



The Fisherman



St Peter the Fisherman Family Church - Anglican Parish of Bramble Bay

FROM THE RECTOR

“GETTING READY TO CELEBRATE”

What do the following have in common? The IOC selecting Australia for the 2000 Olympics; Shane Warne, in his first delivery of Ashes cricket, delivering what has been described as the "Ball of the Century"; the United States electing Bill Clinton as President; and the inception of the Parish of St. Peter the Fisherman all have in common? The simple answer—they all happened nineteen years ago. So next year marks a twenty year mile stone for the parish; making our 2013 Patronal Festival a particularly special celebration. And while I don't even really know just what kind of shape and form our celebrations will take, I do know that God will show us the way.

In the movie *March of the Penguins* Morgan Freeman describes what the penguins have to do get to where they have to go, without even following an over-all leader. For he says:

“The destination is always the same, their path, however, is not. The ice on which the birds travel never stops shifting and changing. New road blocks will appear to baffle them every year. We're not exactly sure how they find their way. Perhaps they are assisted by the sun or the stars; or maybe, having taken this march for thousands of generations, they are guided by some invisible compass within them. They never stay stopped for long, eventually, one of them will pick up the trail and the journey continues.”

Like any parish, after 20 years of worship a lot of people have come and gone. And those who have stayed are the faithful remnant: the ones who never lost sight of the trail. The world has been constantly shifting and changing like the icy landscape of the Antarctic. Many a time a road block has appeared to baffle us. But we never lost sight of the trail. Whether we've been here for 20 years, 10 years, 5 years, 6 months or two weeks—we are the faithful remnant.

As the penguins journey across the Antarctic they never break off into separate groups. Their survival depends on sticking together. And after all why should they when each and every one of them has the ability to pick up the trail.

As Christians we too are on a journey and we've all been given the Spirit of Christ. So anyone of us is capable of picking up the trail and pointing in the direction that Christ might be leading us.

And at the moment there are people in the parish who have picked up on idea of coming together on our Patronal Festival next year and celebrating 20 years of worship at St. Peter the Fisherman. To make this a really great celebration, in which we can reach out to the community, the parish is asking for any interested people to come forward and form a committee to help with organizing the event.

To start us off in right direction, at this year's Patronal Festival people were asked to come forward and put a smiley-face sticker onto a picture of a net, as a sign of the unity we all share in as a people moving together into next year's celebrations; a people who can rejoice in being caught up in the net of Christ's love and grace.

Fr Gary Atherton



St. Mark's Woody Point



St. Barnabas' Clontarf



ST PETER THE FISHERMAN



Putting on Smiley Faces

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Ladies Guild

Our monthly Talent Tables continue to be a good fund raiser and thank you all for your support. The Easter Raffle was won by Fiona Dockrill. Your support much appreciated. Members and Parishioners enjoyed making Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday with Karen Atherton and others guiding us in this task. At our meeting in April we were very happy to welcome Anita Blent as a new member.

Guild members served refreshments on Anzac Day after the Service at Woody Point Memorial Hall. Approximately 200 people attended this Service.

The cent Auction Saturday May 12th went very well displaying the prizes with containers in front for tickets. A very big thank you to all who donated, we had a great variety of prizes and vouchers. Betty Jeffery again excelled on the mike as did Bill Tattam who did a great job holding up the prizes. We thank them as well as all those who helped on the day and with the preparations. Proceeds \$1827.50.

Thursday 24th May our Guild joined with the Thursday group having A Biggest Morning Tea for Cancer Research. We enjoyed games and food while raising \$582.00 for the Cancer Council. Our Guild members and friends do an excellent job in catering when required for funerals and small functions also providing cakes for special occasions.

In April and May we were saddened by the passing of three of our parishioner friends and great supporters of our Guild, Elaine Smith, Bob Jones and Sue Howard. They will be sadly missed.

The Garage Sale Saturday June 16th was a great success with an amount of over \$2000 made on the day. Thank you for your many donations towards this. Thank you also to those who set up, helped on on the day or packed away afterwards, this was very much appreciated.

You may have noticed our church kneelers are all the same colour now. Our thanks go to Peter Kilpatrick who has done a great job in recovering all the old green kneelers.

The Ladies Guild has given funds to the Parish as required and also for Synod meals for our representatives, and for the church cleaning. Funds have also been given to aid our Church Children's Groups and Youth Groups for any material or equipment they may require.

To those who clean the brass, arrange flowers, care for the linen or serve morning tea, "thank you". This is greatly appreciated. We are now preparing for our Parish Fete to be held on Saturday 25th August.

Thank you to all those who support the Guild.

Diana Borger



We thank you for
the time you spared
and the helping hand
you gave.
It meant so much.
And we thank the Lord
for the difference that
you made.



Books

Morning Tea

Fruit and Vegies Stall

PARISH FETE

Jams & Sweets



Saturday 25th August 2012

Trash & Treasure

Kid's Corner

8.00am - 1pm

Mini Cent Auction

Sausage Sizzle



Raffles, Plants &
Heaps More.



Country & Western
Group



Evening Guild

Our Mother's Day raffle created a lot of interest and raised \$213.00. The success was due I believe to the wonderful handwork of member Norma Shoobert.

We catered for a successful Pasta Lunch on the 27th May and raised \$421.00.

The Patronal Festival was a happy time and we were pleased to contribute to the festivities with our Winter Warmer lunch.

The Fete is coming next month and we are busy preparing for the Craft and Sweets stall. We would welcome donations from members of the congregation.

Members assist with various church rosters such as flowers and morning tea.

Hope to see you at the Fete.

Nell Stanaway



Mothers Union

On the 16th May members attended the Deanery Day at North Pine where Dorothy Duffield was presented with her 50yr



badge by the Brisbane Diocesan President, Marilyn Dunning. Reverend Libby Crossman, the Australian President, was guest speaker. In June we had an outing to St Stephen's Catholic Cathedral in Brisbane followed by a ride on the City Cat and lunch at Southbank. On the 13th July Reverend John Pryce-Davies shared with us about his visit to the Holy Land which was most interesting.

Karen Atherton

"Sharing Christ's love by encouraging, strengthening, and supporting marriage and family life."

Thursday Morning Friendship Group

Our group meets the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month, and welcome anyone who would like to join us. The group has been busy making bookmarks to hand out on St. Peter's Patronal Festival on the 1st July, and we have since had many pleasing remarks. The beanie project continues on and we are grateful to those knitters who continue to support our efforts for the Mission to Seafarers. To those on our sick list we wish you a speedy recovery and hope to see you soon.
Best Wishes Always
Betty



Paddy's in the bathroom and Murphy shouts. "Did you find the shampoo? Paddy says "Yes but it's for dry hair and I just wet mine!"



Paddy says to Mick, "Christmas is on a Friday this year" Mick says "Lets hope its not the 13th!"

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ACTIVITIES FOR THE KIDS

LITTLE FISHERS

2nd Thursday of the month. For under school age children and their parents & carers. They enjoy singing, story time, craft & Morning Tea.



PETE'S CLUB

Thursdays during school term. 3.30pm - 5.30pm They enjoy afternoon tea, games, singing, stories, craft. Cost is \$3. Is in recess at the moment



YOUTH GROUP

1st Friday of the month For children 8-13 6.00pm - 8.00pm They enjoy a variety of themed nights such as Disco, Foods from other Countries, Movie Night, & Games Night.

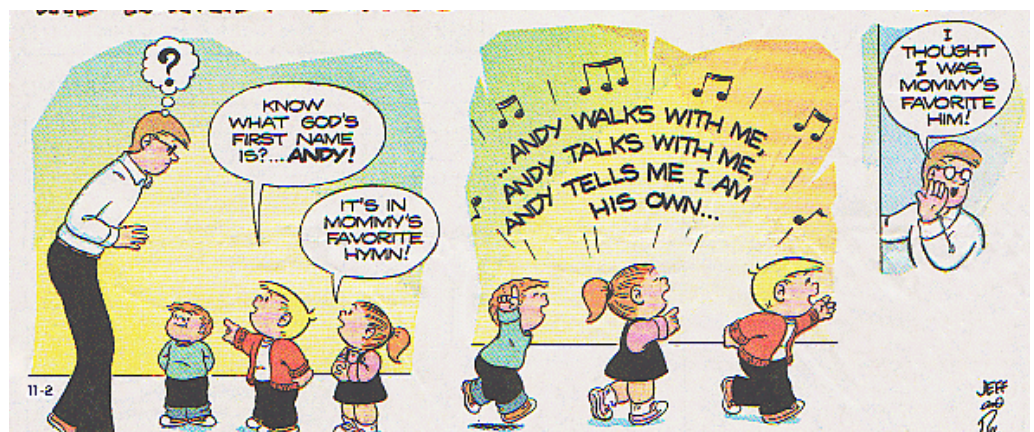


ROCKHOUSE

4th Friday of the month for teenagers. They enjoy singing, bible study, movie clips, funny videos and a bring & share meal.



DADDY DIDN'T HAVE TO STAND IN THE CORNER WHEN HE SAID THAT WORD



PARISH PICTORIAL



Parish Picnic



Palm Sunday



The Three Musketeers



Pentecost



Kids Club putting smiley faces on net



Patronal Festival

Church Ladies & Typewriters

Thank God for church ladies & typewriters! These sentences actually appeared in bulletins or were announced in church services:

"Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands."

The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water". The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."

At the evening service tonight the sermon topic will be "What is hell?" Come early & listen to our choir practice.

The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing "Break Forth With Joy"

Potluck supper Sunday at 5pm - prayer & medication will follow..



Redcliffe City Choir



will be performing at St. Peter's on the 19th August at 2.30pm followed by afternoon tea. Cost is Adults: \$12.00 Concession: \$10

Las Vegas Churches Accept Gambling Chips?

This may come as a surprise for you not living in Las Vegas but there are more Catholic Churches than casinos. Not surprisingly some worshippers at Sunday services will give casino chips rather than cash when the basket is passed. Since they get chips from many different casinos, the churches have devised a method to collect the offerings. The churches send all their collected chips to a nearby Franciscan monastery for sorting and then the chips are taken to the casino of origin and then cashed in.

This is done by the chip monks!

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Mother's Union Library - Book Review

“Going Places with Paul” by Donald Fleming

The Mother's Union Library has a number of books which refer to the life and ministry of Saint Paul. Saul of Tarsus, later to change his name to Paul, exerts such a continuing influence on Christians and Non-Christians alike. Our western societies, and those societies influenced by the spread of Christianity, have adopted principles preached in the early Pauline ministry.

Almost weekly we are exposed to Saint Paul from the selected New Testament readings, including those letters to the early church communities. A quarter of the New Testament chapters can be attributed to Paul, and from these we are able to share Paul's teaching to those early church communities. Much of what Paul instructed then still resonates today, suggesting that we require continual reminders about what is required to achieve fidelity in faith. “Going Places with Paul” provides the reader with a map of Paul's missionary journeys. Also, there are evocative photographs from the places Paul journeyed to in his ministry. The map and the photographs enrich the story of Paul's missionary life; his vision, faith, and commitment in Jesus Christ.

Paul's achievement in establishing the early church is immense when considered together with the environment of the classical world in which he lived and preached. Paul understood the classical principles and argued for belief in the resurrected Christ. Love was the cornerstone of Paul's teaching, and yet it was necessary to find the means to convince people to believe in Jesus Christ as the risen Lord. To succeed in his ministry, Paul was required to be flexible in his approach to doctrine. He was predominantly preaching to gentiles, and so points of differentiation were developed to distinguish between Jewish law and the new churches for Jesus' followers.

Discipline in Christian life featured as a central message as Paul matured in his ministry, and found that this message would find concordance with the current world view. Followers of Christ were and are required to place their own will and desire second to the will of God through Jesus Christ.

Donald Fleming's book is a reminder of our beginnings as Christians. For this reason it is a good and even easy read. It will enliven the Letters from the New Testament, and hopefully remind us of Saint Paul's great legacy.

By Sharelle

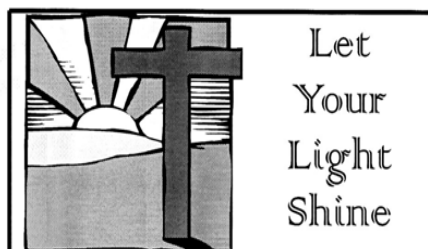
**The Mother's Union Library is located at the rear of the Church
behind the Choir Area**



*Religion is regarded by the
common people as true,
by the wise as false,
and by rulers as useful.*

*We never get what we want;
we never want what we get;
we never have what we like;
we never like what we have;
and still we live and love,
“That is life”*

Don't go for looks they can deceive
Don't go for wealth;
That can fade away.



Jesus said “Let Your Light Shine”

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It is important to have a valid and current Will. Please consider discussing this with your solicitor when next updating your Will. Or you can simply make a Codicil to your existing Will.

Thank You



L-R: David & Kristina Dart
and Deryl & Bruce Jarvie



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THE MAN IN THE GLASS

*When you get what you want in your struggle with life,
and the world makes you "KING" for a day,
then go to the mirror and look at yourself,
and see what THAT guy has to say.*

*For it isn't your Father, or Mother, or Wife,
whose judgement upon you must pass.
The feller whose verdict counts most in your life
is the man staring back from the glass.*

*He's the man to please, never mind all the rest,
for he stays with you to the end,
and you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test
if the man in the glass is your friend.*

*You may mimic Jack Horner and chisel a plum,
and think you're a wonderful guy,
but to the man in the glass you're not even a chum
if you can't look him straight in the eye.*

*You can fool the whole world down the pathway of years,
and get pats on the back as you pass,
but your FINAL REWARD will be heartaches and tears
if you've cheated THAT man in the glass.*

I LIVE ALONE

*I live alone, Dear Lord.
stay by my side.
In all my daily needs,
be Thou my guide.
Grant me good health,
for that, indeed, I pray
to carry on my work from day to day.
Keep pure my mind,
my thoughts, my every deed,
let me be kind, unselfish,
in my neighbour's need.
If sickness or an accident befall,
thee humbly, Lord, I pray,
hear Thou my call.
And when I'm feeling low
or in despair,
Lift up my heart and help me in my prayer.
I live alone, Dear Lord,
yet have no fear,
because I feel Your presence ever near.
Amen*

WHAT THEN IS CHRISTIANITY?

*(An article suggested by Jean Bulmer
in the Sept 1995 edition of the Fisherman)*

*In the home - It is Kindness.
In business - it is Honesty
In society - it is Courtesy
In work - it is Fairness
Toward the Unfortunate - it is Sympathy
Toward the strong - it is Trust
Toward the penitent - it is Forgiveness
Toward the successful - it is Congratulations.
And toward God - it is Reverence & Obedience.*

My husband and I divorced over religious differences. He thought he was God and I didn't.

I don't suffer from insanity -- I enjoy every minute of it!

I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.

The 11th Commandment



Notre Dame Gargoyle

*For eight whole centuries I've sat
high above the river Seine
watching history flowing by-
a gargoyle carved to catch the rain.*

*I've seen happy times and sad;
Napoleon, Marie Antoinette,
Crusaders, Revolutionaries,
crowns and crosses here we've met.*

*And still I sit, a grotesque imp,
and when the gutters overflow
It's my delight to trap the rain
and spit it out on those below!*

Barbara Bailey

I'm not a compete idiot -- some parts are missing!
Out of my mind. Back in five minutes.
God must love stupid people -- He made so many!
The gene pool could use a little chlorine.

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WORSHIP PROGRAMME

Holy Communion

Sunday - 7am and 9am

Tuesday - 8am

Wednesday - 10am

Saturday - 6pm

First Sunday of the month combined service 9am only
Please join us for a "cuppa" after the Sunday services



GROUPS AND FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

Kids Club: Every Sunday at 9am

Little Fishers: Second Thursday of month at 9.30am

Pete's Club: Thursday 3.30pm during school term

Youth Group: First Friday of month at 6pm

Rockhouse Youth Group: 4th Friday of the month 6.00pm - 8.00pm.

Meditation: Every Wednesday at 4.45pm

Mothers Union: Second Friday at 9.30am

Ladies Guild - Third Wednesday at 11am

Evening Guild - Third Wednesday at 7pm

Women's Group - Thursday at 7pm

Caring & Sharing - Fourth Wednesday after 10am service

Thursday Group - First and Third Thursday at 9am

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