ST PAUL'S PARISH WOODRIDGE

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23 - 24 AUGUST 2025 YEAR C

RESPONSE: GO OUT TO ALL THE WORLD AND TELL THE GOOD NEWS.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through Me. Alleluia!

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE—SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT: We have zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in our activities, ministries and services. The safety and well-being of children and adults-at-risk is paramount. —Most Reverend Mark Coleridge—Archbishop of Brisbane.

Parishioners and visitors are invited to sign-up to Flocknote, our communication tool. Our Parish (and the Archdiocese of Brisbane) has officially adopted Flocknote, as well as all parishes, as a safe, new, and improved way of communicating in parishes. Flocknote is free for parishioners to use, and there is no need to download anything. Your information is kept



secure and private. It only takes a couple of minutes to sign up. Then we can communicate with you more easily via email.

PARISH INFORMATION

Website: www.stpaul'swoodridge.org

Parish Priest Presbytery

FR LADU JAMES YANGA

Ph (07) 3808 4134 75 Ewing Road, Woodridge Ph 3808 7661 (8pm-8am)

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Parish Office Postal Address Email Address Office Hours Parish Secretary

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Nelda Ward-Naughton Ph (07) 3808 4134 Administration Officer Mary Ann Policios Barbour Ph (07) 3808 4134

Pastoral Council Chairman: Peter Geidamovics

Email: pastoral.woodridge@bne.catholic.net.au

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WH&S & Local Safeguarding Officer: Marina Ene

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Custodians Coordinator: Marina Ene

> Email: stpaulcustodian@gmail.com

St Vincent de Paul Helpline - 1800 846 643

Custodians on duty

18-24 Aug 25 25-31 Aug 25 Costello & Ula Afakasi Sofeni & Sally Pa'apa'a Chris & Joycelyn Veamatahau

1 - 7 Sept 25

Parish Caretaker:

Glen Reiha

Parish Liaison Officer to ROSIES: Margaret Harvey

Mob: 0411 300 209

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 meeting 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.



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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Ву appointment with priest



1PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH OPERATING EXPENSES:

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 - 564.35 Electricity - church shared w/ school/month -245.24 Origin – presbytery-quarterly - 297.83 AGL – presbytery – quarterly - 161.12 Industrial bin collection-monthly - 1.321.36 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 - 502.54 Repairs & Maintenance – Presbytery -24,550.00 Total Operating Expenses - \$31,887.73

Plus Miscellaneous Expenses – varies each time Total collections from weekend Masses last week is \$2,259.65. Thank you all for your generosity and continual support to the parish. God bless everyone.

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.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN 2025:

The 2025 Annual Catholic Campaign will be held across all Archdiocesan parishes on the weekend of 23 and 24 August. Envelopes will be on the pews. Please take one. Thank you.

This Campaign raises vital awareness and funds for local ministries in the Archdiocese of Brisbane as determined by the Archbishop.

Please contact Leslie Silva - 07 3324 3486

Email - silval@bne.catholic.net.au

ST PAUL'S MARIAN CENACLE ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO CANUNGRA – Wednesday, 10 September 2025. Bus leaves from St Paul's Parish at 8:30 am and departs from Canungra at 2:30 pm. Mass will be celebrated by FR LADU JAMES YANGA at 11:00 am. Bus fare is \$25.00 per person. Please contact Adela Eastell.

ST PAUL'S PARISH FATHER'S DAY DANCE: - 6th of September 2025.

Tickets on sale from 16th of August.

Good music, Great company.

END OF MONTH COFFEE:

Saturday, 30th of August 2025, after 6:00 pm Vigil Mass at St Paul's Catholic Parish, Woodridge. Please bring a plate to share. Contact Peter & Paola Geidamovics.

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

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Luke 13:22-30

Straightaway we notice Luke mentioning his journey motif that filters through his Gospel and the Acts of Apostles. He purposely demonstrates the movement of the 'Good News" from Galilee to Jerusalem with Jesus and then from Jerusalem to the wider Roman world via the apostles and their disciples. For Luke, this progress is unstoppable because it is backed by the Holy Spirit.

Moving into parable mode Jesus describes the wouldbe guests knocking at the Master's door to gain entry to the banquet.

The Master's reply indicates that while the callers may have eaten and drunk with Him and heard Him speak in their streets they never made any attempt to connect with Him. This lack of will to create a relationship with the Master kept them at arm's length: they are anonymous to Him.

As always in his two-volume work, the Gospel and Acts, Luke draws attention to the reversal of values that Jesus advocated and that became the mark of His disciples. Reaching out to embrace the disadvantaged was the hallmark of Jesus's mission and those who followed His example with faith and commitment were guaranteed a place at the divine banquet. Walking in the way of Christ is the pathway to the ultimate destiny in the realm of God.

- Laurie Woods

BRISBANE CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS LUNCH – FAITH. VISION. SYNODALITY. LUNCH WITH SR NATHALIE BECQUART XMCJ:

On Wednesday, 27 August 2025 – 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm at Brisbane City Hall, Main Auditorium, Archbishop Mark Coleridge will welcome Sr. Nathalie Becquart, Undersecretary to the Synod of Bishops in Rome and one of the highest-ranking women in the Vatican, to Brisbane.

This is a rare opportunity to hear Sr Nathalie speak here in Brisbane. Guests will enjoy a two-course lunch with drinks, networking with fellow Catholics, and the chance to engage with one of the Church's most significant female leaders. It promises to be a wonderful occasion of connection, reflection, and dialogue.

Cost: \$150.00 per person.

Please contact Jaclyn Ritchie on 07 3324 3200 or email to <u>bcpgather@bne.catholic.net.au</u>

CANONISATION CELEBRATION EVENT - ST CARLO ACUTIS AND ST PER GIORGIO FRASSATI: - Holy Hour, Youth Mass & Festival - FREE EVENT.

The Youth and Young Adults team from Archdiocesan Ministries – the Catholic Collective – invites you to celebrate the Canonisation of the Church's newest saints and venerate their holy relics.

When: Sunday, 13 September from 4:30 pm

Where: St Patrick's Catholic Church, Fortitude Valley All are welcome to join in a Holy Hour leading into a Youth Mass followed by a festival and celebration.

To find out more, please visit – catholiccollective.org.au

ROSTERS

CLEANERS – AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2025

22-23 August 2025: Syriac Community 29-30 August 2025: Sri Lankan Community 5-6 September 2025: Vaioleti Family 12-13 September 2025: Sia Save Family

READERS THIS WEEK: 23/24 AUGUST 2025 6PM 7:30AM 9AM

Marina Ene
Atele Ula
Pesi Silao

Marina Ene
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Marina Ene
Kolise Ioane Tausaga Tongan Chr
Atele Ula

READERS NEXT WEEK: 30/31 AUGUST 2025

6PM 7:30AM 9AM

Neville Pearson Lua Siasau St Cecilia's Tess Vethecan-Kessels Seilala Otuafi Choir Bernie Beswick Salusiva Pa'apa'a

THIS WEEK'S READINGS- 23/24 AUGUST 2025 (21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YR C)

1. 1st Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21
 2. 2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13
 3. Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS-30/31 AUGUST 2025 (22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YR C)

1. 1st Reading: Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29 2. 2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

3. Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

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.

Will you help gather people to be a part of the Kingdom of God? Pray to be open if God calls you to serve as a priest, deacon, brother or sister. (Isaiah 66:18-21). 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 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 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.

SR PAT HONOURED FOR SERVICE TO CHURCH AND ABORIGINAL EDUCATION:

The University of Notre Dame Australia has awarded an Honorary Doctor of Letters to Sr Patricia Rhatigan SSJG for her dedicated service to the Church and tireless commitment to education.

Source: CathNews.

SAVE THE DATES:

BEAUDESERT PILGRIMAGE: - Saturday, 8th 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.

POOR BOX - last weekend is \$177.10. Thank you.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE RECONCILIATION DINNER: TRUTH TELLING, TREATY & RECONCILIATION – A timely conversation about how we continue to walk together towards justice and healing. All are invited to an inspiring evening as we come together for the Archdiocese of Brisbane Reconciliation Dinner.

When: Friday, 5 September at 6:00 pm.

Where: Hillstone, St Lucia

Ticket includes live entertainment, cultural performances, a variety of stalls and a sit down two-course meal.

Please visit - tinyurl.com/RECdinner25

DAD JOKES: KIT & ANDREW CHILVERS My cloning experiment's finally paid off!

I'm so excited, I'm beside myself.

PRAYERS FOR YOU:

Please keep me safe from all danger and harm. Help me to start this day with a new attitude and plenty of gratitude. Let me make the best of each and every day to clear my mind so that I can hear from You. Please broaden my mind that I can accept all things.

- Bible Verse of the Day

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

<u>Parent-Info Session</u> – 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.



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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.

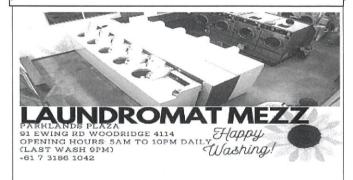
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