long and almost straight country road. Finally, we are all looking forward to the five-day Better in Blackall festival including country music legend Troy Cassar-Daley and so much more. Maybe we will see you here? Thank you for being with us on the journey! Richest of Blessings. Moira.

Bo Sanchez I Brisbane.

The Light of Jesus Family invites you to its Grand Feast "Limitless" on the 6th of July from 4pm., at Springhill Conference Centre, 178 Springwood Rd., Springwood. Admission is FREE. Enq. Elvira Arpon 0432 307 992 or email egarpon@gmail.com

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.wwme.org.au

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

9th of June 2019. Pentecost Sunday.

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 table 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:-

Next meeting Sunday 16/6 in the Parish Centre from 4.30 – 6pm.

All students Years 4 – 6 welcome. Gold coin donation.

Enq Emma Beach



ROCK:-

Meeting today, Sunday 9/6 from 5 – 7.30pm., in the Parish Centre. We will be discussing Immersion experiences. All students from Grades 7 - 12 are welcome.

Enq Emma Beach



SALT:-

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

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: 60. Current number of Direct Debit Givers: 96. Thank you for your giving from last weekend:-

Envelopes	\$589.
Direct Debit	\$1467.
Loose	\$990.
Total	\$3046.

Budgeted Weekly Target: \$3404.

Average – Week 22.. \$3392.

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.

WAG (World Action Group)



Last weekend our Parish collected funds for the St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.



This week the buckets are back and we are collecting for Water Wells in South Sudan.



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.

Next gathering Monday 20/5.
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. Phillip



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