



Cannon Hill Catholic Parish

Incorporating

St Oliver Plunkett Church & Holy Family Church

Cannon Hill

Tingalpa



Under the Pastoral Care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

The community of the Cannon Hill Catholic Parish acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

27th August 2023

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

At an opportune time, as we read in today's gospel, Jesus tests his disciples with a crucial question: **Who do men say that I am and who do you say that I am?** Jesus was widely recognized in Israel as a mighty man of God, even being compared with the greatest of the prophets, John the Baptist, Elijah, and Jeremiah. Peter, always quick to respond, exclaimed that he was the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the **"rock"** upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for **"rock."** Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus naming Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

The use of the term church in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord. Jesus plays on Peter's name which is the same word for "rock" in both Aramaic and Greek. To call someone a "rock" is one of the greatest of compliments. The ancient rabbis had a saying that when God saw Abraham, he exclaimed: **"I have discovered a rock to found the world upon"**. Through Abraham God established a nation for himself. Through faith Peter grasped who Jesus truly was. He was the first apostle to recognize Jesus as the Anointed One (**Messiah and Christ**) and the only begotten Son of God. Jesus then confers on Peter authority to govern the church that Jesus would build, a church that no powers would overcome because it is founded on the rock which is Christ himself. The New Testament describes the church as a spiritual house or temple with each member joined together as living stones (1 Peter 2:5). Faith in Jesus Christ makes us into rocks or spiritual stones.

Cyril of Alexandria (376-444 AD), an early church father comments on Peter's profession of faith in Jesus: Peter did not say "you are a Christ" or "a son of God" but **"the Christ, the Son of God."** For there are many Christs [**meaning anointed ones**] by grace, who have attained the rank of adoption [**as sons**], but [**there is**] only one who is by nature the Son of God. Thus, using the definite article, he said, **the Christ, the Son of God.** And in calling him Son of the living God, Peter indicates that Christ himself is life and that death has no authority over him. And even if the flesh, for a short while, was weak and died, nevertheless it rose again, since the Word, who indwelt it, could not be held under the bonds of death.

The Lord Jesus offers us the gift of unshakeable faith, enduring hope, and unquenchable love - and the joyful boldness to proclaim him as the one true Saviour who brings us the kingdom of God both now and forever.

Who do you say he is to yourself and to your neighbour?

"Lord Jesus, I profess and believe that you are the Christ, the Son of the living God. You are my Lord and my Saviour. Make my faith strong like Peter's and give me boldness to speak of you to others that they may come to know you personally as Lord and Saviour and grow in the knowledge of your great love."

Have a Blessed Sunday and I wish you all a wonderful Week. Fr Basti OMI

Psalm: Lord, your love is eternal;
do not forsake the work of your hands.

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.
Alleluia!

Readings for next week:

1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

Psalm: 62:2-6, 8-9

2nd Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

COMING MASSES, MEETINGS & EVENTS

Regular Mass & Service Times:

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday - 9am at St Oliver Plunkett
Thursday - 9am at The Holy Family Church

Weekend Mass:

Saturday - 6pm at St Oliver Plunkett
Sunday - 8am at The Holy Family Church
Sunday - 9.30am at St Oliver Plunkett

Reconciliation: Saturday 5-5.30pm St Oliver Plunkett

Eucharistic Adoration—1st Friday of the month following 9.00am Mass, St Oliver Plunkett.

Baptisms—2nd & 4th Sundays of the Month held during 9.30am Mass, St Oliver Plunkett.

Children's Liturgy of the Word—1st Sunday of the month during the 9.30am Mass, St Oliver Plunkett.

Welcome Mass for Families receiving Baptism—1st Sunday of the month at 9.30am, St Oliver Plunkett, followed by Morning Tea in the Parish Hall.

Friday 1st September Eucharist Adoration following 9am Mass, St Oliver Plunkett Church.

World Day of Prayer for Creation (Holy See)

Commence Season of Creation (Sept 1– Oct 4).

Saturday 2nd September School Sponsored Mass, 6.00pm, St Oliver Plunkett Church

Sunday 3rd September Father's Day

Wednesday 6th September Indigenous Literacy Day takes place annually on the first Wednesday in September, aims to raise awareness about the educational struggles faced by Australia's First Nations communities.

Friday 8th September

Celebration of Sacrament of Penance for children enrolled. 9.00am St Oliver Plunkett Church

Saturday 9th September

Celebration of First Holy Communion for children enrolled. 9am St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Tuesday 12 September Anointing & Healing Mass, 9am, St Oliver Plunkett Church

REGULAR MEETINGS

Mon: Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conference— Fortnightly @ 6.15pm Contact Paul 0418 750 367

Tue: Parish Leadership Team—Fortnightly at 6.30pm
Next Meeting: 6.30pm, 29th August 2023

Wed: Parish Liturgy Meeting—Monthly at 4.30pm
Next Meeting: 4.30pm, 25th October 2023

Thu: Parish Finance Council Meeting—Bimonthly at 4.30pm
Next Meeting: 4.30pm, 21st September 2023

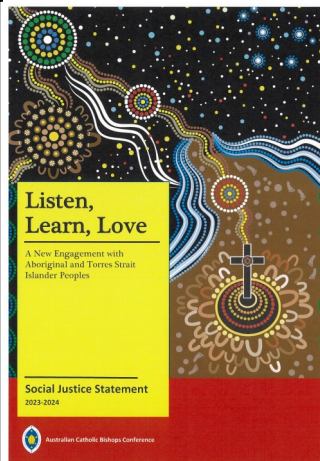


Goodness is hidden, silent; it requires slow and continuous excavation. Because God's style is discreet. He does not impose himself. He is like the air we breathe - we don't see it but it allows us to live, and we realize it only when it's missing. Pope Francis @Pontifex

GOSPEL

You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church
Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.



SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY We celebrate Social Justice Sunday this Sunday, 27th August. The Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement, **Listen, Learn, Love: A New Engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples** now available at main doors (or ask at Parish Office) OR <https://bit.ly/SJS2023-24>

"The new Social Justice Statement is issued in an important year for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians and, indeed, for all Australians. It's the year when we vote on a referendum to recognise

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians through enshrining a Voice to Parliament in the Constitution.

The Bishops and NATSICC invite us to this new engagement in the statement's conclusion:"

We, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council, invite members of the Church to walk with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in this year of great possibility.

We hope for an end to the pain, the hurt and the injustice that has burdened the First Peoples of this land for far too long.

Let us commit ourselves to fostering a civilisation of love in Australia. Let's come together in friendship and love to show all that love can not only change individual lives, but that it can change society for the better.

Taken from ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace by Peter Arndt

"Your light must shine before all so that they may see goodness in your acts." (Matthew 5:16) We should view our giving in gratitude to God by considering how blessed we are...using our gifts and talents for the good of others. A gift in any amount given through your Will benefits future generations of the faithful. For more information on naming Cannon Hill Parish or our perpetual endowment fund in your Will, please call the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.



HOLY CROSS FUNERALS
The only funeral service owned and operated by the Catholic Church
Ph: (07) 3293 0555 Web: www.holycrossfunerals.com



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



OUR SICK *Contact Parish Office for names to be included in this list. Names will be taken off after a short time unless otherwise instructed.*

Marion White, Carmel Pender, Michael Simpson, Harry Davis, Mary Stevenson, John la Spina, Lani Clow, Darryl McNally, Rob Connolly, Teresa Oexle, Beryl McNally, Von Leeman, Brian McGrath, Gabriel Adams, Darren Wilson, Lorretta Stephenson, Imelda Khoo, Brian Crimmins, Danni Manix, Glenda Kiehne, Veronica Roberts, Angela White, Robbin Firth, Jack Carroll.

Please contact the Parish Office 3899 2837

if you or someone you know is sick

and would appreciate a visit by Fr Basti.

Please leave a message if the office is unattended

or for an urgent response call Fr Basti 0493 096 073.

BAPTISM

Noah Dias, son of Jeffrey & Ellise Dias.

Percy Howe, son of Lincoln & Jordan Howe.

Noah Story, son of Justin & Jessie Story.

Mass Intentions - Week beginning 29th August 2023

Tuesday 9am - For War-torn Countries, especially Ukraine and Sudan.

Wednesday 9am - For Justice, Healing and Reconciliation for all Australians

Thursday 9am - For Sick and those in Aged Care

Friday 9am - For World Day of Prayer for Creation (Care for our Common Home and our sisters and brother who share it)

Weekend Masses offered for the intentions of all in the Parish

**** Mass intentions to be advised the week prior to request****

EUCARIST ADORATION will be held this coming Friday, 1st September following the 9am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. Please join us if you can.

RCIA INVITATION - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you or someone you know is considering becoming a Catholic, or baptised but not yet received the other Sacraments or just interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith, please contact the Parish Office (3899 2837) before the 3rd September as the RCIA preparation begins September 20th.

ANOINTING AND HEALING

MASS to be held on

Tuesday 12th September at 9am, St

Oliver Plunkett Church. As this mass

we pray for physical, spiritual and emotional healing for the sick and elderly.



SCRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Children's Session in preparation for

First Holy Communion, Saturday 2nd

September, 4.15pm OR Sunday, 3rd September,

8.00am, St Oliver Plunkett Church.

First Holy Communion Rehearsal, Wednesday, 6th

September, 7.00pm, St Oliver Plunkett Church

Celebration of Sacrament of Penance, Friday 8th Sept,

9.30am St Oliver Plunkett Ch.

Celebration of First Holy Communion, Saturday 9th

September, 9am St Oliver Plunkett Church



ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN APPEAL

WITH THANKS

Last weekend our parish held the annual appeal for the Catholic Campaign in support of the important Catholic ministries in

our Archdiocese. Thank you to everyone who responded generously to the Archbishop's call for support.

If you did not have an opportunity to support the campaign last weekend, you can still do so by either making a donation online via the our Parish Link:

<https://bit.ly/3MDBw1F> OR please use a brochure/envelope at the main doors.

Hospitality

After 8.00am Mass at Tingalpa - 1st Sunday of the month

After 9.30am Mass Cannon Hill - 1st Sunday of the month

After 9.00am Mass Cannon Hill - Wednesdays

Every Wednesday Morning.



Two Hours of Quiet—Mini Retreat Morning

Jesuit and Ignatian Spirituality offers

TWO HOURS OF QUIET contemplation on the last Saturday of each month. This mini retreat is a time of gentle meditation allowing time to re-energise amongst the challenges and stresses of daily life.

You are welcome to join us for any/ all sessions throughout the year.

When: Saturday 30 September 2023 **Time:** 7.15am to 9.30am

Please arrive at 7.15 am in time for a cup of tea or coffee for a 7.30 am start. **Where:** JISA Faber, 111 Sir Samuel Griffith Drive, Bardon.

Price: \$10 **Book:** <https://jisa.org.au/retreat/two-hours-of-quiet-mini-retreat-mornings-6/>

Annual Season of Creation Ecumenical Liturgy

Each year, we join with our Christian brothers and sisters to recognise the importance of, and celebrate together, our care for our common home.

This year's liturgy is being held in the **Mt Coot-tha Botanical Gardens**, and Christians from all denominations are invited to gather together in unity to celebrate this Season of Creation.

The liturgy is followed by a guided contemplative walk.

Date: Wednesday, 6 September 2023, 12 noon

Location: Lychee Lawn, Mt Coot-Tha Botanic Gardens, 152 Mount Coot-Tha Rd, Mount Coot-Tha

Please join us if you are free, in this beautiful setting, a liturgy to celebrate our care for creation & you can even get a walk in...optional!

Romans

The Gospel of Salvation

THE BRISBANE EAST DEANERY

Bible Scripture Study

will begin

St Paul's Letter to

the Romans – an 8 week study by Dr Andrew Swafford and

Jeff Cavins in the week starting the 25th of SEPTEMBER with

daytime and evening sessions (Tuesday to Friday) and ending

4th week in November. This study will help you make sense of the

difficult passages regarding faith, works of the law, and justification.

It will give you an authentically Catholic, comprehensive, and simple

way to understand this challenging epistle. **Please contact Louise**

0456 700 040 as soon as possible for books to be ordered from

Sydney in time, also for further details.



Missionary Oblates Of Mary Immaculate

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PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM: Sachin Rasquinha, Paul Vorrasi, Briony Russell, Aaron Tippetts, Norma Martiri

CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Yuggera and Turrbal Country

St Oliver Plunkett Church & Parish Centre: 21 Beauvardia St, Cannon Hill Q 4170

Holy Family Church: 41 Belmont Rd, Tingalpa Q 4173 (enter via 56 Palgrave St, Tingalpa)

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 9.00am - 2.30pm

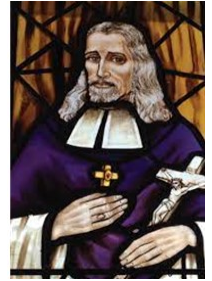
Phone: (07) 3899 2837 | Mobile: 0493 096 073 (after hours)

Web Page: <https://www.cannonhillparish.org.au/>

Facebook Page: Cannon Hill Catholic Parish | WhatsApp: 0493 096 073

MASS & RECONCILIATION TIMES as per the left hand on the inside page

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS: by appointment only at St Oliver Plunkett Church



Walking together with L'Arche

Saturday, 2nd September 2023

9:30am—1:30pm

Charity Fund Raiser

Bulimba Memorial Park

To REGISTER or DONATE

Scan QR code

Or Visit <http://bit.ly/lbwt23>

For more information contact

Lucy Fisher 0409 536 593



L'Arche is a worldwide federation of people, with and without intellectual disabilities, working together for a world where all belong. L'Arche Brisbane consist of 2 supported homes locally, one in Carina and one in Morningside.

This day, 2 September, is to announce L'Arche to the local community in Bulimba as well as to raise funds for Brisbane and International L'Arche Communities.

L'Arche Brisbane has a long-standing relationship with our parish and frequently uses church/hall for gatherings and retreats. **Save the date and come along and meet the L'Arche community, Saturday 2nd September.**

Humour... A Jewish businessman in Melbourne sent his son to Israel for a year to absorb the culture. When the son returned, he said, "Papa, I had a great time in Israel. By the way, I converted to Christianity." "Oy vey," said the father. "What have I done?" He took his problem to his best Jewish friend. "Ike," he said, "I sent my son to Israel, and he came home a Christian. What can I do?" "Funny you should ask," said Ike. "I too, sent my son to Israel, and he also came home a Christian.." Perhaps we should go see the Rabbi. So they did, and they explained their problem to the Rabbi. "Funny you should ask," said the Jewish Rabbi.. "I, too, sent my son to Israel, and he also came home a Christian. What is happening to our young people?" And so they all prayed, telling the Lord about their sons. As they finished their prayer, a voice came from the heavens: "Funny you should ask," said the voice. "I, too, sent my son to Israel ...



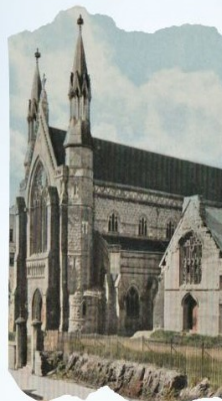
Celebrating 150 years of Weddings at The Cathedral of St Stephen

In this 150th year of the Cathedral of St Stephen, couples who have been married at St Stephen's are invited to commemorate their years of marriage.

On Saturday, 30th September 2023, the Archbishop will celebrate Mass at 11:30am, followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.

There will be a particular focus on Golden Wedding Anniversaries, however anyone married at the Cathedral or Chapel, is invited to attend.

If you have photos or stories to share, please contact David Todd.
email: todd@bne.catholic.net.au
telephone: 3324 3030
by 1st September 2023



To register to attend the Mass and for catering purposes please RSVP by Friday 22nd September 2023
cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au
3324 3030

Iona College Catholic Boys College

Principal: Mr. Trevor Goodwin

Rector: Fr. Michael Twigg

Phone: (07) 3893 8888

Email: admin@iona.qld.edu.au Website: www.iona.qld.edu.au



St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Primary School

Principal: Mr. Greg Cran

APRE: Ms Hannah Goodwin

Phone: (07) 3902 2100

Out of School Hours Care: Phone: (07) 3899 0952



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Policy available at <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/privacy-policy/> or on request.