

# ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE

### 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 16-17 NOVEMBER 2024 YEAR B

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RESPONSE: KEEP ME SAFE, O GOD; YOU ARE MY HOPE.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

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#### 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

FR LADU JAMES YANGA Ph (07) 3808 4134 Parish Priest 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 Administration Officer Mary Ann Policios Barbour Ph (07) 3808 4134

Pastoral Council Chairman: Peter Geidamovics

Pastoral Council Secretary: Marina Ene

St Paul's School Principal: Helen Boyes Ph (07) 3208 2868 St Paul's Primary School Email: pwoodridge@bne.catholic.edu.au

Choir Co-ordinator: Sally Pa'apa'a Care & Concern: Sally Pa'apa'a

WH&S & Local Safeguarding Officer: Marina Ene

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

**Custodians Coordinator:** Marina Ene

> stpaulcustodian@gmail.com Email:

> > Custodians on duty Costello & Ula Afakasi

11 -17 Nov 24 18-24 Nov 24 Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau 25 Nov -1 Dec 24 Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a

Parish Caretaker: Glen Reiha

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

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Sunday 9am except school holidays.



MARRIAGE

appointment with priest



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

PREPARATION

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 meetiing with Parish Priest. at 3pm every Wednesday. Booking for a meeting with Parish Priest is essential. Baptisms are celebrated individually Baptism—Sundays

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 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-

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

#### **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:

 Small hosts - 6 bags (1,000 count)
 - \$119.70

 Medium hosts - 4 boxes of 50 pcs.
 - 55.80

 Large hosts - 5 boxes of 10 pcs
 - 74.75

Electricity – church shared w/ school/month -203.36

Origin – church & presbytery-quarterly - 992.84

AGL – presbytery – quarterly - 137.53

Industrial bin collection-monthly - 1,207.63 Rates – presbytery & 10 Jean St - 1,153.28

Rates - church shared w/ school/quarterly- 1,360.00

Jani King- cleaners for church facilities/mo - 762.12

Office internet & telephone –monthly - 329.15
Liturgia – yearly subscription - 295.00

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Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery –34,953.45

**Total Operating Expenses - \$47,794.82** 

Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$2,848.00. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.

THANK YOU! — to all those who have made the First Holy Communion celebration possible — to the 20 First Communicants and their parents/carers, their families, FR LADU JAMES YANGA, the Sacramental Team, St Mother Teresa Choir, Altar Server, Care and Concern and to all those who help out. Well done and God bless us all.

ST PAUL'S CHRISTMAS CAROL PRACTICE: Sunday, 17 November 2024, after 9:00 am Mass in the church.

Wednesday, 20 November 2024, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm for final rehearsal in the church.

Uniform: Christmas t-shirt any colour with black pants or skirt. For more information please contact Pastoral Council.

POOR BOX - last weekend is \$139.20. Thank you.

ST PAUL'S CHRISTMAS SHOP – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>st</sup> of December 2024. All proceeds will go towards parish maintenance.

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.

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

**GOSPEL REFLECTION: Mark 13:24-32** 

This chapter of Mark has been noticeably influenced by ancient prophecy. The language of the sun and moon being darkened and the stars falling from the sky is found in Isaiah 13:10, 34:4, Ezekiel 32:7-8 and elsewhere in biblical prophecy. These expressions are meant to describe cosmic events that mark the Lord's intervention to punish lands and empires that were enemies of Israel. It is typical of ancient Israelite belief that Israel was God's favourite and as such would benefit from divine protection.

The description of the Son of Man coming in power and glory as God's envoy is also straight from the apocalyptic visions in the book of Daniel. The phrase 'son of man' is a Hebrew expression that simply means a human being: ben adam in Hebrew and bar enash in Aramaic. The Son of Man figure in Daniel has the role of saving the elect, those committed to the values of the reign of God, from destruction. This Son of Man will come on the clouds in power and glory in contrast to the four beasts in Daniel who will come from the sea. Mark emphasises the special nature of this human figure by telling us He has the power to send angels to gather in the chosen ones from wherever they may be scattered.

In view of the fact that the ancient Hebrews did not have a cosmological knowledge of space and the universe like modern astronomers we cannot take these prophetic signs literally. These are expressions from the poetry of mythology that are trying to depict a universe disintegrating at the end of time, the biblical 'day of the Lord'. Questions we might ask about what will actually happen really don't fit into our reading of this Scripture and the question about when all this will take place is answered by Jesus Himself who admits He does not know.

Our takeaway could well be a resolution to do our best today to prepare for tomorrow. Jesus is talking about being mentally, physically and spiritually prepared for whatever may take place. Being ready is an action not a feeling. It is accepting the unknown but doing our best to grow to our potential in integrity and compassion in all our relationships.

Laurie Woods.

ST PAUL'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY PLANNING MEETING – will be held on Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> of December 2024 after 9:00 am Mass. Calling all team members to please attend.

AFRICAN MASS – on Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> of November 2024, 12:00 pm at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge and will be celebrated by FR LADU JAMES YANGA. All are welcome

ST PAUL'S CANUNGRA PILGRIMAGE – for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on 12<sup>th</sup> of December 2024. Bus leaves at 8:30 am from St Paul's Catholic Parish and depart from Canungra at 2:30 pm.

Cost: \$25.00 per person Please contact Adela Eastell.

#### ROSTERS

#### CLEANERS - NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2024

15-16 November 2024: Sri Lankan Community 22-23 November 2024: Samoan Women's Group

29-30 November 2024: Veamatahau & Ioane Family

6-7 December 2024: Syriac Community

#### READERS THIS WEEK: 16/17 NOVEMBER 2024 6PM 7:30AM 9AM

Rebecca Delos Ama Julita Jaurigue

Marina Ene Jeannie Stehr Divine Mercy Choir

Sally Pa'apa'a

#### READERS NEXT WEEK: 23/24 NOVEMBER 2024 6PM

7:30AM

9AM

Bernie Beswick Pesi Silao

Lua Siasau

St Paul's Tongan Choir

Atele Ula

Theresa Tominiko

#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 16/17 NOVEMBER 2024 (33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YR B)

1. 1st Reading:

Daniel 12:1-3

2. 2nd Reading:

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

3. Gospel:

Mark 13:24-32

#### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS-23/24 NOVEMBER 2024 (OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - YR B)

1. 1st Reading:

Daniel 7:13-14

2. 2nd Reading: 3. Gospel:

Revelation 1:5-8 John 18:33-37

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.

vocation 'As I keep the Lord ever in my sight ... my heart rejoices, my soul is glad ... You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in Your presence.'. Let our vocation be to be one with God forever. 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 Teresita ARRASTIA, all our November offerings, 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 GAINEY, Abner TAGALA, Vick NORONHA, and all the sick of the parish. May the healing power of Jesus Christ breathe across your being now.

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SEWING CLASS:

Registration is now open for St Vincent de Paul Sewing Class 2025. New class will start on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February. Please call Bev on 0408 738 759.

#### 2024 YOUTH THEOLOGY OF THE BODY RETREAT 2024:

Join us for a joyful two-day retreat exploring the fullness of love, life and purpose.

St Francis Hall, Dutton Park Parish on 12-13 December. Cost: \$30.00 incl meals. For 14-19 yr olds. Participants need to be at all sessions. Limited spaces available, please get in quick.

To register or any queries:

hannah@realtalkaustralia.com

#### WEATHERING THE STORM - A COUPLES **WORKSHOP:** Embracing psychology Christian faith to help you enhance your relationship.

Presented by ELLA MIZZI, Counsellor, Speaker, Educator.

Together explore your: Childhood patterns. Triggers and coping skills, Vision and Mindset Values, hopes and goals.

Together learn improve: Awareness, and Understanding, Compassion, Communication. Conflict resolution, & Commitment.

When: 23rd of November 2024

Time: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Place: Darra Jindalee Parish Hall, 111 Yallambee

Road, Jindalee.

**Donation:** \$50/couple - includes resources and morning tea (BYO lunch).

Places are limited please email ella.mizzi@outlook.com for more details and to secure your booking.

ATTENDANCE BY TICKET ONLY.

#### JOKE: IAN ALLEN

A man went into a butchers and said, 'I bet you f100 you can't reach that meat on the top shelf without a ladder.'

The butcher thought for a minute and said, 'No bet - the steaks are too high.'

#### PRAYERS FOR YOU:

Lord, right now I feel so overwhelmed. Help me to rest in You. Help me to remember that You love me, that You are with me even in my deepest heartaches. Help me to remember Your promise that nothing "will be able to separate me from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Romans 8:39 NASB

#### 2025 AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE:

Registrations are now open for the 2025 Australian Catholic Education Conference. This year's theme is 'Hope, anchored in faith'.

When: Wednesday, 20 August - Friday 22 August 2025 at Cairns Convention Centre.

Please visit 2025acec.edu.au



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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 1 800 846 643 between 6pm and 9pm.