NEWSLETTER

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter

10 May 2026 (Year A)

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Fr. Kevin Smith

Happy Mother's Day …….for all Mothers

Today we celebrate Mothers and those called to that role. We honor them and thank God for the unique opportunity they are given and the many sacrifices they make as they care and nurture their children and those in their care.

Sadly, today also reminds us that throughout the world, including our own communities, women suffer violence in their role of motherhood. Each May, Queensland marks Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month. This annual initiative aims to raise awareness of domestic and family violence and coercive control, highlight the support services available, and send a clear message that violence in our communities will not be tolerated. No matter our role within the parish and community, there are simple, small things each of us can do to prevent DFV and to ensure that your community is one that listens to, believes and supports those who have been impacted by domestic and family violence. Contact inclusion@bne.catholic.net.au or visit dfvproject.org.au for more information.

Compassionate God, we come before You, mindful of the pain and fear experienced by victim-survivors of domestic and family violence. We pray for Your healing touch upon their physical, emotional, and spiritual wounds. Grant them strength to rebuild their lives and hope for a future free from fear. Surround them with Your love and guide them towards safety, justice, and lasting peace. We pray especially for those who feel trapped and alone. Grant them a sense of Your unwavering presence and guide them towards safety and support. Amen.

God bless,
Fr Kevin.

Liturgy and Prayers This Week 10 May to 17 May 2026

	Bulimba	Buranda	East Brisbane	Kangaroo Point
Wednesday	7pm (Mass)		8am Mass	
Friday	8am (Mass + Adoration + Benediction)	9am		
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 Brian Nolan, Neil Newman, Len Winter, Michael Swales, Jeanette Mecca, ***recently deceased and also for*** Mildred Bakunowicz, Patricia Vieyra, Mary Hooper, 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 – Michelle Mecca, Kay Bradnock, 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.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2026

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

SILVER JUBILEE OF FR FADI SALAME
Fr Fadi Salame, regular presider at Mass at St Luke's church, Buranda, marked the Silver Jubilee of his priestly ordination on 21st April. Last Sunday, the parish community congratulated him and prayed a joyful prayer of blessing and gratitude.
Lord God, on this his Silver Jubilee, we thank you for the gift of twenty-five years of priesthood and for the faithful service of Father Fadi.
We thank you for his dedication, love and sacrifice in serving Your people.
Lord, continue to bless him with strength, wisdom and grace. May he always be guided by your Holy Spirit, and may his heart remain steadfast in faith and filled with joy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Year 3 Liturgy will be held in the Church on Wednesday May 13 at 8:50am.

LITTLE STEPS SJ INITIATIVE
THIS WEEK'S ACTION
Living Laudato Si' through everyday actions at home
Encourage carpooling or walking to Mass and school.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD— held during the 8am Mass. You are encouraged to bring your children to hear the Gospel adapted to their level of understanding.
Please note we will not offer CLOW on Sunday 10 May to allow our volunteers to celebrate Mother's Day.

St. Peter & Paul's Parish Bake Stall—Saturday June 6 and Sunday June 7. We are seeking volunteers to donate home-made sweet and savoury treats. All proceeds go towards a parish nominated charity. Contact parishbakestall@gmail.com for more information

A mini retreat for couples
"The Vow" sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Oliver Plunkett parish hall 30th May from 9-12.30; followed by lunch. Presenters: Mel and Maria Noronha and Fr Neville Yun. No cost. Bring something sweet or savoury to share for lunch.

MENALIVE— is an initiative to bring men together, renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force within the Church. **St. James Coorparoo** is holding a half day event **MAY 17 9am—1pm.** 165 Old Cleveland Rd. Coorparoo.

Social Justice News: DATE CLAIMER Saturday, 30th May, 6:45pm - 8:30pm
Join us for an evening to learn about indigenous history in our local area, to build a shared understanding as we embark on our parish's journey of reconciliation. Featuring several external speakers. Wine, cheese and nibbles provided. Look out for further details soon!

May is **DOMESTIC & FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION MONTH.** The theme this year is ***Together we can.*** We all have a role to play, in how we listen, how we speak up, how we support one another, and how we build communities where respect, safety and dignity guide our relationships. **Our Lady of Graces Parish Carina** is holding Candlelight Prayers for Domestic Violence Victims on **14 May 2026** between 6.00 and 7.00 pm and all in the deanery are invited.

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. Please remember the sick in your prayers - John Mann, *Yolande Yorke, Anne Bardwell, Michael Mulligan, Leo Rawlings, Tony Cotter, Angelina Lee, Margaret Robba.*

PARISH LUCKY NUMBER (KPEB)
Last week's winner: LYN HORNER
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!!!***

ST VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS—seeking Blankets Donations. As winter approaches, the members of the St Vincent de Paul Society at St Benedicts and St Joseph's anticipate requests for blankets will start to increase. In a move to save our local Vinnies Conference funds we are asking parishioners who may have unwanted blankets in their households to consider donating these essential items to our Conference. If you can help, please leave any donations at the pious goods stall at the front of the church you attend. All donations will be gratefully received. In 2026 we have welcomed 3 new members who have joined our conference. Welcome to Mike, Owen ,and Kate!! Our conference meets at St Joseph's church at 6.00pm every 3 weeks on a Monday. Our next meeting will be held on **Monday May 18**. Newcomers are always welcome.

This MAY the Archdiocese will once again be coordinating an annual **MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT**. These figures help us to understand how many people are being reached in local communities and across the whole Archdiocese. Every 5 years, to coincide with the Australian National Census, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference asks for extra data on parish Mass attendance. Forming part of this year's count you will be asked in weeks three and four to provide some demographic information such as age and gender. We appreciate your participation. **THANK YOU**

In recent months several people, who have a background in other faith traditions, have expressed an interest in knowing more about the Catholic faith.
Some of these people are presently attending Mass and have even expressed a desire to become Catholic.
If this is of interest to you, then you are invited to an informal gathering at **St. Benedicts, East Brisbane on Wednesday 20th May at 7pm**. to enquire further into what is involved in becoming initiated into the Catholic faith.
SAVE THE DATE—FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI—WALK WITH JESUS Procession Sunday 7 June 2026 commencing at 2pm. The procession starts and ends at the Cathedral of St Stephen and features prayers, rosary, hymns, benediction and the Migrant Jubilee Cross, with proceedings led by Archbishop Shane Mackinlay. corpuschristibrisbane.com

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: That Jesus rose from the dead is our Faith. That we can be reborn in the Spirit is our Hope. That we can do God's work is our Love. Follow God's Call. 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

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

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. 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

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

FIRST READING Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3:15-18

In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

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Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.
Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

GOSPEL John 14:15-21

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.

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Jesus said to his disciples:
'If you love me you will keep my commandments.
I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate
to be with you for ever,
that Spirit of truth
whom the world can never receive
since it neither sees nor knows him;
but you know him,
because he is with you, he is in you.
I will not leave your orphans;
I will come back to you.
In a short time the world will no longer see me;
but you will see me,
because I live and you will live.
On that day
you will understand that I am in my Father
and you in me and I in you.
Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me;
and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

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