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Sts Peter and Paul

Year C

29th June 2025

Pastor's Message

We are a community that relies on living and life-giving memory. We remember our ancestors in the faith, both to give thanks for them and to learn from them lessons for today. The two saints whose lives we celebrate today tell of God's power to transform and redirect our lives. The personal lives of Peter and Paul were completely changed by their following Jesus. The twists and turns of their lives, and especially their conversions, may surprise us, but then, they surprised them too! What Paul says in the 2nd Reading, Peter might have also said, "I have run the race; I have kept the faith." Here Paul isn't just speaking of doctrinal observance; rather, he did what faith required of him, witnessing and preaching his faith in Jesus to believers and non-believers alike. His words are so personal today as he gives us insight into the cost and joy of being a disciple. In the end, Paul was imprisoned and executed in Rome during Nero's suppression of the church in the mid-60's of the first century.

Jesus certainly intended Peter to be the leader of his followers after he himself left this world. He also intended, one must assume, that others would carry on this leadership after Peter. Jesus's promise to Peter did not guarantee that his successors would all be saints or be able leaders or that all would avoid mistakes. Catholics should realize what is of faith and what is not. We believe in God and his love as revealed by Jesus and the Church. We do not worship the pope, but we deeply respect him as Peter's successor, a focus of unity and chief pastor of the Church.

There is a traditional story about Peter's death in Rome during the persecution of Nero. When he heard about Nero's plan to burn the city and blame the Christians, Peter knew that as the church leader in the city he would be arrested and put to death. So, urged by his friends he did the sensible thing and got ready to leave town at night along the Appian Way. As the night wore on the sky was illuminated by the flames rising from the city. Then Peter saw someone coming in the opposite direction, heading back towards the city, someone who even at night seemed familiar. "Where are you going, Lord?" (Quo vadis, Domine?), asked the bewildered Peter. "To Rome," was the reply, "to be crucified again, in your place," and on hearing this, Peter turned around and returned to Rome.

Less is said about the idea of succession to Saint Paul, although his role as an animator of faith and community life was also vital in the early Church. Celebrating these two leading apostles in a single feast is a vibrant reminder that the church needs both the formal, enduring, Petrine, papal, canonical leadership and the more charismatic, personal and inspirational leadership provided by characters like Paul, ever ready to question old ways and seek newer forms of bringing Christ into people's lives. We pray for the successors to both these kinds of leadership in today's church, as we honour the twin foundational "pillars of the church" in Rome. Their memory was beautifully evoked by Saint Clement, Peter's fourth successor as head of that community when he wrote: "Let us set before our eyes the illustrious apostles: Peter, who endured numerous labours and when he had at length suffered martyrdom, departed to the place of glory due to him; and Paul who ... having taught righteousness to the whole world, and come to the extreme limit of the west, suffered martyrdom under the prefects... and went into the holy place, having proved himself a striking example of patience." (Epistle to the Corinthians, par. 5). The best way to honour their memory is to treasure the faith that they taught, and pass it on as best we can to others.

God Bless, Fr Mark Franklin

Parish Diary

Monday 30th June

- 9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's Moggill

Tuesday 1st July

Wednesday 2nd July

- 9:15am **No Mass**, OLR Church Kenmore
- 9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's Moggill

Thursday 3rd July – *St Thomas, apostle*

- 9:15am **No Mass**, St Catherine's Moggill
- 7:00pm Maranatha Prayer Group, OLR Chapel Kenmore

Friday 4th July

- 9:15am **No Mass**, OLR Church Kenmore
- 6:00pm Adoration, OLR Chapel Kenmore

Saturday 5th July

- 8:00am SVDP Meeting, OLR Meeting Room
- 4:30pm Confessions, OLR Church Kenmore
- 5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

Sunday 6th July – *14th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:00am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill (Morning Tea)
- 9:45am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore
- 11:00am Metanoia Programme, St Catherine's Moggill
- 5:30pm Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

Flocknote Sign Up – Our Parish Census

Please complete our online Parish census at <https://OLRKM.flocknote.com/register> and provide or update your information. A paper census form is also available at the churches. This information will allow us to serve you better. **Thank you.**



St Vincent de Paul Helpline Phone 1800 846 643
Email helpline.bne@svdpqld.org.au

Our full electronic Parish newsletter is emailed each week by subscribing at <http://bit.ly/olrflock>

Your Parish Offering

For information or to review your level or method of giving please feel free to contact the parish manager on finchm@bne.catholic.net.au

For electronic funds transfer our bank details are:

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Reserve Account

BSB Number: 064 786

Account Number: 100001192

(Please include your name, planned giving number if applicable, or purpose, such as "Parish Giving")

1st Reading: *Acts 12:1-11*

2nd Reading: *2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18*

Gospel: *Mt 16:13-19*

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for Sts Peter and Paul: <https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20250629/mass.htm>

Vision: To be a welcoming and inclusive community, sharing God's kingdom with all.

Privacy Policy – <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/privacy-policy>

PARISH INFORMATION

Prayer Requests

If your relative or friend has been removed from this list and you wish them to remain on it, please call the Parish Office.

Recently Deceased: Please remember **Fr Terry Hegarty** and all those who have died recently.

Anniversaries: Please remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time; and for the **Repose of the Soul** of **Mary Kiriakos, Joseph Kiriakos, and Jeanette Kiriakos.**

Sick: Please pray for **Dr Francis Ryan**, Mary Ballard, Kay Shannon, Matt Wallace, Sandia Ryan, Edwing Ling, Olivia Pinwill, Robert Burton, Camilla Cowley, Eric Olsen, Chantal-Maree Deveraux, Mary McGuinness, Deanna McNamara, Doris Fern, Ian Turner, Sandra Dickson, Sian Fitzpatrick, Olivia Williams, Kitty Foxon, Pat Dryden, Joan Halvorson, Stewart Behan, Alicea Longford, Pat Nelson, Eli Bartlett, Krystyna Kazimierczuk, Stephen Jones, Elizabeth Shand, Hayley Shatkovsky, Mario Garza, Amy Deans, Juliet Quiterio, James McGrath, Graham Jackson, Leonard Cox, Prida Dibbayawan, Clint Quinlivan, Rosemary Foxon, Judy Kocho, Pat Clohessy, Matthew Gilroy, Maria Langenberg, Nina Smart, Evelyn Gardner, John Green, Cherry Austin, Denise Reeves, Benjamin Stekhoven, Chris Morris, and all those who are sick.

RCIA – Welcome Sunday

This weekend we welcome five candidates for the next RCIA programme: **Daniel, Darcy, Denise, Ruth and Catherine.** Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their journey of faith.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration will be held on Friday 4th July from 6:00pm – 9:00pm at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Kenmore. All Welcome.

Our Parish Would Love to Pray for You

We now have access to a wonderful new Prayer Request function through our electronic communications within Flocknote. When you send a prayer request it will be received by our Maranatha prayer group and be included as part of their regular prayer gathering here in the Our Lady of the Rosary Parish. Please take advantage of this new facility should you have any intentions you'd like the community to pray for. To submit a prayer request, please use the QR Code or go to: <https://olrkm.flocknote.com/prayer/submit>



Bible Study – Discovering God's Word

The Church has always venerated the divine Scriptures as she venerated the Body of the Lord: both nourish and govern the whole Christian life... CCC141. The New Testament lies hidden in the Old and the Old Testament is unveiled in the New.

Come join us for a 10-week study of the Old Testament book 1 Samuel. Commencing Wednesday 30th July, 7:00pm – 8:30pm, OLR Church Meeting Room, Kenmore.



Study Book (essential): \$12.00. Register online with the QR Code or link included and pay through Parish Office by 9th July.

Direct deposit – BSB Number: 064 786

Account Number: 100001192 (Please include your surname and "Bible Study" as the reference). <https://forms.office.com/r/vLiFlEvAF>

Weekday Masses Cancelled Next Week

Fr Mark away on retreat between 30th June & 4th July

Fr Mark will be on retreat from Monday 30th June to Friday 4th July, therefore there will be no daily Mass in the Parish, during this week. On Sunday 29th June, we welcome Fr John Fitz-Herbert who will be celebrating the evening Mass at OLR Church Kenmore. If you require a priest in an emergency (after-hours), please call Jesuits Fathers mobile: 0439 055 804.

Daily Masses:

Holy Family – Indooroopilly

- Wednesday 6:00pm & Friday 9:00am

St Ignatius – Toowong

- Tuesday 5:30pm, Thursday 9:15am & Friday 9:00am

St Thomas Aquinas – St Lucia

- Monday 5:15pm

Saints Peter and Paul, apostles – 29th June

This year the 29th June, when the Church celebrates the feast of Saints Peter and Paul, falls on a Sunday. As a solemnity, it "outranks" a Sunday of Ordinary Time and so replaces the 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time that would normally be celebrated on this day. Because Peter and Paul are martyrs, the liturgical colour for their feast is red. The solemnity of Peter and Paul is really the feast of the founding Fathers of the Church. Peter and Paul are the two "pillars" of the Church - Peter the great shepherd of Christ's flock, and Paul the zealous missionary who spread the good news and founded ecclesial communities in all parts of the world. Both endured all things, even martyrdom, to proclaim Christ's kingdom to all peoples. Because it has such a long history, it is one of the few feasts that are celebrated on the same date in the Eastern and Western calendars.

Project Compassion Appeal – Thank You

Caritas Australia would like to express their heartfelt thanks to Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Kenmore & Moggill for your incredible support of Project Compassion this year. **Your support totalled \$12,448.95 in donations, a record amount.** Your generosity is helping to empower the world's most vulnerable communities, enabling them to overcome challenges and lift themselves out of poverty. **Donors who requested receipts will have received them by email. Receipts which couldn't be emailed can be collected from the parish office.**

SVDP Winter Appeal – Thank You

Thank you to those parishioners who have donated to the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal for 2025. Your generous donations will help those vulnerable people in our community experiencing homelessness and poverty. For those who donated by direct deposit and wish to receive a receipt, please provide your email or postal address to us at olr4069@svdpqld.org.au.

OLR Youth Groups

Primary School (Yr.4-6): Launch Pad Youth Group is held on Friday afternoons during the school term, from 3:00 – 4:30pm @ the CCC, OLR Primary School. **Resumes Term 3: 25th July**
High School (Yr.7-12): Magnify Youth Group is held on Friday evenings during the school term, from 6:30 – 8:30pm @ the CCC, OLR Primary School.

Last Event for Term 2: 27th June – Resumes Term 3: 18th July
If you have any queries, please email Caleb at: youth.kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au

Our Lady of the Rosary Education Ministry

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish has a number of education services, please contact these for further information.

Parish Primary School	Principal – Paul Rees	07 3378 2412	pkenmore@bne.catholic.edu.au
Parish Kindergarten	Director – Gillian Hanlon	07 3720 1777	kenmorekindy@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au
Outside School Hours Care	Coordinator – Alex Mallon	07 3378 8943	kenmoreoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au