



Petrie Catholic Parish

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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.

The Nativity of the Lord—25th December 2022

Christmas Message from Fr Geo

I would like to thank all our parishioners for your commitment to our parish this past year. The giving of your time, talent and treasure to the Lord continues to bear fruit for the Kingdom of God. I extend my gratitude to all who worked so hard to make our Christmas celebrations truly wonderful. Thanks to all who were involved in organising our churches and setting up for the different liturgies in this Christmas season and throughout the liturgical year. A special thank you to the devoted members of the various ministries in our parish and especially to those few who work quietly behind the scenes.

I would also like to sincerely thank everyone for your prayers, Christmas greetings and gifts. May all my dear parishioners be overshadowed with the mighty and powerful blessings of the Baby Jesus.

With my Christmas Blessings,

Fr. GEO FRANCIS MCBS



CHRISTMAS REFLECTION

“Whenever we gaze into a crib this Christmas season—may new hope and joy flood our spirit
Whenever we watch babies and young children playing— may a new energy delight our hearts
Whenever we are tantalised by the aroma of a BBQ— may we unwind, relax and enjoy time off
Whenever the crush of family and friends overwhelms us—may the hospitality of our heart expand
Whenever we provide a meal or bed over the holidays—may we experience love and appreciation
Whenever we leave our reflection in the mirror or pool—may we find ourselves to be images of God
Whenever we put our feet up for leisure—may the humble presence of the incarnate One companion us
Whenever we feel our distance from each other around the world—may the Christ child draw us into unity”

Copied from Gilroy A L trsj, O’Sullivan C rsj, Gallagher A rsj, Sippel J rsj, (2014) Act Love Walk, Trustees of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, Sydney

The Christmas Tree

STAR

It reminds us of the birth of Jesus, who brings light to our lives.

TREE

It symbolizes the tree of heaven. It used to be customary to use apples to decorate it; today balls are preferred.

LIGHTS

They remember that Jesus is the light of the world that delivers us from the darkness of sin.

GIFTS

They remind us that God loves humanity so much that He delivered His only Son to us.



PARISH COLUMBARIUM

Have you reserved your niche?

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. If you wish to find out more please contact the Parish Office on 3285 6759 or email: petrie@bne.catholic.net.au

Weekday Mass Times : There will be no weekday Masses this coming week.
Weekday Masses will start 2nd January 2023

Parish Office Hours:

Parish Office will be closed from 24th December and reopen Monday 9th January 2023.

Safeguarding Policy

The purpose of the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Policy is to promote a culture of safeguarding within the Archdiocese and reduce the risks of abuse and harm. The policy applies to all parishes, ministries, and agencies under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Brisbane and to all Archdiocesan workers (including clergy, religious, employees and volunteers).

The Archdiocese and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries, and services and has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.



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