

# PARISH OF ST JOHN'S WOOD / THE GAP



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**WELCOME**

## RECONCILIATION

Mater Dei  
Saturday 5.00-5.20

St. Peter Chanel  
Sunday 4.30-4.45

## BAPTISMS

Mater Dei  
3rd Sunday

St Peter Chanel  
4th Sunday

Baptism preparation  
details available on  
our website under  
Parish Activities

## PARISH SCHOOLS

Mater Dei  
Primary School  
Phone: 3514 4100

St Peter Chanel  
Primary School  
Phone: 3300 1202

## PARISH COUNCIL

Kylie Gaul  
(Chairperson)  
kylie.brian@bigpond.com

**New Parishioners  
WELCOME**

**Please complete the form  
in the newsletter.**



**Website:** [www.stjohnswoodthegap.net.au](http://www.stjohnswoodthegap.net.au)

**Facebook page:** StJohnsWoodTheGapCatholicChurch@St John's Wood / The Gap Parish

**Parish Office:** PO Box 408, The Gap, Qld 4061

**Office Hours:** Tuesday-Friday 8.30 am—3.00 pm

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*SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> August 2017 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## Solidarity with God

After a successful event people celebrate their success and achievements without recognizing that there were some things they had no control of, namely the weather conditions and the environment. These things come from God who alone has a big say in it. After feeding the five thousand Jesus also celebrated the thriving event of the day. Unlike the way our society celebrates, Jesus celebrated in a special way, a spiritual way. There was no extravagant party; no champagne to toast to cheer the helpers. There was no music and lengthy speech. No, nothing like that, Jesus was alone in a lonely place, in the quiet of the night. He probably was facing the breeze that came from the sea in the direction of where his disciples were heading. Jesus was on his knees solemnly thanking God the Father for being with him in feeding the five thousand. Jesus made no claim of his achievement but acknowledging that everything that came from God and God played an invisible role in making it happen. We don't know what his prayer was but elsewhere he said in his prayers that:

*'Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people, that they may believe that you sent me.'* Jn 11,41-42.

The feeding of the five thousand showed that God alone fed the crowds and the apostles were taking part by means of contributing the bread and the fish and pointing out to Jesus about the young boy who had a few loaves and fish. God alone was actually active in making the miracle happened. The feeding was pointing forwards to the Institution of the Eucharist that Jesus would establish at the Last Supper with his disciples. It also reminds us that at the Eucharistic celebration God alone feeds us, changing the bread and wine into the Sacred Body and Blood of Christ. Ministers of the Eucharist have nothing to do with the change but they are the instruments of God and do what Jesus commanded them to do:

*'Do this in remembrance of me'* Lk 22,19-20.

Jesus let the disciples go ahead of him while he was staying behind to give thanks to God. The apostles sailed across the lake without Jesus on board, they felt that everything was normal. The wind gathered stronger and stronger and they kept fighting to keep the boat afloat, moving forward. Exhausted and frightened and in panic when they saw a figure moving towards them. Their eyes were wide open and clued to the figure moving above the strong mighty waves and then one of them recognized the familiar face, their Master, Jesus. Knowing their fear Jesus shouted to them 'courage, it is I, do not be afraid'. Peter would like to cross the water coming to Jesus. The mighty wave approaching that blocked his vision and he was afraid of being drowned. He shouted 'save me Lord, I am sinking'. Jesus reached out to save him and they all boarded safely. After entering the boat Jesus gave order to calm the winds and the waves and the winds dropped. The apostles were amazed confessing that 'Truly, you are the Son of God'. They didn't understand what it meant but they knew that God's power was beyond what they could comprehend.

Vudinh Tuong

**Next Week's Readings:**  
**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*First Reading*  
*Isaiah 56:1, 6-7*  
*Second Reading*  
*Romans 11:13-15, 29-32*  
*Gospel*  
*Matthew 15:21-28*

**First Reading:** *1 Kings 19:9, 11-13*  
 Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.  
**Responsorial Psalm:**  
 Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.  
**Second Reading:** *Romans 9:1-5*  
 I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.  
**Gospel Acclamation:**  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.  
 Alleluia!  
**Gospel Reading:** *Matthew 14:22-33*  
 Command me to come to you over the water.



**Prayers for the Sick**  
 John Perks (Nellie's husband)  
 Marion Bowden  
 Stefan Golebiowski  
 Mary-Lou Hay  
 Carolyn Webster  
 Ray Garske

**Recently Deceased**  
 John Roberts  
 Merv Cawley

**Anniversaries**  
 Ron Breitreuz  
 Mary Roberts  
 Alma Brady  
 Marie Sefton  
 Barry Weir  
 Edward Cahill  
 Elizabeth 'Bess' Egan

**Please note:** we cannot add a name to the sick list or recently deceased list unless advised by a family member direct.

**Please let us know about the sick**

Every so often we learn of people confined to their home for quite a while or even transferred to permanent care in a hospice or nursing home.

We would like to bring the sacraments to them so please let the Parish Office know if family members are so confined.

**Please contact the parish office: 3300 6099 or Vi Hall: Mob: 0477 894 904**

**Rosary**  
 Rosary will be held at 7:30pm on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2017 at Brian & Bernadette Bennetts' house,



**Rosary**  
 If you would like to pray the Rosary in your home please contact **Bruce Bonney**  
**Phone: 3300 2959**

Mike Hardy and Denis Newman, along with many others, will be sleeping rough next Tuesday night at the GPS Rugby field in support of the **St Vincent de Paul Society** who is raising funds to enable it to continue assisting those in need. There are many, including a lot of young women, who are currently sleeping rough because they have no other choice.

If you want to support Mike and Denis and help SVdP put a smile on the face of those less fortunate please contact Mike on 0459 992 228, or Denis on 0411 159 304 or the Parish Office 3300 6099.



**Pot Luck Dinner**  
 The next Pot Luck Dinner is on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August after 5pm Mass at SPC.  
 Please bring a meal to share. Tea, coffee and cordial provided.



**WANTED: DONATIONS FOR MULTICULTURAL DAY RAFFLE**  
 Dear Parishioners,  
 We are looking for donations for a raffle for multicultural mass on the 20th August 2017. If you have anything you would wish to donate please drop it into the parish office before Tuesday 15th August 2017. Many thanks, Dorene  
**TICKETS ONSALE NOW AT THE PARISH OFFICE!**  
 Thank you Garske family for your generous donation of 2 tickets to see Mumma Mia the Musical.

## Multicultural Mass & Lunch

### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August

Mass 10am St Peter Chanel Church  
 Lunch 11.30am St Peter Chanel School hall - Please bring a dish to share

BBQ, drinks

Free jumping castle

Multicultural Trivia

SPC School Choir performance

Mater Dei School drama performance

You are welcome to dress in your native attire

Further details please contact Kylie Gaul ([kylie.brian@bigpond.com](mailto:kylie.brian@bigpond.com)) or Sherille Dolby ([sherilledolby@gmail.com](mailto:sherilledolby@gmail.com))



**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**Mater Dei Church**  
**Monday 7pm-8pm**  
**Friday 6pm-10pm**

**BEQUEST OR WILLS**

All parishioners are asked to consider including our parish St John's Wood/The Gap in your will.

One of the greatest contributions you can make to our parish is to ensure a legacy of faith for the young and to provide proper care for the old.



**NEW PARISHIONER CONTACT FORM**

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse's DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children & DOB's: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Tick to commence Parish  
 Planned Giving

Please place this completed form in the collection plate or email your details to the Parish Office at: [thegap@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:thegap@bne.catholic.net.au) or contact the Parish Office on 3300 6099.



**Feast of the Assumption of Mary Holy Obligation**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2017  
 MD Church - 9am mass  
 SPC Church - 7pm Vigil

**A VOCATION VIEW:**  
*19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time-A*  
 Why is it that we lack real trust when the Lord calls us? We think we may drown, or have to give up too much, or fear failure. These attitudes can help to strengthen our faith in the Lord. Pray for vocations on this National Sunday for Vocations Awareness.



**ADVENT MUSIC WORKSHOP**

Holy Spirit Seminary Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Sept.  
 Facilitated by Sr Ursula O'Rourke, Michael Fitzpatrick and the Maroochydhore Music Ministry Team. Designed for anyone engaged in music ministry. If you would like to attend, please contact the Parish Office before 17<sup>th</sup> August. The parish will cover enrolment fees.

**Congratulations to the 8 children receiving their First Holy Communion this weekend.**

**menCONNECT**

**Date Claimer**  
**Our NEXT Gathering**

Our presenter will be Fr John Chalmers. A priest well known throughout the Diocese. (Further information next weekend)

**Date - 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017**      **Cost: \$10.00 (dinner included)**  
**Time - 6.00 pm**  
**Venue- The Parish Hall at St Peter Chanel**  
**Chaprowe Road**  
**The Gap 4061**

**RSVP -** by Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> September by email [justmichael@bigpond.com](mailto:justmichael@bigpond.com) or Ph: 0459 992 228



**Share the Dignity**

No women should suffer the indignity of choosing between eating or buying sanitary items. Our parish is again helping this cause throughout August.

Please contribute to this worthy cause by leaving sanitary items in the box at the back of the Church. Your help is appreciated.



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*Women's Night of Spirituality*

**Tuesday 5th September at 7.30pm - 9:15pm**  
**Stuartholme School Chapel, Birdwood Tce, Toowong.**

St Ignatius Parish Toowong is very pleased to be able to continue to hold this annual event as a legacy of the work of Fr Peter Quin sj. No bookings required. Donation at door. Supper provided. Parking available. Please check Stuartholme School's website for more details: [www.stuartholme.com](http://www.stuartholme.com)



**Next Weekend  
Multi-cultural Mass  
Sunday 20th August 2017**

**MASS TIMES**  
Saturday MD 5:30pm mass  
Sunday SPC 10:00am mass  
No Sunday SPC 8am mass  
No Sunday MD 9:30am mass  
No Sunday SPC 5pm mass

MASS TIMES	MATER DEI	ST PETER CHANEL	FEAST DAYS/NOTES
Monday 14/08			Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe
Tuesday 15/08	9:00am Holy Obligation	7:00pm Holy Obligation	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday 16/08		9:00am (No morning tea)	Ekka Show Day
Thursday 17/08		9:00am (Morning tea)	
Friday 18/08	9:00am		
Saturday 19/08	5:30pm mass		
Sunday 20/08	No 9:30am Mass	10:00am Mass No 5:00pm Mass	Multicultural Mass and Lunch

**Birthday's for this  
week in August  
Val Bonney  
Father Tuong  
Vince Flynn**



*Congratulations  
Neil and Patricia  
Duncliffe on  
celebrating  
61 years of  
marriage.*



**HAPPY PATCHERS**

Last Thursday, the lovely ladies from our parish group 'Happy Patchers Sewing Circle', donated over 60 hand made quilts (both patchwork and some crochet) to the Qld Police for the annual donation to women's shelters for women escaping domestic violence. This year they were fortunate enough to have our local member for The Gap Ward, Councillor Steve Toomey present.



**TUESDAY MORNING PLAYGROUP**

Please come and enjoy a cup of coffee and cake with other parents from The Gap Community. It's an informal gathering to chat and meet other parents while our children play and get messy with craft.  
**When:** Tuesday mornings at 9am (after school drop off).  
**Where:** St John's Wood/The Gap Parish Hall.  
**What to bring:** A gold coin donation (in order to keep the coffee pot full and the kids entertained).  
Check out their Facebook page [Tuesday Playgroup@St Johns Wood Parish Hall](https://www.facebook.com/TuesdayPlaygroup@StJohnsWoodParishHall)



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**Prayers for the sick:**

When there is a request to pray for a sick person their names will be in the Prayers of the Faithful for 2 weeks and in the Bulletin for 2 weeks. If you wish to continue after that, please contact the parish office.

Names of recently deceased will be on the prayer list for 2 weeks

The Editor retains the right to edit any items that are submitted to the bulletin.

The cut off for the Parish Bulletin is Wednesday 3pm.

If you have any queries please contact the Parish Office on: 33006099