



ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
27-28 APRIL 2024 YEAR B**

**RESPONSE: I WILL PRAISE YOU, LORD
IN THE ASSEMBLY OF YOUR PEOPLE.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Live in Me and let Me live in you, says the Lord;
My branches bear much fruit. 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: <https://stpaulswoodridge.net.au>

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
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

Music 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
Email: stpaulcustodian@gmail.com

Custodians on duty

22- 28 April 24	Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau
29 April - 5 May 24	Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a
6- 12 May 24	Costello & Ula Afakasi
Parish Caretaker:	Glen Reiha
Parish Liaison Officer to ROSIES:	Margaret Harvey Mob: 0411 300 209

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

9 AM — MONDAY-WED-THU-FRIDAY
TUESDAYS - NO MASS
8 AM — SATURDAY
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 —4TH SUNDAY 5-7PM
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-1st, 2nd, 3rd & 5th Sundays 4pm-8pm; 4th Sundays 2:30pm -4pm—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, 7pm—Church

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

OF THE WORD

Sunday 9am except school holidays.



**BAPTISM
PREPARATION
MARRIAGE
PREPARATION**

By



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 at 10:30 am.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:

Small hosts – 1 jar (1,000 count)	- \$26.95
Medium hosts – 1 box of 50 pcs.	- 24.95
Large hosts – 1 box of 25 pcs	- 56.95
Electricity – church shared w/ school/month	-389.27
Origin – church & presbytery-quarterly	- 654.34
AGL – presbytery – quarterly	- 142.23
Industrial bin collection-monthly	- 1,073.45
Rates – church shared w/ school	- 1,335.79
Jani King– cleaners for church facilities/mo	- 734.23
Office internet & telephone –monthly	- <u>327.90</u>
Total Operating Expenses	- \$4,766.06

Plus Miscellaneous, and, Repairs & Maintenance Expenses – varies each time

Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$2,301.35. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.

HEALING MASS – on Wednesday, 1st of May 2024, at 9:00 am which will be celebrated by Fr LADU JAMES YANGA.

DINNER DANCE: St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge, will host a Dinner Dance on Saturday, 11 May 2024.

The much needed funds raised at this event will go towards upgrading our parish facilities. Tickets are on sale at \$20.00 or \$180.00 for a table of 10, available at the Piety Store or see Marina. No door sale.

C'mon everyone, bring on your dancing shoes and let's have fun. It's a date!

POOR BOX – last weekend is \$36.55. Thank you.

THANK YOU:

- 1.) SOFENI & SALLY PA'APA'A for fixing the Parish office door that is now easy to handle.
- 2.) To all those whose keeping up with church flowers donations.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024:

Parent Info Session – on Thursday, 2nd of May at 3:30 pm in the church – Fr Ladu and Diane Johnson (APRE), St Paul's Primary School, to talk through Confirmation Program and the expectations of parental/carer support during the program.

Six Confirmation Classes - every Thursdays at 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm in the church. It starts on the 16th of May, 23rd and 30th of May, 6th and 13th of June, and ends on 20th of June. The children must attend all the classes. All parents/carers are also expected to attend. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be on the 22nd of June 2024 at 11:00 am at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. Bishop TIM NORTON will be the presiding Bishop this year.

Enrolment for Sacrament of Confirmation is now open, and will close on Friday, 31 May 2024. A child must be Grade 3 & older. Baptism Certificate is a requirement. Please contact the Parish office for registration forms. For students at St Paul's Primary School, they can also get the parish registration forms from Diane Johnson.

GOSPEL REFLECTION: John 15:1-8

In this reading we get to relish the Johannine metaphor of the vine and the branches. It is easy to read this as Jesus being the stem while we are the branches. But the analogy goes further. There is a unique unity between branches and vine and the branches only flourish when they take life from the vine.

John is referring here to the divine life that abides in the faithful Christ follower. When the branch draws life from the heart of the vine it becomes an integral part of the vine so that from the branch there emerges fruit. We are capable of bearing fruit only if we discern and absorb the life of Christ that flows from living out His values and priorities. And John identifies these as the 'words' of Christ. Jesus the Word of God in human form is the ultimate medium of communication telling us that intimate relationship with the Divine is our way to full growth, wholeness and consummate peace. Our connection with Christ will thrive only if we live in harmony with His "words" – His teachings and example.

Another key aspect of Jesus' analogy of the vine is that we are all interconnected. Just as we might wither if we are not part of the life of Christ so we may also wither if we are not connected to others. In our western world where individualism is so emphasized and treasured it is noticeable that there is loneliness, despair and alienation in epidemic proportions. It was once thought that depression gave rise to loneliness but studies have shown that the reverse is the case. Loneliness and alienation are the root cause of so much depression which has ruinous effects on mind and body.

- Laurie Woods

GOOD NEWS! - FR LADU JAMES YANGA – will offer to do 10 Weddings for free at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge.

SYNODALITY AND THE LIFE OF THE PARISH – at St Ignatius Church, 30 Kensington Terrace, Toowong, on Friday, 24 May 2024 at 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm. Key speaker Fr AGBONKHIANMEGHE E. ORABATOR, SJ, member of the Roman Synod on Synodality, with Fr ORM RUSH and Associate Professor Maeve Heaney. Telephone – 07 3870 7818. All welcome.

HEALING MASS – on Friday, 3rd of May 2024 at St Mary's Magdalene Church, 51 Cecil Rd, Bardon at 7:30 pm. Please contact Len Airey on 0421 977 849 or email to lenpatairey@gmail.com

ROSTERS

CLEANERS – APRIL & MAY 2024

26-27 April 2024: Sally Pa'apa'a
 3-4 May 2024: Veamatahau & Ioane Family
 10-11 May 2024: Sri Lankan Community
 17-18 May 2024: Burundian Community

READERS THIS WEEK: 27/28 APRIL 2024

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

READERS NEXT WEEK: 4/5 MAY 2024

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Neville Pearson Danielle Anderson Bernie Beswick	Mary Ann P Barbour Lua'ao Perez Astrid Vaotogo	St Cecilia's Choir

THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 27/28 APRIL 2024 (FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YR B)

1. 1st Reading: Acts 9:26-31
2. 2nd Reading: 1 John 3:18-24
3. Gospel: John 15:1-8

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS– 4/5 MAY 2024 (SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YR B)

1. 1st Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
2. 2nd Reading: 1 John 4:7-10
3. Gospel: John 15:9-17

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



Who shall come forward to explain the love God has for His people who should be one in faith? We need more faith-filled, prayerful, and spirited people to make the Vine and the Branches One Again. How about you? 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 – We pray for MICHAEL ANDREW KENNEDY, PAUL JOHN & MICHAEL JAURIGUE, OSCAR POLICIOS, FR MARTY LARSEN, LUKE MAUA LEATUA FIAUI, ALFREDO AND VICTORIO BAUTISTA, LORETTA MOORE, RUTH PALMANI, 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 ANDREA BENTHAM, VINCENT VETHECAN, GIRLIE GLAVAS, MAUREEN SMITH, and all the sick of the parish. May the healing power of Jesus Christ breathe across your being now.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY SEWING CLASS: WEDNESDAY GROUP – needs four students to make up for the whole class. Class starts on Wednesday, 15th of May 2024. Anyone interested please contact Bev Anderson on 0408 738 759.

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS NATIONWIDE HOLY ROSARY - will be held in churches across Australia again this year on SATURDAY, 24th of MAY between 2:00-4:00pm. Parishes across the Archdiocese of Brisbane are invited to come together united in prayer with the Blessed Mother Mary for God's peace and love in our lives.

This year prayers will be focused on vocations and those in Australia who are suffering from conflict, famine, accidents, abuse, sickness, homelessness or natural disasters. For those who are unable to make it to a Parish, they can pray in their home, preferably at the same time.

Our Lady Help of Christians has in the past come to the aid of Christians, especially when many people have prayed the rosary together. It is hoped that by praying altogether our faith will be nourished and strengthened by the fruits of the Holy Rosary and the intentions of Australia will reach the heart of our Heavenly Mother and given to her Son.

For more information please contact the Communications and Engagement Team – communications@bne.catholic.net.au

In line of the above, CATHOLIC MISSION: THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY – WORLD MISSION MAY ROSARY PRAYERS – would like to invite you to join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary.

Monday to Friday at 2:00 pm Brisbane/Melbourne time; 12:00 pm Perth time.

Join Zoom Meeting – <https://tinyuri.com/cmprayer>

Meeting ID – 893 8798 2280

Password - 876574

DAD JOKES: (IAN ALLEN)

First Man: I once knew a man with a wooden leg called Smith

Second Man: Really, what was his other leg called?

PRAYERS FOR YOU:

Lord, thank You for the privilege of a personal relationship with You. Help me not to take for granted the awe-inspiring right I have as Your child: to run to You, to be held tight, to be cradled lovingly in Your arms. – Thomas Nelson

PARISH SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

RUMMIKUB CLUB – Wednesdays 10am-3pm in Room 1 at the Adult Education Centre. Cost: \$2. BYO lunch. Wanted more members. Contact **Reba 0403 482 210** or **Anne 0403 300 660**.

CARPET BOWLS - Carpet Bowls are played every Thursday 10 – 12 noon in the Parish Hall. Joining Fee \$2, Session \$4 Contact **Connie on 0423 004 684**.

TAI CHI Class - Thursdays 4:30pm-5:30pm in the Parish Hall with Joseph Cheng. (By donation.) All Welcome. Tai Chi is for all ages regardless of what state of health you are in. Regular Tai Chi exercise will improve your health hence leading to longevity. **Joseph Mobile: 0434 445 678**



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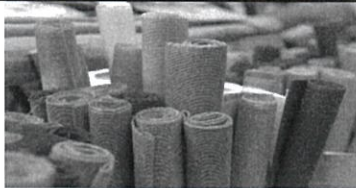
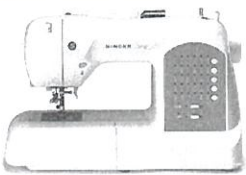
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ST VINCENT DE PAUL MIGRATION ADVICE

SERVICE - This **FREE** service of a Migration Agent/Lawyer is offered on the first 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.

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