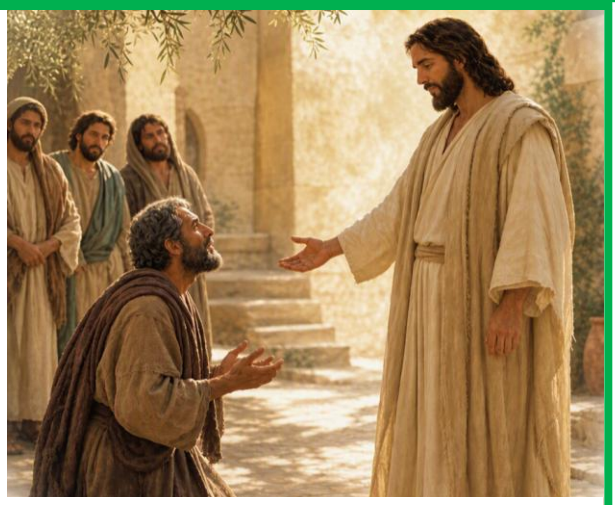
Petrie Catholic Parish

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.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time — YEAR A
13th September 2026

REFLECTION by Greg Sunter



This gospel passage follows directly from last week's passage. It concludes the whole of Matthew Chapter 18 that deals with sin, forgiveness and reconciliation. Peter's question to Jesus and suggested answer is a reflection of the view that there is a limit to the number of times we should forgive someone. Seven is a significant number in scripture and implies a 'perfect' amount. Even though by his use of seven, Peter is suggesting that he should forgive someone many, many times, Jesus quickly corrects Peter and says not seven, but seventy-seven times (or seventy times seven). Jesus plays on the use of the number seven and multiplies it to indicate that one should forgive as many times as is required – without keeping count; without keeping score.

The story of the unforgiving servant is a familiar one of forgiveness and mercy being shown but not passed on. The sting in the tail of this parable is Jesus' final warning that, 'So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives his brother from his heart.' This is an unsettling statement, as we believe God's forgiveness to be without measure and without end. Jesus warns that unless we seek to imitate God's forgiveness and forgive others 'from our heart' (with compassion) then we are not going to recognise the forgiveness of God and will cut ourselves off from it.

The whole idea of forgiving from the heart is a powerful contradiction of a popular concept: 'I can forgive, but not forget.' Is it really possible to forgive but refuse to forget? Surely holding on to a memory of hurt is holding on to the hurt itself and does not display that any forgiveness has occurred at all. To forgive but not forget is to keep count. How many times should I forgive the one who has hurt me? As many times as it takes!

Congratulations Fr Louie!

Thank you and Congratulations Fr Louie for your huge fundraising efforts at the ***Sydney Marathon & Sunshine Coast Ironman!***
All funds raised will go to Uganda Kids.

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Closed Thursday

Parish Website
www.petriecatholic.com

Parish Facebook Page
Petrie Catholic Parish

Archdiocesan Prevention and 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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Parish Calendar & Events

What's on this Week:

Monday 14th September:
7.00pm-8:30pm Seeds of Hope Prayer Meeting via Zoom—
Meeting ID: 662 852 748 Password: 521023. PH Rosa 3886 1661
7.30pm Knights of the Southern Cross Meeting - Petrie

Wednesday 16th September:
8.00am No Mass and No Adoration — Petrie
10.30am St Vincent de Paul Meeting — Parish Boardroom

Thursday 17th September:
9.00am No Mass — St Francis Xavier Dayboro

Friday 18th September:
9.00am No Mass — Our Lady of the Way Petrie
5.30pm Youth Alpha — Community Centre Petrie

Saturday 19th September:
2.30pm Spanish Mass — Our Lady of the Way Petrie
6.00pm Mass — Our Lady of the Way Petrie

Sunday 20th September:
8.00am Mass — Our Lady of the Way Petrie
10.00am Mass — St Francis Xavier Dayboro
5.30pm Mass — Our Lady of the Way Petrie

Thank you to all our visiting Priests during Fr Louie's absence:

Fr Dan Ryan, Fr Rodel, Fr Dado and Fr Adrian Farrelly

Youth Raffle

The winner of this week's Youth Raffle is Sue Cameron of Petrie and Mary Albrow of Dayboro. Congratulations, Sue & Mary!!

Save the Date!

Multicultural Mass

Sunday 25th October 2026
9am Our Lady of the Way Petrie
This will be the only Mass for that Weekend.

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 Islander leaders of today, tomorrow and always.

Parish News and Archdiocesan Events

Knights Charity Golf Day

Sunday 11th October
from 6am at Sandgate Golf Club

Cost: $55, Under 18 $25 - Includes Breakfast
Ambrose Format. 9 holes. Make a team of 4 or be allocated to one.

All proceeds go to Vinnies Bray Park & Petrie Conferences

Email Greg for more information:
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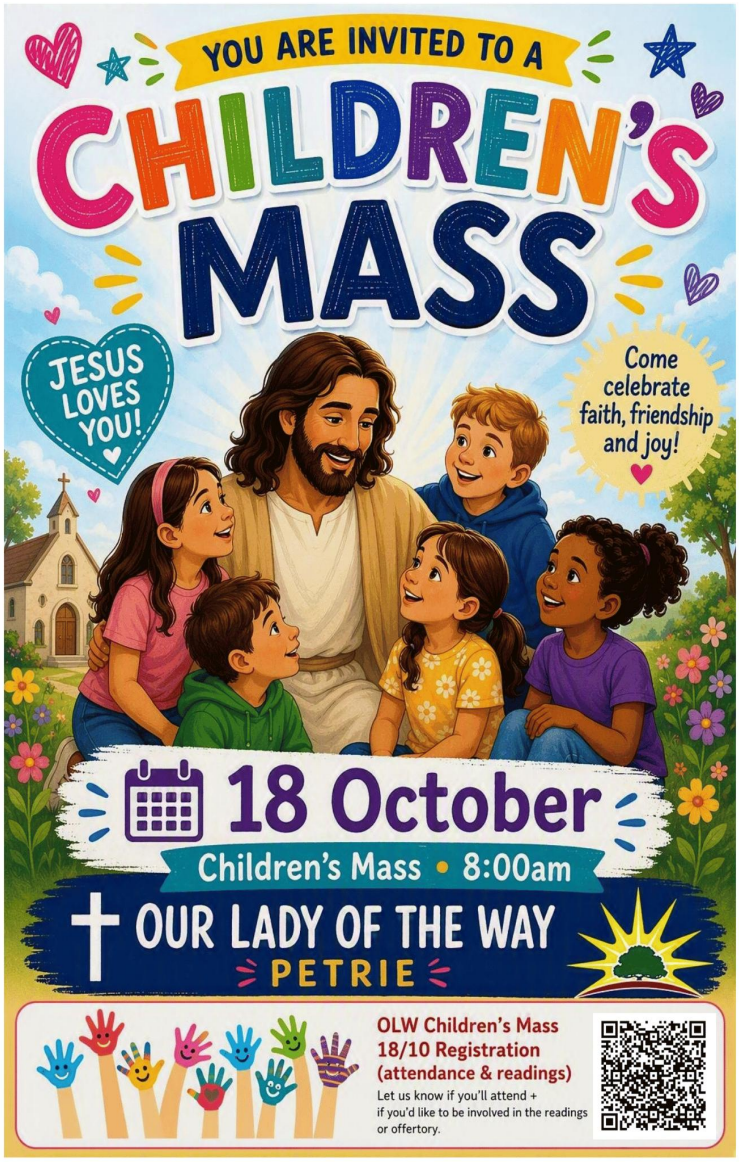

2026 SEASON OF CREATION EVENTS

ECUMENICAL LITURGY	TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER	11AM	Lychee Garden Mt Coot-tha Botanical Gardens
REFLECTION ONLINE WORKSHOPS	TUESDAY'S 1 SEPTEMBER - 29 SEPTEMBER	9AM	Zoom
SEASON OF CREATION MASS	9 SEPTEMBER	12:30PM	St Stephen's Cathedral
ART EXHIBITION DIANNE MINNAAR *Days of Creation*	3RD - 8TH OCTOBER	8:30am-4:00pm	St Stephen's Cathedral Precinct

FLOCKNOTE

If you have not yet registered or if you are new to the parish, you are invited to register through the link below. Please contact the office if you require assistance.

https://petriecatholic.flocknote.com/register

SCRIPTURE READINGS

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A

First reading — Isaiah 55:6—9

Second reading — Philippians 1:20—24, 27

Gospel — Matthew 20:1—16

Please remember in your prayers the sick in our community:

Bryan Carmichael, Mary Carmichael, Scott Hines, Norma Quinn, Marcus Neudecker, Ann Smith, Steven Williams, Tia Huff, Sr Carmel Pattison sgs, Nathalie Bernon, Neil Casey, Nina & Raymond Dove, Timothy McNickle, Patrick Bosworth, Frank Christensen, Michael Bartsch, Bernie Bartsch, Ian Smith, Tom & Mary Noonan, James Martin, Marie Trounce, Fiona Jones, Josephine O'Leary, Anne Johnson, Stanley Farquharson, Rose Bugeja, Ella Budd, John Budd, Le'apai Tuiletufuga Hunkin, Patrick Rowley, Gerard English, Barbara Pereira, Peter Coloretti, John Pascoe, Carole McGurgan, Corey Herberley

PARISH COLUMBARIUM ….

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.

Double Niches are selling fast, if you are interested please contact the Parish Office on 3285 6759 or email: petrie@bne.catholic.net.au

TAP TO DONATE

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