



Petrie Catholic Parish

INCORPORATING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

Our Lady of the Way—38 Armstrong Street Petrie & St Francis Xavier 135 McKenzie Street Dayboro.

Petrie Catholic Community is a dynamic, growing Christian church committed to bringing the message of Jesus Christ to all.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR B 22ND AUGUST 2021

REFLECTION

I have some sympathy for the response of the Jews to Jesus' hard teaching in today's Gospel! For a Jew to be asked to drink blood is as abhorrent as it gets. It is the same as demanding that an ultra Orthodox Jew eat pork!

In almost all the stories in the Gospel of John there are insiders and outsiders, those who understand the message and those who take Jesus too literally and are offended or confused. The flesh and blood given for the life of the world is at one and the same time the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus celebrated in the Eucharist. Jesus was not, literally, offering his arm for his followers to chew! He was referring to the gift he was soon going to give his followers: the example of utter fidelity to God's Kingdom even unto death, and the meal of that Kingdom, the Eucharist. We are the recipients of both gifts and the commission to live them out. The Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation is given to us for our mission in the world today and for our journey toward the World to come.

The other response in today's Gospel gives us great hope. In spite of being confused and deserted by his friends Peter hangs in there with Jesus. He holds on to faith when all the signs show that a hasty retreat may be a better course of action. We all know people who remain faithful in the most extraordinary of circumstances. Some of these we can understand – parents with sick children or spouses with ill partners. It's heroic, but understandable. But sometimes fidelity is heroic and inexplicable: when a spouse welcomes back his or her partner after an adulterous affair; when a foreign-born priest or religious will not abandon an oppressed community; when a person will fight a just cause and be persecuted all the way to the end. These are powerful signs of faithful love at work too. It's a fine line to know when fidelity is 'dying to self' not 'killing self'. We are called to the former and often seduced by the latter.

James Keenan in his excellent book, 'Virtues for ordinary Christians' says that fidelity is the bottom line of the Christian life. He argues that the Church has spent too much time preaching about 'infidelities' and too little time teaching about those things that strengthen fidelity. 'Each person', he says, 'has two major moral goals in life: to be just and to be faithful'. Being faithful to his Father, and to us, sums up what Jesus does for our salvation and is exactly what He calls forth from the disciples in today's Gospel. Perhaps because we too easily think it is something difficult, we presume that being faithful to our friends is hardly a moral issue. Yet once we see that friendship is the key to the moral life then we can come to see that living the moral life is about the ordinary interactions of our day.

James Keenan writes, 'To this end we may need to make more calls, write more letters, cook more dinners, take more strolls, linger a little longer with a friend. We may also need to disengage ourselves from the habit of counting or measuring what the other does or does not do or say'.

May this Eucharist enable us to respond to the invitation of the Holy One of God to place fidelity and friendship at the centre of our moral life and attend to the everyday activities that will see us live it out.



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Closed Thursday

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WHATS ON THIS WEEK

Mass Times

Weekdays:

PETRIE

Mon 23rd Aug — 8.00am
Wed 25th Aug — 8.00am
Fri 27th Aug — 8.00am

DAYBORO

Thur 26th August — NO MASS

Weekends:

*Registration for Mass is essential,
Registration via Check In Qld app*

PETRIE

Sat 28th August — 6.00pm
Sun 29th August — 8.00am
Sun 29th August — 5.30pm
(Contact Parish Office 3285 6759)

DAYBORO

Sun 29th August — 10.00am
(Contact Nora 0409 784 071)

Reconciliation:

By appointment.
Contact the Parish Office

Parish Diary:

Monday 23rd August:

7.00am—8.30am: Seeds of Hope Prayer meeting via Zoom .

Wednesday 25th August:

8.30am—10.00am: Adoration following the 8.00am Mass

Thursday 26th August:

7.30pm: Baptism Preparation

Friday 27th August:

9.00am: Mother's Prayers:
In OLW Church

8.45am: Father's Prayers in
OLW Church meeting room.

Parish Giving

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Sacrament of Baptism:

This weekend through the Sacrament of Baptism at Dayboro we welcome:

Harper Rooks

Congratulations to Harper and her family on her special day.



The Music Ministry needs your support.

How can you help?

- * Do you play an instrument?
- * Could you record music into the piano?
- * Can you sing?
- * Can you press buttons (on the piano)?
- * Are you studying Music or Sound production?
- * Can you help in any other way?

If you answered yes to any of these the Music Ministry would love to hear from you so please contact the Parish Office

Music Practice will be held on **Wednesday evening August 25th at 7pm in OLW Church.**

Knights Silver Circle - The winner of the 2nd Draw held on 14th August was John Horan of Petrie with Ticket No. 83. Congratulations!



Prayer to St Joseph before work:

O Glorious Saint Joseph, model of all those who are devoted to labour, obtain for me the grace to work in a spirit of penance for the expiation of my many sins; to work conscientiously, putting the call of duty above my natural inclinations; to work with thankfulness and joy, considering it an honour to employ and develop by means of labour the gifts received from God; to work with order, peace, moderation, and patience, never shrinking from weariness and trials; to work above all with purity of intention and detachment from self, keeping unceasingly before my eyes death and the account that I must give of time lost, talents unused, good omitted, and vain complacency in success, so fatal to the work of God. All for Jesus, all through Mary, all after thy example, O Patriarch, Saint Joseph. Such shall be my watch-word in life and in death.

Amen.

(Composed by Pope St. Pius X)

Parish Notices



COLUMBARIUM UPDATE

Due to COVID and shortage of building supplies the construction of the Columbarium has changed. Construction will be completed by 30th September.

How can I help?

- Landscaping— Donation towards purchase of scrubs.
- Donation towards the purchase of Our Lady statue.
- Assist with working bee (date to be advised)

Please contact the office if you can assist in any way.

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What's Happening in the Archdiocese

Fan the Flame - Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

Plenary Council Prayer Campaign: People across the country are invited to participate in the "Fan the Flame" prayer campaign leading up to the first assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia. The assembly starts on October 3. Campaign materials include resources for personal and communal prayer, reflections, musical suggestions and multimedia content. Find the resources at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthe flame/



IGNITE CONFERENCE 21

September 22-25th—Mueller College—Rothwell
Information & registration
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CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN LEAVING COLLECTION WILL TAKE PLACE THIS WEEKEND AT ALL MASSES. ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE FROM TABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. THANK YOU.



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SCRIPTURE READINGS
TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B
 A reading from the book of
 Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

A reading from the letter of
 St James 1:17,18,21-22,27.

A reading from the Holy Gospel
 according to Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23.

Please remember in your prayers the sick in our community:

Bryan Carmichael, Mary Carmichael, Scott Hines, Barry Guest, Rolf Germain, Pita Nepata, Norma Quinn, Marcus Neudecker, Noela Corby, Christina Peters, Terry Segrave, Rita Miles, Steven Williams, Rohan Somasekaran, Thomas Bird, Bradley Wright, Greg Olsson-Lalor, Nina & Raymond Dove, Tia Huff, John Engwicht, Vera Versace, Michelle Woodworth, Abbie Wellspring, Lloyd Mason, Sharon McCourt, Gina Morieni, Nicole Blackburn, Tim McNickle, Kyle Huff, Nathalie Bernon, Ghishiane Smidt, Patrick Bosworth, Brian Langton, Stephanie Mee and Margie Lockhart..



*These names will be removed after 2 months.
 If you wish for them to remain on longer please ring the Parish Office.*

“Do I want to be recognised by others, to affirm myself and to be praised, or do I think rather about serving?... Do I know how to take a step back, defuse quarrels and arguments, or do I always want to excel? Let us think about these questions, each one of us: how am I doing with humility?... With God, only those who recognise themselves as nothing can receive the all.” Pope Francis

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