



# BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



† Sacred Heart Church, 21 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 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 07.01.24 YR. B

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## Welcome 2024



### REFLECTION

The Christmas season reaches an apex with the Epiphany. In some liturgical traditions, it is the central celebration of Christmas. It commemorates not only the birth of Christ and the visit of the Magi, but also his baptism in the Jordan and the manifestation of his glory at the wedding feast of Cana. In the Roman Catholic tradition, the focus is on the visit of the Magi and the implications of that visit for the glorious manifestation of God to all the peoples of the world.

There is a wonderful summons to alertness and presence of mind and heart, a call for all the nations to witness the marvellous works of God that shine as light in the midst of the surrounding darkness. The light of God is known in the ways in which the most vulnerable in the city are cared for and acknowledged. In just action and righteousness, the city becomes the beacon of God, and all the nations are attracted by this light. The quality of the light leads the way through the darkness and sustains the world in goodness and peace.

The manifestation of God among us changes the ways in which we perceive each other. Christ's birth provides us with the light by which we see a new criterion for relating. The Magi represent the multi-ethnic and cultural diversity in civic and parish situations, as well as the many religions of the world. All people, regardless of race or ethnic origin, can be co-heirs with Christ.



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### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The following websites may provide some craft activities that can be done with children about The Epiphany of the Lord.

<https://thekidsbulletin.com/2024/01/01/the-kids-bulletin-for-sunday-january-7th-2024-feast-of-the-epiphany/>

<https://www.catholicicing.com/3-kings-epiphany-crafts/>

<https://wunder-mom.com/15-ways-celebrate-epiphany-children/>

<https://thekennedyadventures.com/books-activities-crafts-celebrate-epiphany/>

**\*\*\*Please note that Children's Liturgy will return on Sunday 4 February in 2024.\*\*\***

### FROM THE HEART PARISH MAGAZINE

The next version of our parish magazine is now available. They are available at the entrance of both Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Sacred Heart. They are great to take home and have a good read with a cuppa and share with family and friends. Don't forget "big" children can also try the puzzles.

### NO WEEKDAY MASS

Fr. Peter will be taking some annual leave from Monday 8th January through to Friday 19th January so there will be no weekday Masses. The weekend Masses will be as usual and covered by Fr John Lai and Fr Bavin Clarke.

During this time, the office will be operating under normal hours.

**!!!ALERT!!!**

The parish has received notice about recent activity of scamming which targets parish volunteers. This is not occurring in only our parish but it is Archdiocese wide. There are reports that scammers target parish volunteers whose contact details (email address and/or phone numbers) are listed in newsletters. Scammers use the listed contact details to contact volunteers pretending to be the parish priest or acting on behalf of the parish priest asking them to purchase gift cards or send money. If someone does contact you requesting money on behalf of the priest, check with the office first before giving any money. As a result, the office will no longer print personal phone numbers or email addresses. Parishioners wishing to contact volunteers will need to call or email the parish office.



### Weekday Mass (Cycle 2)

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Jan NO Mass

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Jan NO Mass

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Jan NO Rosary

NO Mass

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Jan NO Mass

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Jan NO Mass

### 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr B)

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Jan 5:00pm Mass—Booval

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 7:00am Mass—Riverview

9:00am Mass—Booval

[No Children's Liturgy](#)

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 5:00pm Mass

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

**Baptisms** by appointment. The next Baptism Preparation session is to be **Thursday 1st February** at 6:30 in the Sacred Heart Church.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:** Marie Keenan.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOM WE REMEMBER:** Lyall Newsome, Gerard Flanagan, Geoffrey Frost, Sung Van Nguyen, Marie Noon, Bernard Graham, Denis Muir, Nora Muir, Donna Gabriel, Bob Cole, Bill & Dorothy Walsh, Bernie Kinnane, Ken Adkins, Lorraine Murphy, 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 Bracey, Graham Coultas, Noreen Lund, Ta Thi Thin, Giao Ngoc Tran, Peter Joseph, Geoffrey Crocker, John Malone, Raymond Gale, James Hogan, Biao Ngoc Tran, Mieu Thi Nguyen, Ban Ngoc Nguyen, Louis Phipps-Ellis, Mary Phipps-Ellis, baby Lou Phipps-Ellis.

**LET US PRAY for those who are sick or recovering from surgery:** Peggy & Jeff Newton, Barry Wade, Lynne Connors, Jill Roberts, Helena M. Siczek, Desmond Daly, Patrick Phipps-Ellis, Karen Cooper, Pauline & Graeme Peters, Patricia Eade, Rebecca Eade, Kathy & Graeme Smith, Kath King, Declan Simmonato, Grace Thompson, Lilian Morrison, Joana Ambrad-Isip, Desolie King, Trish Rowlands, Patrick Phipps-Ellis,

**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 : 7 January—13 January**

Marie Bleys, Jean Lofthouse, Hilda Molloy, Gladys Rosentretor, Joaquim Cardoso, Mary Kowalski, Kevin Mason, Vien Antonio, Joan Dwyer, Kathleen Dwyer, Loretto Kent, Alma McNeish, Rita Miller, Stan Moore, Patricia Parsons, Charm Quinn, Rose Ersler, Ron Kercher, Isabel McAuliffe, Frederick Pettit, Evelyn Scown, Kathleen Patricia Connor, Cathy Donald, Stan Gehrke, Al Greal, David Jones, Michael Klein, Dulcie Rhodes, Merrilyn Newman, Brigid Carmody, Albert Carter, Jack Cole, Rita Galway, Peter Grant, Lynda Roach, Jack Short, Archbishop Robert Dunne (1917) – 1st Archbishop of Brisbane, Florence Merlehan, Dorothy Walsh, Robert Wratten.

**TOTAL COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 30/31.12.2023 = \$1909.75**

**Parish Diary Dates**

Tuesday	9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:30am	Craft Group
Friday	12 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10:00am	No Liturgy Meeting
Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	7:00am	St Josephs Garden
Sunday	14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	After 7am Mass	 <b>NO Divine Mercy Prayers at Riverview</b>
Sunday	14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:00am	<b>NO Children's Liturgy</b>

**HOLY SPIRIT PILGRIMAGE(2024):** Europe Pilgrimage and Tour To: *Medjugorje, Croatia, Slovenia, Hungary, Slovakia, and Poland* from 12/09/2024-27/09/2024; And *Egypt and Jordan Pilgrimage* from 26/08/2024-03/09/2024. **Spiritual Director:** Fr Emmanuel-tv. Contact us ASAP for details: Mob: 0417999553, Tel: (08) 93413079, [holyspiritp@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritp@gmail.com); [fremmanueltv@gmail.com](mailto:fremmanueltv@gmail.com);

**2024 LENTEN RESOURCE**

Lent starts on Ash Wednesday which falls on February 14 this year so a bit early.

**"A Resurrected LIFE"** is the new 6-week reflection 2024 Lenten Resource put out by Evangelization Brisbane and can be used by individuals or groups. It is a small book that is easy to carry and read while commuting or at home. Each day's reflection is inspired by a text of that day's Gospel reading, with a reflection and a prayer on a double page spread. This resource can lead the reader into deeper reflections of their daily life.

If you wish to purchase a copy for \$6, please contact the office.

**"ST EDMUNDS OLD BOYS TWILIGHT BOWLS NIGHT"**

Saturday 3 February - Ipswich Bowls Club - Merle Finimore Avenue, Queens Park Ipswich

Arrive 4.00pm for a 5.00pm Start

\$30 per bowler, includes 1 beer and a Barbeque Dinner after (7.00pm)

4 Person Teams, but single bowlers welcome.

Any persons interested please contact the Booval Parish office for further information.

**THE EPIPHANY**

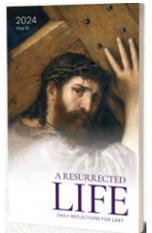
It is primarily a feast commemorating the Magi's visit to Baby Jesus offering gifts of gold, myrrh and frankincense. Additionally, it marks the end of the Christmas Season. In some cultures, the Epiphany is considered more important than Christmas.

**READERS' ROSTER**

The 2024 Readers' roster will be put out in the next few weeks.

If there are any changes that you wish to make or you wish to become Reader, please inform the office as soon as possible.

Thank you



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2024**

World Day of Prayer for 2024 will be held at Sacred Heart Church, Booval on Friday 1st March, commencing at 10:30am.

To prepare for this, there will be a meeting at the Parish Centre on Thursday 18 January, 2024 at 10am and all parishioners are invited to attend.

**MORNING TEA**

This weekend there will be the usual Morning Tea at Our Lady of Perpetual Help after the Sunday 7:00am Mass.

There will be **NO** Morning Tea at Sacred Heart after the 9:00am Mass. Rosies will be back for the 1st weekend in February.

**GOD'S WORD DAILY REFLECTIONS 2024**

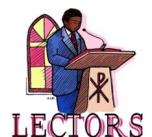
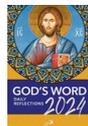
There are very few of these useful books left. Please come into the office if you wish to purchase a copy for \$10.

**SACRAMENTS**

Parents and Grandparents it is that time of year we need to start thinking of the sacraments.

Those children who were confirmed in 2023 are eligible the **Sacrament of Penance** this year. There will be an information session at the end of January for the parents of children who were confirmed last year.

Watch this space for more information on the Sacraments for this year.



**STOPline Service.** STOPline is an external service provided for the Archdiocese to receive confidential disclosures.

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.