



BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



† Sacred Heart Church, 19 Cothill Rd, Booval

† Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 10 Old Ipswich Rd, Riverview

Sacred Heart Primary School, 25 Cothill Rd, Booval

St Peter Claver Secondary College, 10 Old Ipswich Rd, Riverview

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 19 FEBRUARY 2023

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Weekday Mass

Monday 20th Feb 9:00am Mass of the Anointing

Tuesday 21st Feb No Mass

Wed 22nd Feb 9:00am Mass: Amare Centre

Ash Wednesday 5:30pm Rosary

6:00pm Mass

Thursday 23rd Feb 9:00am Mass

Friday 24th Feb 9:00am Mass

1st Week of Lent

Saturday 25th Feb 4:00pm Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass—Booval

Sunday 26th Feb 7:00am Mass—Riverview

9:00am Mass—Booval

Children's Liturgy

5:00pm Mass—Booval

Marriages by appointment only at least 6 months notice is required.

Baptisms by appointment & Preparation the 1st Thursday of every month at 6:30pm in the parish centre.

Warfare and the Church

'Be perfect as your Heavenly Father is perfect.' Is Jesus advocating rather static fault-less-ness? Not very appealing! No, the Greek word is closer to the idea of a perfect wine – one that has matured and has reached its full potential. So, Our Lord is saying, 'Be a person who is everything you are capable of being.' Our Lord gives a striking example of the challenge. God does not withhold life-giving sun and rain from people because they are bad or dishonest, nor extinguish the life of human beings because they are evil, because they are enemies. What are the implications for Church teaching on capital punishment or warfare? Note that Jesus' command: 'You must be ...' is directed to *You* in the plural. It is communal, social. The Church community must listen. Is the Holy Spirit moving us in a direction not experienced since its first three centuries? We could pause for a moment to pray on behalf of those who want to do us harm, the better to hear: 'Blessed are the peacemakers.'

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Sacramental Program 2023: Penance

This weekend, our parish community welcomes children who are about to start their journey towards receiving the Sacrament of Penance. We pray that this next step is a joyous and enlightening experience.



Newsletter via email :

Our Newsletter is available via Email. Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know requires access to the newsletter. If you are not receiving the email and believe you should, please contact the office to confirm your address. Some emails are being rejected each week. You are also able to view our weekly newsletter on our website: www.boovalcatholicparish.org.au



Ash Wednesday Mass Times

There will be 2 Masses on Ash Wednesday **22nd February**. The first Mass will be at the **Amare Centre at 9:00am**. All parishioners will be welcome to celebrate Mass with the children. Then there will be the usual **6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart**.



Project Compassion

Envelopes and boxes are available at the entrance of the church. Please collect either one and take home. The envelopes can be placed in the collection bag each week.



Project Compassion Sunday 18 & 19 February



Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**.

With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2023 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come.

As St Pope John Paul II said, "The future starts today, not tomorrow."

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED: Rodney Potts, Veronica Forsythe, Margaret McEniery, Francis Klein

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOM WE REMEMBER: Bernard Graham, Denis Muir, Nora Muir, Soundar Rajan, Donna Gabriel, Bob Cole, Dorothy Walsh, Rita Vanderbyl, Tom Brown, Bernie Kinnane, Chris Garton, Ken Adkins, Frank Van Gestel, Lorraine Murphy, David Samson, Jack & Eileen McMahon, Bob Massey, John & Mark Skippington, Phyllis Cook, Thomas Boyle, Margery Boyle, Ellie & Ossie Cody, Rob & Margaret Kane, Mike Cody, Helen Cody, Roy Folan, Alfred & Stella Grech, Moira Murphy, Melinda & Arthur Murphy, Bernice & Clement Goan, Arthur, Brian & Dane Bracey, Grahame Coultas, Noreen Lund, Ta Thi Thin, Paul Armstrong, Giao Ngoc Tran, Peter Joseph, Geoffrey Crocker, Mieu Thi Nguyen, Ban Ngoc Nguyen, Louis Phipps-Ellis, Mary Phipps-Ellis, baby Lou Phipps-Ellis, John Malone, Raymond Gale, John Malone, James Hogan,

LET US PRAY for those who are sick or recovering from surgery: Helena M Siczek, Desmond Daly, Patrick Phipps-Ellis, Pat Schroni, Patrick Jones, Desoley MacDonald (Jill Short's niece), Karen Cooper, Pauline Peters, Patricia Eade, Rebecca Eade, Geoff Frost, Kathy & Graeme Smith, Kath King, Lynne Connors, Declan Simmonato, Grace Thompson, Lilian Morrison, Joana Ambrad-Isip, Desolie King, Graeme Peters, Trish Rowlands,

**We also include in our prayers all the aged and sick to whom we take Communion.
We pray for the safety and good judgement of those serving in our defence forces overseas**

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE ANNIVERSARIES :19 FEBRUARY —25 FEBRUARY

John Devereaux, George Doring, Leslie Holliday, Pa Lynam, Madg Wilson, Janet Robinson, Una Ball, Nell Warner, Francis & Alice Mullavey, Paul Fitzpatrick, Tracie Le Bherz Files, Daphne Hazzard, Catherine Klease, Adam Quinn, Neil Vagg, Doreen Hyland, Merle Stuart, Katherine Thorburn,

Day	Date	Time	Group
Monday	20 th Feb	5:30pm	Penance Workshop 1
Monday	20 th Feb	6:00pm	RCIA
Tuesday	21 st Feb	9:30am	Craft Group
Friday	24 th Feb	10:00am	Liturgy Team Meeting
Saturday	25 th Feb	7:00am	St Josephs Garden
Sunday	26 th Feb	9:00am	Children's Liturgy

CHILDRENS LITURGY

"Making peace with others" was our message on Sunday and we discussed how important it is to "say sorry" to those we have hurt. Back in church, the children presented to Father a special card and orchard to recognise his silver jubilee year of priesthood. Congratulations Father Thomas!



Little Kings Movement Annual Appeal

This weekend envelopes are available for this valuable appeal to aid the disabled and as there is no government funding and the movement is staffed by volunteers.



Baptism Preparation Session

The next Baptism Preparation session will be on 2nd March in the parish centre at 6:30pm. There will be another Baptism Preparation session in April but none in May.



Parish Finance Committee

You may have noticed that there has been a change of names of the Chairperson of the Finance Board. We thank Ben Sotiriadis for all the diligent work and some challenging changes that have occurred over the years. Ben has ensured that life has moved on as smoothly as possible. All this has been greatly appreciated so THANK YOU Ben.

So after say "Thank you" to Ben, we also give a big welcome to Neville Stagg who was appointed as the new Chairperson of the Finance Committee.

RCIA

Please continue to pray for our new catechumens and candidate who will be accepted into the Catholic Church at St. Stephen's Cathedral on Sunday 26th February. It is another milestone in their journey.



Lent and Easter Reflection

For 2023 Evangelisation Brisbane have produced the Lent book **From Ashes to Hope**. **From Ashes to Hope** will nourish and nurture your parishioners in their prayer, spirituality, and discipleship each day during Lent and into the first week of Easter – the perfect companion for 5-10 minutes daily prayer!

The Reflection book is \$5.00. If you wish to purchase a copy, please let the office know as soon as possible.

Are you new to the Parish?

We warmly welcome you and your family. If you have recently moved into this area and would like to join the Parish, please contact the Parish Office on 32821888 or email booval@bne.catholic.net.au

Newsletter Submissions Cut-off: Tuesday COB for Friday publishing

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Archdiocese of Brisbane's Office for Safeguarding - <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity

We respectfully acknowledge the Jagera, Yuggera and Ugarapul people, as the traditional owners and caretakers of the land which is the Booval Catholic Par-