



# KANGAROO POINT EAST BRISBANE CATHOLIC PARISH



## 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24  
**Second Reading:** 2 Cor 8:7,9, 13-15  
**Gospel:** Mk 5:21-43

### Responsorial Psalm

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

**Intercessions Response:** Lord, hear our prayer.

## 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** Ezek 2:2-5  
**Second Reading:** Cor 12:7-10  
**Gospel:** Mk 6:1-6

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel.  
Alleluia!

## MASS TIMES:

### St Benedict's Church

81 Mowbray Tce, East Brisbane

**Saturday:** 6:00 pm Vigil Mass  
**Reconciliation:** 5.30pm

**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**

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We pray for our fellow parishioners and friends who are ill, especially

**Mary Miller, Carmel Gleeson, Donna Adams, Jenny Pearsall, Faith Collins.**

*Names of the Sick: due to privacy laws, names of the sick can only appear in the newsletter with the permission of immediate family.*

We pray for our recently departed, especially **Hazel Yared (Faith's sister)**, may they rest in peace.

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



*Dear friends,*

"Death is not God's doing": Wisdom announces this today with the kind of confidence that comes from knowing that the God whom we worship is a God of the living, not the dead. This wise author goes on to say, "For God created all things so that they might exist; the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them." This, indeed, is powerful praise for the God of life.

However, the world in which we live can be a world of great paradox. Over the course of the last 15 months or so, societies around the world have implemented considerable social contortions to keep the vulnerable safe. We have all made significant sacrifices to prevent the spread of Covid-19 among the elderly and the frail.

And now, in our state of Queensland, legislation is before the Parliament to introduce something called "Voluntary Assisted Dying" (or medically assisted suicide), otherwise known as euthanasia. It seems odd to me that these two realities sit side-by-side: extraordinary measures to protect the vulnerable and new laws to permit and promote a hastened death.

The word "euthanasia" comes from Greek and simply means "a good or happy death" (*eu*- "good" + *thanatos* - "death"). The proposal for VAD laws is actually a distortion of what is intended by a "good death": do not we all wish for a "good death" for ourselves and those we love?

Often enough, when people propose

"euthanasia" as an option, they are actually proposing good quality palliative care, usually without realising it. It is the right of every human being who suffers from terminal illness to have a dignified, pain-controlled death, surrounded by people who love and care for them until the end. The expertise of medical professionals and the use of our health resources needs to be directed towards this end; not a state-sanctioned choice for death because options for palliative care are under-funded, under-resourced, and under-supplied and, therefore, allowing the public narrative of the process of dying to become disfigured. With adequately funded and readily accessible palliative care, dying need not be a horror story but a loving and dignified process in which the sacredness of each human person is valued even at their most vulnerable and defenceless. Without adequate access to proper palliative care, euthanasia becomes a clinical economic solution to a profoundly human mystery. Euthanasia is not the more compassionate road; it is simply the more expedient option in a world where human frailty is measured in economic costs and emotional debates. VAD laws overturn the most fundamental objective of medicine: "first do no harm". There is still time for you to contact or write to your State member to have your voice heard. Death is not God's doing.  
*Fr Anthony*

**HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD**  
**euthanasia**  
**voluntary assisted dying**

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY 30 JUNE, HOWEVER WILL BE OPEN THURSDAY 01 JULY.**

## Kangaroo Point East Brisbane Parish

**Parish Priest:** Bishop Ken Howell  
**Administrator:** Fr Anthony Mellor  
**Associate Pastor:** Fr Thomas Ismoyo  
**Parish Administration:** Catherine Goldsworthy, Patricia Prvor  
**Parish Office Hours:** Wed 8.30am - 4.00pm  
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## St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

26-36 Leopard St, Kangaroo Point QLD 4168  
**P:** 07 3391 5397 | **F:** (07) 3391 5186  
**E:** pkangaroot@bne.catholic.edu.au  
**Principal:** Mrs Nicole Cole  
**School Secretaries:** Ms Marina Barrett & Mrs Sabrina Hawe  
**W:** [www.stjosephskpt.qld.edu.au](http://www.stjosephskpt.qld.edu.au)

**Local Safeguarding Representative - Mrs Catherine Goldsworthy** kpoint@bne.catholic.net.au 0438 649 568

**Roster – St Benedict’s (Saturday 6:00pm) 03 July**

**Altar Servers 04 July**

Commentator	Readers	Holy Communion Ministers	St Benedict’s	St Joseph’s
B Navratil	M Goldsworthy, J Joughin	Priest		Eamonn

**Roster –St Joseph’s (Sunday 9:00am) 04 July**

Readers	Holy Communion Ministers	Opener	Piety Stall	Counters
R Donovan	Priest	K Wessel, P Skehan		R Donovan T Donovan

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\$603.90**

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**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK**

- Mon** - St Irenaeus
- Tue** - Sts Peter & Paul Apostles
- Wed** - The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
- Sat** - St Thomas, Apostle

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 Sunday following the 9.00am mass or other times by arrangement.

Preparation is held on the 1st Saturday of the month at the Cathedral at 9.30am.

**THE CATHOLIC LEADER LOCAL ONLINE HEADLINES**

Queensland budget gives hope to people in housing crisis

Awareness day shines spotlight on the importance of caring for the elderly

Unleashing the power of encounter at Ignite Conference in 2021

New Brisbane ministry campus to ‘open minds to the riches of the Church’

Leaders in Catholic education look to the future at national event hosted by ACU

**LUCKY NUMBERS**

**\$2.00 could win you \$25.**

Support your parish and buy your lucky number from the piety stall. Drawn weekly.  
**Winner #3 J Ayre**

**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!**

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.

OPEN YOUR CAMERA,  
SCAN OUR QR CODE  
**DIRECT TO THE WEBSITE.**



**HAVE A GREAT WEEK!**

**MASS THIS WEEK AT ST BENEDICT’S**

Wednesday 30th June - 9.00am

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**MASS FOR YOU AT HOME** Did you know Catholic Mass is broadcast on free-to-air television each Sunday morning? Mass for You at Home is broadcast at 6am on Channel 10 and WIN. Let family and friends know that they can pray along at home if they are unable to attend their local parish. Find out more at [www.massforyou.com.au](http://www.massforyou.com.au)



**BATTLING VAD LEGISLATION WITH PALLIATIVE CARE PUSH** Please stand with the Queensland Bishops and medical experts in opposing this legislation. *Dying with dignity already exists - it lies in being able to access high quality palliative care statewide.* Handouts available at masses this weekend.  
1. Key messages for Euthanasia Bill and  
2. We need your help - and action.

**COVID19 UPDATE** The following changes will be in effect from **1:00am Friday, 25 June 2021**: Capacity restrictions have been lifted to 3 people per 4 square metres. Weddings and funerals now share the same capacity limits as Masses. The restriction on self-service food has been removed. Effective 9 July the ‘Check in QLD App’ is required at all Mass centres.

**PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER CAMPAIGN:** People across the country are invited to participate in the “Fan the Flame” prayer campaign leading up to the first assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia. The assembly starts on October 3. Campaign materials include resources for personal and communal prayer, reflections, musical suggestions and multimedia content. Find the resources at: [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/)

**POSITION VACANT** Administration Assistant Lutwyche Parish - Monday & Friday 8.30am to 12.30pm. Visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website for more information.

**POSITION VACANT** Parish Secretary Goodna Parish 12 hrs per week and Sacramental Coordinator for Children at Bracken Ridge/Bald Hills Parish during school term. Visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website for more info.

**BRISBANE EAST DEANERY SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP** This runs over 8 weeks, each session goes for 90mins. See the flyer for more details and to register your interest.

**TOUR DE BRISBANE - SUNDAY 11 JULY 2021** Road closures along the course will be in operation between 4.30am and 2.00pm on Sunday 11 July to facilitate the Tour de Brisbane. Organisers have advised that the roads around St Joseph’s should be reopened by 9am or earlier like in previous years. Road closures can be found at <https://tourdebrisbane.org/roads/>

**PARISH SACRISTAN** We are seeking parishioners to assist at weekend Baptisms and Weddings. Tasks include opening and closing the church, taking the wedding register to church etc. For more information, please email the parish office or phone Catherine on Wednesday on 3391 4663

**ALTAR SERVERS** Parents, please watch for a notice in the school newsletter in the coming weeks asking if your child might be interested in becoming an Altar Server. We have invited all those children who received their Sacraments to consider becoming part of this important ministry and community. Email the parish office for more information.

**WISHING ALL THE STAFF AND STUDENTS OF ST JOSEPH’S PRIMARY SCHOOL A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY & SAFE RETURN!**



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**SAFEGUARDING** Our parish has had a recent safeguarding audit. Watch this space for any updates. Our LSR (Local Safeguarding Representative) is Mrs Catherine Goldsworthy 0438 649 568.