NEWSLETTER

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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20 July 2025 (Year C)

◆ FR PETER DILLON Administrator, Kangaroo Point East Brisbane and Buranda ◆ FR KEVIN SMITH Parish Priest, Bulimba

The recent ordination to the priesthood of deacons Sean Woods and Sang Duc Bui is a great time of thanksgiving for the Archdiocese. These men put their lives in service of this local Church and with the bishop and people in their care continue the mission of Jesus using their individual skills and gifts.

In baptism we are all called and gifted in the threefold ministry of Christ, the Anointed One, as we are anointed with Chrism. We now serve as priests, prophets and royal. As priests offer prayer and sacrifice so do all the baptised each and every day in their particular circumstances. The ordained priest offers prayer and sacrifices as well and as a minister of Christ and for the community of faith. Our local Church rejoices with Sean and Sang and we pray for them as their priestly ministry begins.

As we know, many priests serving in the Australian church, including our Archdiocese, were born and trained in other countries and come from other cultures. While Fr Sang's formation for priesthood took place here in Brisbane he was born in Vietnam where his family still live. It was a great honour for some of us to join Sang and his family when he returned to his home parish to celebrate his ordination and thank God for the many blessings we have all received.

Fr Sang (Sunnybank Parish), Fr Bradley (Cleveland Parish), Fr Kevin, and Fr Gerard (Caloundra Parish) in front of the Church in Ke Tung Parish, Vietnam.

Blessings,
Fr Kevin

Liturgy and Prayers This Week 21 July to 27 July 2025

	Bulimba	Buranda	East Brisbane	Kangaroo Point
Wednesday	7pm (Mass)			
Friday	8am (Mass + Adoration + Benediction)	9am (Mass)		
Saturday	9am (Mass) 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

Prayer Requests
Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially Sr Therese Denny SGS, Cielo Patricia Medrano Lindarte, Elena Whale ***recently deceased and also for*** George Bracken, Paul Troja, Patricia Vieyra, Mary Hooper, Emma Moretto, Peggy Teache, Ann Toomey, Harold & Dulcie O'Connell, Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, Patrick and Clare Dugger, Begley and Bourke families, Karen Baker, Mike West, Timmons and Lyons families, Patrick and Pat Boyle, Ross Saffioti, Saffioti and Jarrett families.
Please remember the sick in your prayers – Luigia D'Allura, Hazel Langthorne, Pete Waldron, Margaret McLaughlin, Anita Xavier, Lance Tutanoa, Roy Hogan, Catherine Kearney, Madonna Lapez (nee Cullen), Natalina Rossi, Carol Visueshwara, Rita Zoch, Patrick Larkin.

OFFICE CLOSURE—please note the office will be closed on Tuesdays 22 and 29 July with Helen on leave. Please phone before visiting to check that we are open!

CATHOLIC FORMATION—MODULE TWO: UNDERSTANDING, PRAYING AND LIVING THE SCRIPTURES - join this ten-week formation course starting Monday 4 August at Holy Spirit Seminary, Banyo. Deepen your faith through Scripture. Brochures at church doors or visit www.catholicformation.au

YOUNG ADULTS DINNER—Young adults and parishioners are invited to join us for dinner after the Sunday, 27th July 5:30pm Mass. Meet outside the church then head to Sushi Train on Oxford Street, followed by dessert at Yo-Chi. All welcome!

A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us.
Paddy spies a letter lying on his doormat. It says on the envelope "DO NOT BEND ". Paddy spends the next 2 hours trying to figure out how to pick the thing up.

LITTLE STEPS SJ INITIATIVE
THIS WEEK'S ACTION

Listen and respond to the cry of the Earth, the cry of the poor and the cry of our future.

Check the source of produce. Try always to buy local and seasonal

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2025

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Information sessions for parents of children in Year 3, or those 8 years of age or older who have been Baptised.

24 July 7pm ***OR*** 25 July 9:30am

Parents wishing to enrol their child must attend this meeting to receive information and resources about the program.

Celebration of Confirmation—Thursday 28 August

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD – resumes Sunday 20 July in the parish hall, during the Sunday 8am Mass. You are encouraged to bring your children to hear the Gospel adapted to their level of understanding. Thank you to our dedicated volunteers who help deliver this message to the children.

KANGAROO POINT/EAST BRISBANE • BURANDA

Prayer Requests
We ask you to pray for the recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time *— Caitlin Donohue, Terry Skehan.* ***Please remember the sick in your prayers*** *- Michael Mulligan, Leo Rawlings, Tony Cotter, Paul Mann.*

PARISH LUCKY NUMBER (KPEB)
Last week's winner: **PHIL SMITH**
Any parishioners interested in being part of the Lucky Number Draw simply need to speak with Isobel at the foyer of St Benedict's Church on Saturday evening. Proceeds of the lucky number draw go to support St Vincent de Paul and other social needs in the Parish. ***GOOD LUCK!!!***

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION at the Cathedral of St Stephen is being offered to parish families with Baptised children who are 8 years of age or older.

Parents and children attendance is required at the following sessions *to be held in the Hanly Room (next to the Cathedral) -*

Sunday 17 August at 2pm for information and resources.

Sunday 14 September at 2pm activity followed by rehearsal.

Celebration of Confirmation
Wednesday 17 September at 6.30pm

For further information please contact Gerry at the Cathedral parish office via crooksg@bne.catholic.net.au

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL – THIS WEEKEND The 2025 St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal will be held at all three churches—St Joseph's, St Benedict's, and St Luke's—during Masses this weekend, 19/20 July. This is the only annual appeal seeking your financial support.
All donations will directly support those in need through the work of our local conference. So far this year, members have helped 349 people across 180 visits, providing over $17,000 in assistance.
Cash donations are welcome at all churches this weekend. Direct transfers can also be made to:
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Name: SVDP East Brisbane/Kangaroo Point Conference

Thank you for your generous support and for the donations of goods and furniture throughout the year. Your kindness makes a real difference. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.**

SAVE THE DATE—
To acknowledge the extraordinary service of Betty and Jessie Bourke and Shirley Hallinan, **parish morning tea** will be held in **St Luke's** theatre area on **SUNDAY 10 AUGUST** following the 8.00am Mass. Be sure to mark your calendars and come along to the celebration.

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: Jesus desires that we, like his friend Mary, would spend time in his presence. Take time regularly to be with Jesus and listen to his living world. (Luke 10:38-42) 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

THE ORDER OF THE MASS READINGS

◆ FIRST Reading: Genesis 18:1-10 ◆ SECOND Reading: Colossians 1:24-28 ◆ GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42

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

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.
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.
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

FIRST READING Genesis 18:1-10

Lord, do not bypass your servant.

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My Lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.
'Where is your wife Sarah?' he asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

SECOND READING Colossians 1:24-28

The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

GOSPEL Luke 10:38-42

Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

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