

Petrie Catholic Parish

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.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year A 24th September 2023

Gospel Reflection by Greg Sunter

On a first reading of this gospel story, the reader is probably struck by the unfairness of the situation. The landowner has employed day labourers at different times throughout the day to work in his vineyard. However, come the end of the day, the landowner pays all the day labourers the same amount. Not surprisingly, the labourers employed at daybreak to work the whole day are upset that those who have only worked the last hour of the day are paid the same amount. The landowner reminds them that he is paying them what they agreed at the start of the day, and yet the reader is left uncomfortable about the whole arrangement.

Of course, this is the purpose of Jesus' story! The key to the story is in the introduction. Most of the kingdom parables told by Jesus begin with a formulaic statement, 'The kingdom is like ...' and this one is no different. What follows is almost always a description of an everyday event that is turned on its head. In all of the kingdom parables recorded in the gospels, Jesus describes a world order in which people respond in unexpected and sometimes confusing ways. His message is that the kingdom, or reign, of God turns expectations upside down. In the kingdom, people who are treated badly in this world are held in great esteem; the balance of power is turned upside down; and the usual order of things is challenged. The landowner's final comment in the parable, 'the last will be first, and the first, last', is a perfect example of the challenging nature of Jesus' kingdom parables. In the kingdom, those who hold themselves to be first in this world will be brought down, and those who are treated as least in this world will be exalted.



Historical Context – Labourers for hire

Jesus' parable describes a situation that would have been very familiar to his audience. At the time, there were many quite wealthy landowners who controlled large vineyards, orchards and crop fields. They would have employed a certain number of permanent workers but come harvest time there was a need for more workers and, much like today, they sought to employ part time workers for a short period of time until the rush was over. Men looking for work would gather in the marketplace of a village and landowners would select workers and send them to their property to work.

Scriptural context – Kingdom parables

A feature of the kingdom parables that Jesus used is a challenging 'shift' to the unexpected. Jesus uses parables to describe what the kingdom is like, and never says exactly what it is or isn't. In each parable he compares the kingdom of God to something familiar to a 1st century audience but then he twists the familiar and makes the challenging shift by making the familiar, unfamiliar. Jesus tells us that the kingdom of God disrupts our normal way of thinking, it turns our expectations upside down and it completely challenges our 'normal' relationships.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Closed Thursday

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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	25th Sept— 8:00 am
Wed	27th Sept — 8:00 am
Fri	29th Sept — 8:00 am

DAYBORO

Thurs 28th September – 9:00 am

<u>Weekends:</u>

PETRIE

Sat23rd September — 6:00 pmSun24th September — 8:00 amSun24th September — 5:30 pmDAYBORO

Sun 24th September —10:00 am

Reconciliation:

1st Friday of the month following 8am Mass—9am or by appointment

Prayer

Ministry

Under the auspice of Archbishop Mark Coleridge, and with permission of our Parish Priest Fr Geo, Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane is offering Healing Prayer Ministry at Our Lady of the Way Parish, or via Zoom Platform by trained ministers, preferably on a Wednesday.

There is no cost for this ministry but donations will be accepted.

For an appointment, please contact Jenny on Mobile: 0432 968 892



Parish Notices

Whats on this Week:

Monday 25th September:

 7:00pm—8:30pm
 Seeds of Hope Prayer

 meeting via Zoom — Meeting ID: 662 852 748

 Password: 521023.
 Ph: Rosa 3886 1661

<u>Tuesday 3rd October:</u> 9:00am OLW Playgroup—Community Centre

Friday 6th October:

8:00am Anointing Mass—Petrie
8:45am Fathers Prayers— Petrie Parish
9:00am Mothers Prayers—Parish Office

Saturday 7th October:2:00pmSpanish MassSunday 8th October:125 year Celebration Dayboro

Upcoming Parish Events

Monday 9th October:

7:00pm—8:30pmSeeds of Hope Prayermeeting via Zoom — Meeting ID: 662 852 748Password: 521023.Ph: Rosa 3886 1661

<u>Tuesday 10th October:</u> 9:00am OLW Playgroup—Community Centre

Monday 16th October:

7:00pm—8:30pmSeeds of Hope Prayermeeting via Zoom — Meeting ID: 662 852 748Password: 521023.Ph: Rosa 3886 1661

<u>Tuesday 17th October:</u> 9:00am OLW Playgroup—Community Centre

Friday 20th October:8:00amFathers Prayers— Petrie Parish9:00amMothers Prayers—Parish Office

Saturday 21st October: 2:00pm Spanish Mass

Monday 23rd October: 7:00pm—8:30pm Seeds of Hope Prayer meeting via Zoom — *Meeting ID: 662 852 748 Password: 521023. Ph: Rosa 3886 1661*

Tuesday 24 October: 9:00am OLW Playgroup—Community Centre

<u>Friday 27th October:</u> 9:00am Mothers Prayers—Parish Office 10:00am Coffee Club—Petrie

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.

Parish News and Archdiocesan Events

NEW ROSTERS

New Rosters have been emailed and hard copies are available at the hospitality desk.

Please Note

All Newsletter notices need to be received by Wednesday mornings.

150th Anniversary Message Stick

The Message Stick, an ancient and culturally significant instrument of welcome and acceptance, is travelling around the Archdiocese of Brisbane.

This journey is designed to herald the 150th Anniversary of the completion and opening of the Cathedral of St Stephen on the sacred lands of the First Nations Peoples of Meanjin Brisbane.

The Message Stick holds an invitation for parishioners across the Archdiocese to come together on Pentecost Sunday, 2024, at the Cathedral to celebrate this momentous occasion.

Petrie Catholic Parish will receive the Message Stick on 4th October, 2023 and will stay in the Parish until the 6th October, 2023. Liturgy time to be confirmed.

Women of The Way Retreat 13-15th October

Mark Your Calendars! Ladies would you like to take time out to Reflect and Recharge? Treat yourself to some quality time with God. Retreat Facilitators: Sr Therese Mills, Leader of The Missionaries of God's Love Sisters and Sr Judy Bowe.

BOOK NOW Theme: "Open the eyes of My Heart, Lord" Weekend includes Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, Praise and Worship, inspirational teachings, prayer ministry and time for fellowship.

Where: Watson Park Convention Centre, 337 Old Gympie Rd Dakabin.

For brochure or info phone **Rosa Montegrande** Mobile 0400755516 or email <u>wowqld@gmail.com</u> **REGISTRATION:** <u>https://app.tickets.org.au/WOW/WOW</u> **Registrations close 30th Sept 2023.**

Our Next Event is on September 23rd after 6pm Mass

In the Parish Community Centre

Youth Games Night Organised by Yvonne and Tyler



Tuberculosis, malnutrition and maternal mortality are conditions all too familiar for the people of Timor-Leste. In two weeks' time you will learn about the work of the Salesian Sisters, including nurse, Sister Carolina, who desires to see better outcomes for her community. We will also share the story of Petrolina and her daughter's desperate need for medical attention.

You have the opportunity to partner with this life-giving work, and your prayers and generosity are crucial in ensuring this program can continue.

This opportunity is a great way to commit to the missionary movement, as He reminds us in Luke 24:13-35, the fire of Christ burns within us and encourages us to take action for those in most need.









SCRIPTURE READINGS

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A

First Reading - Ezekiel 18:25-28

Second reading - Phillipians 2:1-11

Gospel - Mathew 21: 28-32

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, Gina Morieni, Tim McNickle, Kyle Huff, Nathalie Bernon, Patrick Bosworth, Neil and Susan Casey, Frank Christensen, Michael Bartsch, Bernie Bartsch, Donna Harrison, Mary Noonan & Sr Carmel Pattison sqs, Ann Smith





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

