

# Bribie Beacon

Sunday 2 August 2020

Anglican  
Church  
St Peter's Bribie Island

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Banya Street Bribie Island

It is sad to see new cases of COVID-19 in our state, when so many have worked hard to ensure our safety and the easing of restrictions. As we wait to see the ongoing effects of these new cases, I again encourage everyone to maintain physical distancing and to continue to practice a high standard of hygiene in all places. It is also important we look after ourselves by getting enough sleep, participating in regular physical activity and healthy eating. We also need to ensure we are connecting with others by making time frequently to speak, reach out to and support family members and friends in safe and supportive ways. Remember if you are struggling, you are not alone, and please don't try to go through this by yourself. Feel free to either make contact with me or reach out to someone you know and trust. Since resuming worship at St Peter's over 100 parishioners have returned to face to face worship. It has been great to see so many of our community feel comfortable returning to worship. We are striving to make St Peter's a safe place for all, therefore we do ask that if you have flu like symptoms, that you do seek medical advice before attending worship or any Parish groups. I would like to thank everyone who has been supporting the Parish's COVID-19 safety plan as prescribed by the government. It is there to keep all well and safe.

Fr Steven Schwarzrock

## WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday - 7.30am & 9.30am

Wednesday - 10am

## PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

### PARISH PRIEST / RECTOR

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### WEBSITE

[www.stpetersbribie.org.au](http://www.stpetersbribie.org.au)

### ONLINE GIVING BY CREDIT CARD OR DEBIT CARD

<https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/TIM/?BillerCode=1730050>

### ONLINE GIVING BY DIRECT DEPOSIT

Ac Name - Bribie Island Parish  
BSB - 704-901

Account Number - 00000040

### POSTAL ADDRESS

PO Box 1087 Bongaree 4507



## PRAYER POINTS

**Those in Need** – Valerie Bowser, Phyl Adams, Bretton Bartlett, Greg Collis, Ian Hillard, Elizabeth Kubler, David Lower, Krista-Liisa Pulkkinen.

*To add someone to the prayer list please email [office@stpetersbribie.org.au](mailto:office@stpetersbribie.org.au)*

***THE HAPPIEST PEOPLE DON'T HAVE THE BEST OF EVERYTHING, THEY JUST MAKE THE BEST OF EVERYTHING.***

## PARISH NOTICES

**Online Sunday Worship** - A new online service is available each Sunday via [Vimeo](#), [FaceBook](#) or our [Webpage](#). Also, each Sunday at 9.30am you can also join us via [Zoom](#) for a live stream of our services at St Peter's.

**AMUA Anglicare Chaplaincy Retiring Collection** - There will be a retiring collection on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August after both services by Anglican Mothers Union Australia Brisbane Diocese to enable Anglicare Mission Department to provide training and professional development for the chaplaincy team and pastoral care volunteers. If you would like to give by direct debit please donate to the parish account and write "Anglicare" in the reference.

**Used Stamps**- Are you still in the collecting mood? There is a large plastic container in the narthex marked "Stamps" for your used stamps for which ABM is very grateful.

**Ring Pull Tops** - Remember the excitement in the latter part of last year when we were collecting Ring Pull Tops to send to Cambodia? You collected thousands which were crocheted together by the poor Cambodian women to make beautiful jewellery. As more are needed, please don't throw away those precious tops. Bring them to church. Later in the year they will be on their way to Cambodia.

**Drink Containers** - Collecting 10c refundable drink containers is a way the Parish raises funds. Please continue to collect your drink containers. They can be dropped off in church hallway or left in front of the shed next to Coinda. You can also take your containers directly to the collection centre at 21 Armitage Street and give them the Parish's scheme id, so the funds come to the Parish. St Peter's scheme id is C10177475.

**Parish Office** - Please be aware the Parish Office remains closed to the public. If you have administrative needs, please contact Fr Steven or one of the Churchwardens.

## SUNDAY 2 AUGUST - ORDINARY SUNDAY 18

Readings - Genesis 32.22-31; Psalm 17.1-7, 16; Romans 9.1-8; Matthew 14.13-21.

Sentence - The Lord is near to all who call on him in truth. He fulfils the desire of all that fear him, hears their cry, and saves them. (*Psalm 145.18-19*)

Prayer of the day - O God, giver of life and health, whose Son Jesus Christ has called us to hunger and thirst for justice: refresh us with your grace, that we may not be weary in well-doing, for the sake of him who meets all our needs, Jesus Christ our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Reflection - The account of the feeding of five thousand in today's Gospel passage has been an inspiration to Christians in many diverse situations. It occurs immediately after Jesus and the disciples learn of the brutal murder of John the Baptist. After a long day with large and desperate crowds, it is understandable that the disciples were seeking to get away. We read, however, that Jesus had compassion, and he invited the multitudes to eat. The disciples were shocked, for they could locate only two fish and five loaves, hardly enough to feed themselves, much less a crowd of thousands. Nevertheless, Jesus instructed them to feed the crowd, and not only did all get enough to eat, but there were also twelve baskets left over. This is the only miracle story found in all four Gospels. It obviously was of great importance to the early church. Some suggest it was read regularly when early Christians gathered at the Eucharist. Others suggest that it shows a parallel to God's provision of manna from heaven for the children of Israel. More important than any of these reasons, this account of the feeding of the five thousand was treasured by the early church because it taught Christians the very heart of the gospel message and was a deep source of hope and inspiration for Christians who were seeking to be faithful against great odds. Jesus did not feed five thousand. He told the disciples to do it. God has entrusted us to be the body of Christ, the hands and feet through which God's work is done in the world. God does not work alone, but through people, you and me. To follow Jesus is to express our faith in concrete acts of love, justice, and compassion toward others. It is no accident that Matthew tells us that we will meet Jesus in reaching out to the "least" of our brothers and sisters—the hungry, the thirsty, the imprisoned.

### Reflection Question

1. With whom or what is Jacob wrestling: a man, an angel, or with God, or an aspect of himself? (Genesis 32:22-31)
2. What question or spiritual need would beholding God's likeness satisfy in you? (Psalm 17:1-7, 15)
3. Why does Jesus tell the disciples to feed the crowd when he knows they lack supplies to do so? (Matthew 14:13-21)

## **ATTENDING WORSHIP AT ST PETER'S IN PERSON**

1. **Protecting Vulnerable People** - Government advice for vulnerable people is that you should stay at home and avoid contact with others. Vulnerable people are defined as people 70 years and older, people 65 years and older with a chronic medical condition and people with a comprised immune system.
2. **Capacity** - As per government guidelines on physical distancing attendance at St Peter's is limited to 50 people per service. If capacity limit was reached at a service, alternate seating will be made available outside.
3. **Registering for Worship** - Pre-registering for worship is not currently required.
4. **Physical Distancing** - People should practice physical distancing at a minimum of 1.5 metres at all times. No physical greetings or exchanges such as handshakes or hugs. Sit separately (unless from same household) and per approved seating plan.
5. **Hygiene** - Hands should be cleaned with hand sanitiser upon entering church, before receiving communion or after contact with any surfaces. People who feel unwell or have cold or flu like symptoms should not attend.
6. **Record of Attendance** - A record of each attendee's name, address and phone number will be kept by the Rector as per government requirements.
7. **Cleaning** - The church will be cleaned in line with Safe Work Australia standards.
8. **COVID Warden** - For more information on our COVID safety plan please speak to Lynn Macbeth (COVID Warden) or a Churchwarden.

### **Online Worship**

Every Sunday morning a new service is uploaded. To watch online worship from St Peter's please follow this link [vimeo.com/user110905450](https://vimeo.com/user110905450). The link is also available from our website and Facebook page.

### **Live Online Worship using ZOOM**

The Wednesday (10am) and Sunday (9.30am) Eucharist will be streamed via [ZOOM](#). Join earlier if you would like to have a chat. To join us follow the Zoom instructions below. To join download and open the ZOOM app and select "Join Meeting" and enter the meeting id **3408319100** and the password is **34083191**.

