



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

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 16 APRIL 2023

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Undoubtable Wounds

Thomas was granted the gift of seeing the Risen Lord bearing the wounds of His crucifixion. Thomas was invited to touch them. Responding, he simply cries out: 'My Lord and my God.' Thomas does not declare his belief in the Resurrection as such. That was all too apparent. Rather, he declares his faith in the *identity* of the risen Jesus Christ: 'My Lord and my God.' Pope Francis says we can *only* join Thomas in this faith by touching the wounds of Christ. Those wounds are to be found in the body of someone wounded. This can be in a myriad of ways.

We have to bend down and touch those wounds in whatever means of healing is available to us. Otherwise, we simply engage in philanthropy at a distance. We end up believing in a semblance of God, but not God embodied in the Risen Lord Jesus Christ always bearing his wounds.

Sometimes we struggle with our faith – after all, it is an astounding claim that Jesus of Nazareth is God embodied for us. You, or any other person intrigued by Jesus, are invited to touch the wounds of Christ and let the patience of God take care of the timing of the response of faith.

We could pause for a moment, praying to be counted amongst those who receive the Blessing promised to those who have not seen the Risen Lord as such, but who touch his wounds and proclaim, 'My Lord and my God.'



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Please give a warm welcome to both Father Pan and Father Raju.

Father Pan will be covering Saturday 5:00pm Mass and Sunday 7:00am and 9:00am Mass while Father Raju will cover the Sunday 5:00pm Mass. We welcome back Father Pan who has visited us before but this will be Father Raju's first time celebrating Mass. Thank you to both Father Pan and Father Raju for filling in while Father Thomas is on annual leave.

Weekday Mass

Monday 17th April NO Mass

Tuesday 18th April NO Mass

Wed 19th April NO Rosary

NO Mass

Thursday 20^h April NO Mass

Friday 21st NO Mass

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 22nd Apr 5:00pm Mass—Booval

Sunday 23rd Apr 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.

PARISH GATHERING: College of Consultors

As we know, Fr Thomas Varkey MCBS will conclude his time as Parish Priest of Sacred Heart parish, Booval in late July this year.

The College of Consultors advises the Archbishop in his decisions on clergy appointments. In this context, you are invited to a parish gathering with representatives from the Consultors who will take time to listen to parishioners' thoughts on the mission, vision, and unique charism of Sacred Heart parish.

The gathering will take place at **6.30pm Wednesday 26 April, at Sacred Heart Parish Office.**

We hope you can attend.

Yours sincerely in Christ,
Fr Dan Ryan, Vicar for Clergy

Dear Parishioners

The Parish Pastoral Council would dearly love to hear your comments and thoughts on how you see the Sacred Heart Parish currently. What is important for you and to you about your Sacred Heart Parish?. If you wish to attend this gathering, please inform the office either by phone (3282 1888) or by email at booval@bne.catholic.net.au

If you find that you are unable to attend this gathering but you still wish to have your words heard, please put your comments in an email and send them to the office.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

Children's Liturgy will be back on this Sunday and following Sundays. We look forward to seeing all the children there.

If you are late, you are most welcome to bring children over to the office.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED: Cath Wood, Cecily Spillane (Evelyn Le Bherz's mother) Estelle Hooper, Mauricio Diaz, June Brown, Annette Van Gestel,

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOM WE REMEMBER: Marie Noon, 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 : 16 April—22 April

Frank Bologna, Norma Caldwell, John Cody, John Fitzgerald, Kate Fitzgerald, Cec Jacobsen, Joe Jacobsen, Mary Parks, Mary Parks, Ruth Richards, John R Thomson, Joe Tierney, Andrew Killin, Koreti Manutai, Annie Veronica Noonan, Edith Ruddy, Patrick Beswick, Mel Macaulay, Leigh McPhail, Walter Taylor, Graeme Vass, John Brown, Anna Kussmann, Rita Morris, Fr Patrick McCormick, James Murtagh, Roley Webster, Ruby Head, Blanche Muhling, Norman Schloss, Angela Carey, Harry Gribbin. Jim Kelly, Mona Kennedy, Patricia Kinnane, Roy Langlands, Alexander Leonard,

Day	Date	Time	Group
Tuesday	18 th April	9:30am	Craft Group
Thursday	20 th April	4L30pm	SVDP
Saturday	22 nd April	7:00am	St Josephs Garden
Sunday	23 rd April	9:00am	Children's Liturgy

EASTER CELEBRATIONS

Last week and the weekend was very hectic. I would like to say it was organised chaos but at times I am not sure that it was. Overall we started celebrating with Palm Passion Sunday and everything appeared to go smoothly. The following week, there was Tenebrae, Thursday of the Lord's Supper, Friday of the Passion of the Lord, Stations of the Cross in the Amare Centre, Easter Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord and Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord. I am sending out a huge "THANK YOU" to each and every person who helped in setting up for each of the Masses which saved some of my sanity as it was the first time I experienced this first hand from the office perspective.

I thank all the people who were Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, church cleaners with special thanks to Les who vacuumed before Mass on Holy Thursday, the Liturgy Ministry (Evie, Cathy, Katherine and Anne Scott) who ensured I had all the Readings prepared, the Choir who guided us so well during each of the celebrations, Chris and Francis who were Cantors for various parts over the Easter Triduum, Anne Scott for organising the music and Teresa, Anne and Walter for playing the organ, Anne Ryan and Angela Ryan for guiding our new parishioner—Anthony towards his acceptance into the church, Paul Peacock for making the Baptism candle for Anthony, Marea for making the Baptism Stole for Anthony, envelope collectors, Janet for making sure we had everything we needed, Errol for bringing over the Altar to put in the parish meeting room, and last but by no means least, Cathy Peacock, whose invaluable presence meant that I did not fall flat on my face (much). Cathy made sure the Altar was ready and arranged for each of the services, the beautiful flowers and reminded me of tasks that needed doing. Additionally, I congratulate and thank Anthony for all that he has done to formerly join our church. I sincerely apologise if I have neglected to mention anyone. I also thank Father Thomas who was busy with all the celebrations, visited people and other obligations. Thank you everyone for your participation and support leading up to the most important season in the liturgical year.

Sincerely
Leanne



Divine Mercy

The following is a Novena by Divine Mercy at Our Lady of Perpetual Help at Riverview

◆ **Saturday 7.00am with confession**

◆ **Saturday 8.00am Mass followed by Refreshments provided.**

Anyone and everyone is most welcome to join in.

Morning Tea

There will be the usual morning tea at Sacred Heart after the 9:00am Mass this Sunday.

DPO Operators Needed!

We are inviting people in our faith community who wish to be of help during Mass to consider being a DPO Operator. These people perform an invaluable task of managing the slides projected onto the screens. You do not need to be a computer (or projector) expert and training will be provided. If interested, please contact Maria on **0490 331 900**.

FRANCIS KLEIN REMEMBRANCE: In recognition of the contribution the late Francis Klein made to our Parish the Pastoral Council would like to have constructed a lasting memorial in honour of Francis. As a first step the Pastoral Council is seeking the widest possible input from Parishioners by calling for suggestion on a suitable form of remembrance to Francis. If you have any thoughts or ideas, please advise the Parish Office or a member of the Pastoral Council.



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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 Boval Catholic Parish.