

EMBRACING 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.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 27th November, 2022

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

We may be accustomed to think of Advent as the time when we prepare for the coming of God, but the readings also train our attention on our own journey to God. We see this most clearly in this first Sunday with readings that tell us the identity of the pilgrims, the destination toward which they travel, and the way of life that is required of them on their journey. As the Vatican Council has proclaimed: We are a pilgrim people.



Both the reading from Isaiah and the psalm response speak of the pilgrimage to the mountain of the Lord, the place where God can be found. Although the psalm speaks about Jerusalem and refers to the temple there, the broader theological significance of the mountain, the city and the temple is one and the same. They represent the presence of God in our midst, and this presence is the goal of our striving. There are clear directions about how we are to live while we are on this pilgrimage to God. In Isaiah we learn that we must put away our instruments of violence and hatred, our swords and our spears. Lest we pick them up again, we are told to convert them into life-producing implements, into ploughs and pruning hooks. Paul exhorts us to put away our deeds of darkness and self-indulgence and to clothe ourselves instead in the deeds of Jesus Christ. Matthew points out the need for alertness, attentiveness, a disposition that is open to a change of heart.

As we look ahead to the feast of Christmas, when we celebrate the light of God coming into the world in the mystery of the incarnation, we might ponder, what is it that helps us to heed Jesus' call to stay awake?

When we let the light of God shine in our lives, we are compelled to waken to the reality of what is – to confront the darkness inside ourselves and the darkness in our world. And then recommit to being people of light.

We have entered into the time of Advent, and although we might associate the colour purple with a time of penance, fasting and preparation, we are called to joyfully journey toward the feast of Christmas and the fullness of the kingdom of God. The responsorial psalm calls us to 'go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.' Is our parish a place that elicits joy? (extract from Living Liturgy).



Welcome Back Fr Geo!

We hope you had a wonderful time on your holiday.

PARISH CONTACT **INFORMATION**

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Archdiocesan Prevention & **Protection Policy**

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

Safeguarding Is Everyone's Responsibility.

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WHATS ON THIS WEEK

Mass Times Weekdays:

PETRIE

Mon 28th November	— 8:00 am
Wed 30th November	— 8:00 am
Fri 2nd December	— 8.00 am
Anointing Mass	

DAYBORO

Thurs 1st December — 9:00 am

Weekends:

PETRIE Sat 3rd December — 6.00pm Sun 4th December — 8.00am Sun 4th December — 5.30pm

(Contact Parish Office 3285 6759)

Sun 4th December — 10.00am

Reconciliation:

By appointment. Contact the Parish Office

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve Masses: Saturday 24th December

- * 6pm Mass at Petrie in the School Hall
- * 8pm Mass at Dayboro
- * 10pm Mass at Petrie

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Christmas Day Mass Sunday 25th December

* 8:00 am Petrie

Please note this is the only Mass for Christmas Day.

> **PRAYING THE** ROSARY

for World Peace will continue to take place prior to each Mass at Petrie.



Parish Notices

Parish Diary:

Monday 28th November:

7:00pm — 8:30pm Seeds of Hope Prayer meeting via Zoom- Meeting ID: 662 852 748 Password: 521023. Ph: Rosa 3886 1661

Wednesday 30th November: 8.30am—Adoration following Mass

Thursday 1st December 6.30pm—Youth Night, Games and Pizza night, School Hall

Friday 2nd December: 8.00am—Mass of Anointing, Petrie

8.45am—Father's Prayers in the Church.

9.00am—Mother's Prayers in the Parish Office **Prayer Room**

Saturday 3rd December: 2:30 pm Spanish Mass

7.00pm—Parish Christmas Dinner at Heritage Hotel, Old Petrie Town. Information on page 3

Monday 5th December:

7:00pm — 8:30pm Seeds of Hope Prayer meeting via Zoom- Meeting ID: 662 852 748 Password: 521023. Ph: Rosa 3886 1661

9.00am—Parish Social Gathering at Petrie **Community Centre.**

Wednesday 7th December: 8.30am—Adoration following Mass

Friday 9th December: 10.00am— Liturgy Meeting, Parish Office

Monday 5th December:

7:00pm — 8:30pm Seeds of Hope Prayer meeting via Zoom- Meeting ID: 662 852 748 Password: 521023. Ph: Rosa 3886 1661

Wednesday 14th December: 7.00pm—Advent 2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Sacrament of Baptism:

This weekend through the Sacrament of Baptism welcome Alva Agoncillo



at Our Lady of the Way, Petrie Congratulations to Alya

We acknowledge the Turrbal and Jabi Jabi people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work today. We pay respect to elders both past, present and emerging. We stand together with the

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders of today, tomorrow and always.

DAYBORO

Parish News and Archdiocesan Events

St VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS HAMPER CASH APPEAL

During the weekend of 3/4 December the Petrie Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be conducting its once only annual appeal for cash at each of the four masses.



Any help you could give would be appreciated by those less fortunate than ourselves.

The appeal is to help fund the Christmas Hampers for needy people on our area.

You will be able to donate by Mastercard/Visa if that is more convenient.

Also we need helpers on the following date:

Saturday 10th December from 8:00 am at the School Hall for delivery of hampers.

PLEASE PLACE YOUR NAME ON THE NOTICE PAPER AT THE PIETY STALL AFTER MASS.



ADVENT RECONCILIATION

Will be held on the 14th December at 7.00pm at Our Lady of the Way

If you are able to assist with leader, reader, data etc please put you name on the form at the back of the Church table at Petrie or you can contact the Parish Office by 9th December

Sacramental Program 2023

Expressions of interest forms are at the back of both Churches



Please ensure your Expression of Interest forms are returned to the Office by **5th February 2023**

Should you have any questions please contact the office by email or phone.

Parish ICON Project

We would like to raise funds to purchase vibrant new Icons to replace the very faded ones that currently hang above the Sanctuary at Petrie Parish.

A parishioner has published a book called **'Treasure in the Field'** which offers poetic glimpses into Scripture and Life. 100 copies are available to purchase.

A great Christmas gift.

The books cost \$20 each with \$5.00 from every purchase being donated to this long overdue project.

Books available from the Hospitality Desk or Parish Office

PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER

Heritage Hotel, Old Petrie Town

Saturday 3rd December, 7pm.

Cost: \$30 per person

Please indicate your attendance on the forms at the Church.

CHRISTMAS MASS ROSTERS:

Help is needed for the Christmas Masses. Readers, Leaders, Communion Ministers, Data, Sacristan, Car Park Attendants, Ushers, Marshalls, Collectors.

Assistance is also required for the setting up of the school hall for the Christmas Eve Mass. Setting up will take place on Saturday 24th December at 8:00am.

- Setting up the crib
- Putting out chairs and tables
- Setting the altar area

WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP!!!

If you can assist please leave your details on the sheet in the foyer of the Church.

CHECK THE NOTICE BOARD FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT IS HAPPENING AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

SCRIPTURE READINGS SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1st reading—Isaiah 11:1-10 2nd Reading St Paul's letter to Romans 15:4-9

Gospel of Matthew 3:1-12

Please remember in your prayers the sick in our community:

Bryan Carmichael, Mary Carmichael, Scott Hines, Norma Quinn, Marcus Neudecker, Noela Corby, Terry Segrave, Steven Williams, Rohan Somasekaran, Thomas Bird, Bradley Wright, Greg Olsson-Lalor, Nina & Raymond Dove, Tia Huff, Vera Versace, Abbie Wellspring, Gina Morieni, Tim McNickle, Kyle Huff, Nathalie Bernon, Patrick Bosworth, Neil and Susan Casey, Frank Christensen, Michael Bartsch, Donna Harrison.



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

PARISH COLUMBARIUM — Have you reserved your niche? Constructed in 2021 on the Tom Petrie Homestead site surrounded by heritage trees and lovely gardens. Our aim is to provide a peaceful and respectful atmosphere, which enables family and friends to pray for and reflect on their loved ones who have passed away. There are four walls with both single and double niches, each is named and dedicated to -Our Lady of the Way, St Joseph, St Francis Xavier and St Mary McKillop. If you wish to find out more please contact the Parish Office on 3285 6759 or email: petrie@bne.catholic.net.au

