NEWSLETTER

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

Third Sunday of Lent

8 March 2026 (Year A)

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A significant celebration this year for the parishes in the district is the centenary of the church of Sts Peter and Paul at Bulimba.

We hope to hold several events and everyone in the Deanery will be made welcome. I thought it timely to update you on what is already suggested.

A centenary Concert featuring both church and secular music.
A celebration to remember all who were married at Sts Peter and Paul's
The Centenary Mass at which the Archbishop will preside on October 18th.

Last year the Parish Finance Council approved some maintenance work on the church building.

Mould etc on the west wall (*front wall*) of the church and the stairwells, which are prone to water residue, has been cleaned.
Plant growth, high on the building, between brickwork (*more sabotage by the crows*) has been removed and pointing repaired.
External lighting will be repaired and replaced which in some cases requires the use of a boom lift.

Internal painting is still being addressed and we are awaiting quotes.
My thanks to the Parish Finance Council for their expertise and support in addressing these important works to maintain the beautiful and historic church building.

I invite those who came to the planning meeting last December to meet again on Saturday 14th March at 10.45am at the Parish Office. Anyone wishing to join us is most welcome.

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A boom gate has also been installed at the 25 Main Avenue entrance and church driveway. The purpose of this is to comply with safeguarding requirements during school pick up and drop off times. Pedestrian traffic coming from the school carpark crosses the church driveway. The gate is open for all Parish Masses and events.

God bless,
Fr Kevin

Liturgy and Prayers This Week **9 March to 15 March 2026**				
	Bulimba	**Buranda**	**East Brisbane**	**Kangaroo Point**
Wednesday	7pm (Mass)			
Friday	8am (Mass + Adoration + Benediction) 7pm Stations of the Cross	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 Hugh McCormick, Joan West, Marcus Randell ***recently deceased and also for*** Patricia Vieyra, Mary Hooper, Emma Moretto, Peggy Teache, Harold & Dulcie O'Connell, Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, Patrick and Clare Dugger, Begley and Bourke families, Mal Thomson, Moira Dugera, Mick Shelton, Attilio and Ida Michieletto.
Please remember the sick in your prayers – Kay Bradnock, Hugh McCormick, Luigia D'Allura, Hazel Langthorne, Pete Waldron, Margaret McLaughlin, Anita Xavier, Lance Tutanoa, Roy Hogan, Catherine Kearney, Madonna Lapez, Rita Zoch, Patrick Larkin, Robyn Britnell.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be celebrated in the church throughout Lent on Friday evenings commencing at 7pm. All welcome.

PROJECT COMPASSION —this Lent season we are called to ***Unite Against Poverty.*** **Monoranjon** lives in a village in Bangladesh close to the sea, where floods and storms often damage his crops and his home. With support from Project Compassion, he learnt climate-resilient farming techniques and new ways to diversify his income, helping his family survive and build a safer, more sustainable future. Your generosity will enable Caritas to provide life-changing support to vulnerable communities in need. You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes or envelopes or online at: www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate

PARISH BAKE STALL—THANK YOU to the co-ordinators and parishioners that supported the bake stall. $362 has been raised towards social justice initiatives.

DROP IN FRIDAY—you're invited to join in the conversation and stay for morning tea, 10am in the parish hall Friday 13 March 2026. This is a great morning of conversation and hospitality. Why not consider attending?

LITTLE STEPS SJ INITIATIVE
THIS WEEK'S ACTION
Living Laudato Si ' through everyday actions at home
Choose digital tickets and receipts instead of printed ones.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2026

SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION
(for children Year 4+ who have completed Sacrament of Confirmation)

Parents wishing to enrol their child in the Sacrament of First Communion are invited to attend one of the following information sessions :
Thursday 19 March 7pm *OR* Friday 20 March 9:30am
Information on the program will be explained at these sessions with resources available to enrol your child.

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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 :
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 will be explained at these sessions with resources available to enrol your child

KANGAROO POINT/EAST BRISBANE • BURANDA

Prayer Requests
We ask you to pray for the recently deceased *Angelina Erba*
and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time
Please remember the sick in your prayers *- Yolande Yorke, Anne Bardwell, Michael Mulligan, Leo Rawlings, Tony Cotter,*

PARISH LUCKY NUMBER (KPEB)
Last week's winner: **MARY SMITH**
Any parishioners interested in being part of the Lucky Number Draw see 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!!!***

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026—PLEASE SEE ABOVE DETAILS. UPCOMING PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS IN MARCH FOR THOSE FAMILIES WISHING TO ENROL THEIR CHILDREN FOR THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION (for children Year 4+ who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation).

PARISH LENTEN GROUP continues each Wednesday at 7pm at St Benedict's, East Brisbane. It's great to see increase in numbers this year. It's not too late to join, all are welcome.

PLEASE JOIN our St Joseph's parish community on Sunday 15 March @ 9am Mass to acknowledge and celebrate the **Feast Day of St Joseph.** Morning tea will be served in the Coolock Room after Mass. All welcome.

LOOKING AHEAD….

Sunday 8 March	INT'L WOMEN'S DAY FUN RUN Streets may be impacted around KP
Wednesday 11 March	NO 8am Mass @ St Benedict's

ANNUAL CHRISM MASS will be celebrated on Thursday 26 March 2026 at 7pm in the Cathedral of St Stephen with Archbishop Shane. This is a celebration for the entire Archdiocese. All are welcome. Undercover carpark will be open from 6pm.

ST LUKE'S GREEN—visitors are advised that carpark access to under the building is not accessible for parking between 23 February—30 March due to ongoing essential works being conducted. Please see Reception during this time should you require assistance.

Please note there will be NO 8am Masses at East Brisbane while Fr Peter is on leave between 11-21 March. This will also include Wednesday 25 March as he is in attendance elsewhere.
Thank you for your understanding.

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: Only the Lord can give true living water the fullness of life. Our body cannot survive without water; our spirit cannot survive without living water. Now is the time to renew our lives in the waters and Spirit of Baptism. 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: Exodus 17:3-7 ◆ SECOND Reading: Romans 5:1–2, 5-8 ◆ GOSPEL: John 4:15-42

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you,
my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son, is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the Prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. 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

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

FIRST READING Exodus 17:3-7

Give us water to drink

Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt?' they said. 'Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle?' Moses appealed to the Lord. 'How am I to deal with this people?' he said. 'A little more and they will stone me!' The Lord said to Moses, 'Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.' This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, 'Is the Lord with us, or not?'

SECOND READING Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

The love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us

Through our Lord Jesus Christ by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. This hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die - but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

GOSPEL John 4:15-42

The water that I shall give will turn into a spring of eternal life

Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well is there and Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?' - Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus replied: 'If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you:
Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask,
and he would have given you living water.'
'You have no bucket, sir,' she answered 'and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?' Jesus replied:
'Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again;
but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give
will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give
will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.'
'Sir,' said the woman 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water. I see you are a prophet, sir. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said: 'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know;
we worship what we do know; for salvation comes from the Jews.
But the hour will come - in fact it is here already -
when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth:
that is the kind of worshipper the Father wants.
God is spirit,
and those who worship
must worship in spirit and truth.'
The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah - that is, Christ - is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything.' 'I who am speaking to you,' said Jesus 'I am he.'
Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman's testimony when she said, 'He told me all I have ever done', so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, 'Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.'

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