




ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE



31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2-3 NOVEMBER 2024 YEAR B

RESPONSE: I LOVE YOU, LORD, MY STRENGTH.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! All who love Me will keep my Words, and My Father will love them and We will come to them. 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

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Care & Concern: Sally Pa'apa'a
WH&S & Local Safeguarding Officer: Marina Ene
Email: safeguarding.woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au
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Email: stpaulcustodian@gmail.com

Custodians on duty

28 Oct -3 Nov 24 Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau
 4- 10 Nov 24 Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a
 11 -17 Nov 24 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

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:

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| Small hosts – 6 bags (1,000 count) | - \$119.70 |
| Medium hosts – 4 boxes of 50 pcs. | - 55.80 |
| Large hosts – 5 boxes of 10 pcs | - 74.75 |
| Electricity – church shared w/ school/month | -214.15 |
| Origin – church & presbytery-quarterly | - 992.84 |
| AGL – presbytery – quarterly | - 137.53 |
| Industrial bin collection-monthly | - 1,207.63 |
| Rates – presbytery & 10 Jean St | - 1,153.28 |
| Rates - church shared w/ school/quarterly- | 1,360.00 |
| Jani King– cleaners for church facilities/mo | - 762.12 |
| Office internet & telephone –monthly | - 329.15 |
| Liturgia – yearly subscription | - 295.00 |
| Repairs & Maintenance – Church | 15,885.21 |
| Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery | <u>-34,953.45</u> |
| Total Operating Expenses - | \$57,540.61 |

Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time

Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$2,127.00. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.

HEALING MASS – on Wednesday, 6th of November 2024, 9:00 am at St Paul’s Catholic Parish, Woodridge. All are welcome.

ST PAUL’S CHRISTMAS CAROL PRACTICE:

Saturday, 9 November 2024 after 9:00 am Mass in the church.

Sunday, 17 November 2024 after 9:00 am Mass in the church.

Wednesday, 20 November 2024 –5:30 pm to 6:30 pm final rehearsal in the church.

Attire: Christmas t-shirt any colour with black pants or skirt. For more information please contact Pastoral Council.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024:

Six First Holy Communion Classes – every Thursday at 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm in the church. It starts on the 10th of October, 17th, 24th and 31st of October, 7th of November and ends on the 14th of November. The children must attend all the classes. All parents/carers are also expected to attend.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be on Saturday, 16th of November 2024 at 11:00 am at St Paul’s Catholic Parish, Woodridge. It will be celebrated by Fr LADU JAMES YANGA.

Enrolment for Sacrament of First Holy Communion is now open, and will close on Monday, 30th of September 2024. A child must be Grade 4 or 9 years old and older. Confirmation 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: Mark 12:28-34

Today’s gospel is one of those passages that shows us a direct connection between the two biblical Testaments. We get a glimpse of Jesus reflecting the traditions of the Hebrew Scriptures, not only as a well-informed son of Judaism, but as a person who had taken to heart the fullness of Hebrew spirituality. The scribe has asked for Jesus’ opinion on which was the first of all the *mitzvot* (directions, commandments) and Jesus answered with the *shema Yisrael* (Hear, O Israel). It doesn’t get anymore Jewish than that. The single verse *shema*, by the way, was supposed to be recited by all Jews every morning and evening.

Jesus then added the second injunction and that was to ‘love your neighbour as yourself.’ Here He is quoting Leviticus 19:18, which specifically deals with the treatment of fellow Israelites:

You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I Am the Lord.

So, technically a neighbour is a fellow Israelite, but Jesus expanded this to cover all other people we encounter. Our neighbour is the other.

The scribe compliments Jesus on His succinct and learned answer and Jesus returns the compliment, indicating that there is no insincerity or duplicity on the part of the scribe. In fact, in His response, the scribe declares that the love of God and neighbour are worth far more than all the prayers, rituals and sacrifices of religion. Really, He was just echoing the position and language of all the authentic prophets of the past, e.g. ‘I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice’ (Hosea 6:6).

– Laurie Woods.

POOR BOX – last weekend is \$222.70. Thank you.

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.

POPE FRANCIS APPOINTS BISHOP TIM AS THE BISHOP OF BROOME:

Pope Francis appointed Brisbane auxiliary Bishop Tim Norton as the third Bishop of Broome on October 14.

“The Diocese of Broome has been very troubled in recent times, and Bishop Tim has the gifts and experience to take the process of healing and renewal begun by the Apostolic Administrator, Bishop Michael Morrissey, into a new phase,” Brisbane Archbishop Mark Coleridge said.

“Bishop Tim is a missionary by vocation, and he will be able to draw upon the resources of the Divine Word Missionaries who are already a presence in the diocese.

He will be installed as the Bishop of Broome on 4 December 2024. Congratulations Bishop Tim!

ROSTERS

CLEANERS – NOVEMBER 2024

1-2 November 2024: Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a Family

8-9 November 2024: Vaioleti Family

15-16 November 2024: Sri Lankan Community

22-23 November 2024: Samoan Women's Group

READERS THIS WEEK: 2/3 NOVEMBER 2024

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| Neville Pearson | Mary Ann P Barbour | St Cecilia's |
| Danielle Anderson | Lua'ao Perez | Choir |
| Bernie Beswick | Astrid Vaotogo | |

READERS NEXT WEEK: 9/10 NOVEMBER 2024

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| Marina Ene | Lillian Tagaloa | Holy Trinity |
| Atele Ula | Sandra Daniels | Choir |
| Pesi Silao | John Moloney | |

THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 2/3 OCTOBER 2024 (31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME– YR B)

1. 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6
2. 2nd Reading: Hebrews 7:23–28
3. Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

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1. 1st Reading: 1 King 17:10-16
2. 2nd Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28
3. Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

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 pray for the souls gone before us, priests, religious and lay – those who have taken their vocation of Christian service seriously. May the Lord's merciful love purify them completely, that they may look upon the face of God and rejoice forever. A Vocation dwells within us, with the powerful possibility to transform our lives and make us saints. 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 Edward Thirkill, 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 Elaine STEVENS, Reba WILSON, Vincent VETHECAN, Bev ANDERSON, Maureen SMITH, Helen GAINNEY, Abner TAGALA, Vick NORONHA, and all the sick of the parish. May the healing power of Jesus Christ breathe across your being now.

NEW GUIDELINES the Rite Stuff for initiating adults into the Catholic Faith – Perth Archdiocese has celebrated the launch of new guidelines for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Source: The eRecord.

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

SEEKERS RETREAT:

Are there people in your life who you pray would have an encounter with Jesus? People you know who haven't heard of or experienced the richness of the Catholic faith? The Adult Formation team at Evangelisation Brisbane understand how transformative an encounter with Jesus can be, and have created a retreat experience where you can bring along those you know who have questions, and journey alongside them as they are invited to explore what it means to live a life of faith.

They believe in this opportunity so much, Evangelisation Brisbane are looking to sponsor and cover the cost of expenses for all non-Catholic seekers for this retreat! Cover the cost of your retreat and invite up to three guests at our cost. Spaces are strictly limited.

When: 6:00 pm, Friday, 15 November to 1:00 pm Sunday, 17 November

Where: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington St, Ormiston.

Cost: Live in - \$450 for up to 4 people/ Live out - \$250 for up to 4 people.

Please visit – <https://tinyurl.com/seekers-retreat>

NAVIGATING THE SOUL'S STORMS:

Our spiritual lives are not always full of joy, peace and light. We can feel discouraged, as though God is absent, and not be attracted to spiritual things. These experiences of spiritual desolation are a normal part of the spiritual life and can be important times for spiritual growth if handled wisely. St Ignatius Loyola offers such wisdom in his rules for the discernment of spirits. This workshop will examine some of these practical guidelines for spiritual growth. Register at tinyurl.com/NSS-24

When: Saturday, 7 December from 9am to 4pm at Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary, Banyo-\$25pp.

JOKE: KIT & ANDREW CHILVERS

I was having some computer issues, and the IT guy said I had to clear my cache of cookies.

I've done as he said, but I don't see how eating 300 Oreos is going to make my laptop work better.

PRAYERS FOR YOU:

And those who know Your name will put their trust in You; for You, Lord, have not forsaken those who seek You.

- Psalm 9:10




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RUMMIKUB = Wednesdays 10am-3pm in Room 1 at the Adult Ed Centre Cost: 2 BYO Lunch Contact Reba 0403 482 210 or Anne 0403 300 660.

CARPET BOWLS – Every Thursday 10-12pm in the 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.