



# ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE



**3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
18 - 19 APRIL 2026 YEAR A  
RESPONSE: LORD, YOU WILL SHOW US  
THE PATH OF LIFE.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make Your word plain to us;  
make our hearts burn with love when You speak. Alleluia!**

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### 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  
ZOMI MASS- 1ST SUNDAY 11AM  
KARENNI MASS- 4TH SUNDAY-  
10:30AM

### 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 INFORMATION

Website: [www.stpaul'swoodridge.org](http://www.stpaul'swoodridge.org)

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St Paul's Primary School Email: [pwoodridge@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:pwoodridge@bne.catholic.edu.au)  
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Choir Coordinator: **Reuben Ene**

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St Vincent de Paul Helpline - 1800 846 643

### Custodians on duty

13—19 Apr 26 **Costello & Ula Afakasi**  
20 –26 Apr 26 **Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau**  
27 Apr—3 May 26 **Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a**

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



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

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2026:

Enrolment for Sacrament of Confirmation is now open, and will close on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 2026. 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.

**Five Confirmation Classes** – every Thursday at 3:30 pm in the church. It starts on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April, 30<sup>th</sup> of April, 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of May and ends on 21<sup>st</sup> of May. The children must attend all the classes. All parents/carers are also expected to attend.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> of May 2026, 11:00 am at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. FR LADU JAMES YANGA will be the celebrant this year.

**THANK YOU!** – FR CLESIO MENDES for celebrating Masses last weekend on the feast of the Divine Mercy Sunday at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. St Paul's parishioners are very grateful.

**AFRICAN MASS** – Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2026, 12:00 pm at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge will be celebrated by FR LADU JAMES YANGA. All are welcome.

### INVITATION TO AN INTERFAITH PRAYER VIGIL – TOGETHER FOR OUR COMMON HOME:

The Catholic Justice and Peace Commission is hosting an Interfaith Prayer Vigil called 'Together for Our Common Home'. The aim is to gather as one community, praying for our Earth and those who suffer, due to rising sea levels and extreme weather. Archbishop Shane Mackinlay and various faith leaders will be praying for the communities in the Kimberley, Palm Island and the Torres Strait Islands as well as our Pacific neighbours. The timing of the event is important, for the First Conference on the Transition Away from Fossil Fuels will start on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April. The vigil will enable us to pray for wisdom and courage for the international leaders at this conference in Columbia. When the climate crisis can seem overwhelming, gathering in intentional prayer is vital for our sense of stepping forward in hope.

When: Tuesday, 21 April 2026 from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Where: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, 196 Charlotte Street, Brisbane City. It's a free event including a light supper.

Please visit – [tinyurl.com/interfaithprayer](http://tinyurl.com/interfaithprayer) for more information and to register before 20 April 2026.

### SVDP SEWING CLASS AT WOODRIDGE:

St Vincent de Paul Sewing Class will start on the 18<sup>th</sup> of May 2026 and ends on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August 2026. It is divided into three groups – Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Please contact Bev Anderson on 0408 738 759 to register your interest.

**POOR BOX** – last weekend is \$202.00. Thank you

### GOSPEL REFLECTION: Luke 24:13-35

We are all familiar with the Emmaus story, but let's read it like a contemplative. We are first hit with the two disciples leaving Jerusalem. They are in confusion and are walking away from hope and assurance, and yet are wrestling with what had happened to Jesus. Then Jesus joins them walking along the road and their state of bewilderment prevents them from recognising Him. The disciples express the hope they had in Jesus, the great prophet, but it all seems to have fizzled out. 'Something prevented them from recognising Him.' What's happening here? There is a process taking place; the cloud is clearing gradually. Very often spiritual insights unfold slowly. Accepting what is, and moving with patience towards insight may well be called for. It's possible we can meet Christ without recognising Him. Mindfulness can help us be ready for encounter.

At this point the Risen Lord helped the two disciples re-read Scripture in light of their experience. They saw it was true that the life of Christ was a fulfilment of the promises of the Hebrew Scriptures and they were transformed.

It then becomes real when the disciples share a meal with Jesus. Our communal sharing of the Eucharist is definitely a moment of encounter, not just with Christ in the food and drink, but in the people present at that moment and in the readings from Scripture. We can emulate Christ's self-giving in the way we regard and serve others.

'Did not our hearts burn within us as He talked to us?' This is a reflection of heart stirring, not intellectual activity. The heart can know before the brain kicks in. - Laurie Woods

### AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED – MIDDLE EAST EMERGENCY APPEAL:

Aid to the Church in Need is calling for urgent prayer and support for Christian communities affected by war in the Middle East. Your help will provide emergency food packages, support parishes sheltering displaced families, keep schools running, and supply vital medical and pastoral care.

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**ARCHBISHOP NONA ELECTED PATRIARCH OF CHALDEAN CHURCH:** - Archbishop AMEL NONA, leader of the Chaldean Diocese of St Thomas the Apostle in Australia and New Zealand, has been elected Patriarch of the Chaldean Church. Source: ACBC Media Blog.

## ROSTERS

### CLEANERS – APRIL & MAY 2026

24-25 April 2026: Vaioleti Family  
1-2 May 2026: Sia Save Family  
8-9 May 2026: Sally Pa'apa'a & Family  
15-15 May 2026: Zomi Community

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 18/19 APRIL 2026 (3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR A)

1. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21
3. Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS– 25/26 APRIL 2026 (4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR A)

1. 1st Reading: Acts 2:14, 36-41
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Peter 2:20-25
3. Gospel: John 10:1-10

**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.**



**We can hear the Lord's call in the strangest places and times. The call can haunt us and pursue us until we say, "Lord, what will you have me do? 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 Bruce Joseph BARBOUR, 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, MEGAN, Shawn HEATHCOTE, Abner TAGALA, Kevin HICKS, and all the sick of the parish. May the healing power of Jesus Christ breathe across your being now.**

**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

**A MESSAGE FROM THE REGIONAL TRIBUNAL:**  
Are you divorced and would like to be married in the Church? The Regional Tribunal of the Catholic Church assists people in this situation, and in many cases can declare people to be free to marry in the Catholic Church. For more information please call the Tribunal on 3324 3033 or email – [tribbris@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:tribbris@bne.catholic.net.au)

From Fr Adrian Sharp  
Judicial Vicar

## CORPUS CHRISTI EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION:

**WALK WITH JESUS:** Please save the date -

This year the Eucharistic procession on the Feast of Corpus Christi at the Cathedral of St Stephen will be on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> of June 2026 at 2:00 pm. The Blessed Sacrament will be carried and move through the city streets and return to the Cathedral for Benediction.

Processions have long been part of our Catholic tradition. They express our shared journey of discipleship and remind us that we walk together in faith, guided by the presence of Christ among us. In this Jubilee Year of St Francis, we are especially called to walk with a spirit of simplicity, peace, and fraternity. In this year's procession we will also carry the Migrant Jubilee Cross as part of its National Pilgrimage. This will be an opportunity to celebrate the faith, gifts and resilience that migrants and communities bring to our local Church.

**Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition:** Hanly Room, Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> of June from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm & 7<sup>th</sup> of June from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

**Vigil Adoration:** St Stephen's Chapel, Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> of June from 7:00 pm – Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> of June 8:00 am.

For more information please contact – [inclusion@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:inclusion@bne.catholic.net.au)

## POPE HAS 'NO FEAR' OF TRUMP ADMINISTRATION AFTER ATTACK FROM PRESIDENT:

Pope Leo XIV told reporters en route to Algeria that he has "no fear of the Trump Administration", hours after United States President Donald Trump made a vicious attack on the pontiff via social media.

Source: NCR Online.

## JOKES: JILL GLEESON

Why can't you put two half-dollars in your pocket? Because two halves make a hole, and your money will fall out!

Why does it take pirates a long time to learn the alphabet? Because they can spend years at C!

## PRAYERS FOR YOU:

No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love Him.

- Corinthians 2:9 ESV

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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  
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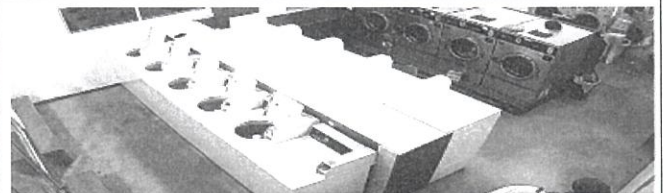


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