



KANGAROO POINT  
EAST BRISBANE  
CATHOLIC PARISH

St Benedict's  
Centenary  
1917 - 2017  
Celebrating 100  
Years



**Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE 1st Sunday of Advent - 3 Dec**

**First Reading: Ezek 34:11-12,15-17**  
**Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:20-26,28**  
**Gospel: Mt 25:31-46**

**First Reading: Ezek 34:11-12,15-17**  
**Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:20-26,28**  
**Gospel: Mt 25:31-46**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.**

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

**MASS TIMES:**

**St Benedict's Church**

81 Mowbray Tce, East Brisbane

**Saturday:** 6:00 pm Vigil Mass  
**Reconciliation:** 5.30pm

**Tuesday:** 9.00 Mass  
\* Changes will be in newsletter

**St Joseph's Church**

26-36 Leopard St (Anglesey St),  
Kangaroo Point

**Sunday:** 9:00am Mass

**SVDP Helpline - 07 30101096**  
**Furniture Helpline - 1300 551 894**

\*\*\*\*\*

**We pray for parishioners &  
friends who are ill.**

*Names of the Sick: due to privacy laws,  
names of the sick can only appear in the  
newsletter with the permission of  
immediate family.*

**We pray for our recently  
departed,  
especially**

**may they rest in peace,**

**and for those who anniversaries  
are at this time,  
we remember them.**

The slow and weary return of our former Grade 12 students from their post school celebrations is already well advanced. For them it has been a time of freedom and excitement, but also transition, the ending of something old and known and the beginning of something new.

We could see this weekend's feast of Christ the King in the same light. It is the last Sunday of the Church's year, the ending of something old and known. Next week is Advent, the beginning of something new – our time of waiting for the birth of the Christ Child. The colour, tone, anticipation reflected in the Scripture, the symbols of our liturgy all reflect this break from the past as we begin something new. So, on this last weekend of the year it is appropriate for the Church to proclaim Christ as King.

To back up this proclamation we hear today from Matthew's Gospel and his description of the last judgement. It is Jesus' last discourse recorded by Matthew before the events of the Passion begin to unfold. In the vision he presents in today's Gospel, Christ is the king who sits in judgment "as a shepherd separates sheep from goats." Mercy and charity will be the standards for determining one's entry into the future kingdom of God.

What becomes painfully clear is that Christ, the Shepherd-King, clearly and unequivocally identifies himself with the poor. Our "greatness" lies in our ability to reach beyond ourselves to bring justice, peace and reconciliation into the lives of everyone.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta put today's Gospel theme so succinctly when she said: "At the end of life we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made, how many great things we have done. We will be judged by I was hungry and you gave me to eat ... I was naked and you clothed me... I was homeless and you took me in. Hungry not only for bread -- but hungry for love; naked not only of clothing -- but naked of human dignity and respect; homeless not only for want of a room of bricks, but homeless because of rejection. This is Christ in distressing disguise."

Our young men and women, the seniors of 2017, have been celebrating "Schoolies Week" and the freedom and excitement that this transition brings. Reflecting that same transition, this weekend the Church proclaims Christ as Universal King. May these last days of this year and first days of the new be a time for us to embrace in practical ways the vision and spirit that will bring God's kingdom to life among us.

Wishing you every blessing for the week ahead,

*Fr Peter Brannelly*

**Donate your coins! The Peters Pence leaving collection is on this weekend.**

**Kangaroo Point East Brisbane Parish**

**Parish Priest:** Bishop Ken Howell  
**Administrator:** Fr Peter Brannelly  
**Associate Pastor:** Fr Odinata Nwadike  
**Parish Administration:** Mrs Catherine Goldsworthy  
**Sacramental Co-ordinator:** Mrs Grace Harwood (07) 3324 3017  
**Parish Office:** Mrs Patricia Pryor **Hours:** Tue & Thu 9am - 5pm  
81 Mowbray Terrace, East Brisbane  
**P:** (07) 3391 4663 **F:** (07) 3891 6738 **E:** kpoint@bne.catholic.net.au  
**W:** [www.catholicparishebkt.org.au](http://www.catholicparishebkt.org.au)

**St Joseph's Catholic Primary School**

26-36 Leopard St, Kangaroo Point QLD 4168  
**P:** 07 3391 5397 | **F:** (07) 3391 5186  
**E:** pkangaroopt@bne.catholic.edu.au  
**Principal:** Mr Micheal O'Sullivan  
**Reception Secretary:** Mrs Emma Lorenzin  
**Student Secretary:** Sabina Hawe  
**W:** [www.stjosephskpt.qld.edu.au](http://www.stjosephskpt.qld.edu.au)



**Roster – St Benedict’s (Saturday 6:00pm) - 02 Dec**

Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers
C Erbetto	S Beasley B Navratil	J Ayre, T Navratil

**Altar Servers 02 -03 Dec**

St Benedict’s	St Joseph’s
Altar servers	welcome over hols.



**Roster –St Joseph’s (Sunday 9:00am) - 03 DEC**

Commentator	Reader	Extraordinary Ministers	CLOW	Opener	Piety Stall	Counters
K Biggs	P O’Connell, tba	J Drake, K Wessel, tba	School Hols	N Prove	S O’Connell	Ryan, Terry

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK**

Sun - Christ the King  
Thu - St Andrew

Visit our parish WEBSITE at <http://catholicparishebkpt.org.au>  
Visit the website and subscribe to the weekly newsletter.

**BAPTISMS**

Baptisms are held in the parish on the **1st & 3rd Sat** each month .  
Preparation is held on the 1st Saturday of each month.

**THE CATHOLIC LEADER \$2 TAKE A COPY HOME TODAY**

- \* Community awards showcase Catholics’ incredible service across Queensland
- \* Johnathan Thurston’s generosity helps priest make it to Mass in Coen during wet season
- \* Bishop warns of spread of euthanasia bills
- \* Brisbane Augustinians prepare for diaconate ordination
- Calls for protection of religious freedoms after same-sex marriage survey
- \* Fees rising at some Brisbane schools because of Gonski plan

**LUCKY NUMBERS**

**\$2.00 could win you \$25.**

Support your parish and buy your lucky number from the piety stall.  
Drawn weekly

Winner #22 G Byrne  
NUMBERS AVAILABLE!

**Last weekend’s collection \$737.90**

Please consider Planned Giving by Direct Debit. Forms available at the piety stall

\*\*\*\*\*

**CHRISTMAS MASSES**

**Christmas Eve**  
St Joseph’s 5.00pm  
Carols 4.30pm  
**Christams Day**  
St Benedict’s 9.00am  
Carols 8.30am

**Mass at St Benedict’s this week**

Tues 28 Nov @ 9.00am

**Morning Tea** will be held on Tuesday **12th Dec** following the 9am mass at St Benedict’s. This is the final one for 2017 so please come along dressed Christmassy and enjoy a cup of tea.



**Peter’s Pence Collection** Every year our parish takes up a special collection for various worthy causes. “We are given the opportunity to make a contribution to the Holy Father in Rome in support of his global ministry as Successor of Peter. The financial reforms instituted by Pope Francis mean that we can now be more confident than ever that the Holy See is making good use of the Peter’s Pence Collection” (Archbishop Mark Coleridge). **Please give generously as you leave the church today - every spare coin counts. Thank you.**

**St Vincent de Paul** The collection for St Vincent de Paul has been postponed one week due to the Peter’s Pence collection this weekend.

**First Eucharist:** If you haven’t returned your enrolment form for your child’s enrolment in the Eucharist program in 2018, please email it to the parish office as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Altar Servers:** As we don’t continue the roster over the school holidays, we don’t have our usual servers. If you are at mass and your child is happy to serve, please let Father know. They are most welcome. Thank you

**See the Church Noticeboard for events happening in the Archdiocese.**

- **Women’s Discernment Retreat** Vocations Brisbane is running a weekend retreat for young women who are keen to explore more about a vocation to religious life. All young women 18-40yrs old are welcome to come along and discover more about where God is calling you! Date: Saturday **25–26 November**. 9am Saturday - 5pm Sunday
- **Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane:** Mass 9.30am Bp Emeritus Joseph Oudeman. 25 Nov. Guest Speaker Peter Pellican. Venue: Canossian Spirituality Centre, 169 Seventeen Mile Rocks Rd, Oxley For more information or to RSVP contact Sr. Melissa 0484 007 508
- **TALK: Rebuilding Iraq and Syria:** SOS Chrétiens d’Orient and the Future of the Christian Middle East. Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, 249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane Tues Nov 28 @ 7pm. Come and meet us and find out what you can do to help. Free parking available in Cathedral car park.

**Christmas Play of The Nativity** We wish to invite the children to take part in the play of The Nativity on Christmas Eve. If your child would like to participate, please put your name and email address on the **forms in the piety stall** this weekend. There will be practice before Christmas and the dates will be advised. We look forward to as many children as possible being part of the Nativity play.



**Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults** Children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded. Please visit the parish website or the Archdiocese of Brisbane website for the full policy.

**Reconciliation Preparation will commence in the parish in February 2018.**