NEWSLETTER

Catholic Parishes of Bulimba • Buranda • East Brisbane • Kangaroo Point

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 August 2026 (Year A)

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My sincere thanks to everyone who made Friday night's concert in the church such a success. It was a wonderful evening of magnificent beauty and talent. The hospitality, which is always unsurpassable here at Bulimba, was outstanding! Thank you once again. I hope all who made this church building possible looked down upon us with a smile on Friday evening.

Many parishioners at Sts Peter and Paul's Bulimba will remember Stephanie Macdonald when she commenced her journey with the Carmelite Nuns at Ormiston. Next Saturday on the Feast of the Assumption, Sr Stephanie, who has completed her novitiate, will make her First Profession of solemn vows. It is a time of immense joy. I have been asked to represent the parish as a priest concelebrant at Mass at Ormiston. I will assure her of your prayerful support and our gratitude for the many prayers she offers for our parish community.

Mass for the Assumption of Mary will be held at Sts Peter and Paul's, Saturday 15th August at 10.00am.

The feast of the Assumption of Mary is, once again, a celebration of hope for us all. Mary is the model and pioneer of faith. She knew best the Word made Flesh, but she does not possess a different humanity from the rest of the human family. Because of Mary's faith and holiness, she has entered, with the fullness of her humanity (*body and soul*), the totality of the resurrection of her son. Later, the rest of saved humanity will be with her or, as we say, in communion with her.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.

God bless,
Fr Kevin

Liturgy and Prayers This Week 10 August to 16 August 2026

	Bulimba	Buranda	East Brisbane	Kangaroo Point
Wednesday	7pm (Mass) Public Holiday		8am (Mass) Public Holiday	
Friday	8am (Mass + Adoration + Benediction)	9am (Mass)		
Saturday	10am (Mass) Feast of Assumption 5.30pm (Mass)		5pm (Mass)	
Sunday	8am (Mass) 5.30pm (Mass)	8am (Mass)		9am (Mass)

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We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationships of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

AROUND OUR PARISHES

BULIMBA • KANGAROO POINT/EAST BRISBANE • BURANDA

Prayer Requests—please pray for the departed loved ones and those suffering illness from Bulimba, Kangaroo Point/East Brisbane and Buranda parishes, especially Roy Hogan, Sr Fay Hancock SGS, Mardi Macdonald ***recently deceased and also for*** Caitlin Donohue, Patricia Vieyra, Mary Hooper, Harold & Dulcie O'Connell, Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, Patrick and Clare Dugger, Begley and Bourke families, Mal Thomson, Moira Dugera, Patricia Romero, Ross Saffioti, Muriel Jones, Margaret Turpin, Sandra Swales.
Please remember the sick – Kay Bradnock, Hazel Langthorne, Pete Waldron, Margaret McLaughlin, Anita Xavier, Lance Tutanoa, Madonna Lapez, Rita Zoch, Patrick Larkin, Anne Bardwell, Michael Mulligan, Leo Rawlings, Tony Cotter, Angelina Lee, Margaret Robba, Connie Sladen, Kim Koster, Bryce Caughey.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2026
FOR ALL CHILDREN ACROSS PARISHES OF
BULIMBA AND KANGAROO POINT
SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
(for children Year 3+ who have completed Sacrament of Baptism)

Parents wishing to enrol their child in the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to attend one of the following information sessions to be held at parish hall of Sts Peter and Paul, Bulimba.

Thursday 20 August 7pm *OR* Friday 21 August 9:30am

Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on
Thursday 29 October across two sessions

Information on the program requirements will be explained at these sessions with resources available to enrol your child

KANGAROO POINT/EAST BRISBANE PARISH LUCKY NUMBER
Last week's winner: **KATHY WESSEL**

KANGAROO POINT SVDP will meet on Monday 10 August at 6pm in the church. All welcome to attend.

LOOKING AHEAD—Wednesday **12 August 2026** Brisbane Show Holiday—**Parish Office closed**

RCIA GATHERING—for those journeying towards the Catholic faith. Please note date change—the next meeting will be held at St Benedict's East Brisbane @ 7pm on **Wednesday 19 August 2026**.

A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us.
What do you call a paper airplane that can't fly?
Stationary

LITTLE STEPS SJ INITIATIVE
THIS MONTH'S ACTION
Living Laudato Si' through everyday actions at home

Daily habits of care—reduce and reuse—
choose reusable bottles, bags and containers
instead of single-use plastics.

BULIMBA PARISH MORNING TEA is on this Sunday **9 August.** If you can offer assistance after the 8am Mass, please visit the parish hall.

BULIMBA PARISH BAKE STALL is happening this weekend after the Saturday evening and Sunday 8am Masses. Please support the work of the community and coordinators in purchasing some sweet treats and goodies. Funds raised will be donated towards a parish charity choice. Thank you to all our volunteers and generous bakers.

DROP IN FRIDAY will be held on Friday **14 August 2026** in the parish hall at Sts Peter and Paul's, Bulimba from 10am-12pm. If you've not visited previously, why not consider 'dropping in' for the conversation and morning tea on offer. This is a great social gathering for everyone. Come and meet someone new!

MASS FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY will be held at the later time of 10am on Saturday **15 August 2026** at Sts Peter and Paul's, Bulimba.

LOOKING AHEAD—Bulimba **Social Justice Committee** will meet on Sunday **23 August 2026** after the 8am Sunday Mass in the parish boardroom. Consider joining the conversation.

PARISH LADIES LUNCH - will be held on Thursday **27 August 2026** at 11am at the Pineapple Hotel. It's a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends, and meet new ones. We'd love to see you there. Everyone welcome. Please RSVP to Catherine 24/8 on 0438 649 568.

The **PARISH RECONCILIATION CONSULATION GROUP** is discussing how the Parish should best implement the Archdiocesan RAP. There is support to continue to provide opportunities for parishioners to learn about Aboriginal culture and history. On Saturday 22 August from 10am - 12pm, Archdiocesan Ministries are presenting a RAP Networking event—**Honouring Country: History, Culture and Connection** at Our Lady of Lourdes, Sunnybank. Anyone interested can register at tinyurl.com/rapnetaug26. Tickets are $10. If you would like transport to and from the event, please contact the Parish Office.

BRISBANE EAST DEANERY NEWS

The **ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN** will be held across the weekend of 22/23 August 2026. This special campaign brings together all the parishes of the Archdiocese of Brisbane, to provide support for local ministries and care for people in need in our own communities.

Further details on how to give will be in next week's newsletter including appeal envelopes.

BRISBANE EAST DEANERY SCRIPTURE STUDY will begin the **Gospel of Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled** on Friday 4 September at 6.30pm at St James Priory, Coorparoo. The course will run for eight sessions. For more information or to register your interest, please contact Louise Simento on 0456 700 040.

QUEENSLAND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS & COLLEGES Music Festival

YOU'RE INVITED to the annual **QUEENSLAND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES MUSIC FESTIVAL** (QCMF) - events are held across Villanova College and St James Catholic parish hall and church. Come and hear some great instrumental music and choral singing from Thursday 13 August—Sunday 16 August. Day and festival passes are available at the door or on the QCMF website www.qcmf.com.au. (*Please note street and parking restrictions around the area during festival time.*)

HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISHES

As a Catholic community, we are deeply grateful for the goodwill and generosity that sustain our mission and service to others.
Your continued support is vital to our work, helping us to live out Christ's love in Bulimba, Buranda, and Kangaroo Point/East Brisbane.
To arrange planned giving for your parish, we invite you to reach out to the parish office for more information.
Thank you for being a cherished part of our faith journey.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

A VOCATION VIEW: Why is it that we lack real trust when the Lord calls us? We think we may drown, or must give up too much, or fear failure. These attitudes can help to strengthen our faith in the Lord. Scan the QR code to find out more or contact the vocation office on 1300 133 544 or www.vocationbrisbane.com Follow us on @vocationbrisbane

TWO MINUTE HOMILY by priests from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane. You are able to watch this week's homily here.

THE ORDER OF THE MASS

◆ FIRST Reading: 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13 ◆ SECOND Reading: Romans 9:1-5 ◆ GOSPEL: Matthew 14: 22-33

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the holy one,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.
Alleluia!

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day, he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting, Amen.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19: 9, 11-13

Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

SECOND READING

Romans 9:1-5

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ - it is the truth - my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

Command me to come to you over the water

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

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