



# BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



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## Weekly Diary

### Monday 2nd July

9.00am Mass

### Tuesday 3rd July

No Mass

### Wednesday 4th July

6.00pm Mass

### Thursday 5th July

9.00am Mass

### Friday 6th July

9.00am Mass - Followed by  
Adoration & Benediction

11.00am Mass - Riverview Gardens Hostel

### Saturday 7th July

4.00pm-4.30pm - Reconciliation

5.00pm Vigil Mass - Booval

### Sunday 8th July

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6.30am Rosary - Riverview

7.00am Mass - Riverview

9.00am Mass - Booval

5.00pm Mass - Booval

**Marriages** by appointment - at least six months notice is required.

**Baptisms** by appointment.

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st July, 2018

Today's Gospel passage presents us with the daughter of Jairus, one of the rulers of the synagogue who fell ill. It is always tragic when a child is ill or falls into danger. In the case of Jairus, it was his daughter, too, and we see an anxious crowd in his house. Jairus was ready to do anything to save his daughter.

The way Jairus stood before Jesus is a great example for the Christians of time. He tells us how we should approach Jesus. This story tells us a lot about this man who was the ruler of the synagogue. He was a person of some considerable importance. The ruler of the synagogue was one of the most important and most respected men in the community. But something happened to him when his daughter fell ill and he thought of Jesus.

**First of all, his prejudices were forgotten.** There can be no doubt that he might have regarded Jesus as an outsider and as a dangerous heretic. But he was big enough to abandon his prejudices in his hour of need. "Prejudice cannot see the things that are because it is always looking for things that aren't" When Jairus shed his prejudice, he was able to see what Jesus was able to do for him. He realized only Jesus could help him.

At the heart of prejudice lies two concepts: ignorance and fear. All of us tend to have prejudicial attitudes towards others. This type of prejudice or "pre-judgment" is based on ignorance. In light of such a common human condition, the advice of a former seminary professor is most helpful and worthy of practice: "The mark of a mature mind is the ability to suspend judgment until all the evidence is in." The other factor is fear, and this one goes much deeper than ignorance, for it strikes at the root of prejudice. When Jairus shed all his prejudice he was able to see clearly the power of Jesus. "A prejudiced mind shuts out a man from many a blessing." Therefore, when we are in the presence of Jesus, let us keep away all our prejudices, and be open to the plan of Jesus for us.

Secondly, Jairus' dignity was forgotten. Jairus, the ruler of the synagogue, falls at the feet of the wandering teacher. We all feel great that we are the CEO, CFO, Manager of Operations, Finance Manager and so on. But all these titles are like bubbles. They can burst at any time. Yet, these put on titles keep us away from God and his plans. Jairus teaches us that to experience Jesus, all these titles are to be shed.

Jairus was a man who forgot everything except that he wanted the help of Jesus. This was the attitude of the woman who was suffering from a haemorrhage. This is the attitude that Jesus demands from us when we stand before him.

Many Blessings.

Fr. Joji

## PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

At all Masses this weekend **30 June/1 July** the annual Peter's Pence Collection will be taken up in support of the global ministry of Pope Francis. Please give generously to this worthy cause as a sign of our communion with the universal Church and an understanding of the many almsgiving needs requests made of the Pope.

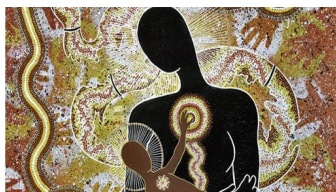
## DIARY DATES



**Tuesday 3rd July - 9.30am:** Craft Group

**Wednesday 4th July - 7.00pm:** Pastoral Council meeting

This **Sunday is Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday.** The theme for this year is **"Because of her, we can!"** The 'her' is a reference to strong women in our lives - our mothers, daughters, aunts, grandmothers, sisters - and also to Mary, Mother of God.



Sacred Heart Parish acknowledges the Jagera, Yuggera and Ugarapul people, the Traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

### Sacred Heart Parish School Fete 22 July 10am-3pm

Thank you for your donations so far, they will be accepted right up until Fete Day. Tickets in our Major Raffle will be available at Booval masses on the weekends of **7 July and 14 July**. Tickets are still only \$1, with prizes as follows:

1st prize: \$1000 VISA Gift Card

2nd prize: Panasonic 32" TV valued at \$499

3rd prize: Samsung Galaxy 7" Tablet valued at \$188



We are lucky to have 3 Women's Rugby League International Representatives attend our Fete. Be sure to drop by and meet

Ali Briginshaw, Kody House & Maitua Feterika from 11 to 1pm. All 3 ladies played in the Women's State of Origin game recently played. There will also be class per-

formances and external groups showcasing their talents on the day. Assorted Emergency Services vehicles will also be available to look through.

Everyone helping out on stalls at the fete needs to have completed the very short online student protection course prior to the day. Follow this link and contact the school office for more information.

<http://www.bne.catholic.edu.au/students-parents/student-protection/Pages/Code-of-Conduct-Training.aspx>

Due to new laws, fete stallholders are unable to distribute plastic bags with your purchases. Instead, a variety of calico bags & reusable plastic bags will be available for purchase. We encourage you to bring your own shopping bags on the day.

As some of the larger fete rides arrive on Saturday 21 July, parking in the Parish Centre carpark will be unavailable to the public on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 July. On road parking is still available.

Call Kath on 0421 0000 57 with any queries about the fete.

Thanks!

**CONGRATULATIONS** on the recent appointments of Mr Terry Finan, Principal and Jane Egan, Deputy Principal at St Peter Claver. We wish them all the very best in their new roles.

**WALTZING MATILDAS - Tuesday 24th July.** Camel Farm Tour (Harrisville) and onto Kalbar for lunch. Cost \$45 (lunch included). Leaving 8am from the Parish Centre. Confirmations and cancellations phone Anne Hall 0408 773 734.

**COFFEE & CHAT** - Last Saturday just over 20 parishioners (including five men) gathered at the Parish Centre for an enjoyable hour and a half sharing conversation and some delicious morning tea. We will be holding the Coffee and Chat on the first Saturday of the month from 10am to 11.30am. Our next one will be held on the **5th August**.



**BLAZE BOOVAL** - Our parish youth group for secondary school students. We gather after our monthly youth Mass on a Sunday evening for faith formation, food and fun. Our next evening **15 July** we will have a Trivia Night to test our knowledge of movies, sport, the bible and more. If you are in high school please join us for Mass at 5pm then for supper before the games begin. We finish at 7.30pm. Our youth leaders all hold current Blue Cards.

As part of the Year of Youth the Archdiocese is offering free retreat days for youth at Santa Teresa Retreat Centre, Ormiston. We are keen to gather a group to attend a day on Saturday **27 October** from 9.30-3.30pm. This is open for young adults (18-30) and high school student groups with their youth leaders. Santa Teresa is a wonderfully peaceful place for reflection and time out and the day will be facilitated by the Archdiocesan Youth Team. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in attending or if you have any questions - one of our youth leaders attended the retreat day this week and had an amazing time.

**The Annual Mass for Deceased Christian Brothers, Teachers, and Old Boys of St Edmund's College** will be held at CWL house, 35 Waghorn Street, Ipswich on Tuesday 24 July 2018 at 7.00 pm. All are invited. If you wish to remember a deceased Old Boy, please contact Andrew McGrath on 3389 6858.

*"...as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their want, so that their abundance may supply your want, that there may be equality."* -

2 CORINTHIANS 8:14

We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of those around us. It is important that we not only grow, nurture and share our gifts; but that we also teach our children and encourage others to do the same. This is the communal aspect of our Catholic faith. We are the "Body of Christ". We are called to be dependent on each other and not live in isolation.



**A VOCATION VIEW:** She fell at His feet and told Him the whole truth. Jesus restores health and wholeness to an 'untouchable' woman. She is remarkable to show as much courage as for her faith. How can we show the courage to ask for forgiveness from the Lord?

