





16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wis 12:13, 16-19 Second Reading: Rom 8:18-23

Gospel: Mt 13:1-23

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 Second Reading: Rom 8:28-30

Gospel: Mt 13:44-52

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the

kingdom. Alleluia!

MASS TIMES

St Benedict's Church

81 Mowbray Tce, East Brisbane

Saturday: 6:00 pm Vigil Mass

Reconciliation: By appointment

Wednesday: 9.00 Mass Changes will be in newsletter

St Joseph's Church

26-36 Leopard St (Anglesey St), Kangaroo Point

Sunday: 9:00am Mass

SVdP Helpline - 07 30101096

Furniture Helpline 1300 551 894

We pray for our fellow parishioners and friends who are ill, especially Mary Miller, Michael Mulligan, Pauline Burnett & Elizabeth Flamsteed

We pray for our recently departed, may they rest in peace.

For those whose anniversaries are at this time, we remember them.

Local Safeguarding Rep (LSR)

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In my previous job as parish priest I would write a newsletter reflection on some issue that was either topical or interested me, that I was happy to share with the parishioners each week. I called them 'The Pastor's Post'. Sometimes they are of a spiritual nature, other times they are matters that have annoyed or challenged me, while other times they are just a bit of nonsense.

I hope they might be of interest to you, my new parishioners. Fr. Peter

CULLING It had to start some time. I had been putting it off for weeks, but the shelves kept staring at me and pleading "What about us?", "Pick me as your prized possession". Finally I have had to start the demanding and time-consuming job of packing, which also means the emotional task of discarding. After at least half a dozen moves in my 35 years of priesthood, I should have it down to a fine art, but it seems that I have become a bit sentimental in my middle (to upper-middle) age. If it helps at all, I have devised a little list of dos and don'ts for those of you yet the face the daunting task of "culling" several years of luggage/baggage to the down attachments for the next part of the journey. While not an exhaustive list, it might just make the job a little easier.

Lesson 1. No article of clothing from school (primary or secondary) should still be in a middle-aged adult's cupboard. That sweater your mum knitted you for grade 6 just must now be discarded, along with the Hawaiian-print shirt that looked so cool on your 18th birthday. Sad as it is to admit, the bell-bottomed jean will never return, at least not with my waistline. Out they go, along with

studded belts, safari suits, white shoes and body shirts.

Lesson 2. Never go through the photo albums (do they still exist in this digital age?) unless you are in the company of a ruthless and unfeeling responsible adult, who will shake you back into reality, as you spend hours trying to recall where you were, and who took that photo of you and some anonymous sightseers back in 1976 when you toured Rotorua for the first time.

Lesson 3. Dust-catchers" are named thus for a good reason. That is all they do. The only joy they can bring has already been used up by the person who bought it for you in the first place. No matter how much may have been spent on it, a signed football jersey from a now defunct rural football team of 1982 can longer be called "a must have", but rather "a must go". Along with the cigarette lighter that was used to light your last dumper in 1988, and your 'best and fairest' trophy for a sport that is no longer played in civilised societies.

Lesson 4. Seriously, ask yourself, just how many books can one mildly intelligent human read (and promise to re-read) in a normal lifetime? Unless you intend giving yourself a serious hernia from lifting, then you have to be ruthless and cold. Somehow the comfort, feel and smell of pages from 'my very best favourite' book cannot be applied to every best seller purchased over 30 years. A simple hug and a small tear is all that is required before relegation to a Lifeline Bookfest. Let your joy become some else's.

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FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK

St Benedict's (Sat 6.00pm) 29th July

Tue - St James, Apostle Wed - Sts Joachim & Anne Sat - Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus

Visit our parish WEBSITE at http://catholicparishebkpt.org.au Visit the website and subscribe to the weekly newsletter.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held in the parish on the 2nd Saturday each month at St Lukes at 10.30am, and the & 4th Sunday following the 9.00am mass at St Jospeh's Kangaroo Point.

Preparation is held on the 2nd Saturday of the month at St Lukes Buranda at 10.30am.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER LATEST ONLINE HEADLINES

Chaldean patriarch withdraws Baghdad headquarters.

Group of priests start band to raise money to send youth to World Youth Day 2023.

protecting Rome.

deacon.

LUCKY NUMBERS

\$2.00 could win you \$25

Support your parish and buy your lucky number from the piety stall. Drawn weekly.

Winner - C Goldsworthy #7:)

PLANNED GIVING BY DIRECT DEPOSIT BSB: 064 786; A/c No: 100023838; A/c Name: Kangaroo Point East Brisbane Parish; Reference: PG/Surname Thank you

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS! LET US KNOW YOU'RE HERE.

Please let the piety stall volunteer know that you're new to the parish. Census forms are available at each church or we can email one to you.



SCAN THIS QR CODE DIRECT TO THE WEBSITE.

HAVE A GREAT WEEK!

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST BENEDICT'S

Planned Giving

Wednesday - 26th July at 9.00am

VINNIES IN OUR PARISH Thank you to all who supported the collection at last weekend's masses. This is the only occasion during the year where we seek the support of the parish in terms of actual donations of cash. We are always reminded of the scripture reading of the widow's mite where Jesus describes the simple offering of two small copper coins to the temple treasury is a wonderful gift because it represents a greater proportion of her wealth than larger gifts. Receipts will be sent out this week for those who requested one. John Wessel

PARISH SCRIPTURE GROUP Our group will next meet on Wednesday 26th July at St Benedict's church at 7.00pm. A chance to study and draw nourishment from the Scriptures in a friendly and relaxed environment. All are welcome to come along. The group will be led by Mrs Lyn Horner.

INAUGURAL RECONCILIATION DINNER

You are warmly invited to the Inaugural Archdiocese of Brisbane Reconciliation Dinner, After 80 years, a Pope is remembered for hosted by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and including the launch of the new Archdiocesan Rockhampton diocese prepares for a new Innovate RAP. With special guest, best-selling author, international speaker and proud Wiradvuri woman Dr Anita Heiss, this will be an opportunity engage meaningful conversations, to listen and learn from one another, as we move forward on the shared journey of reconciliation and unity.

> When: 6pm, Thursday 14 September Where: Hotel Grand Chancellor, 23 Leichhardt

St, Spring Hill

Cost: \$80pp or \$720 table of 10 RSVP: Friday 1 September

Limited seats available, register now at https:// app.tickets.org.au/eb/REC Dinner23 This dinner is presented by the Laurel Blow Speaker Series proudly sponsored by ACU.

CALLING ALL GRANDPARENTS! Join with Evangelisation Brisbane for a morning that celebrates your important role in shaping the faith of your grandchildren and children. Grand Plans for Grandparents is a time together created to acknowledge, equip and empower you in this special role. Discover fresh ways to engage with your grandchildren, sharing the gift of faith with renewed enthusiasm, and connect with fellow grandparents, share your

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Confirmation will be on Wednesday 11 October at 6pm in St Joseph's Church.

Parent/caregiver/child Preparation sessions are on Sunday 10 Sept at 2pm and Sunday 8 October at 2pm (including rehearsal). These sessions will be held at St Joseph's church.

experiences, and build supportive community. Stay on for Mass at the Cathedral at 11:30am where you'll receive a special blessing, reaffirming the impact you have on your family's spiritual journey. Saturday 22 July, 9:15 - 11:15am (followed by 11:30am Mass at the Cathedral). Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre. Cost \$15 Reserve your spot today by registering here: https:// app.tickets.org.au/eb/grandparents

CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF WEDDINGS AT THE CATHEDRAL All couples who have been married in the Cathedral of St Stephen are invited to a special Mass celebrating over 150 years of Weddings. A special focus will also be placed on those celebrating a Golden Wedding Anniversary (50 years) but of course anyone married in the Cathedral or the Chapel is invited to participate. 30th September Mass at 11.30am, followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.

WOMEN OF THE WAY RETREAT Would you like to take time out to reflect and recharge? 13-15 Oct. Treat yourself to some quality time with God. Book now for The Women on the Way Retreat. For further info please email wowqld@gmail.com or 0400 755 516. The weekend includes Mass. Adoration. Reconciliation, Praise and Worship, inspirational teachings, prayer ministry and time for fellowship.

AN INVITATION TO PLAY A BIGGER ROLE IN THE PARISH Are vou interested in joining your parishioners and volunteering at one of our weekend Masses? Could you be a Reader or Singer at Mass? An Altar Server or open the Church in preparation for Mass? Someone who could wash the cloths used on the altar each week? These roles don't take much of your time, but are important to the life of the parish, and enriching and sharing your faith with your parish community. If so, please contact the parish office for further information or chat with one of our current volunteers at Mass today.