



# Petrie Catholic Parish

EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

Our Lady of the Way—38 Armstrong Street, Petrie & St Francis Xavier—135 McKenzie Street, Dayboro.

*Petrie Catholic Community is a dynamic, growing Christian church committed to bringing the message of Jesus Christ to all.*

## Second Sunday of Advent —Year B 10th December 2023

*Each Advent invites us to revisit a longing for that 'homecoming' existing in the depths of our souls.* Fr Brendan Byrne Sj

### GOSPEL REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

In the wilderness God's salvation comes to a broken people. In the midst of what is seemingly an impossible situation, hope emerges with vigour. In this context, hope is an openness to surprise, the surprise that God is in no way limited to the imaginings of human minds and the consequences of human history. This is the kind of hope that is proclaimed in the wilderness by John; it is the kind of hope that trusts that from the impossible, God can work a new creation.

There is something of a time warp in Christianity. What is future is made present. The prophetic oracle announces the future as if it is already happening. This sense of the future-present prompts new ways of living. As the future takes root in human lives, the present is transformed into a new creation and the Day of the Lord appears.

God's future comes through the wilderness into the broken city and inspires a broken-hearted people. The contrite heart is a broken heart, an emptied-out heart, a hope-filled heart. It is a heart that is unencumbered by the past and that lives currently in the passing of time and the fragility of being alive. The contrite, broken heart can be filled only by what is promised in the future. This is the paradox of Advent. In the middle of the wilderness, God works the impossible in those whose hearts are ready for the surprise of hope.

*"PREPARATION: find the way, level out injustices and make the way in peace. Repent, forgive others and turn towards the One who comes with the power of the Spirit of God. The hand of our God comes with the strength of one who comforts and sets free. God draws near us."*

Megan McKenna, Tasting the Word



## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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### Parish Office Hours

Monday, Tues, Wed & Friday  
8.30am - 3.00pm

### **Closed Thursday**

### Parish Website

www.petriecatholic.com

### Parish Facebook Page

Petrie Catholic Parish

### Archdiocesan Prevention and Protection Policy

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

*Safeguarding is  
Everyone's Responsibility.*

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## Mass Times

### Weekdays:

#### PETRIE

Mon 11th December — 8:00 am

Wed 13th December — 8:00 am

Fri 15th December — 8:00 am

#### DAYBORO

Thurs 14th December — 9:00 am

### Weekends:

#### PETRIE

Sat 16th December — 6:00 pm

Sun 17th December — 8:00 am

Sun 17th December — 5:30 pm

#### DAYBORO

Sun 17th December — 10:00 am

### Reconciliation:

**2nd Rite 13/12 (see notice)**

*1st Friday of the month  
following 8am Mass—9am  
or by appointment*

### PRAYER FOR PEACE

Loving God,

We earnestly pray for peace and stability in Myanmar amidst the ongoing internal conflict.

Our hearts grieve for the children and families enduring displacement, fighting with hunger and poverty.

Hear the prayer of these children and families and respond with the support they desperately need.

May your love and warmth reach those who are most in need.

In your mercy, grant peace and perseverance to the internally displaced children and families, providing them with the necessary resources for survival.

We pray for the restoration of community and an end to conflict, allowing children and families to feel secure once again.

Grant families the strength and perseverance they need as they travel through these challenging times.

May your guiding light lead them towards hope and a brighter future. Amen.

*(from Catholic Mission)*

## Parish Notices

### Whats on this Week:

#### Monday 11th December:

7:00pm—8:30pm Seeds of Hope Prayer meeting via Zoom — Meeting ID: 662 852 748

Password: 521023. Ph: Rosa 3886 1661

#### Wednesday 13th December:

8:30am-10:00am Adoration following Mass

7:00pm Advent Reconciliation

#### Friday 15th December:

8:45am Fathers Prayers—OLW Church

#### Saturday 16th December:

2:00pm Spanish Mass

### Upcoming Parish Events

#### Wednesday 20th December

8:30 am—10:00 Adoration following Mass

#### Sunday 24th December:

6:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass — OLW Petrie

10:00pm Christmas Eve Mass — OLW Petrie

8:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass — Dayboro

#### Monday 25th December:

8:00am Christmas Day Mass— OLW Petrie

**CHRISTMAS NIGHT—NO MASS**

#### Friday 12th January

9:00—12:00 noon Parish Office Open

### ADVENT RECONCILIATION

Will be held on Wednesday

13th December at 7.00pm  
at Our Lady of the Way



*If you are able to assist with leader, reader, data etc please put your name on the form at the table at Petrie.*



We acknowledge the Turrbal and Jabi Jabi people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work today. We pay respect to elders both past, present and emerging. We stand together with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders of today, tomorrow and always.

# Parish News and Archdiocesan Events

## Christmas Mass Roster

Help is needed for all ministries at the Christmas Masses at Petrie:

Readers, Leaders, Communion Ministers, Data, Sacristan, Car Park Attendants, Ushers; Marshalls & Collectors.

### Hall Set Up

Assistance is also required for the setting up of the school hall for the 6pm Christmas Eve Mass

From 9.00am on Saturday 23rd December

Helpers are needed to

**Set the Altar area and setup the Crib.**

**and help to pack up after Mass.**

If you are available please add your name to the list at the table in the Church by 15th Dec.

**Thank You.**

## CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

**Christmas Eve, Sunday 24th December**

**Our Lady of the Way, Petrie—6pm and 10pm**

**St Francis Xavier, Dayboro—8pm**

Please Note, there will be no 5:30 pm Mass on Sunday 24th

**Christmas Day, Monday 25th December**

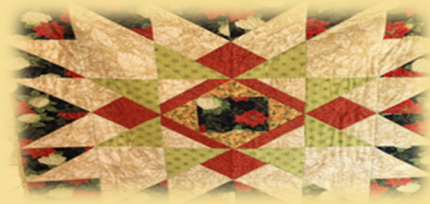
**Our Lady of the Way, Petrie—8am**

**No Christmas Mass on Christmas night**

### Uganda Kids Christmas Raffle:

This beautifully handmade quilt could be yours. Tickets will be sold at 8am Mass on Sunday 10th December

**\$2 each or 3 for \$5**



## Office Hours



Please Note the Parish office will be closed from 23rd December and will reopen on Friday 12th January 2024 (9:00am to 12pm only)

**Normal office hours will resume from Monday 15th January 2024.**

## PIETY STALL

Now available at the piety stall

**Christmas Cards—\$3.00**

**Various Christmas Gifts.**



## Sacramental Program 2024



Expressions of interest forms are at the back of both Churches

**Should you have any questions please contact the office by email or phone.**

## Newsletter

*The last parish newsletter for 2023 will be for 25th December and the first newsletter for 2024 will be for Sunday 14th January*

## Communing with the God who Comes to Us.

A quiet weekend facilitated by Grace Harwood of Dragonfly Ministries, at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston.

**December 15th-17th OR January 12th-14th**

See Parish Notice Board for Cost & Registration details

**PLEASE CHECK THE NOTICE BOARD FOR DETAILS OF OTHER ARCHDIOCE-**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Third Sunday of Advent—Year B**

**First Reading - Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11**

**Second reading - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24**

**Gospel - John 1:6-8, 19-28**

**Please remember in your prayers the sick in our community:**

Bryan Carmichael, Mary Carmichael, Scott Hines, Norma Quinn, Marcus Neudecker, Noela Corby, Terry Segrave, Steven Williams, Rohan Somasekaran, Thomas Bird, Bradley Wright, Greg Olsson-Lalor, Nina & Raymond Dove, Tia Huff, Gina Morieni, Timothy McNickle, Kyle Huff, Nathalie Bernon, Patrick Bosworth, Neil and Susan Casey, Frank Christensen, Michael Bartsch, Bernie Bartsch, Donna Harrison, Mary Noonan & Sr Carmel Pattison sgs, Ann Smith..



**PARISH COLUMBARIUM Have you reserved your niche?**

Constructed in 2021 on the Tom Petrie Homestead site surrounded by heritage trees and lovely gardens. Our aim is to provide a peaceful and respectful atmosphere, which enables family and friends to pray for and reflect on their loved ones who have passed away.

There are four walls with both single and double niches, each is named and dedicated to - Our Lady of the Way, St Joseph, St Francis Xavier and St Mary McKillop.

If you wish to find out more please contact the Parish Office on 3285 6759 or email: [petrie@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:petrie@bne.catholic.net.au)

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