



BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



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† 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

PENTECOST 27/28 MAY 2023 - Year A

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The Bush Fire of Pentecost

As summer progresses in Australia, invariably great bushfires break out. Those who report the infernos speak not only of the flames, but often of a mighty roar like a great windstorm heralding the approaching fire.

The earth had quaked at the death of Jesus, but death had been conquered and the earth was supercharged with divine energy and vitality. Into all this the Risen Lord sent his Holy Spirit like a lightning strike. Divine energy was unleashed and St Luke portrays this particular event in our bushfire terms. The Holy Spirit, he says, was 'like tongues of fire' and 'like the sound of a mighty wind' accompanying the descent of the Holy Spirit on a gathering of a fearful group of followers of Our Lord.

The tangled undergrowth of fear, anxiety and timidity was cleared away. The new life of the church was germinated, took root and has been growing ever since, listening to the core message preached by St Peter: Jesus of Nazareth had conquered death and Peter and others were witnesses to the Risen Lord.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the successor of St Peter that he may preach the resurrection in a way which is understandable by people of every culture, every ethnicity, every language group around the world.



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CHOIR FOR FIRST COMMUNION MASS: Some of our Parish children will be receiving their First Holy Communion at a special Mass on **Sunday 11th June at 10.30am**. We would like to form a choir to support the children and their families and invite you to participate. Choir practice will be:

Thursday 1st June at 7pm

Thursday 8th June at 7pm

Friday 9th June at 5.30 pm (with the children and their families)

We have chosen music that the children will find easy to sing. Please come along and join the children in celebrating this important event in their faith journey. The choir will be positioned in the Choir Loft.

Anne Scott 0414 528 387

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Sacred Heart Parish has received a letter from Deacon Andrew O'Brien regarding the College of Consultors gathering held on 26th April. The extensive and clear requests that you made that evening were presented to the College of Consultors earlier this month. An Expression of interest for a full-time pastor has now been issued and in June there may be an appointment.

A heartfelt thankyou goes out to all parishioners who attended this meeting and demonstrated that we have a lot to offer.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

The next Baptism Preparation Session is on Thursday 1st June at 6:30 in the parish centre. Please let anyone know who is considering baptising their child/children.

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

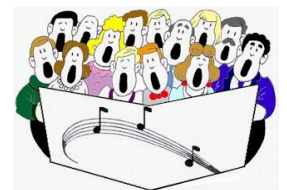
Now that Fr Thomas is back, so is Adoration and Benediction. The next one will be Friday 2nd June after 9:00am Mass. Everyone is very welcome.

MASS OF THE ANNOINTING.

In addition, on Monday, June 12 there will also be a Mass of the Anointing at 9:00am. This will be followed by the usual morning tea and catch up. Everyone is welcome.

ENVELOPES

Thank you to all parishioners who have collected their envelopes. There are still some to be collected so they will remain at the front of the church for a few more weeks.



Weekday Mass(Cycle 1)

Monday 29th May 9:00am Mass

Tuesday 30th May NO Mass

Wed 31st May 5:30pm Rosary

6:00pm Mass

Thursday 1st June 9:00am Mass

Friday 2nd June 9:00am Mass

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Saturday 3rd June 5:00pm Mass—Booval

Sunday 4th June 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. The next session is Thursday 1st June.



ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED: Elvira Pontarollo

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, 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 Braceley, 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: Myra Smith (Martin Smith's mother) Helena M Siczek, Desmond Daly, Patrick Phipps-Ellis, Patrick Jones, 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 : 28 May—3 June

Winnie Cusack, Raymond English, Sr Josephine Flynn, Roy Howard, Jessamine Keogh, Barbara Melnyczuk, Gladys Pryke, Jack Sneyd, Ann Bray, Des Jorgensen, Elizabeth Stegman, Hannah Valentine, Frank Kerambrun, John Knoll, John O'Dea, Dorothy Watson, Nell Baker, Thomas Boyle, Marie Cochrane, Maud Churchett, Michael Daley, Jennifer Davallasca, Denis Davies, Keith Dolan, Henry Hollworth, Amelia Martin, Ray Whiteside, Joseph Aleksic, Jack Bourke, Sydney Gabriel, John Kennedy, Major Maude, Thomas Ruddy, Morgan Howe, Betty Schofield, Pope St. John XXIII (1963),

Parish Diary Dates

Tuesday	29 th May	9:30am	Craft Group
Thursday	1st June	7:00pm	Choir for 1st Eucharist
Friday	2nd June	9:30	Adoration & Benediction
Friday	2nd June	10:00am	Liturgy Meeting
Saturday	3rd June	7:00am	St Josephs Garden
Saturday	3rd June	9:00am	1st Eucharist Retreat
Sunday	4 th June	9:00am	Children's Liturgy

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT

Enrolment is now open for children in **Grade 3** and over who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Parent information/enrolment night will be held on **Monday 10th July** in the Parish centre from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Please call or email the **church parish office** on 3282 1888 or booval@bne.catholic.net.au to register.

1st Holy Communion Families:

Please remember to pray for the children who are about to make their 1st Eucharist.

READERS and LEADERS

Each Thursday evening from 6:30 – 7:30pm for the next few weeks, Readers and Leaders (for the coming two Saturdays and Sundays) are invited to come along to the Booval church for prayer, reflection and preparation. Please bring your "Break Open the Word".

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT by Saint Augustine

Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy.



May: The Month of Mary

May is the month that not only Catholics but also Christians dedicate to Our Blessed Lady. We can do this in our parish church, in the privacy of our homes or our gardens. This dedication has a long history and goes way back to the 13th century.



IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

The Archdiocese has made changes to the safeguarding requirements for a range of ministries.

- 1. Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion (at church) no longer require a blue card, police check or to keep up to date with safeguarding training.**
- 2. Counters, cleaners, office administrators, grounds keepers and home visitors no longer require a blue card, but a police check, sign-off of prior conduct standards and safeguarding training is still required.**
- 3. For all ministries that interact with children and vulnerable people, eg. Catechists, Sacristan, Children's Liturgy, Altar Server's Coordinator, Youth Group Coordinator, Sacramental Program Coordinator, Parish Pastoral Council and church employees still require the full suite of requirements.**
- 4. Parishioners involved in ministries outside of the parish (eg. St Vincent de Paul, Rosies, Aged Care Facility Visitation) will still need to maintain the credentials required of the sponsoring organisation.**

The matrix of requirements is available by email or hardcopy from the parish office.

Some volunteers may receive a message from Bluecard services outlining that their Bluecard has been "delinked". The Bluecard is still active, it has just been delinked from the Archdiocese of Brisbane.

These changes have been made to balance administrative requirements while ensuring volunteers interacting with children and vulnerable people are screened, credentialed and have the training to ensure our church environment is safe.

Regards,

Chris Hicks (Local Safeguarding Officer)

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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 Parish.