



ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE



THE HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY
27 - 28 DECEMBER 2025 YEAR A
RESPONSE: HAPPY ARE THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD
AND WALK IN HIS WAYS.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of His message live within you. Alleluia!

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Custodians on duty
22— 28 Dec 25 **Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau**
29 Dec — 4 Jan 26 **Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a**
5 — 11 Jan 26 **Costello & Ula Afakasi**
Parish Caretaker: **Glen Reiha**
Parish Liaison Officer to ROSIES: **Margaret Harvey** Mob: 0411 300 209
BAPTISM PREPARATION

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

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	
PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Small hosts – 6 jars (1,000 count)	- \$170.24
Medium hosts – 3 boxes of 50 pcs.	- 41.85
Large hosts – 10 boxes of 10 pcs	- 149.50
Energy Australia – parish	- 444.54
Electricity – church shared w/ school/month	-335.94
Origin – presbytery-quarterly	- 297.83
AGL – presbytery – quarterly	- 161.12
Industrial bin collection-monthly	- 385.69
Rates – church & presbytery	- 1,244.75
Rates - church shared w/ school/quarterly	- 1,430.48
Jani King– cleaners for church facilities/mo	- 778.13
Office internet & telephone –monthly	- 439.41
Repairs & Maintenance – Church	- 3,259.80
Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery	-24,550.00
Total Operating Expenses - \$33,689.28	
Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time	
Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$2,423.50. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.	
THE HOLY FAMILY PRAYER:	
JESUS, Son of God and Son of Mary, bless our family. Graciously inspire in us the unity, peace, and mutual love that You found in Your own family in the little town of Nazareth.	
MARY, Mother of Jesus and Our Mother, nourish our family with your faith and your love. Keep us close to your Son, Jesus, in all our sorrows and joys.	
JOSEPH, Foster-father to Jesus, guardian and spouse of Mary, keep our family safe from harm. Help us in all times of discouragement or anxiety.	
HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH, make our family one with you. Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass. May we always have God at the center of our hearts and homes until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with You. Amen.	
- Missionaries of the Holy Family.	
GOOD NEWS! FR LADU JAMES YANGA – offers to do one Wedding for free at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. Please call (07) 3808 4134 for information.	
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	
POOR BOX – last weekend is \$178.70. Thank you.	

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23 The gospel today is in two parts and tells the story of the flight into Egypt. It omits the paragraph about Herod's killing of young male children, a text read three days after Christmas on the feast of the Holy Innocents. If it is historical, this would have been a relatively small-scale event in the vicinity of Bethlehem. Herod may have died just a few months later.
The story is clearly symbolic in Matthew's gospel. He is keen to show how the Scriptures were being fulfilled. Coming out of Egypt constitutes a new Exodus and a new covenant established in Jesus. This is the purpose of Matthew's narrative.
The chronology of the Lectionary is a little confusing because the feast of the Holy Family is celebrated a week before the Epiphany when we hear the basic story of the wise men coming from the East.
Joseph shows himself to be an admirable father, taking every care to protect Mary and Jesus and keep them safe. He was also radically open to the prompting of the Holy Spirit – three times in this short text, Joseph receives divine messages in a dream and acts on them. – Break Open The Word 2026
BAPTISM – Congratulations and welcome into our faith community, ALBERT PREHNYAY who will be baptised by FR LADU JAMES YANGA this Sunday, 28 th of December 2025. Our prayers and warm wishes are extended to your parents, Godparents, extended families and friends.
BISHOP'S URGE COMMUNITIES TO BE PEACEMAKERS: - As the Church's Jubilee Year draws to a close, Australia's Catholic Bishops have emphasised its theme of 'pilgrims of hope' in their annual Christmas messages, urging communities to be peacemakers. Source: CathNews.
MONDAY EVENING DIVINE MERCY PRAYER MEETING in the ENGLISH LANGUAGE FOR A PERIOD OF 3 WEEKS STARTING MONDAY, 29 DECEMBER 2025 – 12 JANUARY 2026 AT 5:30 PM in the CHURCH. ALL ARE WELCOME. Intentions for the Divine Mercy Chaplet centre on obtaining mercy for oneself and the world, trusting in Jesus' mercy, showing mercy to others, and interceding for specific groups like sinners, the dying, the lukewarm, and souls in purgatory, as revealed to St. Faustina. You can pray for general needs, personal conversion, healing, or specific people, trusting God's will for great graces and <u>defence at the hour of death</u> . For more information please contact Marina 0426 011 160.

ROSTERS

CLEANERS – DECEMBER 2025 & JANUARY 2026

26-27 December 2025: Samoan Women's Group
 2-3 January 2026: Burmese Community
 9-10 January 2026: Burundian Community
 16-17 January 2026: Divine Mercy Group

READERS THIS WEEK: 27/28 DECEMBER 2025

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Alfred Ozzi Taban	Atele Ula	St Paul's Tongan
Grace Lylian Adokorach	Helen O'Brien Tiitii	Choir
Joseph Wani Yanga	Lua'ao Perez	

READERS NEXT WEEK: 3/4 JANUARY 2026

6PM	7:30AM	9AM
Andrea Nigodemo Idris	Lua Siasau	Samoan Community
Bernie Beswick	Julita Jaurigue	Choir
Adela Eastell	Mary Ann P Barbour	

THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 27/28 DECEMBER 2025 (THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH – YEAR A)

1. 1st Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
2. 2nd Reading: Colossians 3:12-21
3. Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS-3/4 JANUARY 2026 (THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD- YEAR A)

1. 1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6
2. 2nd Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6
3. Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

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.



Families are where kindness, humility, patience, and thanksgiving are lived and celebrated. People cannot truly teach these qualities unless they have experienced them. 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 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 David ALVARADO, Ndayizeye Lina GABRIELL, Liliana DERNIER, 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.

PEACE MUST BE PROTECTED AND CULTIVATED: POPE – The “confrontational” tone dominating both global and national politics is “deepening instability and unpredictability day by day”, Pope Leo XIV wrote in his message for World Peace Day. Source: CNS.

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE FOR SAFEGUARDING SERVICES:

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has achieved a 96% compliance rating against the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards following a comprehensive independent audit conducted by Australian Catholic Safeguarding Ltd (ACSL).

For the first time, Centacare Services, Catholic Early EdCare, Brisbane Catholic Education schools and Archdiocesan Ministries participated in the audit process, together with a sample of 15 parishes. Their inclusion provided the comprehensive view of safeguarding practice across the breadth of the Archdiocese's parishes, ministries and services to date.

This strong result affirms the Archdiocese's ongoing commitment to building safe, respectful, and accountable environments for children and vulnerable people across all ministries.

Archbishop Shane Mackinlay welcomed the findings, noting that safeguarding was fundamental to the Church's mission.

“This result reflects the dedication of our clergy, staff, and volunteers who work each day to ensure our parishes, ministries, and services are places of safety, respect and trust,” Archbishop Mackinlay said.

“We remain committed to ongoing improvement and accountability and to fostering a culture where the dignity of every person is upheld.”

DAD JOKES: IAN ALLEN

Two men were sitting on the end of a pier when one screamed and shouted, ‘A shark just bit off my leg!’

‘Which one?’

‘I don’t know, all sharks look the same to me.’

PRAYERS FOR YOU:

Thy way, not mine, O Lord, however dark it be; lead me by Thine own Hand; choose out the path for me.

– Horatius Bonar

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All parishioners are encouraged to scan the QR code on the front page of the newsletter to register. God bless.



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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
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