

PARISH OF ST JOHN'S WOOD / THE GAP



Parish of St John's Wood/The Gap

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

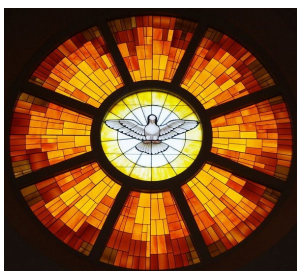
PARISH COUNCIL

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

New Parishioners

WELCOME

Please complete the form
in the newsletter.



Website: www.stjohnswoodthegap.net.au

Facebook page: [@St John's Wood / The Gap Parish](https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsWoodTheGapCatholicChurch)

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SUNDAY 21st May 2017 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

Adoption

In our society we all adapt from other person's appearances or wisdom. We become their fans, adopting their style, way of life, cultures and language. The stars somehow make some impact in our way of life. In other words our stars become mirrors for us to look at and we are changed by that person. Admirers form relationships to their star but their stars hardly know admirers and the relationship is non active and one way approached.

In our spiritual journey when we put Jesus' teachings into practice we establish personal relationships with him. When God calls a person into being, God had already established a relationship with the person. God initiated his personal love with each one of us, in our heart and when we respond to that love it will flourish and guide our way. The relationship we have with Jesus is active and flowing two ways. Jesus loves us and we love Jesus in return and God's children will benefit from this active relationship. God enjoys our relationship when we serve God's people. It is manifested in various ways, namely love for others, have compassion for the poor, promote forgiveness, peace and justice for all, uphold life and protect life and are voices for the voiceless. A healthy relationship we have for Jesus will grow to the level of unity. We are united with Jesus and become one in God's family through the oneness with Jesus.

'Make your home in me as I make mine in you' Jn 15,3

It is God's desire to be with us, to share our lives and to journey with us every moment of our lives. Jesus has no hidden agenda but spoke clearly and openly about the desire to unite with us always. The relationships become so strong they bond us to his life and his work and further are strengthened by his spirit. The Spirit of God is a special gift given to us to be with us in our earthly journey, to strengthen, to guide, to direct and to remind us of what Jesus had taught us. The relationship that we have for Jesus goes beyond a normal relationship but it reaches to the level of becoming children of God, heirs of God's kingdom.

There are numerous occasions Jesus makes clear that he wants us to learn from him.

'Learn from me for I am humble and gentle at heart.' Mat 11,29

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word' Jn 14,23

The relationship we have with Jesus will not stop at Jesus but it will lead us to know God the Father as Jesus said to Philip when he asked to see the Father. Jesus replied: "to know me is to know the Father". Through Jesus we come to know the Father.

'No one can come to the Father except through me.... If you know me you know the Father too..... To have seen me is to have seen the Father' Jn 14,7-9

The relationship we have for our stars is shifting when a new star is more popular than the old one. God's love for us will never change. We may stop loving God but God will never stop his love for us. His love is everlasting.

Vudinh Tuong

**Next Week's Readings:
The Ascension of the Lord
Ordinary Time**

*First Reading
Acts 1:1-11*

*Second Reading
Ephesians 1:17-23*

*Gospel
Matthew 28:16-20*

Prayers for the Sick

John Perks (Nellie's husband)
Marion Bowden
Stefan Golebiowski
Michael Henderson
Rosie Donnelly

Recently Deceased

Eamonn O'Dwyer

Anniversaries

Ged Cosgrove
Val Carter
Brian Collins

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 22nd May 2017 at Donna & Brendan Lynn's house, Ashgrove



Rosary

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

First Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18

In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: John 14:15-21

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.



Next weekend masses will have the children receiving their First Holy Communion during normal mass times.

News from the Parish Council...

Multicultural Mass – Kylie has reached out to Peter, Lorelei and Sherille to form a sub committee for organization of this year's Mass to be held on Sunday 20th August. Initial meeting will be held soon.

Mater Dei 80th Celebrations – Chris Jackson to consider suitable date and organise a Committee for planning of this event.

Movie night – Chelsea Clark and Dorene Parsonage to start planning including selecting movie and date for this event.

Alpha – Kylie Gaul in discussions with Lorraine McCarthy (Alpha Co-ordinator) about starting a pilot program in our Parish. Will consist of Parishioners interested in becoming future Alpha workshop leaders for our Parish watching online training videos, attending a half or full day training skills workshop with Lorraine in June/July, attending Alpha workshop nights and a retreat day at other Parishes in the Brisbane area. Vincent DuBois will be Parish Pastoral Council leader with respect to this program. Further details to follow. Please let Vincent or Kylie know if you are interested (3300 6099).

Who is on our Parish Pastoral Council...

Kylie Gaul, President
Dorene Parsonage
Chelsea Clark
Donna Telfer

Jenny Ray, Secretary
Vincent Du Bois
Chris Jackson



Parish Cooking Club

Do you love cooking? Do you want to learn how to cook or share your favourite recipes with others? Why not become part of our parish's new fun cooking club. Cook alone or cook in pairs or just come to be social. If you are interested, please contact Sherille on 0419 023 289.





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

Everyyoung Club

Next meeting is Thursday 26th May 2017 at 10:00am in the Parish hall.

All welcome to come and enjoy a cuppa and get together.



CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

HE WHO FOLLOWS ME WALKS NOT IN DARKNESS SAYS THE LORD - JOHN 8:12

SUNDAY, 2:00PM
18TH JUNE 2017
ST STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL BRISBANE

PROCESSION THROUGH THE CITY STREETS

PROCEEDINGS LED BY ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE

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.



A VOCATION VIEW: Sixth Sunday of Easter - A

That Jesus rose from the dead is our Faith.
That we can be reborn in the Spirit is our Hope.
That we can do God's work is our Love. Follow God's Call.

CATHOLIC MAN BREAKFAST SERIES—JUNE 8, 2017

The Catholic Man Breakfast Series is an opportunity for men to gather and be encouraged and inspired in their faith.
www.menalive.org.au
 At the upcoming June event hear Archbishop Mark Coleridge speak on the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.
Where: Tattersall's Club, 215 Queen Street, Brisbane **When:** 7.00am –9.00am , Thursday June 8, 2017
RSVP: 2nd June
Cost: \$45 per person (credit card and eft available)
Dress Code: Long-sleeved button-up shirt & trousers (no jeans, shorts or sneakers)
 For bookings email des@menalive.org.au or mail@menalive.org.au

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 or contact the Parish Office on 3300 6099.

All Hallows' School Open Day Sunday 28 May 2017 - Time: 11.00am



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ERDU - Bible Institute for Everyday Living

Theme: Friends of God and Prophets

Venue: Australian Catholic University (ACU), 1100 Nudgee Rd, Banyo


When: Friday 7th July 2017 & Saturday 8th July 2017.
 More information 3285 6233

GOSPEL FOCUS

Paraclete

The Greek word, *paraklētos*, is translated into a number of different terms in English translations of the gospel. Its technical use was for a lawyer or attorney. However, its use in scripture is like the broader meaning of advocate that we use today: someone who stands up for another; someone who speaks up for another; someone who intercedes on behalf of another. An advocate is one who lends strength and support to someone who is disempowered. That is exactly what Jesus did for many people during his ministry and it is also what the Holy Spirit is sent to do.

Birthday's for this week in
May
Jane Mooney
Laurel Turnbull



MASS TIMES	MATER DEI	ST PETER CHANEL	FEAST DAYS/NOTES
Monday 22/05			
Tuesday 23/05	9:00am		
Wednesday 24/05		9:00am	Our Lady, Help of Christians
Thursday 25/05		9:00am	
Friday 26/05	9:00am		Saint Philip Neri
Saturday 27/05	5:30pm mass First Holy Communion		
Sunday 28/05	9:30am First Holy Communion	8:00am First Holy Communion 5:00pm mass First Holy Communion	The Ascension of the Lord

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





Mater Dei

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



Mother's Day Prayer Celebration and Afternoon Tea:
 A wonderful display of love and care for the mum's in our Mater Dei community was in abundance at last Friday's Mother's Day prayer celebration and afternoon tea. Thanks to the children of Year 1 and their teachers, Mrs Rose Horton, Mrs Brooke Orchard and Mrs Bronwyn Sikavica for leading the school in prayer and the parents who prepared the afternoon tea for all. It was wonderful to have the whole school come together to celebrate our mums. Mr Nam Tran (school photographer) generously offered his photography skills to take photos of our mums with their children in the lead up to the liturgy. These photos are accessible on the school portal.

Sports Update:
 Mater Dei students in the past weeks have been training several mornings a week in readiness for the Cross-Country season and Queensland Catholic Schools Netball Competition that took place last Monday. Our dedicated teachers and students involved in both the Cross Country and the QC Netball competition are to be congratulated for their endurance, participation and enthusiasm shown at the various carnivals. Mater Dei Country team competed at the North-West District Cross Country. They won the C Division pennant and were third in the Percentage points. Congratulations to Olivia and Joe who made it through to the Metropolitan North regionals where they will battle it out at the next level.

2018 Prep Interviews:
 Enrolments for Prep are in progress. It is always such a privilege to meet with current and new families when enrolling young children for the first time. We look forward to offering these families an enrolment here at Mater Dei Primary School and welcome them into our community.

First Eucharist:
 Congratulations to the students who have been preparing to make their first Eucharist in the upcoming week. On behalf of the Mater Dei community we extend a huge thank you to those in the parish who have supported the students in their next step in the Catholic traditions of the Church.

Blessings,
 Madonna Sleba, Principal

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

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