



ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 14 - 15 DECEMBER 2024 YEAR C

**RESPONSE: CRY OUT WITH JOY AND GLADNESS:
FOR AMONG YOU IS THE GREAT AND HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
He sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!**



St Paul's Catholic Community Mission Statement



We gather in the Spirit of Jesus as a welcoming, friendly and caring community of many cultures and backgrounds to live the Gospel relevantly as we respond to the needs of Logan City.

We value wide participation and collaboration of all ages and cultures in community, worship and outreach.

We seek opportunities to grow to a full communion of Christians as we live the Gospel in our daily lives. We strive to become a more vital Christian community by developing relationships of love justice and peace in our families, society and all of God's creation.

PARISH INFORMATION

Website: www.stpaul'swoodridge.org

Parish Priest **FR LADU JAMES YANGA** Ph (07) 3808 4134
 Presbytery 75 Ewing Road, Woodridge Ph 3808 7661 (8pm-8am)

Parish Office **3 St Paul's Drive, Woodridge** Ph 3808 4134
 Postal Address **PO Box 98 Woodridge 411 4**
 Email Address **woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au**

Office Hours **Monday-Friday 10am-4:30pm**

Parish Secretary **Nelda Ward-Naughton** Ph (07) 3808 4134
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 Pastoral Council Chairman: **Peter Geidamovics**
 Email: **pastoral.woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au**

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St Paul's Primary School Email: pwoodridge@bne.catholic.edu.au

RCIA Coordinator: **Tess Vethecan**

Choir Co-ordinator: **Sally Pa'apa'a**

Care & Concern: **Sally Pa'apa'a**

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 Email: **safeguarding.woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au**

Custodians Coordinator: Marina Ene

Email: **stpaulcustodian@gmail.com**

St Vincent de Paul Helpline - 1800 846 643

Custodians on duty

9-15 Dec 24 **Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau**

16- 22 Dec 24 **Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a**

23- 29 Dec 24 **Costello & Ula Afakasi**

Parish Caretaker: **Glen Reiha**

Parish Liaison Officer to ROSIES: **Margaret Harvey** Mob: 0411 300 209

BAPTISM PREPARATION

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

OF THE WORD

Sunday 9am except school holidays.



MARRIAGE PREPARATION

By appointment with priest



WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

9 AM — MONDAY-WED-THU-FRIDAY-

SATURDAY

TUESDAYS - NO MASS

The Rosary and Divine Mercy prayers are said before these Masses.

HEALING MASS - 9AM 1st Wednesday of the month

TRINDER PARK AGED CARE MASS—1:30 pm - 1st Friday of the month

ARCARE AGED CARE SLACKS CREEK MASS—11am—2nd Thursday of the month

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

6PM SATURDAY

SUNDAY 7.30AM & 9AM

SYRIAC MASS —SUNDAYS 4-8PM

AFRICAN MASS—3rd SUNDAY 12PM

RECONCILIATION

Sat: 5.15pm-5.45pm or by appointment with Priest

BENEDICTION - Fridays after 9am Mass and during Our Lady of Fatima devotions on the 13th of each month

PRAYER GROUPS:

Divine Mercy – Mondays 5:30pm-9:30pm—Church

Marian Cenacle - Wed 9.30am -Church

Confraternity of Our Lady Help of Christians - Fridays, 10am - Meeting Room

Adorers of the Eucharist -7:30 pm every 1st Friday of the month - Church

Holy Trinity (Charismatic) -10am— 2nd Sunday of the month- Meeting Room

Our Lady of Fatima every 13th of the month, 6:30pm—Church

Maria Rosay Group –2pm every 1st Friday of the month - Meeting Room



Please obtain the required forms from the Parish Office via email, or in person, Complete and submit the forms along with the applicant's birth certificate ahead of the actual baptism preparation meeting with Parish Priest. at 3pm every Wednesday. Booking for a meeting with Parish Priest is essential. Baptisms are celebrated individually Baptism—Sundays

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:

Small hosts – 6 jars (1,000 count)	- \$161.70
Medium hosts – 4 boxes of 50 pcs.	- 55.80
Large hosts – 3 boxes of 10 pcs	- 44.85
Electricity – church shared w/ school/month	-422.65
Origin – presbytery-quarterly	- 186.16
AGL – presbytery – quarterly	- 137.53
Industrial bin collection-monthly	- 1,094.46
Rates – presbytery & 10 Jean St	- 1,153.28
Rates - church shared w/ school/quarterly-	1,350.44
Jani King– cleaners for church facilities/mo	- 762.12
Office internet & telephone –monthly	- 329.15
Liturgia – yearly subscription	- 295.00
Repairs & Maintenance – Church	1,010.86
Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery	<u>-27,005.00</u>
Total Operating Expenses -	\$34,009.00

Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time

Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$2,041.55. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.

GOOD NEWS! FR LADU JAMES YANGA – offers to do 10 Weddings for free at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. Please call (07) 3808 4134 for information.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS FOR PARISH RENOVATIONS AND REPAIRS –

- 1.) Samoan Community - \$500.00
- 2.) Holy Trinity Choir - \$1,000.00
- 3.) Marian Cenacle Prayer Group - \$1,000.00
- 4.) Patricia Margaret O'Brien - \$2,000.00
- 5.) Zomi Catholic Community - \$2,000.00

May God continue to bless you for your generosity and to all those who have given their support in one way or another. God bless you all – Fr Ladu.

CHRISTMAS SEASON MASSES AND CONFESSIONS – 2024:

2nd Rite of Reconciliation – Wednesday, 18 December 2024 at 6:00 pm.

1st Rite of Reconciliation – Saturday, 21 December 2024 – 5:15 pm to 5:45 pm.

Christmas Eve – Tuesday, 24 December 2024

No Morning Mass

6:00 pm – Children's Mass

5:30 pm – Christmas Carols – Samoan Comm Choir

12:00 am – Midnight Parish Mass – 25 December 2024

11:30pm – Midnight Christmas Carols – Divine Mercy Choir

Christmas Day Mass – Wednesday, 25 December 2024

9:00 am Parish Mass

8:30am Christmas Carols – St Cecilia's Choir

New Year's Day – Wednesday, 1 January 2025

9:00 am Parish Mass

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Luke 3:10-18

John went on to define his mission, putting to bed ideas he was aware of that people thought he might be the Messiah. To better understand what he was saying we do well to ditch the word “baptize” because of its association in our minds with sacramental baptism. John was not administering Christian sacramental baptism. The verb *baptizo* in Greek means to dip, duck, immerse, mostly in water. The verb has been used to describe cities being flooded, and metaphorically as people getting into deep water when things in their life were slipping out of control.

So, in answer to questions John said that he immersed people in water as a physical sign of their willingness to wash and clean up their lives with a change of heart (a *metanoia*) and a return to the Lord.

Baptized and committed to Christ we have been steeped in the Holy Spirit and we live out this state through the quality of our relationships. The heart of the Christ message is love, but love is a doing word; it can only work when it is brought into action through the many gracious ways we engage with others. Love works truly when it is given away and it is authentic when it is not motivated by a ‘why’. Hoping to gain something from giving only devalues the gift. Let's take a lesson from our dog who goes on giving with unconditional dedication and love.

– Laurie Woods.

POOR BOX – last weekend is \$104.10. Thank you.

ST PAUL'S PARISH, WOODRIDGE BANK DETAILS:

For those who wish to donate directly online-Thank you.

Account Name: St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge

BSB: 064 786

Account Number: 100 001046

The most
enduring gift this
Christmas



When you leave a gift to our parish in your Will, you become an Eternal Guardian of your faith and bring the light of Christ to future generations.



ROSTERS

CLEANERS – DECEMBER 2024 & JANUARY 2025

13-14 December 2024: Sia Save Family
20-21 December 2024: Burmese Community
27-28 December 2024: Burundian Community
3-4 January 2025: Divine Mercy Group

READERS THIS WEEK: 14/15 DECEMBER 2024

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Rebecca De Los Ama	Marina Ene	Divine Mercy
Julita Jaurigue	Jeannie Stehr	Choir
	Sally Pa'apa'a	

READERS NEXT WEEK: 21/22 DECEMBER 2024

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Bernie Beswick	Lua Siasau	St Paul's Tongan
Pesi Silao	Theresa Tominiko	Choir
	Atele Ula	

THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 14/15 DECEMBER 2024 (3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YR C)

1. 1st Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18
2. 2nd Reading: Philippians 4:4-7
3. Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS– 21/22 DECEMBER 2024 (4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YR C)

1. 1st Reading: Micah 5:1-4
2. 2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10
3. Gospel: Luke 1:39-44

PIETY STORE – Opening hours are: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 am – 10:30 am. Saturdays: 6:45 pm, Sundays: 8:15 am and 10 am.



"What ought we to do?" Let joy and gladness show forth in you. You are called to be the presence of Jesus. (Luke 3:10-18). To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane, by calling 1300 133 544 or by email vocation@bne.catholic.net.au

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD/ANNIVERSARIES – We pray for all the holy souls in purgatory, our family members, our friends, and people who have died in Ukraine, Israel, & Gaza. May they rest in peace.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK – We pray for God's healing touch for Elaine STEVENS, Reba WILSON, Vincent VETHECAN, Bev ANDERSON, Maureen SMITH, Helen GAINNEY, Abner TAGALA, Vick NORONHA, and all the sick of the parish. May the healing power of Jesus Christ breathe across your being now.

ST PAUL'S PARISH CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT – Saturday, 21st of December 2024 at 7:00 pm in Fr David Batey's Hall. Everyone is invited to please come along and bring a plate to share. Let us celebrate the birthday of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

ST PAUL'S CHRISTMAS RAFFLE – will be drawn after Christmas Eve Mass on 24th of December 2024.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Third Prize is yet to be announced as it has changed.

Prizes:

First Prize – Mass Set

Second Prize – Holy Family Statue

Third Prize – to be announced

Tickets on sale for a \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for six tickets. All proceeds will go towards Sacristy renovations and Parish Maintenance. Thank you.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: PASTORAL OR FINANCE COUNCIL –

The Parish is currently seeking volunteers to join the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council in 2025. If you are interested in joining one of the two councils and you are able and willing to obtain a Blue Card and police check, please provide an Expression of Interest letter addressed to Chairman of Pastoral Council & Chairman of Finance Council stating the following points:

- Why you are interested in joining your selected council (Pastoral or Finance)

- Why you would be suitable for the role

- Skills you have that are suitable for the role

The closing day for this EOI is 4:00 pm, Friday, 20th of December 2024.

All correspondence emailed to Woodridge Pastoral Council– pastoral.woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au or provided to the Parish office in a sealed envelope.

DAD'S JOKE: IAN ALLEN

Diner: How often do you change the tablecloths here?

Waiter: I don't know, sir, I've only been here six months.

PRAYERS FOR YOU:

I will love You, O Lord, my Strength. The Lord is my Rock and my Fortress and my Deliverer; my God, my Strength, in whom I will trust; my Shield and the Horn of my salvation, my Stronghold.

- Psalm 18:1-2

CATHOLIC SECTOR BACKS AMA PUSH FOR GREATER ACCESS TO OUT-OF-HOSPITAL CARE:

Catholic Health Australia is supporting the Australian Medical Association's call for greater access to out-of-hospital care for patients, outlined in its position paper that has been released.

Source: CathNews



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RUMMIKUB = Wednesdays 10am-3pm in Room 1 at the Adult Ed Centre Cost:
2 BYO Lunch Contact Reba 0403 482 210 or Anne 0403 300 660.

CARPET BOWLS - Every Thursday 10-12pm in the Fr David Batey Hall.
Joining fee \$2 Session \$4 Contact Connie on 0423 004 684

TAI CHI CLASS - Thursdays 5pm-6pm in Fr David Batey Hall with Joseph
Cheng - 0434 445 678.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL MIGRATION ADVICE SERVICE - This FREE service
of a Migration Agent/Lawyer is offered on the 1st Saturday of each
month from 10am-1pm in the Meeting Room at St Paul's Parish,
Woodridge. An Appointment is essential. This advisory service is for
those who cannot afford the services of a migration agent/lawyer. Please ring 1
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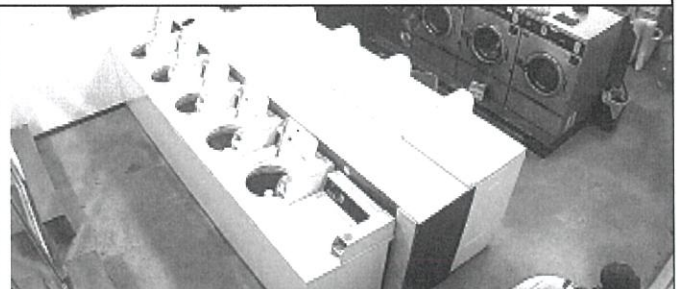
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