



# Catholic Parishes Kangaroo Point East Brisbane and Buranda Newsletter



Second Sunday of Easter (Year B)

7 April 2024

## Mass Times

### ST LUKE'S CHURCH

43 Taylor Street,  
Woolloongabba

**Friday: 9:00am Mass**

**Sunday: 8:00am Mass**

### ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH

81 Mowbray Terrace,  
East Brisbane

**Wednesday: 8:00am Mass**

**Saturday: 5:00pm Vigil Mass**

### ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

26-36 Leopard Street,  
Kangaroo Point

**Sunday: 9:00am Mass**

Reconciliation: *By appointment*

## Your Prayers

We ask you to pray for the recently  
deceased *Stewart Flatley,*  
*Jacqueline Gregory.*  
May they rest in peace.

Please remember the sick  
*Brian Prove, Michael Mulligan,*  
*Jeanette McMahon*

## Baptisms

**Baptisms** are held on the  
**Fourth Sunday** following the  
9:00am Mass at  
*St Joseph's Kangaroo Point.*

**Preparation** is held on the  
**Third Sunday** at  
*Sts Peter and Paul's Bulimba*

**Please telephone the parish  
office for further details**

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 relation-  
ships of Aboriginal and Torres Strait  
Islander peoples to this country and  
commit ourselves to the ongoing jour-  
ney of reconciliation.

## Fr Peter's Message

### The Generous Easter People

Some days just don't seem to have enough hours in them to get all the work done and we seem to have had a few such days recently at our parish Churches, starting with the prayer and spirit-filled days of Lent, and finishing with the large and enthusiastic Easter Triduum. While all these liturgies were attended by larger than usual numbers of parishioners and visitors, the liturgies that seemed to have the deepest resonance were the Holy Saturday Vigil and Easter Sunday morning Mass, with its Easter fire, Pascal Candle, full-voiced congregation and the welcoming of visitors to our parish. It was truly a high point for those who had applied themselves to the disciplines of Lent. While all these celebrations have given us much to consider and be grateful for, there is often a misconception that such events happen simply by good intention and a bit of basic planning.

In order that these liturgies and hospitality events ran smoothly and meaningfully, a small army of very dedicated people has spent time preparing and providing for the multitude of detailed requirements of such significant parish events.

As Parish Administrator, I was very grateful for the ready response of many people to a request for assistance and, following the events, I was sincerely proud of the way that these volunteers took such care to carry out their tasks professionally and cheerfully.

On behalf of those who attended our Easter celebrations could I thank all the singers, musicians, servers, typists, readers, printers, welcomers, collectors, ushers, ground staff, cleaners, polishers, painters, florists, liturgists, planners, seating coordinators and lastly, but not least, those who took part in the liturgies of these important days, those who journeyed from near and far to share the richness of their faith in this vibrant and faith-filled corner of the Archdiocese. The cheerful participation of all these people made this truly a house in which all God's people can have some sense of being part of the kingdom. Alleluia!!! Alleluia!!!!

*Fr Peter Dillon (Administrator)*



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# Around our Parishes

## Parish Lucky Number (KPEB)

The winner of last week's lucky number was: J. Joughin

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 at Mass on Saturday evening.

Proceeds of the lucky number draw go to support the St Vincent de Paul and other social needs in the Parish. **GOOD LUCK!!!**

## VOCATION VIEW: Easter:

resurrection and new life; to be begotten by God. A new life is achieved from a conquered tomb.

Nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. "As the father sent me, so I am sending you...." Please pray for vocations. Contact 1300 133 544, scan the QR code or visit [www.vocationbrisbane.com](http://www.vocationbrisbane.com) Follow at @vocationbrisbane.

**TWO MINUTE HOMILY** by priests from the Brisbane Archdiocese. You are able to watch this week's homily at — <https://shorturl.at/dotuG>

Thank you for your generosity in supporting the financial needs of the parish. Kangaroo Point /East Brisbane will move to a single combined collection from this weekend. Your continued support of the parish and priest with your giving makes the ongoing requirements of parish life possible.

## PARISH SCRIPTURE GROUP—

(MONTHLY) Following our reflections during Lent, we will now continue meeting on a monthly basis. We look at the Gospel and share our thoughts and prayerful companionship with each other. The next meeting is Tuesday 30 April at St Benedict's Church, East Brisbane at 7pm. Everyone is welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

## The Order of the Mass

### **FIRST READING** from the Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35

*The whole group was united, heart and soul.*

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

### **SECOND READING** from 1 John 5:1-6

*Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world.*

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is—keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world—our faith. Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness—since the Spirit is the truth.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia, alleluia!

### **GOSPEL** according to John 20:19-31

*After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.*

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.'

Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.