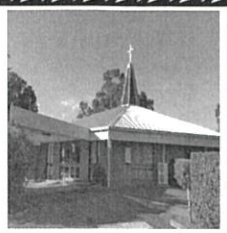
# ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE



## 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
## 20 - 21 SEPTEMBER 2025 YEAR C

**RESPONSE: PRAISE THE LORD WHO LIFTS UP THE POOR.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but He became poor, to make you rich out of His poverty. Alleluia!**

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## PARISH INFORMATION

**Website: www.stpaul'swoodridge.org**

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**Email: safeguarding.woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au**
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**Email: stpaulcustodian@gmail.com**
**St Vincent de Paul Helpline - 1800 846 643**

**Custodians on duty**

**15— 21 Sept 25** **Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau**
**22— 28 Sept 25** **Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a**
**29 Sept –5 Oct 25** **Costello & Ula Afakasi**
Parish Caretaker: **Glen Reiha**
Parish Liaison Officer to ROSIES: **Margaret Harvey** Mob: 0411 300 209

## WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

**9 AM — MONDAY-WED-THU-FRIDAY-SATURDAY**
**TUESDAYS - NO MASS**
**The Rosary and Divine Mercy prayers are said before these Masses.**
**HEALING MASS - 9AM 1st Wednesday of the month**
**TRINDER PARK AGED CARE MASS—1:30 pm - 1st Friday of the month**
**ARCARE AGED CARE SLACKS CREEK MASS—11am—2nd Thursday of the month**

## WEEKEND MASS TIMES

**6PM SATURDAY**
**SUNDAY 7.30AM & 9AM**
**SYRIAC MASS –SUNDAYS 4-8PM**
**AFRICAN MASS—3rd SUNDAY 12PM**
**ZOMI MASS- 1STSUNDAY 11AM**
**KARENNI MASS-4TH SUNDAY- 10:30AM**

## RECONCILIATION

**Sat: 5.15pm-5.45pm or by appointment with Priest**

**BENEDICTION- Fridays after 9am Mass and during Our Lady of Fatima devotions on the 13th of each month.**

**PRAYER GROUPS:**

**Divine Mercy** – Mondays 5:30pm-9:30pm—Church

**Marian Cenacle** - Wed 9.30am -Church

**Confraternity of Our Lady Help of Christians** - Fridays, 10am - Meeting Room
**Adorers of the Eucharist** -7:30 pm every **1st Friday** of the month - Church

**Holy Trinity (Charismatic)** -10am— **2nd Sunday** of the month- Meeting Room

**Our Lady of Fatima** every 13th of the month, 6:30 pm—Church
**Maria Rosary Group** –2pm every 1st Friday of the month - Meeting Room

## BAPTISM PREPARATION

**Please obtain the required forms from the Parish Office via email, or in person, Complete and submit the forms along with the applicant's birth certificate ahead of the actual baptism preparation meetiing with Parish Priest. at 3pm every Wednesday. Booking for a meeting with Parish Priest is essential. Baptisms are celebrated individually Baptism—Sundays**

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday 9am except school holidays.

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION

**By appointment with priest**

## 1PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:**

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| Small hosts – 6 jars (1,000 count) | - $170.24 |
| Medium hosts – 3 boxes of 50 pcs. | - 41.85 |
| Large hosts – 10 boxes of 10 pcs | - 149.50 |
| Energy Australia – parish | - 444.54 |
| Electricity – church shared w/ school/month | -281.26 |
| Origin – presbytery-quarterly | - 297.83 |
| AGL – presbytery – quarterly | - 161.12 |
| Industrial bin collection-monthly | - 376.20 |
| Rates – church & presbytery | - 1,421.31 |
| Rates - church shared w/ school/quarterly | - 1,371.87 |
| Jani King– cleaners for church facilities/mo | - 762.12 |
| Office internet & telephone –monthly | - 328.40 |
| Repairs & Maintenance – Church | - 5,286.20 |
| Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery | -24,550.00 |
| Total Operating Expenses | - $35,642.44 |

Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time

Total collections from weekend Masses last week is $2,459.50. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.

LAST SAFEGUARDING TRAINING AT ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC PARISH, WOODRIDGE FOR 2025: - Sunday, 28th of September 2025 from 10:15 am to 12:00 pm in the Church. For those who have not done their training yet, please attend if you like to continue serving in your chosen ministry. Thank you.

Please note the volunteers rosters will be updated on Monday, 29th of September 2025 which will only include those who have completed the Safeguarding Training, and have signed the SAFE BEHAVIOUR CODE and PRIOR CONDUCT DECLARATION. This includes anyone who currently have parish facility keys.

POOR BOX – last weekend is $115.25. Thank you.

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC PARISH, WOODRIDGE – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025:

Parent-Info Session – Friday. 17th of October at 3:30 pm in the Church.

Five First Holy Communion Classes – every Friday at 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm in the Church. It starts on the 24th of October, 31st of October, 7th of November, 14th of November and ends on the 21st of November. The children must attend all the classes. All parents/carers are also expected to attend.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be on Saturday, 22nd of November 2025 at 11:00 am at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. It will be celebrated by FR LADU JAMES YANGA.

Enrolment for Sacrament of First Holy Communion is now open, and will close on Friday, 17th of October 2025. A child must be Grade 4 or 9 years old and older. Confirmation Certificate is a requirement. Please contact the Parish office for registration forms. For students at St Paul's Primary School, they can also get the parish registration forms from Diane Johnson.

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Luke 16:1-13

This parable is about being shrewd. It is commonly called the parable of the dishonest manager/steward but Jesus is focused on the shrewdness of the manager rather than his dishonesty. In Palestinian society a manager was generally a slave who was placed in charge of the household supplies and in that capacity had a fair amount of freedom with the accounts. A master would expect his manager to always show a profit and the manager would make investments, charge interest on loans and generally administer the master's assets to gain income.

In this episode the manager is caught out squandering the master's property and is facing a serious penalty. Whatever it was, it was serious enough to warrant dismissal. After all, the master doesn't want the reputation of not being able to control his servants.

It was a common bit of wisdom in antiquity that superiors were judged by the behaviour of their subordinates.

Knowing that he will get sack the manager considers his future options. He decides to work a shrewd transaction to curry favour with his master's debtors in the hope that one of them might give him a job after he is dismissed.

In Jesus' mind the morality of the manager's scheme is irrelevant. What is important is that he went all out to secure his future. In the same way we should live according to the values and teachings of Jesus to secure our ultimate future. Jesus is saying we should be equally cunning with commendable wisdom to make sure our lives fit in with His scale of values.

- Laurie Woods

GOOD NEWS: FR LADU JAMES YANGA – offers to do three Weddings for free at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. Please call (07) 3808 4134 for information.

ST PAUL'S PARISH, WOODRIDGE BANK DETAILS: For those who wish to donate directly online. Thank you.
Account Name: St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge.
BSB: 064 786
Account Number: 100 001046

ST PAUL'S PARISH PUBLIC ROSARY: - On Saturday, 11th of October 2025 after 9:00 am Mass. All are invited to attend.

BINGO FUNDRAISING: - Monday, 6th of October 2025 10:00 am at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge's parish hall.

POPE LEADS PRAYER VIGIL FOR PEOPLE SUFFERING PAIN OR HARDSHIP:

Pain must never give rise to violence and every Catholic needs to learn to safeguard with tenderness those who are vulnerable, Pope Leo XIV said during a prayer vigil for people suffering illness, bereavement, violence or abuse.

Source: OSV News.

## ROSTERS

**CLEANERS – SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2025**

19-20 September 2025: Sally Pa'apa'a Family
26-27 September 2025: Zomi Community
3-4 October 2025: Veamatahau & Ioane Family
10-11 October 2025: Samoan Women's Group

**READERS THIS WEEK: 20/21 SEPTEMBER 2025**

| 6PM | 7:30AM | 9AM |
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| Rebecca De Los Ama | Marina Ene | Divine Mercy |
| Julita Jaurigue | Jeannie Stehr | Choir |
| Andrea Nigodemo Idris | Mago Ioane Tausaga | |

**READERS NEXT WEEK: 27/28 SEPTEMBER 2025**

| 6PM | 7:30AM | 9AM |
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| St Mother Teresa Choir | Helen O'Brien Tiitii | St Paul's |
| Julita Jaurigue | Kolise Ioane Tausaga | Tongan Chr |
| Andrea Nigodemo Idris | Atele Ula | |

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 20/21 SEPTEMBER 2025 (25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C)**

1. 1st Reading: Amos 8:4-7
2. 2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8
3. Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS–27/28 SEPTEMBER 2025 (26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C)**

1. 1st Reading: Amos 6:1, 4-7
2. 2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16
3. Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

**PIETY STORE – Opening hours are: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 am – 10:30 am. Saturdays: 6:45 pm, Sundays: 8:15 am and 10 am.**

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**You cannot serve two masters. Whom do you choose to follow? You must make a choice. (Luke 16:1-13). To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane, by calling 1300 133 544 or by email vocation@bne.catholic.net.au**

**PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD/ANNIVERSARIES – We pray for Lucy Ugoka WILLIS, Mark BENNETT, Gildar CABUNGCAL, all the holy souls in purgatory, our family members, our friends, and people who have died in Ukraine, Israel, & Gaza. May they rest in peace.**

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK – We pray for God's healing touch for Ndayizeye Lina GABRIELL, Liliana DERNIER, Kevin HICKS, Tess VETHECAN, Cliff NAUGHTON, Reba WILSON, Bev ANDERSON, Abner TAGALA, and all the sick of the parish. May the healing power of Jesus Christ breathe across your being now.**

**END OF MONTH COFFEE: - Saturday, 27th of September 2025 after 6:00 pm Vigil Mass at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. Please bring a plate to share.**

**IGNITE CONFERENCE 2025 – THE LIGHT:**

**Ignite Conference is an incredible way to kick-start a newfound relationship with Jesus, revive a faith that has grown tired and equip emerging parish leaders. No matter where someone is at in their faith, walking into the doors of Ignite Conference can be the start of a new life in Christ. Just by being immersed in a culture of incredible people, uplifting worship, powerful speakers, beautiful sacraments and insightful workshops, people can begin to see a life filled with hope and purpose in Jesus. For young people in particular, leaders see them come back home wanting to be involved in their youth group, asking mum and dad to go to Mass on Sunday and taking ownership of their life following Jesus.**

**This year we also celebrate 25 years since the first Ignite Conference. Our first Ignite logo included a flame, signifying our dream of *igniting the light of faith in the hearts of young people* across this country. 25 years later, we continue to witness this to be true.**
**Each year we see groups from as small as 3 people all the way up to over 300 people. It starts with a simple invitation to come and see.**

**When: 25th – 28th of September at St Laurence College, South Brisbane.**
**Phone: (07) 3217 5199**
**Visit – igniteconference.com.au**

**SAVE THE DATES:**
**LOGAN DEANERY BEAUDESERT PILGRIMAGE: - Saturday, 22nd of November 2025. A Family Day of prayers, reconciliation, music, food, followed by Mass. Please register your interest to travel by bus, number of people will determine bus fares. Please write your name in the folder at the entrance of the Church.**

**30 November 2025 – St Paul's Multicultural Mass at 9:00 am. More details to follow.**

**JOKE: IAN ALLEN**
**Teacher: If you had one rabbit in a hutch and added another rabbit, how many rabbits would you have?**
**Pupil: Ten.**
**Teacher: Ten? You don't know much about arithmetic.**
**Pupil: You don't know much about rabbits.**

**PRAYERS FOR YOU:**
**Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him, my Salvation and my God.**
**– Psalm 42:5-6, 11; 43:5)**

**TRIBUTES FLOW FOR BISHOP PAT POWER:**
**Bishop Patrick Percival Power, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of the Canberra-Goulburn Archdiocese, died in Canberra on Monday, 15th of September 2025, aged 83. Source: ACBC Media Blog.**

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**RUMMIKUB** = Wednesdays 10am-3pm in Room 1 at the Adult Ed Centre Cost: 2 BYO Lunch Contact Reba 0403 482 210 or Anne 0403 300 660.

**CARPET BOWLS** – Every Thursday 10-12pm in the Fr David Batey Hall. Joining fee $2 Session $4 Contact Connie on 0423 004 684

**TAI CHI CLASS** – Thursdays 5pm-6pm in Fr David Batey Hall with Joseph Cheng – 0434 445 678.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL MIGRATION ADVICE SERVICE** - This **FREE** service of a Migration Agent/Lawyer is offered on the **1st Saturday of each month from 10am-1pm in the Meeting Room at St Paul's Parish, Woodridge. An Appointment is essential.** This advisory service is for those who cannot afford the services of a migration agent/lawyer. Please ring 1 800 846 643 between 6pm and 9pm.

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