



# ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 21 - 22 DECEMBER 2024 YEAR C

**RESPONSE: LORD, MAKE US TURN TO YOU; LET US SEE YOUR FACE AND WE SHALL BE SAVED.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the servant of the Lord: may His will for me be done. 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](http://www.stpaul'swoodridge.org)

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**St Vincent de Paul Helpline - 1800 846 643**

**Custodians on duty**  
 16—22 Dec 24 **Costello & Ula Afakasi**  
 23— 29 Dec 24 **Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a**  
 30 Dec 24 – 5 Jan 25 **Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau**  
 Parish Caretaker: **Glen Reiha**  
 Parish Liaison Officer to ROSIES: **Margaret Harvey** Mob: 0411 300 209

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

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

#### OF THE WORD

Sunday 9am except school holidays.



### 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 Rosary Group —2pm every 1st Friday of the month - Meeting Room

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION

By appointment with priest



## 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>-24,550.00</u>
Total Operating Expenses -	\$31,554.00

Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time

Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$2,597.50. 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.

**CHRISTMAS MASSES AND CONFESSION– 2024:**  
1<sup>st</sup> 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

### IMPORTANT NOTE:

There will be no Masses in the morning from Thursday to Saturday on 26-28 December 2024, and, 6:00 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, 28 December 2024 will be celebrated by FR LADU JAMES YANGA and Holy Family Masses on Sunday, 29 December 2024 at 7:30 am and 9:00 am.

ST PAUL'S PARISH OFFICE – will be closed from Monday midday, 23 December 2024, and will reopen on Monday, 30 December 2024.

### GOSPEL REFLECTION: Luke 1:39-44

This episode has all the characteristics of a parable designed to create in the listener a deep appreciation of people whose lives are in harmony with the divine as they play a ready part in cooperating with the Spirit. In his Infancy Narrative Luke connects John and Jesus and draws up their two lives in parallel. He details the two annunciations- one to Zechariah, John's father, and one to Mary; the two prophecies of the careers of John and Jesus, the births of the two boys and then, later, the meeting of John and Jesus as adults engaged in similar missions.

In today's episode of the Visitation Luke connects John and Jesus through the meeting and association of Elizabeth and Mary. Why does he emphasise this connection when no other gospel writer draws attention to it? Luke is depicting the roles of John and Jesus in the context and history of the Jewish people. He presents John as the last of the Hebrew prophets, the last towering figure of the Old Testament, and Jesus as the outstanding first figure of the New.

In today's gospel we see a simple act of hospitality between two women. Mary reaching out to be with Elizabeth in the period of her pregnancy and Elizabeth embracing Mary as a chosen one of God. Each one showing unadorned but genuine respect for the other; both mindful of God in their lives.

– Laurie Woods.

**THANK YOU** – to St Paul's Divine Mercy Chr for their donation of \$1,000.00 for parish repairs & maintenance.

### ST PAUL'S PARISH, WOODRIDGE BANK DETAILS:

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## ROSTERS

### CLEANERS – DECEMBER 2024 & JANUARY 2025

20-21 December 2024: Burmese Community  
27-28 December 2024: Burundian Community  
3-4 January 2025: Divine Mercy Group  
10-11 January 2025: Veamatahau & Ioane Family

### READERS THIS WEEK: 21/22 DECEMBER 2024

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Rebecca De Los Ama Julita Jaurigue	Lua Siasau Theresa Tominiko Atele Ula	St Paul's Tongan Choir

### READERS NEXT WEEK: 28/29 DECEMBER 2024

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Bernie Beswick Pesi Silao	Lua Siasau Atele Ula Sally Pa'apa'a	Samoan Community Choir

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 21/22 DECEMBER 2024 (4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YR C)

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

### CHRISTMAS READINGS:

1. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 9:1-7
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Titus 2:11-14
3. Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS— 28/29 DECEMBER 2024 (HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH SUNDAY – YR C)

1. 1st Reading: 1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24
3. Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

**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.



Mary trusted that the Lord's words to her would be fulfilled. Step out in faith and God will be there to guide you. (Luke 1:39-44). To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane, by calling 1300 133 544 or by email [vocation@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto: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 Reba WILSON, Bev ANDERSON, Abner TAGALA, and all the sick of the parish. May the healing power of Jesus Christ breathe across your being now.

**BAPTISM** – Congratulations and welcome into our faith community, CLEMENT JOSEPH JUNIOR DUKU & FORREST OTIS HUNT who will be baptised by Fr LADU JAMES YANGA on Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> of December 2024. Our prayers and warm wishes are extended to your parents, Godparents, extended families and friends.

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

**Prizes:**

- First Prize – Mass Set
- Second Prize – Holy Family Statue
- Third Prize – Family Hamper

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.

**POOR BOX** – last weekend is \$95.60. Thank you.

### DAD JOKES: IAN ALLEN

**Surgeon:** Now just relax, there's no need to worry.

**Patient:** But it's my first operation and I'm really nervous.

**Surgeon:** Well, it's my first operation and I'm not nervous at all.

### PRAYERS FOR YOU:

Hear my voice, O God, in my meditation; preserve my life from fear of the enemy. Hide me from the secret plots of the wicked, from the rebellion of the workers of iniquity.

- Psalm 64:1-2

### PROMULGATION OF THE SYNOD24 ACTION PLANS:

In response to the two highly successful SYNOD24 sessions in September and October 2024, Archbishop Mark Coleridge has promulgated the SYNOD24 Action Plans. Honouring the journey we have all been on since 2019, these 50 actions give clear guidance on how we, as the Archdiocese of Brisbane, can implement the Australian Plenary Council Decrees.

This is a significant milestone for us all to celebrate, as the Archbishop explains in his introduction, "this is a document not just for some. It is for everyone; and I urge all parishes, communities, agencies and individuals to read and reflect upon the action plans and to be as creative as possible in implementing them."

To download your copy of the SYNOD24 Action Plans: Implementing the Plenary Council Decrees, please visit – [www.aobsynod2024.com](http://www.aobsynod2024.com).



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