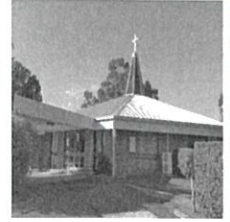




ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
22 - 23 FEBRUARY 2025 YEAR C



RESPONSE: THE LORD IS KIND AND MERCIFUL.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment; love one another as I have loved you. 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
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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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Email: **pastoral.woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au**

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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

17 - 23 Feb 25 **Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau**

24 Feb - 2 Mar 25 **Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a**

3 - 9 Mar 25 **Costello & Ula Afakasi**

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.



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

BURMESE MASS- 1STSUNDAY 11AM

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, 6:30 pm—Church

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:

Small hosts – 6 jars (1,000 count)	- \$161.70
Medium hosts – 3 boxes of 50 pcs.	- 41.85
Large hosts – 10 boxes of 10 pcs	-149.50
Electricity – church shared w/ school/month	-271.95
Origin – presbytery-quarterly	- 186.16
AGL – presbytery – quarterly	- 170.12
Industrial bin collection-monthly	- 1,228.63
Rates – presbytery & 10 Jean St	- 1,153.28
Rates - church shared w/ school/quarterly-	1,352.70
Jani King– cleaners for church facilities/mo	- 762.12
Office internet & telephone –monthly	- 328.40
Liturgia – yearly subscription	- 295.00
Repairs & Maintenance – Church	1,956.79
Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery	<u>-24,550.00</u>
Total Operating Expenses -	\$32,608.20

Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time

Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$2,917.95. 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.

ST PAUL’S CATHOLIC PARISH LENTEN RETREAT BY FR RAY SANCHEZ – Wednesday of Holy Week, 16th of April 2025 at 9:00 am in the Church. All are welcome.

FR LADU JAMES YANGA – will go on holiday from 6th of March 2025 and will be back on the 30th of March 2025. FR BAVIN CLARKE will be the supply priest for weekend Masses only from 8 - 29 March 2025. There will be no weekday Masses while FR LADU is away.

POOR BOX – last weekend is \$77.00. Thank you.

BAPTISM – Congratulations and welcome into our faith community, MAVIS OSTARA SUNSHINE ASIATA who will be baptised by FR LADU JAMES YANGA this Sunday, 23rd of February 2025. Our prayers and warm wishes are extended to your parents, Godparents, extended families and friends.

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

“SING A NEW SONG: HOW WE MIGHT NAME GOD INTO THE FUTURE”

This evening brings together a new setting of the Eucharist entitled *Mass of the Ascension* with other pieces of music seeking to name God through song in ways that help young people to pray. The intent is to voice God through music that the generations of the future might resonate with.

At sixty years since the close of the Second Vatican Council, we are invited to revisit the hopes and dreams of the Church in relation to its prayer-life. Prayer is also the first apostolic priority of our Archdiocese. How do Catholics pray, and how might we pray, into the future? How might we “sing a new song” in our liturgies and gatherings, ever drawing from the past that brought us to life while opening pathways into the future of the Church?

Date: Thursday, 29 May 2025, 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm at St Stephens’s Cathedral, Brisbane. It’s free. Please call ACU – 07 3623 7569 or visit-www.acu.edu.au/ftp

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Luke 6:27-38

This reading contains a rich summary collection of attitudes and practices that epitomise the thinking and behaviour of a follower of Christ. We notice straight off that it is all about relationships with others.

The shape of this passage is broadly:

Surprising – love your enemies; treat everyone as you would like to be treated.

Reciprocation – even sinners can reciprocate, quid pro quo doesn’t take much effort.

Nonjudgmental – exercise compassion to everyone with a generous spirit.

We could imagine the reaction from the crowd when Jesus encourages them to love their enemies. An outrageous suggestion from left field. However, Jesus is not talking about emotional love but rather the kind of respect for the other that involves a sharing of self. Putting aside judgment and taking time to look for the good in another person is the first step to the kind of respect Jesus is talking about.

Using practical examples Jesus points out that there is no virtue in returning a favour for a favour. After all, it is expected in the society of the day. But there is virtue in going out of your way to do a kindness for someone without expecting a reward or even a ‘thank you’. It’s a kindness done out of appreciation for the other. It is an expression of respect that Jesus is calling love.

When you think about it, compassion is natural to the human spirit, so any time we exercise compassion we come in touch with our inner self and are able to give something of ourself to another.

Compassion creates connection and promotes the kind of respect and appreciation that Jesus calls love. It is really the gold standard for an emotionally secure human being – an authentic grown-up.

– Laurie Woods

ROSTERS

CLEANERS – FEBRUARY & MARCH 2025

21-22 February 2025: Samoan Women’s Group
 28 February-1 March 2025: Veamatahau & Ioane Family
 7-8 March 2025: Burmese Community
 14-15 March 2025: Burundian Community

READERS THIS WEEK: 22/23 FEBRUARY 2025

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Bernie Beswick	Helen O’Brien Tiitii	St Paul’s
Pesi Silao	Kolise Ioane Tausaga	Tongan Chr
Andrea Nigodemo Idris	Atele Ula	

READERS NEXT WEEK: 1/2 MARCH 2025

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Adela Eastell	Mary Ann P Barbour	Samoan
Neville Pearson	Lua Siasau	Comm Chr
Bernie Beswick	Seini Vaotogo	

THIS WEEK’S READINGS- 22/23 FEBRUARY 2025 (7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YR C)

1. 1st Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
2. 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
3. Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS– 1/2 MARCH 2025 (8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YR C)

1. 1st Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
2. 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
3. Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

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.



Jesus helps our faith be fruitful; the amount we measure out is the amount we are given back. How can we generously follow the call of Christ today? (Luke 6:27-38). 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 Kizito MIHIGO, Virginia GUINGON, 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 POPE FRANCIS, 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.

VATICAN DESCRIBES POPE’S CONDITION AS A ‘COMPLEX CLINICAL PICTURE’:

Pope Francis treatment for a respiratory tract infection “will require adequate hospitalisation” to address what the Vatican is now describing as a “complex clinical picture”. Source - NCR Online.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE: TRANSFORMED THROUGH SACRAMENT & SONG:

This edition of LitEd is devoted to the Jubilee Year 2025. Pilgrims of *Hope*.

In front of the Holy Door of Saint Peter’s Basilica in Rome, on 9 May 2024, Pope Francis delivered – *Spes Non Confundit (Hope Does Not Disappoint)* declaring that 2025 would be a year of Jubilee. The Holy Door was opened on 24 December 2024, and will close on 6 January 2026.

A year of Jubilee is a special time for remission of sins and universal pardon. It is a time of pilgrimage, reconciliation and spiritual renewal that occurs every 25 years. In special cases, the Pope may call for an extraordinary year of Jubilee. This occurred in 2016 when Pope Francis announced a Holy Year of Mercy, to highlight the Catholic Church’s mission to be a witness of mercy which is “the beating heart of the Gospel”.

The theme for the 2025 Jubilee year has been incorporated into the National Liturgy and Liturgical Music Conference to be held in Adelaide from 1-3 October 2025. The Conference is entitled Pilgrims of Hope: Transformed Through Sacrament & Song. Pls ‘Save The Date’. Please call Liturgy Brisbane - 07 3324 3321.

DAD JOKES: KIT & ANDREW CHILVERS

I had a debate with a Flat Earther once. He stormed off in a huff, saying he’d walk to the edge of the Earth to prove me wrong. I’m sure he’ll come around, eventually.

PRAYERS FOR YOU:

You share Your goodness with those who make You their sanctuary.

- Psalm 31:19 THE VOICE

WELCOME! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether visitors, long time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you. If you are not registered, please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket or mail to the Parish Office.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

- New Parishioner New Address
 New Phone Moving, remove from list
 I would like Thanksgiving Envelopes

PARISH PRIVACY STATEMENT: We are committed to protecting the privacy of your information. The information you provide may be used for a variety of purposes including the provision of pastoral services, maintaining and developing our Parish infrastructure and communicating with you on what is happening within our Parish community.



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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,
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