

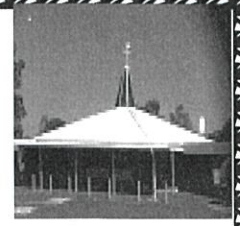


# NEWSLETTER

## ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE

HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY

28-29 December 2024 YEAR C



**RESPONSE: HOW HAPPY THEY WHO DWELL IN YOUR HOUSE, O LORD.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of Your Son. Alleluia!**



*Happy Birthdays  
Jesus*



### PARISH INFORMATION

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

**Parish Priest** Fr LADU JAMES YANGA Ph (07) 3808 4134  
**Presbytery** 75 Ewing Road, Woodridge P 3808 7661 (8pm-8am)

**Parish Office** 3 St Paul's Drive, Woodridge Ph 3808 4134  
**Postal Address** PO Box 98 Woodridge 4114  
**Email Address** [woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto: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 Ph 0411 720 563  
**Pastoral Council Secretary:** Marina Ene Ph 0426 011 160

**St Paul's School Principal:** Helen Boyes Ph (07) 3208 2868  
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**RCIA Coordinator:** Tess Vethecan  
**Choir Co-ordinator:** Sally Pa'apa'a Ph 3299 5838 / Mob 0423 900 517  
**Care & Concern:** Sally Pa'apa'a Mob: 0423 900 517  
**WH&S & Local Safeguarding Officer:** Marina Ene Mob 0426 011 160  
**Email:** [safeguarding.woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:safeguarding.woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au)  
**Custodians Coordinator:** Marina Ene Mob 0426 011 160  
**Email:** [stpaulcustodian@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulcustodian@gmail.com)

**Custodians on duty**  
 23 - 29 Dec 24 Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a  
 30 Dec 24 - 5 Jan 25 Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau  
 6 - 12 Jan 25 Costello & Ula Afakasi  
 Glen Reiha  
**Parish Caretaker:** Margaret Harvey Mob: 0411 300 209  
**Parish Liaison Officer to ROSIES:** Margaret Harvey Mob: 0411 300 209  
**St Vincent de Paul Helpline—1800 846 643**

#### 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—Sunday

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st & 4th Sunday 9am



#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION

BY APPOINTMENT WITH PRIEST



**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS****PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:**

Small hosts – 6 jars (1,000 count)	- \$161.70
Medium hosts – 4 boxes of 50 pcs.	- 55.80
Large hosts – 3 boxes of 10 pcs	- 44.85
Electricity – church shared w/ school/month	-422.65
Origin – presbytery-quarterly	- 186.16
AGL – presbytery – quarterly	- 137.53
Industrial bin collection-monthly	- 1,094.46
Rates – presbytery & 10 Jean St	- 1,153.28
Rates - church shared w/ school/quarterly-	1,350.44
Jani King– cleaners for church facilities/mo	- 762.12
Office internet & telephone –monthly	- 329.15
Liturgia – yearly subscription	- 295.00
Repairs & Maintenance – Church	1,010.86
Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery	-24,610.00
<b>Total Operating Expenses -</b>	<b>\$31,614.00</b>

Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time

Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$2,597.50. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.

**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.

**ST PAUL’S PARISH OFFICE** – will reopen on Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> of December 2024.

**NEW YEAR’S DAY MASS & HEALING MASS ALTOGETHER** – Wednesday, 1 January 2025, 9:00 am at St Paul’s Catholic Parish, Woodridge. All are welcome.

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**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



Jesus grew in wisdom, age, and grace in the midst of His family. How is your family growing in the midst of these challenging times? Seek out God’s grace. (Luke 2:41-52). 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 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.

**GOSPEL REFLECTION: Luke 2:41-52**

There is strong human interest in this story which should make it easy to proclaim and engaging to hear. Any parent will easily identify with the panic and anxiety of Mary and Joseph as they go searching for Jesus. Those with experience of teenage children will recognise their need to assert a certain independence. But there is more to the story than this.

Jesus is in the Temple, listening to the learned and asking them intelligent questions. They were impressed. But there is also a sense that this is where Jesus belongs – in God’s house, occupied with the affairs of God the Father. There is a destiny unfolding here that they do not yet understand. As Simeon had foreshadowed, Jesus would be destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel.

Nevertheless, the reading finishes with human warmth and depicts a loving and orderly family. There is no conflict between allegiance to God and to our human parents. As Jesus grows in stature, so also He increases in wisdom and finds favour with God and others. Almost two decades pass before we hear more about Jesus – when He begins His public ministry with baptism by John.

- Break Open The Word

**ROSTERS****CLEANERS – JANUARY 2025**

3-4 January 2025: St Paul’s Divine Mercy Group  
10-11 January 2025: Veamatahau & Ioane Family  
17-18 January 2025: Sri LankanCommunity  
24-25 January 2025: Vaioleti Family

**READERS THIS WEEK: 28/29 DECEMBER 2024**

<b>6PM</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>9AM</b>
Bernie Beswick	Lua Siasau	Samoan Community
Pesi Silao	Aele Ula	Choir
	Sally Pa’apa’a	

**READERS NEXT WEEK: 4/5 JANUARY 2025**

<b>6PM</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>9AM</b>
Neville Pearson	Mary Ann P Barbour	Burmese Com
Danielle Anderson	Lua’ao Perez	Choir
Bernie Beswick	Astrid Vaotogo	

**THIS WEEK’S READINGS- 28/29 DECEMBER 2024 (HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH SUNDAY – YR C)**

1. 1st Reading: 1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24
3. Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

**NEXT WEEK’S READINGS– 4/5 JANUARY 2025 (THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD SUNDAY – YR C)**

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

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK** – We pray for God’s healing touch for 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.