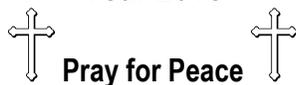


Year 2018



Pray for Peace

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

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**The Body and Blood of Christ  
3<sup>rd</sup> of June**

**Liturgical Calendar**

**Today:**

Year B. Mass prepared by Group 6.

**Readings:**

Exodus 24:3-8. Psalm 115. Hebrews 9:11-15.  
Mark 14:12-16,22-26.

**Next Week 9-10/6.**

Genesis 3:9-15. Psalm 129. 2 Corinthians  
4:13-5:1. Mark 3:20-35.

**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. 2 Peter 1:2-7. P.90. Mark 12:1-12.  
Tue. 2 Peter 3:11-15,17-18. P.89. Mark 12:18-27.  
Wed. 2. Tim. 1:1-3,6-12. P.122. Mark 12:18-27.  
Thu. 2. Timothy 2:8-15. P.24. Mark 12:28-34.  
Fri. Hosea 11:1,3-4,8-9. P. Luke 2:41-51.  
Sat. Isaiah 6:9-11. P. Luke 2:41-51.

**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-The Body and  
Blood of Christ Year B  
(Mark 14:12-16, 22-26)**

-Veronica Lawson RSM

The Gospel for today reminds us that we are in a "covenant" relationship with our God. We renew that covenant in every celebration of the Eucharist. The Israelites of old sealed their covenant with God in animal sacrifice, a practice we may wish to critique, and in the celebration of a meal (Exodus 24:1-12). The blood of the slain animal was sprinkled on the altar and on the people. The people knew that blood signified life: if blood spilled out then life spilled out. The altar signified God. The sprinkling of the blood denoted their shared life with God. They were called to be holy as God is holy. The symbolism of the Jewish covenant ritual informs today's Gospel story of Jesus' final Passover meal with his disciples. Through the actions and words of Jesus, the bread broken and shared becomes his body broken and "given" for them. The sharing of the cup of wine becomes their sharing in the life of Jesus "to be poured out for many". Bread and wine in this context have taken on a new meaning.

While all analogies fall short, we might begin to understand this mystery by considering the Eureka flag. The flag is constructed of fabric and thread. It is housed in the Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka and protected with the utmost care. Because of its associations with the Eureka rebellion and what Eureka stands for in Australian history and folklore, it carries the story that informs its creation as well as all the goodness of its fabric and thread. It has acquired multiple levels of meaning.

Through the actions and words of Jesus, the bread and wine of the Eucharist likewise signify something entirely new along with all the goodness of their materiality. They are Life for us, the shared life of the Risen Christ. We are called to bring that life to others, to give life for the sake of the many. Reading the passage in the context of Mark's gospel provides some insight into how we might do this.

The eleven preceding verses recount stories of contrasting responses to Jesus as he faces his final days: temple authorities plot to destroy him; an unnamed woman "breaks" an alabaster jar and "pours" the healing perfume on his head, thus anointing his body "for burial" through eucharistic action; Jesus declares that what she has done will be told "in remembrance of her"; a close friend seeks to betray him.

Betrayal and rejection are ever present possibilities even in Eucharistic communities. We are all too aware of this as we endeavour to address the consequences of child sexual abuse in our communities. We need to learn from the other possibility presented to us in this context, namely that of pouring out the healing perfume of compassion and love on our fractured Earth communities.

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

**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).



We pray for the following children who will receive First Eucharist. Sun. 3/6 at 11am.

Olwynn	Maryam
Kate	Meg
Loise	Edyn
Emilio	Sewmi
Grace	Alexander
Samantha	Jake
Ava	Grace
Samuel	Sejin
Telsha	Afram
Aram	Lachlan
Christopher	Mitchell
Samuel	Chase
Sienna	Amara .
Avani	Ruby
Malavika	Isabelle
Maria	Stephanie
Andre	Euan
Patric	Kathryn .

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.

#### Car Parking.

While the school is undergoing a building programme, it will be necessary to walk around the fencing as per the signs. The carparks closest to the church will be reserved for Senior parishioners and those with mobility issues. It will be necessary for many of us to use street parking. Please do not park other vehicles in when parking in the Church carpark, as people need to be able to leave in case of emergency. Please only park in the allocated spaces. There are many side streets available for parking: Waruda St., (with direct path access to the church grounds). Walu St., Elsergundo St., etc. Providing the ground is not too wet, parking will also be available on the school oval (off Phillips St.,) Thank you for your patience and understanding. Fr. Gerry Hefferan.

#### 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."*

#### 40th Anniversary Celebrations –

-St Joseph's School. This year St Joseph's School celebrates 40 years since we opened in 1978. I know that many of you have been part of our journey and some were even here on that first day. To celebrate this important milestone we will hold a day of activities on

Friday 8th June. You are invited to join our current senior students for a special Mass at 9am. Following Mass we will have a short assembly in the Fr. Bernie Costigan Centre and then guests will be able to view displays covering our history whilst enjoying some morning tea. I expect this will be completed by 11am. Our school would not be the community it is today without the support of many of you so please come along. You may see some old friends. Kind regards. Gary.

#### Seniors Monthly Get-Together.

Tue. 5/6. After the 9am. Mass, please bring a plate to share for morning tea. Guest Speaker: Marjorie McNamara, Home Assist, Sandgate. Marjorie's Presentation is titled "Community Pathways" and she will be advising us of the various programmes that are available to Seniors & how to contact the relevant agencies, for help & assistance. Enquiries & Transport: Therese & Ron Kissane

#### Children's Liturgy.

Sessions will recommence next term. At the 9am. Mass only. Enq. Barbara

#### Kindy Liturgy.

Sessions will be announced at the commencement of Mass. These sessions are held at the 9am. Mass only. Enq. 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 kept up to date at all times.

#### Volunteers and Blue Cards.

Parish Volunteer Form and an (Archdiocesan) 'Code of Ethical Behaviour' form for volunteers to sign. Please collect the forms from Bronwyn at the Office or Margaret.

#### 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 prayers in the 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.

#### Safeguarding Children and –

- Vulnerable Adults Training. There is another opportunity for anyone who needs to complete this training course: Banyo/Nundah Parish is hosting localised safeguarding training and have opened up the registration to surrounding parishes: Tuesday, 5/6. 6:30–8:30pm. At Holy Trinity Church, 352 St Vincent's Rd., Banyo. Anyone in our parish who needs to complete this training is most welcome to register to attend. If you would like to register, please contact Terry Tolhurst. Terry will facilitate the on-line registration process for you.

#### Liturgy Roster.

##### Liturgy Preparation.

For weekend 16-17/6. Group 2. Enq. Helen. 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, 9-10/6. Group 1. 6pm. P. Phillips. N. D'Souza. D. Griffiths. 7.30am. G. Endicott. L. McDonough. L. Olley. 9am. D. Riggall. S. Turner. N. Rao.

##### Eucharistic Ministers.

For next weekend. Group 1. 6pm. R. Kissane. M. Caruso. A. Fulton. A. Isaak. P. Ryan. 7.30am. J. & S. Rogers. J. & C. Van der Maat. K. Ryan. 9am. G. Cameron. K. Turner. N. Sheridan. E. Schneider-Loos. S. Turner.

##### Music Ministry.

For next weekend. Group 1. 6pm. L. & L. Esparcia. 7.30am. P. Olley. J. McCoy. 9am. S. & G. Fernandes.

##### Servers.

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

##### Counters Roster.

Group 1. 10/6. Philip, Peter & Sunil. Group 2. 17/6. Debbie, Matthew & Julian.

##### Newsletter Photocopying.

Rostered 9/6. Lynette D'Souza.

#### Archdiocesan/Secular Calendar.

3-10/6. The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Mabo Day. Queensland Day. Centacare CFRS. The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Saints Boniface. Marcellin Champagnat. Norbert.

#### Prayer Blog.

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

#### Our Library.

Just make your choice and write your name and the title of the book you are borrowing in the booklet provided.

### **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](mailto:bridge@bne.catholic.net.au) with the heading "For the attention of the Pastoral Council".

### **Care For Creation.**

Have you wondered what "Laudato Si' -- On Care for Our Common Home" is all about? Sr. Mary McDonald, of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan, is coming to our parish to help us learn more about that and how we can live it in our daily lives. She will be guest speaker in the Parish Centre at 3.30pm. Sat. 16/6. Cup of tea afterwards

### **@BNEArchdiocese Mobile App.**

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

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

"Our mission, as a Catholic school is to live our faith, recognising Jesus in each other. As such we reach out in compassion, embracing the dignity and diversity of all." This is what our school is about. We are a diverse group, coming from different backgrounds. This diversity is shown in the children. They have different needs and expectations and as a community, how we support our children may differ from one to another because of these differences. If we are to be a community, then we all should try to act in accordance with what we believe these words are saying. Through our support as adults, our children will be people of compassion who embrace the dignity and diversity of all. This is a pretty honourable mission for any Catholic school.

### **Queensland Churches Together.**

"Looking Beyond Division". Introduction to Ecumenism. 24-18/9. At the Australian Catholic University, Nudgee Road. Banyo. Applications due in by 31/8. Enq. and or Applications: Ray Williamson. [CLedger@csu.edu.au](mailto:CLedger@csu.edu.au) or ph: 02 6272 6201. The Joint Churches Domestic Violence Prevention Project (JCDVPP), have produced a book "Questions Women Ask about Domestic Violence and Christian Beliefs" (cover attached). The book is primarily aimed at victims and survivors of Domestic Violence, but is also an invaluable resource for clergy and pastoral care workers in their support of victims of abuse. The book discusses what are believed to be the key questions that women of faith wrestle with as they attempt to make sense of what is happening to them in an abusive relationship and to make decisions about the kind of future they want for themselves and their children. The book costs \$6. All proceeds will go towards creating training material on DV prevention. Please email QCT if you would like to place any orders for the book. Jackie at [admin@gct.org.au](mailto:admin@gct.org.au)

### **Our Parish Newsletter online.**

<http://www.stjosephsbrackenridge.com/parish-newsletter.html>

### **Thank you to the parish for –**

- the generous support of the youth initiative to raise money (\$827.85) for Brisbane Youth Services. The Joyful, Joyful Talent Night was a wonderful experience due to the hard working youth and joyful audience.

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

At the end of February 2018, the parish published the final weekly update on the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and committed to monitoring internet sources for new information and providing it through the parish newsletter. This is our follow on. The Catholic Church will join National Redress Scheme with the Australian Catholic Bishops and Catholic Religious Australia, issuing a press release on Wednesday 30th May. The press release is at <http://bit.ly/ACBC30052018> The press release focuses on participation in the national redress scheme for survivors of child sexual abuse. Once more details are received, our Parish Facebook page and our parish newsletter will provide links for access. Fr. Gerry Hefferan. Specialist Support Updated:  
Director of Professional Standards Office (Qld).

Helpline 1800 337 928.

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Centacare Family and Relationship Services Brisbane. 3251 5000

Lifeline.

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### **St. Vincent de Paul Winter Collection.**

This will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend 9-10/6. Many thanks for your continuing support.

### **COSSAG Art Awards 2018.**

"I Thirst ..." Opening Night 15/6 at 6pm. Final Exhibition 15/6-18/6. 10am. – 4pm. At the Francis Rush Centre at the Cathedral of St. Stephen. Enq. [cossagart@gmail.com](mailto:cossagart@gmail.com)

### **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.

### **Your Word is a lam to my feet and a light-**

to my Path. (Psalm 119:105). Come to the Lord. He invites us all. ONE DAT RETREAT. Sat. 16/6. 9.30am. – 4pm. At Holy Spirit Church, Sparkes Rd., Bray Park. Conducted by Fr. Rony George VC. All welcome. Teac/coffee provided. Please bring a plate to share. Enq. 0473 117 209 or visit website [www.divinerewreatcentre.or.au](http://www.divinerewreatcentre.or.au) All welcome.

### **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land.**

28/8 – 11/11/18. Enq. Magi Pilgrimages. Ph: 1300 721 561 or email: [info@magiholidays.com.au](mailto:info@magiholidays.com.au)

### **Vocation Views.**

Through the ministry of our ordained priests, we receive Holy Communion. Through the Body and Blood of Christ, we are made one body: to become Christ-like ... purified ... ready to serve. Pray for Vocations.

### **Nouwen Network.**

The Nouwen's purpose is to support all those suffering from mental illness and their families, across all faith communities. Next gathering Wed. 6/6 at 12.30pm., at Café Espresso, 351 Beams Rd., Taigum. Enq. Gloria

### **RCIA.**

Enq. Margaret Halpin

### **Grail Women of Vision.** (Today)

Join the Grail in Brisbane to celebrate the life of Maria de Lourdes Pintasilgo (1930 – 2014) first woman Prime Minister of Portugal 1979. Sunday 3rd June 2-4 pm at Justice Place, 5 Abingdon St, Woolloongabba. Short walk from Boggo Rd Station or Bus 66 from Roma St Station. Rsvp [aboudann@gmail.com](mailto:aboudann@gmail.com) or text 0400344921. Afternoon tea – all welcome.

### **New Socks and Warm Beanie Appeal -**

-to support those in our local area and our City who are struggling at this time. Socks (dark colours are best) and beanies will be distributed to those in need through Paddy's Van at Shorncliffe, Rosies at Caboolture & the Ecumenical Coffee Brigade at Spring Hill. Socks and beanies must be new. A large plastic storage box will be available at the back of the church until the end of May. Your support will be greatly appreciated by those who find themselves without a place to call home this winter. Our warm donations will help lift hearts and spirits. Please do not leave any other items of clothing in the box. SVDP shops at Sandgate & Brighton welcome all other donations of clothing. With gratitude Helen Hickey Enq. Parish office: 3261 3670.

### **Feel The Beat -**

-with Julie McCoy's Community Zumba Fitness Class on the First Sunday of each month in the Parish Centre at 7pm. Julie is a certified Zumba Fitness Instructor. All ages & fitness levels welcome. Please wear comfortable work out gear and joggers. Next session 3/6.

### 3 June 2018—Body and Blood of Christ

Our Parish Family—Sister Parish with Blackall-Tambo Parish in the Diocese of Rockhampton & supporting the villagers of Amartnhom, Piny Path, Dhieuwel, Panamat, Dulo Boma, Titagok, Bori, Nynilel and Majok in the Parish Mission of Mapuordit, South Sudan—Patroness St Josephine Bakhita—

Next wells to be drilled at Igilish and Guroun

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

#### QUICK REFERENCE ...



#### Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Prevention and Protection Policy Statement

...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10:14

Children, young people and vulnerable adults 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.

Thank you for your support in returning your documentation to the parish office. Should you be unsure about the requirements for your ministry, please contact Terry Tolhurst Mobile [redacted]

#### SVDP

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

#### St Josephs Craft Group

Our Craft Group meets on the 3rd Monday of every month after the 9am Mass 9.30-11.30am.  
Next gathering Monday 18 June.  
Enq Jan [redacted] or Jan [redacted]

#### Date Claimer

#### St Joseph's Fete

Saturday 4 August 2018



#### Friday Night Prayer Vigils

Quiet prayer and reflection in the Church  
7-8pm each Friday night All welcome

#### WAG (World Action Group) Update

Last weekend we collected \$199.05 for the support of Blackall/Tambo Parish.

This week we are collecting for Water Wells in South Sudan.

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

Enquiries to Terry and Rita Tolhurst [redacted]

#### Youth Groups

**Blitz:-** next gathering Sunday 3 June

All children in years 4-6 are welcome to join us in the Parish Centre 4.30-6pm. —Gold coin donation.

Enq Emma Beach [redacted]

**ROCK:-** next gathering Sunday 10 June  
5-7pm in the Parish Centre.

All high school students between years 7-12 welcome  
Enq Emma Beach [redacted]

**SALT** Young Adults Group (Ages: 18 to 30).

Details to come for next gathering

Enq Jess [redacted]

#### 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 [redacted]

#### Women's Prayer Group

Held Wednesdays in the Church from 9.30-10.30 followed by a cuppa

...All Welcome ...Enquiries Margaret [redacted]

#### 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—68

Current number of Direct Debit Givers—93

Thank you for your giving from last weekend:-

Envelopes	\$772
Direct Debit	\$1643
Loose	\$1180
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3595</b>

<i>Budgeted Weekly Target</i>	\$3462
<i>Average – Week 21</i>	\$3424

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)

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