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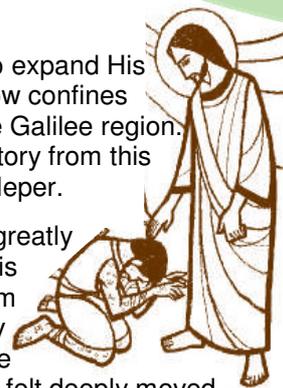
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The Pastor's Pen....

Last weekend we were told that, after prayer, Jesus moved to expand His front in the fight against evil and oppression beyond the narrow confines of the town of Capernaum, extending His outreach across the Galilee region. This weekend's verses from St. Mark's Gospel picks up the story from this point, telling us that the first encounter Jesus had was with a leper.

As we heard in the First Old Testament reading leprosy was greatly feared in the ancient world, and still is in some countries to this day. Lepers were exiled from society, forced into isolation from others and were understood as being unclean and 'cursed' by God. Somehow this leper had got news of Jesus, breaking the rules in coming close to Him seeking help and healing. Jesus felt deeply moved for this man's plight, breaking all the rules Himself by reaching out and touching the man as he healed him.



Jesus only had one request, a stern order; that the healed man say nothing to anyone about how he was healed or who it was that had healed him. The man went to the Jewish priests doing as the Law of Moses required to prove his healing, but could not keep silent about how he was made well by Jesus. As a consequence Jesus had to live for a time in the empty deserted places, the places where the lepers lived. This was so as to reassure others that He hadn't contracted the feared disease Himself.

This is a story of substitution, a story where one man's exile is taken on by another so as to set him free. St Maximilian Kolbe did this in Auschwitz, standing in the death line for another prisoner. St Damien of Molokai likewise spent his life on the Island of Molokai helping the lepers, eventually contracting the disease and dying as a result.

We don't need to look very far for many others who take the same risks, substituting themselves daily for us. Think of the family, friends and medical staff who cared for AIDS affected persons in the days when the illness was little understood and much feared; of military and official emergency helpers (Police, Fire, Paramedics and the like) who put themselves in harms way on our behalf and for the good of a civil society; think of Priests, Religious men and women and laity who continue to serve Christ in Australia and overseas where the need is great and the risks are high. Do we remember them? Do we pray for them? Do we thank God for them and all that they are doing for us? Or, as I suspect, do we take their service for granted until we find ourselves in need of their help and sacrifice.

St. Mark ends this short but powerful story by saying that, though now isolated Himself, people broke the rules in seeking Jesus out for help and for guidance. Like the leper, they came out to Him, disobeying the old Mosaic Law, risking contamination themselves, so deep was their need and such was Jesus attractive power. St. Paul modelled this behaviour when he tells us that he strove to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for this own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they might be saved. This, too, is a type of substitution, a placing of oneself willingly at a disadvantage and in danger, so that others might benefit. We call this sort of chosen action love; the sacrifice of one's wishes for another's well-being. In a million small and not so small ways, families, friends and lovers, Priests and vowed Religious men and women too, do this daily, dying to self for the good of the others.

We know that this loving substitution will reach a climax for Jesus in the final battle of His war against all oppression, His self-gift on the cross at Calvary. It's this summation and climax that each and every Eucharist commemorates, makes present to and for us, and deepens within us. Think of this as you celebrate and receive the Lord in this Mass today. May His self-gift strengthen our holiness and the gifting of ourselves to one another for the good of all. *Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.*

ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGIES 2018

Mass - 7.00pm TUESDAY 13th February - St Joseph's

Mass - 8.30am ASH WEDNESDAY 14th February - Christ the King

Combined Schools Liturgy - 10.00am ASH WEDNESDAY 14th February
- Christ the King School



**CORINDA GRACEVILLE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM ~ COMPULSORY PARENT INFORMATION EVENING
for the preparation and celebration of the Sacraments in our Parish 2018.**

Who is eligible? A Baptised child aged 8 or older at any time this year is eligible to prepare for and celebrate his/her Confirmation. A Baptised and Confirmed child aged 9 or older at any time this year is eligible to prepare for and celebrate his/her First Communion. *Please Note:* If you decide to proceed you will need to furnish a Baptism certificate for your child later in the process. Have one ready, please.

What do we do? If your child is eligible and you want him/her to prepare for either of these Sacraments you MUST attend the Parent Information Evening. This evening will explain what we are offering this year, and begin to gather some information.

When and where is it going to be held? The Parent Information evening (approximately 45 minutes long) will be at Christ the King Church, Graceville on Thursday, 22nd February, commencing at 7.00pm sharp. If you DO NOT attend this evening and sign on as you arrive, your child will not be able to prepare for or celebrate these Sacraments this year in our Parish.

What happens next? After this Parent Meeting it's over to you to decide if you wish to enrol your child (or not) in this year's programme. *ALL enrolments will close on 10th March, no exceptions.* This is to be fair to all who have made the effort to come and find out about this year's programme, and to allow good planning for the best possible experience for the children and families who do opt into this year's programme.

What if we can't make it or want to delay until some other time? This is NOT a problem, as only a minimum age is given by the Archdiocese of Brisbane for the Sacramental eligibility, not a maximum. A family and child can easily delay until another time and/or year when the next Information Evening and Preparation Programme is offered. Sometimes, if your family and/or your child are not ready for this process of preparation, for any reason, delaying is a good move to make so that you can all get the best from what the Parish offers to you and your child.

Who do I contact about any part or all of this year's Preparation Programme? Our Parish Sacramental Co-ordinator, Melissa, either in person or by email. sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au

Rest in Peace: Much loved parishioner Ann Sellars was farewelled last Tuesday with a Funeral Mass at St Joseph's. Ann was a deeply prayerful and faithful lady, who lived "just across the road" from Christ the King. Ann and her husband Bill (deceased) had three daughters; Tracy, Stephanie and Judith. The parish offers sympathy and prayers to all of the family at this time. Ann's kind, gentle and faithful presence will be missed by all who knew her. *Into your hands, God of mercies, we commend our sister Ann, in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, she will rise with Christ on the last day. We give you thanks for the blessings that you bestowed upon Ann in this life: they are signs to us of your goodness and of our union with the saints in Christ.*

LENTEN ACTIVITIES:

- **Ash Wednesday Fast AND Abstinence:** **Abstinence** from meat applies to everyone who has passed his or her fourteenth birthday. There is no upper age limit to abstinence. **Fasting** from food applies to those who have passed their eighteenth birthday. To fast is to eat one full meal and no more than two smaller meals. The obligation ends at the conclusion of one's fifty-ninth birthday.
- **Project Compassion / Caritas:** "*For a Just Future*". This year Project Compassion celebrates a just future for all, in conjunction with the Year of Youth. The world looks to the young to be reassured that the Father's mercy has an ever-youthful face! **Envelope packs and money boxes are available at the doors of each church and near the Sanctuary of each church.**
- **Lenten Program: "Blessed and Broken":** Lenten groups should commence meeting THIS WEEK, prior to the First Sunday of Lent. Participants please pick up booklets and DVD sets from the Parish Office. Cost of books is \$8.00 a copy. If you wish to be part of a group, please speak to Malia Mar or contact Michael at the parish the office.
- **Lenten Gospel Reflections – Lectio Divina** books are available at the doors of the church this weekend. Please pick up a copy and pray the scripture! The Lectio Divina costs the parish \$5 per copy. If you are able to pay for your copy or make a small donation towards the costs of your copy, please place your offering on in the collection basket at Mass.
- **Stations of the Cross:** at St Joseph's every Friday night of Lent at 7pm.
- **Lenten Fast:** is a regular activity during Lent. Fridays have been the traditional day. You could adjust the day on which you fast, to work in with your family and life-style. The point is to 'fast' to make you hunger for God.

Days of Fasting and Reparation: The Australian Catholic Bishops have proclaimed the days from Ash Wednesday until the following Saturday (February 14-17) Days of Fasting and Reparation in sorrow for child sexual abuse and the healing of victims. In a message to the Catholic community at the beginning of Lent, the bishops have declared the Days of Fasting and Reparation to be an "authentically Catholic response" to supplement the Church's efforts in the area of the protection of children and vulnerable adults. The full text of the Bishop's Statement is available in the Perspex holders at the doors of the church.

Alpha Kitchen Helpers: are needed to help with our new Alpha course on Wednesday evenings. We require a few people to heat up meals and prepare salads for about 18-20 people. Food will be provided, we just need help to feed our guests. Approximately two hours required per session. Helpers are welcome to stay on and participate in the course if they wish. Please call Lyn Vickerson if you can assist on 0407 144 033.

World Day of Prayer Celebrations: in our neighbourhood are being hosted by St John's Lutheran Church, corner Oxley Road and Clewley St, (opposite St Joseph's) this year. The service will commence at 10am on Friday 2nd March, and be followed by a morning tea. This year, the service has been prepared by people in Suriname, a former Dutch colony in the north east of South America. Suriname has a fascinating mix of cultures amongst its population, and the service gives a voice to these cultures. This prayer service will be celebrated around the world on the day – please be part of it.

This Weekend in the Parish

Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9.30am Mass
Hospitality at Christ the King after 9.30am Mass
Baptisms - 11am St Joseph's



Children's Liturgy of the Word
9.30am today at Christ the King
8am on Sunday 18th February at St Joseph's

ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGIES 2018

(Day of Fast and Abstinence)

Vigil Mass 7pm TUESDAY 13th Feb - St Joseph's
Mass 8.30am WEDNESDAY 14th Feb - Christ the King
Combined Schools Liturgy 10am ASH WEDNESDAY
14th February - Christ the King School

Alpha continues Wednesday 14th February
at the Parish Office Corinda. All Welcome
Phone Peter on 0407 671 559 or Lyn 0407 144 033.

Parish Finance Council

7pm Thursday 15th February - Parish Office Corinda
Please note earlier start time!

Parish Choir Rehearsal

7.30pm on Thursday 15th February at St Joseph's.
We particularly seek more male singers for the choir.
Phone Margaret Lawless on 0431 904 633

MOTHERS WITH CHILDREN MORNING TEA

An opportunity for Mums to gather for a cuppa and a chat
whilst children have playtime. Held every Friday fortnight of
the School Term in the Children's Liturgy Room, Corinda,
(entry via Parish Car Park). The next gathering is at 9.30am
on Friday 16th February. Contact Malia Mar on 3379 1534 or
at pv.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish Book Club

Meets at the Parish Office at 2pm on Friday 16th February
(please note new start time).
All those who love to read, chat and laugh are most welcome.
Please bring a plate to share for afternoon tea.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP FOR HIGH SCHOOL AGED STUDENTS

Friday 16th February 6.30pm - 8.30pm. Dinner included!
The Parish Youth Group (Years 7 to 12) meets every
Friday night of the School Term at St Joseph's Hall, Corinda.
Contact Kate Simpson, Lorna Mar or Malia Mar or contact
3379 1534 or pv.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au



STATIONS OF THE CROSS
7pm EACH FRIDAY NIGHT DURING LENT
AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH
Commencing Friday 16th February

Catholic Women's League Cent Auction

10am Tuesday 20th February - Parish Centre Graceville
All welcome to join in the fun!

The Friends and Neighbours Anointing Mass and
morning tea will be held at St Joseph's Church on
Wednesday 21st February at 10am.

If anyone would like transport please ring
Maureen Doherty on 3375 4483. All welcome.



Sacraments of Initiation for Children: Compulsory Parent Information Night

7pm Thursday 22nd February at Christ the King Church

"After Alpha" continues for 2017 participants
7pm Thursday 22nd February - Parish Office

St Vincent De Paul Meeting

8am Friday 23rd February - Parish Office Corinda

**Thank
You!**

The family members of Stan Winter give grateful thanks to Fr Mark for being celebrant at Stan's Mass of Thanksgiving for his life. It was a beautiful and inspiring celebration. Our sincere thanks go to Dennis Mollard for being Altar Server and doing this ministry with great reverence, to Michael Doherty for his beautiful singing, to Elaine Keogh for her lovely organ playing, to Malia Mar, Norma Fiore, Marnie Niland, Bob Healy and Bill Seymour for being Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and for all who attended the ceremony. We deeply appreciate the Catholic Women's League and parish members for the wonderful hospitality. We are thankful to Marnie Niland for helping with the funeral arrangements.

We also deeply appreciate the visits of Father Mark to the family home, Parish Visitor Malia Mar for visiting Stan in hospital and at home, for Parish Manager Michael Doherty who was always very helpful to Clare, to Sister Cyprian pbvm for her special caring, and to those generous people who provided transport when necessary. Stan's sick journey was a long one and it was eased by the kindness of many including Fr Gerry. We are very thankful for the numerous prayers prayed for Stan and family. We were strengthened by the power of prayer. God bless you. *Clare and family.*

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Ryan Armstrong, Imogen Atkins, Joanne Baines, Assunta Barbaro, Glenn Barry, Michael Bathersby, Fleur Bennell, June Burton, Marcia-Grace Byriel, Trevor Butler, Alan Carr, Cathy Cleary, Gabrielle Crowley, Joan Crowley, Jane Dalgarno, Jack Dennis, Peter Doyle, June Duncan, Bonnie Edwards, Thomas Emmett, Betty Ferguson, Joy Follent, Nash Giles, Ida Handy, Margaret Hanley, Irene Hannon, Shirley Harris, Sylvia Hartigan, Mary Hartley, Judy Hawkins, Clare Hickey, Ned Hiller, Carolyn Hughes, Donna Jones, Monica Lampe, Kheuk Li Lian, Marie Loughland, Rosario Macapanton, Craig MacDonald, Lucy Madry, Coralie McCormack, Alana McDonald, John McGuire, Julene Montgomery, Aline Montocchio, Maureen Orr, Luke O'Reilly, Taavi Orupold, Margaret Owen, Emma Parer, Mark Parer, Mary-Pat Parer, Naomi Parer, Helen Penchinko, Br Luke Quinn cfc, Julian Rokolla, Anne Seymour, Keith Shand, Brian Sheehan, Christopher Skipper, Louise Thornton, Bev Trenear, Rebecca Wallace, Genevieve Waters, Nikki Widdowson, Colleen Williams-Kee, Frank Zubeldia, OLSH Sisters Valerian, Bernadetta & Damian. We remember especially all of our parishioners living in aged care facilities

May those who have died recently rest in peace: Ann Sellars, Stan Winter, John Ahearn

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Jim Cahill, David McKeon, Sima Sulaimani, Jean Wheatland, Mary Kent, Laurel Allen, Tom Bennell, Harry, Ethel and Trevor Bohan, Bernadette Burton, James Carmody, Waldyslawa Drzewiki, Maureen Farrelly, Joe Mammino, Mervyn McGarry, Rita Mortiss, Robyn Nielson, Herbert Olsen, Tom O'Mara, Fernando Tan



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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday 8.30 am St Joseph's – Liturgy of the Word

Ash Wednesday

Tuesday 7.00 pm St Joseph's – Mass

Wednesday 8.30 am Christ the King – Mass
10.00am CTK School – Liturgy of the Word
(Combined Schools Liturgy)

Thursday 9.00 am St Joseph's – Mass

Friday 9.30 am Christ the King – Mass

Saturday 8.00 am St Joseph's – Prayer of the Church

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 6.00 pm St Joseph's

Sunday 8.00 am St Joseph's
9.30 am Christ the King
6.00 pm Christ the King

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 5.00 pm – 5.30 pm St Joseph's

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism for Children is celebrated by appointment on the following Sunday's of the month

2nd Sunday 11.00 am St Joseph's

4th Sunday 11.00 am Christ the King

All enquiries to the Parish Office

PRAYER GROUPS

Wednesday 9.00 am Gospel Reflection Group (ph. 3878 2414)

Friday 7.30 pm Community of the Risen Lord
Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group
Christ the King Church, Graceville
Praise, Worship, Adoration & Message

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUPS

Tuesday 5.30 pm 34 Mortlake Rd, Graceville (ph. 3379 2581)

Thursday 9.00 am 34 Mortlake Rd, Graceville (ph. 3379 2581)

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

(Printed so that users may live daily in the spirit of the Prayer of the Church)

SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN, 11 FEB 6th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
Lev 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:13 - 11:1;
Mk 1:40-45

MON, 12 FEB James 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13

TUE, 13 FEB James 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21

LENT

WED, 14 FEB ASH WEDNESDAY (*Fast and abstinence*)
Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

THU, 15 FEB Deut 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

FRI, 16 FEB Is 58:1-9; Mt 9:14-15

SAT, 17 FEB Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
- *Optional Memorial*
Is 58:9-14; Lk 5:27-32

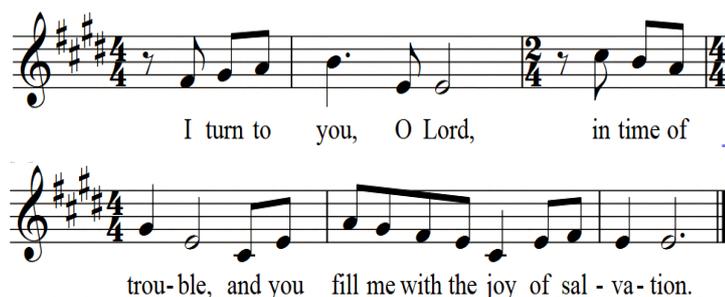
FIRST WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 18 FEB FIRST SUNDAY of LENT
Gen 9:8-15; 1 Pet 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

"PSALM 32: I TURN TO YOU, O LORD"



COMMUNION: "BREAD FOR THE WORLD"

Refrain: Bread for the world: a world of hunger.
Wine for all peoples: people who thirst.
May we who eat be bread for others.
May we who drink pour out our love.

1. Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life,
broken to reach and heal the wounds of human pain.
Where we divide your people you are waiting there
on bended knee to wash our feet with endless care. (*Refrain*)
2. Lord Jesus Christ, you are the wine of peace,
poured into hearts once broken and where dryness sleeps.
Where we are tired and weary you are waiting there
to be the way which beckons us beyond despair. (*Refrain*)
3. Lord Jesus Christ, you call us to your feast,
at which the rich and pow'ful have become the least.
Where we survive on others in our human greed
you walk among us begging for your ev'ry need. (*Refrain*)

IF MASS HAS NO MUSIC

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble,
and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

They ate and had their fill,
and what they craved the Lord gave them;
they were not disappointed in what they craved.

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LITURGY SNIPPET: The Ashes One of the primary and powerful symbols of Lent is the ashes. The use of ashes stems from Christianity's Jewish heritage. There are many references to ashes in the Hebrew Scriptures. The ritual use of ashes was carried over into the Christian liturgy, with the foreheads of public sinners who entered the "order of penitents" at the beginning of Lent being marked with ashes. This practice extended to the entire community acknowledging that we are all sinners in need of God's forgiveness. The signing of the cross on the forehead is a clear link between Ash Wednesday and baptism, when the priest traced the sign of the cross on our forehead at our baptism. The ashes that are used to sign our foreheads on Ash Wednesday are obtained by burning the palms from the previous Palm Sunday. This provides a wonderful life-death-life symbol of the paschal mystery. (Source: Liturgy Lines – Liturgy Brisbane)

