ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
19 - 20 JULY 2025 YEAR C

RESPONSE: THE JUST WILL LIVE IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are they who have kept the Word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance. Alleluia!

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE—SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT: We have zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in our activities, ministries and services. The safety and well-being of children and adults-at-risk is paramount. —Most Reverend Mark Coleridge—Archbishop of Brisbane.

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PARISH INFORMATION

Website: www.stpaul'swoodridge.org

Parish Priest **FR LADU JAMES YANGA** **Ph (07) 3808 4134**
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Custodians on duty

14— 20 July 25 **Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau**
21— 27 July 25 **Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a**
28 July – 3 Aug 25 **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-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- 1STSUNDAY 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

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 meetiing 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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:

Small hosts – 6 jars (1,000 count)	- $170.07
Medium hosts – 3 boxes of 50 pcs.	- 41.85
Large hosts – 10 boxes of 10 pcs	- 149.50
Energy Australia – parish	- 564.35
Electricity – church shared w/ school/month	-272.50
Origin – presbytery-quarterly	- 297.83
AGL – presbytery – quarterly	- 161.12
Industrial bin collection-monthly	- 1,177.09
Rates – church & presbytery	- 1,135.24
Rates - church shared w/ school/quarterly	- 1,389.25
Jani King– cleaners for church facilities/mo	- 762.12
Office internet & telephone –monthly	- 328.90
Repairs & Maintenance – Church	- 332.50
Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery	-24,550.00
Total Operating Expenses	- $31,332.32

Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time

Total collections from weekend Masses last week is $2,519.10. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.

AFRICAN MASS – will be celebrated by FR LADU JAMES YANGA on Sunday, 20th of July 2025, 12:00 pm at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. All are welcome.

ST PAUL'S PARISH MEETING: - EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNION MINISTERS – Extraordinary Communion Ministers Meeting – Wednesday, 23rd of July 2025 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm in the Church

Everyone who have registered are requested to please attend, and for those who are interested to please come. Thank you.

POOR BOX – last weekend is $138.40. Thank you.

CARING FOR OTHERS IS THE SUPREME LAW-POPE:

In the service of life, caring for others is "the supreme law" that comes before all of society's rules, Pope Leo XIV said.

Source: OSV News.

AUSTRALIAN JESUITS WELCOME TWO NEW PRIESTS INTO THEIR RANKS:

The Australian Jesuits have welcomed two new priests into their ranks, with the ordination of Fr Isaac DEMASE and Fr Joshua CHONG.

Source: Jesuit.org.au.

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: Luke 10:38-42

This is the well-known Martha and Mary story that tells of Martha offering hospitality to Jesus and His followers during their stopover stay in Bethany on their way to Jerusalem. A conversation develops and Jesus is speaking while Mary, the younger sister, hangs on His every word. Her expression of hospitality is to give rapt attention to what He has to say and it was customary for students to sit at the feet of their Master as He taught. What is unusual here is that a woman is in the position of student. Mary's posture indicates her openness and zeal to learn. In contrast, Martha is busy preparing food for the guests and is thereby doing what is expected of women of the house.

We know the story well enough and can sympathise with Martha who becomes frustrated in her food preparation and asks Jesus to get Mary to give her a hand. Jesus sees a teachable moment here to comment on His scale of values. He tells Martha that she is anxious and troubled about many things when, really, only one thing is necessary. The implication here is that in this moment Martha has her priorities askew. Mary is on the right track realising that spiritual issues are more important than domestic duties.

The best we can do is take away the message that our energetic concern for the practical needs of life should not cause us to overlook or even demote our care for spiritual growth. Mary has made the choice that listening intently to her guest was a nobler form of hospitality. This was her way of being truly present to Jesus.

- Laurie Woods

FRANCISCAN LUNCH, TALK & MASS - BRISBANE:

When: Sunday, 27th of July 2025 – 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Where: Franciscan Friary, 21 Adele St, Kedron

Who: For young men 18-35 years of age

The Franciscan Friars of Brisbane would like to invite young men interested in Franciscan spirituality or in a religious vocation to come along for lunch, talk and Eucharist at the Kedron Friary.

The heart of Franciscan Life is to live the Gospel! The Franciscan Friars (Order of Friars Minor) were founded by St Francis of Assisi and are an international brotherhood who live with 'nothing of their own' and are dedicated to mission and evangelisation.

Further information:

Fr Joe Mckay, OFM - 0412 076 913

Email – jmckay@franciscans.org.au

THE CREED: - A Catholic Study Program presented by BISHOP ROBERT BARRON:

Join us for 6 weeks – Tuesdays, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm.

Dates:22 July 2025 – 26 August 2025

Venue: St Matthew's Catholic Parish, Loganholme

Sessions are free. Study guide provided; Light snacks, tea & coffee provided. Contact: Fiona – 0439 524 392 or Erin Mallon – 0427 082 157

ROSTERS

CLEANERS – JULY & AUGUST 2025
18-19 July 2025: Samoan Women's Group
25-26 July 2025: Veamatahau & Ioane Family
1-2 August 2025: Burmese Community
8-9 August 2025: Burundian Community

READERS THIS WEEK: 19/20 JULY 2025

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Julita Jaurigue	Jeannie Stehr	Divine Mercy
Andrea Nigodemo Idris	Mago Ioane Tausaga	Choir
Rebecca De Los Ama	Marina Ene	

READERS NEXT WEEK: 26/27 JULY 2025

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
St Mother Teresa Choir	Kolise Ioane Tausaga	St Paul's
	Atele Ula	Tongan Chr
	Helen O'Brien Tiitii	

THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 19/20 JULY 2025 (16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YR C)
1. 1st Reading: Genesis 18:1-10
2. 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:24-28
3. Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS– 26/27 JULY 2025 (17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YR C)
1. 1st Reading: Genesis 18:20-32
2. 2nd Reading: Colossians 2:12–14
3. Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

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.

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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 Liliana DERNIER, Kevin HICKS, Tess VETHECAN, Cliff NAUGHTON, 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.

GOOD NEWS! FR LADU JAMES YANGA – offers to do three Weddings for free at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. Please call (07) 3808 4134 for information.

BAPTISM – Congratulations and welcome into our faith community, Eliana Leanne Siosilini MASON & Michaelcin Sianpiang HATZAW who will be baptised by FR LADU JAMES YANGA this Sunday, 20th of July 2025. Our prayers and warm wishes are extended to your parents, Godparents, extended families and friends.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SEWING CLASS WOODRIDGE – New groups will start on the 18th, 19th and 20th of August 2025.
Monday group – 18th of August 2025
Tuesday group – 19th of August 2025
Wednesday group – 20th of August 2025
It runs for twelve weeks. To register your interest please contact Bev Anderson on 0408 738 759.

COME, REST AND REFLECT – A RETREAT DAY FOR YOU: Come and taste Ignatian prayer, contemplation, listening, and discernment.
Saturday, 2 August 2025, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at JISA Faber, 111 Sir Samuel Griffith Drive, Bardon.
Cost: $35.00 including a welcome cuppa, bring your own lunch. To book visit www.jisa.org.au/retreats

LUMINOUS LANTERN PARADE 2025: MULTICULTURAL AUSTRALIA – IT'S WHO WE ARE: LAUDATO SI'
Welcoming and celebrating New Australians on Friday, 1st of August 2025, 5:30 pm at Southbank Parklands.
Join the parade with The Catholic Justice and Peace Commission.
Register: Beache@bne.catholic.net.au

HOW DO YOU IMPROVE TEACHING, LEARNING & WELLBEING? TAKE A BREAK: Beginning in 2027, Catholic Education WA will implement a three-week, mid-year break for its 150 schools. Source: The Record.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN 2025:
The 2025 Annual Catholic Campaign will be held across all Archdiocesan parishes on the weekend of 23 and 24 August.
This Campaign raises vital awareness and funds for local ministries in the Archdiocese of Brisbane as determined by the Archbishop.
We are so grateful for your continued support and advocacy.
Please contact Leslie Silva - 07 3324 3486
Email – silval@bne.catholic.net.au

DAD JOKES: KIT & ANDREW CHILVERS
I never remember what people tell me at New Year's Eve parties.
It just goes in one year and out the other.

PRAYERS FOR YOU:
Let the morning bring me word of Your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in You. Show me the way I should go, for to You I entrust my life.
- Psalm 143:8 (NIV)

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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.

MAKE IT FABRICS – Do you love sewing but on a budget? See Paola at Shop 4/54 Kingston Rd, Underwood Tel: (07) 3162 4700 for budget sewing materials, laces, trims and sewing machine repairs.