



ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

29 – 30 AUGUST 2026 YEAR A

RESPONSE: MY SOUL IS THIRSTING FOR YOU,
O LORD MY GOD.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

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PARISH INFORMATION

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Custodians on duty
 24 — 30 Aug 26 Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau
 31 Aug — 6 Sept 26 Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a
 7 - 13 Sept 26 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.



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

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 ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:

Small hosts – 5 jars (1,000 count)	- \$137.60
Medium hosts – 5 boxes of 50 pcs.	- 72.60
Large hosts – 5 boxes of 10 pcs	- 82.60
Origin – parish	- 491.96
Electricity – church shared w/ school/month	-405.71
Origin – presbytery-quarterly	- 297.83
AGL – presbytery – quarterly	- 183.09
Industrial bin collection-monthly	- 477.51
Rates – church & presbytery	- 1,286.71
Rates - church shared w/ school/quarterly	- 1,533.31
Jani King- cleaners for church facilities/mo	- 778.13
Office internet & telephone –monthly	- 406.20
Whomedia Website	- 636.00
Repairs & Maintenance – Church	- 1,215.00
Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery	-20,186.26
Total Operating Expenses	- \$28,190.51
Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time	
Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$1,975.40. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.	

HEALING MASS – will be celebrated by FR LADU JAMES YANGA this Wednesday, 2nd of September 2026, 9:00 am at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. All are welcome.

THANK YOU! – for your faithfulness and generosity in supporting the 2026 Annual Catholic Campaign. God bless us all.

ADORERS OF THE EUCHARIST – Friday, 4th of September 2026. It starts with a rosary at 6:30 pm, Mass will be celebrated by FR MARCE SINGSON at 7:00 pm at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. Benediction and Adoration will follow. Please contact Chat & Ernie Alcantara on 0435 051 304.

ST PAUL'S MARIAN CENACLE ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO CANUNGRA - Wednesday, 9 September 2026. Bus leaves from St Paul's at 8:30 am and departs from Canungra at 2:30 pm. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Mass will be celebrated by FR LADU JAMES YANGA at 11:00 am. Bus fare is \$25.00 per person. All are welcome. Please contact Adela Eastell by text message on 0468 953 196.

MULTICULTURAL MASS - Sunday, 30th of August 2026, 2:00 pm at Queen of Vietnamese Martyrs Catholic Church, 54 Flint Street, Inala. It will be celebrated by Archbishop Shane Mackinlay, Mass will be followed by refreshments, cultural performances and activities for kids. All are invited to wear traditional attire. Please come along.

This year's theme is "Even just one of these children" – Pope Leo.

POOR BOX – last weekend is \$102.20. Thank you.

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Matthew 16:21-27

Today's Gospel passage follows on directly from what we heard last week. Peter, the hero in last week's story, is rebuked in this week's Gospel. The foundation rock has become a stumbling block. It is good for us to know that none of us gets it right every time.

Jesus' sharp response to Peter makes it clear that He is not looking forward to His looming destiny. There are no easy heroics. It is as though He responds with gritted teeth. He is to suffer grievously. Yet His confidence in the Father's love enables Him to see glory beyond the cross.

Then He throws out the terrifying challenge. Jesus' followers must also lose their life if they are to gain life. They too must take up the dreaded cross. There is no short-cut to glory. But as disciples shoulder the cross and carry the burden of suffering, they experience a profound union with Christ who has been there before them.

– Break Open The Word 2026

LITURGY UNDER THE SOUTHERN CROSS - NATIONAL CONFERENCE: September 28-30, 2026 at Mary Mackillop Place, North Sydney, NSW. Please save the date.

The conference offers space to reflect on broad themes about place, time, culture, social relationships, and pressing questions of faith and spirituality as they are experienced in liturgy in the southern hemisphere.

"Reflecting on worship in Australia and our regional neighbourhood."

Book now – <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1591194> or please scan the barcode on the poster at the back of the Church.

LOGAN DEANERY YOUTH MASS:

Join us for our Logan Deanery Youth Mass on Sunday, 30 August 2026, 9:30 am at St Maximilian Kolbe Parish, Marsden, 26-38 Macarthy Road, Marsden 4132. Followed by morning tea & activities. Please save the date.

For more information, please contact logandeaneryyouth@gmail.com

ARCHBISHOP FISHER CALLS FOR BALANCE ON FREEDOM TO PROTEST:

Sydney Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP has criticised some judges and activists for treating the freedom to protest as a "trumping power" over all other rights, enshrining weekly pro-Palestine protests above the common good and social cohesion.

Source: The Australian

ROSTERS

CLEANERS – SEPTEMBER 2026

4-5 September 2026: Divine Mercy Group

11-12 September 2026: Syriac Community

18-19 September 2026: Sri Lankan Community

25-26 September 2026: Vaioleti Family

THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 29/30 AUGUST 2026 (22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A)

1. 1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

2. 2nd Reading: Romans 12:1-2

3. Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS- 5/6 SEPTEMBER 2026 (23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A)

1. 1st Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9

2. 2nd Reading: Romans 13:8-10

3. Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

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.



Don't run away from what you are called to be. Christians take the less-travelled road. "What does it profit us if we gain the whole world but ruin ourselves in the process?" 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 Plu MEH, 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 Robin CLARK, Justine MANGWI, 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

QUEENSLAND BISHOPS VISIT COMMUNITIES TO SHOW SUPPORT:

Queensland's bishops shared moments of faith, reflection and joy with people in Townsville and Palm Island as well as a special visit to Fantome Island during a three-day meeting last week.

Source: The Catholic Leader.

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK – 6-12 SEPTEMBER 2026:

Every Conversation Matters

Shifting Conversation to Action

CANBERRA-GOULBURN ARCHDIOCESE WELCOMES NEW PERMANENT DEACON:

"Let me serve you." With those four words, newly ordained Deacon Don Mauro Salvador Gomez summed up the ministry he had just accepted before a full St Christopher's Cathedral in Canberra.

Source: Catholic Voice.

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DAD JOKES: IAN ALLEN

Policeman: I want you to go straight home:

Man: I can't.

Policeman: Why not?

Man: Because I live round the corner.

PRAYERS FOR YOU:

Father, Your Word says that times of tribulation are opportunities to grow in Christ. Help me to learn and grow through this time, remembering that "the testing of my faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that I may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing."

– James 1:3-4 NASB

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC PARISH, WOODRIDGE – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026:

Parent-Info Session – Thursday, 8th of October at 3:30 pm in the Church.

Five First Holy Communion Classes – every Thursday at 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm in the Church. It starts on the 22nd of October, 29th of October, 5th of November, 12th of November and ends on the 19th 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, 21st of November 2026, 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 Thursday, 8th of October 2026. 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.



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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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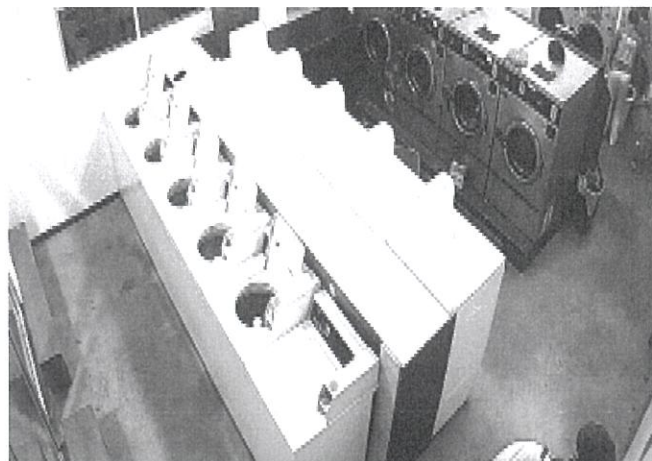


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