

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.

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year B 16th June 2024

Gospel Reflection by Greg Sunter

This week's gospel is a wonderful example of the teaching style of Jesus. It even tells us that 'he would not speak to them except in parables'. Jesus used the parable form almost exclusively to share his message. He used imagery that was familiar to his audience; parables about the everyday life of a rural community: seeds, planting, growing, harvesting. The secret of Jesus' parables, when we understand the cultural context, is that there was always a 'twist in the tale' — what is called a 'discombobulating shift' — that turns the expected outcome of the story on its head.

This is nowhere more evident than in the image of the mustard seed. On the surface the parable is about the kingdom of God starting from very small, humble beginnings and growing into something great. However, immediately prior to this kingdom parable, Jesus has reminded us that the community makes a living out of growing grain crops like wheat for bread, etc. His parable about the mustard seed describes a tiny seed that grows into a great shrub 'so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade'. A farming community that was growing grain crops would be greatly alarmed at the thought of actually attracting birds to their fields or even nearby.



Jesus' message about the kingdom of God is that it is actually disruptive and invasive.

The kingdom brings unrest and disquiet to the predictable. The kingdom of God is unsettling. This is a much more challenging parable than it appears from a literal reading.

Gospel Focus - The Kingdom of God

The references to the kingdom of God in the gospels always carry a paradox. It exists in the present, yet is something to be achieved in the future. It is here, but not yet. If we live 'as if' we are living in the kingdom here and now then we hasten its coming. The kingdom of God is not a place but a way in which the world operates. It is a kingdom that is ruled by justice and gives precedence to those who are regarded as nothing in the world. It is a kingdom of promise and hope that inspires and calls all people to more than they currently are.

Scriptural Context – Kingdom Parables

Jesus sought to describe the kingdom of God by comparison and analogy – 'The kingdom of God is like ... '; 'To what can we compare the kingdom of God?' He never gave a lecture about the kingdom, rather, he painted a picture in terms that were readily recognised by his audience but forced them to think differently about the image he used. It forced them to think about themselves and their world in a different way. Kingdom parables begin innocently enough with a familiar image but very quickly shift to a challenge about the way we normally perceive things. The kingdom is often portrayed as a contradiction.

Living the Gospel – Seed on the Land

The first parable in the gospel passage describes the unerring work of the kingdom. It is like the seed that almost magically transforms into a fully grown plant that may be harvested – apparently without any external forces. Of course, we know that plants need to be fed, watered, weeded and nurtured to ensure their proper growth. However, the kingdom of God works in our lives in a similar way – if we feed and nurture it, the kingdom will produce a great harvest. Even if we don't pay it attention, the kingdom is present and acting in our world.

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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.

OLW School

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Mass Times Weekdays:

PETRIE

Mon 17th June — 8:00 am Wed 19th June — 8:00 am Fri 21st June — 8:00 am

DAYBORO

Thurs 20th June — 9:00 am

Weekends:

PETRIE

Sat 22nd June — 6:00 pm 23rd June — 8:00 am Sun 23rd June — 5:30 pm Sun

DAYBORO

Sun 23rd June — 10:00am

Reconciliation:

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

OUR LADY OF THE WAY PARISH

60TH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

Gracious and loving God, with great joy we thank you as we celebrate the sixty years you have nourished Our Lady of the Way Catholic Parish and School with your many graces and blessings.

You have celebrated with us new life in baptism and new life through the Resurrection; you have fed us with your Word and Sacrament.

May our parish community and school remain a place of welcome and hospitality to the strangers in our midst. May we always cherish the memory of our parish ancestors whose faith and love over sixty years this parish has formed community and school.

Help us to move forward with dedication to Our Blessed Mother. our help and protector.

We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.

Parish Notices

What's on this Week:

Monday 17th June:

12:00pm Alpha Session 8—Community Centre 7:00pm Alpha Session 8—Community Centre 7:00pm-8:30pm Seeds of Hope Prayer meeting via Zoom—Meeting ID: 662 852 748 Password: 521023. PH Rosa 3886 1661

Tuesday 18th June:

8:30am OLW Play group—Community Centre

Wednesday 19th June:

8:30—10:00am Adoration following Mass

Thursday 20th June:

10:00am Coffee Club—Dayboro

Friday 21st June:

Fathers Prayers—OLW Church 8:45am 9:00am Mothers Prayers—Parish Office

Upcoming Parish Events:

Monday 24th June:

7:00pm-8:30pm Seeds of Hope Prayer meeting via Zoom—Meeting ID: 662 852 748 Password: 521023. PH Rosa 3886 1661

Wednesday 26th June:

8:30—10:00am Adoration following Mass

Monday 1st July:

7:00pm-8:30pm Seeds of Hope Prayer meeting via Zoom—Meeting ID: 662 852 748 Password: 521023. PH Rosa 3886 1661



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Refugee Families Sponsorship Initiative for a New Life In Australia

As Refugee Week approaches, Catholic Mission is inviting Parishes to take action and open their hearts and arms to sponsor refugee families to help them settle into their new life in Australia.

The Community Refugee Integration and Settlement Pilot (CRISP) is designed for community members to build social networks to welcome a family group who has been granted a humanitarian visa but is still waiting to arrive in Australia.

Resources are available to assist in this process. For more information on the program or how your community can get involved contact Anne Nesbitt at anne.nesbitt@catholicmission.org.au



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

Sacrament of Baptism:



This weekend through the Sacrament of Baptism at Our Lady of the Way, Petrie we welcome

Liliana Stower & Lyla Porter

Congratulations to Liliana & Lyla and their families on this special day.

PARISH ROSTERS

The new rosters will run from the 21st July to 13th October 2024. If you are unavailable during that time either phone or email the parish office by 30th June.

A Big Thank You to all Rosary Makers



Since May 2023, 15 parishioners from OLW and 8 from Holy Spirit have responded generously, not only by making Rosaries Beads but by contributing to the purchase of

materials. We have made eight thousand in the past 12 months.

We are grateful to the parishioners who have become aware of this superb effort and have assisted us by giving donations for the materials.

Together we have been able to supply every child in OLW, Mt Maria and Holy Spirit with a free Rosary pack. We hope to continue this with other schools.

We made 1500 for the Corpus Christi procession.

Rosaries have been sent to the missions in Solomon Islands, Philippians, Fiji, PNG, Timor Leste and Tanzania just to name a few.

These Rosaries look great and Rosary making is a prayerful, relaxing and satisfying hobby.

We are happy to teach anyone who wants to learn.

God bless you Irena and Rosa

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

The workshops for the Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) will be commencing shortly.

If you child is in year 5 or above please contact the parish office.

Please ensure all registrations are in before 16th June 2024.

Parish Coffee Club

Our Next Coffee Club will be held at

Silverwood Café, Dayboro Thursday 20th June at 10am

If you wish to attend please contact Margaret email: <u>p_stan@bigpond.com</u>

St Vincent de Paul Society



The St Vincent de Paul Society at Our Lady of the Way, Petrie, assists around 60 to 70 families in need in our community each month, chiefly by providing supermarket vouchers and non-perishable food items.

In response to suggestions from parishioners, we are installing a grocery box in the piety stall for donations of tinned food (fruit, vegetables, soups), dry items such as rice, flour, pasta, packet soups, cereals, toiletries, and even unused nappies that little ones may have outgrown. Please take the opportunity to share in our work and bring comfort and support to the most vulnerable people in our community.

Thank you!



KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS SILVER CIRCLE

Thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket in the latest Silver Circle. This draw is our 21st draw and we are very appreciative to have been able to support several local and overseas Charities since early 2013 due to your generosity. Thank you again.

First draw is this Saturday....

hope our phone call is to you!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading -Job 38:1. 8:11

Second reading - 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Gospel - Mark 4:35-41



Please remember in your prayers the sick in our community:

Bryan Carmichael, Mary Carmichael, Scott Hines, Norma Quinn, Marcus Neudecker, Ann Smith, Noela Corby, Terry Segrave, Steven Williams, Rohan Somasekaran, Kyle Huff, Thomas Bird, Bradley Wright, Greg Olsson-Lalor, Tia Huff, Sr Carmel Pattison sgs, Nathalie Bernon, Neil & Susan Casey, Nina & Raymond Dove,

Gina Morieni, Timothy McNickle, Patrick Bosworth, Frank Christensen, Michael Bartsch, Bernie Bartsch, Donna Harrison, Ian Smith, Mary Noonan James Martin, Carole McGurgan

THERE IS NO GIFT MORE PRECIOUS THAN PRAYER—Fr Benedict Groeschel

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. Double Niches are selling fast, if you are interested please contact the Parish Office on 3285 6759 or email: petrie@bne.catholic.net.au

How to Create a Sense of Community in Your Parish (Part 1)

How would you describe a parish with a strong sense of community? You might say it's warm and welcoming. It's a place where people care for you and make you feel like you belong. It's a place where there is fellowship and laughter, where the people feel like family.

Parishes, with their many gifts, graces and sacraments—with Jesus Himself right at the centre—ought to be great at this. Some are, but many are not. I don't have room to consider why, but I say that you don't have to wait for the right people to get their act together before things can improve.

Here are four ways you can build community in your parish.

Pray, Smile, Make Friends and Journey together.

Over the next 4 weeks we will be covering each of these. Watch this space!

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