

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

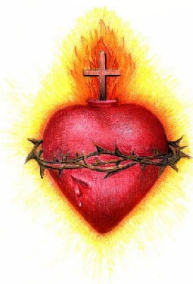
St Peter Chanel
Primary School
Phone: 3300 1202

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 30th April 2017 - Third Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy

A Burning Heart

Moses recognized God in the burning bush in the Old Testament; the two disciples on the way to the Emmaus recognized the Risen Lord when their hearts were on fire. The disciples went through the tough time. They disagreed with the authority who had misused their authority to judge unjustly of their Master but their language was moderate and kind towards the authority.

The disciples' generosity put their hearts on fire. Their generosity paid off well when they invited the stranger who happened to be travelling on the same road with them to join in their heart stricken private conversations. The stranger was not only listening to their sad stories with a heart full of compassion but he took the conversation over and went on to explain to them the heavenly purpose beneath these significant events that must happen before God's glory can be shown. The two disciples enjoyed the conversation. They recognized the needs and had compassion for a stranger who was on the road by himself at the end of the day. The disciples invited him to stay overnight at their place which would probably include dinner, bed and breakfast the next morning.

They recognized Jesus at the breaking of bread. Instead of being served at the table when they had supper, the stranger took the role of the host by taking the bread, he blessed it and broke it and vanished from their sights. Their inner eyes were fully opened that the respect and love they showed for the stranger who had the special gift of tongue when he spoke to them on the road revealed that the stranger indeed was the Risen Jesus disguising himself as a traveller. In this story generosity is the way of the Risen Lord and it is also the way the Lord opened the eyes of one's heart. Cleo mentioned that we had heard him on the road but our heart was not burning and the breaking of bread reminds them of the Last Supper and they saw and recognized the risen Lord. Tiredness after a long days walk but they couldn't wait till the next morning to go on the road again returning to where they were running away before to tell the good news about the Risen Lord.

The Risen Lord speaks to our heart. God's message is the message of love and it is freely given. It is demonstrated through acts of charity and generosity. When the two disciples heard the stranger speak from the heart, their hearts tuned into the heart of the stranger and the message became more touching and more meaningful.

The story had a few twists. The first one happened when the two disciples made the comment that that you were the only one who didn't know what was happening in town the last few days. The second twist happened when the stranger became the main speaker and the disciples were his listeners. The third twist happened at the table when the stranger took the place of the host, not a visitor.

The story invites us to be aware of food, drink, language, kindness and charity which are ordinary to our lives and yet they are important for a human life, and when we use them properly their true values revealed the sacramental life.

Vudinh Tuong

**Next Week's Readings:
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Ordinary Time**

First Reading
Acts 2:14, 36-41

Second Reading
1 Peter 2:20-25

Gospel
John 10:1-10

Prayers for the Sick

Eamonn O'Dwyer
John Perks (Nellie's husband)
Marina Wightman
Marion Bowden
Stefan Golebiowski

Recently Deceased

Jack Carroll

Anniversaries

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: 0409 894 904

Rosary

Rosary will be held at 7:30pm on Monday 1st May 2017 at Angela Faria'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 2:14, 22-23

It was impossible for him to be held by the power of Hades.

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21

The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us; make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:13-35

They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.



Raffle Tickets!

**LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE TICKETS
PARISH EASTER FUNDRAISING RAFFLE**

PRIZE IS A HAMPER VALUED AT \$150.00 DONATED BY
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TICKETS \$2 EACH OR 3 FOR \$5

**RAFFLE DRAWN THIS SUNDAY NIGHT AT THE POT LUCK DINNER
TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE DINNER**

Pot Luck Dinner

The next Pot Luck Dinner is this Sunday 30th April after 5pm Mass at SPC.

Please bring a meal to share. Tea, coffee and cordial will be provided.



Children's Masses

Next weekend morning masses (SPC 8am and MD 9:30am)

will be children's masses.



Parish History Update

Thank you to all those parish groups who have supplied photos and text describing the activities of their group. The sincerity and devotion shown in these responses is quite impressive.

About half of the groups contacted have either responded already or are about to supply photos and text shortly. Those groups who have not been able to supply information to date will receive a follow up phone call shortly. We are aiming to have all contributions received by mid May.

Thank you again for your participation in this project. Fr Tuong

The Little Kings Movement for the Handicapped would like to thank the Parish in the recent annual Church Appeal for their organisation. Our parish raised \$1,140.00 for them which will enable them to carry on their work within our community. Thank you to those who donated.



Calling all sewers....

We are looking for a volunteer to make our baptism stoles (approx. 4-5 per month).

If you can help out, please contact the parish office on 3300 6099.





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 or contact the Parish Office on 3300 6099.

Parish Bus Trip

On Friday 19 May escape to Tamborine Mountain for a guided tour through a manmade cave filled with hundreds of glow worms.
 Time afterwards to browse through the variety of shops along Gallery Walk. Cost \$40.
 Departure: **8.15am** from St Michaels Dorrington, **8.30am** from St Finbarrs Ashgrove.
 For bookings please phone Margaret 3366 4114.

A VOCATION VIEW:

Third Sunday of Easter - A
We can feel the Lord's call at the strangest places and times. The call can haunt us and pursue us until we say, "Lord, what will you have me do?"

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



SONY FOUNDATION/MARIST CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CAMP

Planning is now under way for the Fifteenth Sony Foundation Marist Children's Holiday Camp. For the participating children the camp is about meeting people and having fun. Children are supervised 24 hours a day as they enjoy swimming, excursions, picnics, parties and games. Medical personnel are also available for the entire period of the camp in our College Health Centre.

The camp is made possible through the generous support of the Sony Foundation. There is no cost to parents.

The camp is held at Marist College Ashgrove from **Saturday 16 to Tuesday 19 September, 2017**. If you know of children and their families who may be interested in further information about the camp, please download an application form and brochure from the College website. www.marash.qld.edu.au or contact:

Luke McMahon: 3858 4581 **E: mcmahonl@marash.qld.edu.au**

APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2017 CAMP CLOSE ON FRIDAY 9 JUNE 2017.



Share the Dignity

No woman should suffer the indignity of choosing between eating or buying sanitary items. Throughout the month of April we are collecting sanitary items for women at risk and homeless women in Australia. Boxes are located at the back of each church. Please contribute to this worthy cause.



FATIMA CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, BOWEN HILLS



CELEBRATE WITH US!
Saturday 13 May

Our Lady of Victories, 1 Roche Ave, Bowen Hills

4pm-7pm Exposition & devotions
7.15pm Mass, rosary, Fatima prayers, candlelight Eucharistic procession, overnight adoration

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MASS TIMES	MATER DEI	ST PETER CHANEL	FEAST DAYS/NOTES
Monday 01/05			
Tuesday 02/05	9:00am		Saint Athanasius
Wednesday 03/05		9:00am	Saints Philip and James
Thursday 04/05		9:00am (Healing Mass)	
Friday 05/05	9:00am (Healing Mass)		
Saturday 06/05	5:30pm mass		
Sunday 07/05	9:30am	8:00am 5:00pm mass	

Good Shepherd Sunday 2017

Next Sunday is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis asks each of us to pray for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. If each person who reads this offers one small prayer, it will make a difference.

Each person in the community has a role to play in encouraging vocations - whether by prayer, encouragement or personal suggestion. The Pope, tells us "There is no room for fear!". May each one of us be fearless in praying for, and promoting more vocations.

A request from Pope Francis

"I ask parish communities, associations and the many prayer groups present in the Church, not to yield to discouragement but to continue praying that the Lord will send workers to his harvest. May he give us priests enamored of the Gospel, close to all their brothers and sisters, living signs of God's merciful love."

(Message of Pope Francis, 54th World Day of Prayer for Vocations).

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

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



Yoga

At St Peter Chanel Church Hall

Wednesdays: 7.00 - 8.15pm

Commencing 10 May 2017

For more information:

<http://www.lyndalthomasyoga.com.au>

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