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The Pastor's Pen....

The end of our Lenten pilgrimage and season is fast approaching. This time next weekend Holy Week will have begun with the celebration of Palm/Passion Sunday. All of our readings this weekend speak of the end of one way of being and the beginning of the new way, opened up for us by Jesus through His self-giving sacrificial death on the Cross.

In Jeremiah we're told that the Old Covenant and Law proved ineffective in changing our ways, minds and hearts. God came up with something new and far more effective; writing the Law within us. This could only happen in a complete manner if God was to become one of us and one with us, coming to live inside of each of us by our faith and confidence being placed in God and in the salvation offered to us. The incarnation, life, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ was the means God chose to bring this in-dwelling about.

Our Psalm cries out for God to create a clean heart within us. This is achieved when we turn to God realising our need for healing and mercy, coming then to welcome God's acceptance of us and God's offer of forgiving love.

The reading from the Letter to the Hebrews teaches that Jesus was like us in every way except sin. This is to say that He was as fully human as you or I in everything, except that He was never corrupt or corruptible. Just like us He had to learn discipline and this He did by submitting His life to God's will and plan, suffering in the ways we suffer, too, until He could be seen by all as the source and channel for our eternal salvation. As we would have it, and as history turned out, the Cross was the way Jesus' submission and suffering for us was completed.

Jesus had come to Jerusalem for the Jewish festival. This will be, in John's Gospel, the final festival for Jesus. The setting is this; Lazarus had been raised from death; the Jewish leaders had decided that this was going too far and had set the wheels in motion to have Jesus killed; Jesus had been anointed extravagantly before His death; Passover was about to occur and Jesus had triumphantly and prophetically entered Jerusalem to shouts and songs of 'Hosanna' from His followers and from some of the crowd.

The approach to Philip by some Greeks, who were not of Jewish descent, signalled to Jesus that the end was upon Him. It's in this context that we hear the speech delivered by Jesus to Andrew, Philip and the crowd. The hour has come, he said, for the Son of Man to be glorified. His glory was to come about by dying in the dark moist earth like a seed, splitting open to sprout out new life. Moreover, Jesus said that this is the way it must be for all of us, too. If we cling selfishly and fearfully to what we are and have then we can't move onwards to anything new. If we let go, trustingly and unselfishly to God, then a whole new way of being comes into existence. The call is clear; if we follow and serve Him then we will walk His way and come to share in His glory.

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EASTER 2018

Mass for the Forgiveness of Sins:

7pm Wednesday 21st March - St Joseph's Church

HOLY THURSDAY:

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER - 7pm - Christ the King Church

Followed by Adoration, then Night Prayer of the Church at 8.45pm

GOOD FRIDAY:

Stations of the Cross - 10am - Christ the King Church

Prayer Vigil for those on Death Row - 12 Noon - Christ the King Church

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION - 3pm - St Joseph's Church

HOLY SATURDAY: EASTER VIGIL - 6pm - St Joseph's Church

EASTER SUNDAY: 8am - St Joseph's Church

9.30am - Christ the King Church

6pm - Christ the King Church



The Pastor's Pen continued....

The voice from Heaven confirmed that this is the way to glory for Jesus, for us and to the giving of glory to God. It's also the way that the 'prince of this world' the leader of lies and deception, Satan, gets unthroned and overthrown. Jesus is to be 'lifted up' to bring this about. We know that He was 'lifted up' twice; On Cross and in His Resurrection. This 'lifting up' is what's drawn us to Him today and what will keep drawing people to Him every day until the end of time itself.

Now we of think and pray for our nine friends who will be welcomed amongst us fully at the table of the Lord during the Easter Vigil this year. We also remember those who have preceded us into glory and upon whose shoulders we now stand. We recall all those who are part of our lives and our parish community, giving so much of themselves, their time, energy, talent and treasure, so that we can continue to form our Church here and keep on living our lives as we desire. These, and many other self-sacrificing people, are the living embodiment to us of the new Law of love. They are real icons, true images to us of Christ living, present and active with and for us today. Through them, and for these great and good works, may all glory be given to God.

Last weekend I once again alerted you to the XXI Commonwealth Games Baton Relay that is passing through our area on **Good Friday afternoon, 30th March**. We know at this point that some roads (Oxley Rd [from Chelmer to Sherwood], Sherwood Rd, parts of Dewar Tce and Jolimont St to the Sherwood Arboretum) will be closed between 4-6pm this day. It's possible that for security reasons these closures may end up being more extensive. **Our main and most important Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion is scheduled as usual for 3.00pm at St. Joseph's, Corinda.** Please plan ahead now to ensure that you can participate fully as we wish and as you should in our Christian Good Friday ceremony. Your presence at this commemoration will be a powerful witness to all of our faith in God above all else.

Fr. Mark Percival. MA, PP.



Ditosa is a young girl from Mozambique who hopes to go to university and become a police officer. Featured in Project Compassion 2013, Ditosa faced a challenging future with food scarcity, little education and few job prospects. Cared for by her grandmother and aunt, after her parents died of AIDS-related illnesses, they also lost their home and livelihoods in severe flooding.

Thanks to the support of Project Compassion, Caritas Australia and Caritas Regional Chokwe (CRC) helped Ditosa's family to build a new house and assisted with transport fees, school materials and fees, to help Ditosa to stay at school.

Ditosa attended the Matuba Children's Centre (set up by Caritas in 2007) which provides vulnerable children, like Ditosa, with lunch, study help, and computer and income-generating skills training.

In 2018, Ditosa has graduated from school and is ambitious for the future. "Without the support of the people from Australia and Caritas I would not have been given this opportunity to continue my schooling." "I love to learn and want to be a police woman. Education is important in my life but I know that university is expensive, so if I can't go to the police academy I want to learn commercial science so that I can work in a bank."- *Ditosa*



Parish Sacramental Programme: Our many children who have enrolled in this year's Sacramental Programme will express their willingness to fully take part, supported actively by their families, at all Masses next weekend. They will be Confirmed on Wednesday, 20th June. Please keep these children and families, and those who work with them, in your thoughts and prayers.

Rite of Healing and Strengthening: This weekend we will have a further opportunity to pray for Jodie, Jacob and Nicholas, as we celebrate a 'scrutiny' of prayer and strengthening for them at St. Joseph's 8.00am Mass on Sunday morning. These three adults along with six children will be into Full Communion in the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

Supper – Easter Saturday Vigil: Following the completion of The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night Mass on Saturday, 31 March, the Parish will gather to celebrate Easter and the 'Risen Lord'. All Parishioners are invited to attend this supper. You are asked to bring a plate of goodies to share at the supper. If possible can you please contact the parish office and let us know what you are bringing so we can make sure of our catering. The party needs your fine contribution!!

The rehearsal program for Passion Sunday Masses is outlined below. Please note these times in your diaries. If you have any questions, please contact Mary O'Dea on maryodea3@bigpond.com or 0417 191 395 (after 7pm only please).

Date of Rehearsal	Ceremony time and location	Details of Rehearsal
24/03/2018	<i>Palm Sunday – 6.00pm Saturday Night Mass St Joseph's</i>	10.00am: Readers, Cross Carrier, Frond Carriers, Carriers of Red Material, Organist, Cantor/s. Church for Rehearsal: St Joseph's
24/03/2018	<i>Palm Sunday – 8.00am Sunday Morning Mass St Joseph's</i>	10.45am: Readers, Cross Carrier, Frond Carriers, Carriers of Red Material, Organist, Cantor/s. Church for Rehearsal: St Joseph's
24/03/2018	<i>Palm Sunday – 9.30am Sunday Morning Mass Christ the King</i>	9.00am: Readers, Cross Carrier, Frond Carriers, Carriers of Red Material, Organist, Cantor/s. Church for Rehearsal: Christ the King
18/03/2018	<i>Palm Sunday – 6.00pm Sunday Night Mass Christ the King</i>	7.00pm Today 18/3/18 immediately after 6pm Mass. Readers, Cross Carrier, Frond Carriers, Carriers of Red Material, Organist, Cantor/s. Church for Rehearsal: Christ the King

This Weekend in the Parish

Rite of Enrolment for children - all Masses
St Joseph's School Sponsored Mass 6pm Saturday
Children's Liturgy of the Word at 8am Mass
Rite of Strengthening and Healing 8am Mass
Hospitality at St Joseph's after 8am Mass
Choir Practice from 2pm at St Joseph's
Hot Chocolate after 6pm Sunday Mass

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Last session for Term One

8am today Sunday 18th March at St Joseph's

Mass for Forgiveness of Sins

7pm Wednesday 21st March

St Joseph's Church

Please note that there will not be a 9am Mass on Wednesday

"True Vine" Retreat

For children in the Sacramental Program

6pm Thursday 22nd March

19 Randolph St, Graceville (Parish Centre / Atrium)

The retreat offers children an opportunity for quiet reflection and contemplation whilst under the guidance and tutelage of the Catechesis volunteers. It allows for consideration of the symbols and meaning of this stage in their spiritual journey and contemplation of how this resonates for them.

Parents are welcome as helpers or participants in the retreat session. To RSVP your attendance simply reply to Melissa at sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au

**Annual Chrism Mass - Thursday 22nd March at 7pm
The Cathedral of St Stephen, Elizabeth St, Brisbane City**

St Vincent De Paul Meeting

8am Friday 23rd March - Parish Office Corinda

PARISH YOUTH GROUP

FOR HIGH SCHOOL AGED STUDENTS

Friday 23rd March 6.30pm - 8.30pm. Dinner included!

Last Youth Group for Term 1.

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 FRIDAY 23rd MARCH AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Local Police are warning residents that organised gangs are working in the district to scam and take advantage of home owners. Please keep windows and doors secure. Do not engage with these people who will attempt to offer to do work for you or tell you there is a problem with your home.

Reject the campaign to remove all restraint on abortion in Queensland: Sign the official Parliamentary e-petition rejecting a new attempt to decriminalise abortion. The official petition will be considered by parliamentarians. If you have previously signed a petition thank you, but you need to sign again now so that your voice will be counted against this new push to promote a Bill to decriminalise abortion in Queensland. There are many other things you can do to defend life, but this is a start and only takes a couple of minutes. For easy access, go to www.cherishlife.org.au/petition

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of all who are ill. We remember especially all of our parishioners living in aged care facilities

May those who have died recently rest in peace: Kevin Barrington, Assunta Barbaro, Joan Crowley, Moya McCallum

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Philip Lynch, Burt Peterson, Beryl Bright, Veronica Howard, Carmelina Pietrobon, Kathryn Salmon, Colin Cuthbert, Mark Plunkett, Brian Bohan, Edna Cook, Colin Little

Easter Choir Rehearsals

Holy Thursday rehearsal: held on Thursday 22nd March at 7.30pm at Christ the King Church.

Good Friday rehearsal: held TODAY Sunday 18th, and on 25th March at 2pm at St Joseph's Church.

Holy Saturday rehearsals: held TODAY Sunday 18th, and on 25th March at 3pm at St Joseph's Church.

Everyone is welcome to join the choir! We particularly seek more male singers. Phone Margaret on 0431 904 633



Calling all Musicians

Students of woodwind, brass and strings are invited to join the music ministry team at the **8.00am Easter Mass 1st April**. Rehearsals will take place at St Joseph's Church Monday 19th March and Monday 26th March, 6.45 - 7.45 pm. A final rehearsal will be held Saturday 31st March, 2.00 - 4.00pm. As this will be Easter Sunday, it would be wonderful if you would be willing to offer your talent on this joyous occasion. For further information contact Cathy Gleeson (3379 6919) or Elaine Keogh (3379 6272).

The next ART and CRAFT session will be Wednesday 28th March from 9:30 - 11:30am at the Parish Centre Graceville. It will be held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday, even during school holidays, apart from public holidays and the summer holidays. All crafty people welcome!

MOTHERS WITH CHILDREN MORNING TEA

Held every Friday fortnight of the School Term in the Children's Liturgy Room, Corinda, (entry via Parish Car Park).

The next gathering will be after Easter at 9.30am on Friday 20th April. Contact Malia Mar on 3379 1534 or at pv.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au

Book Club special guests: on 20th April at 2pm our visitors will be Rhonda Collard-Spratt and Jackie Ferro, co-authors of "Alice's Daughter". This will be a thoroughly entertaining afternoon, involving music, poetry, art and discussion – and of course, afternoon tea. All are welcome to attend. Put a note in your calendar now and don't miss this fabulous event.

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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday	8.30 am	St Joseph's – Liturgy of the Word
Wednesday	7.00 pm	St Joseph's – Mass for Forgiveness of Sins
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

DEVOTIONS

Friday	7.00 pm	St Joseph's - Stations of the Cross
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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday	5.00 pm – 5.30 pm	St Joseph's
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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)

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 18 MAR	FIFTH SUNDAY of LENT Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33
MON, 19 MAR	ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - <i>Solemnity</i> 2 Sam 7:4-5, 12-14, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24 or Lk 2:41-51
TUE, 20 MAR	Num 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
WED, 21 MAR	Dan 3:14-20, 24-25, 28; Jn 8:31-42
THU, 22 MAR	Gen 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
FRI, 23 MAR	St Turibius of Mogrovejo, bishop - <i>Optional Memorial</i> Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
SAT, 24 MAR	Ezek 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

HOLY WEEK

SUN, 25 MAR	PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD Entrance: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 - 15:47
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Take home a Lenten Prayer Card

Available at the church doors to take home each Sunday of Lent.

There is a different card for each of the six Sunday's of Lent, which are available for free at the church doors.

Each weekly card has a quote from the Sunday Gospel, a prayer and a beautiful image that speaks of the Gospel.



HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: "PSALM 51: BE MERCIFUL, O LORD"

Create in me a clean heart, O God; Create in me a clean heart, O God

LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "MASS SHALOM"



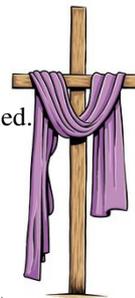
"HEART OF JESUS, HEART OF MERCY"

1. I will take you from the nations, and gather you from the world; I will bring you into your own land and you shall be my people and I will be your God, and in mercy, my love will hold the world.

Refrain: Give us new hearts, O Lord. Give us new hearts, O Lord. Give us hearts of flesh; remove our hearts of stone.

2. Through your Spirit, deep within us, we become your loving face, and our grasping hands will open in compassion and our frowning eyes will widen to see and know again all the beauty in ev'ry human heart.

3. Heart of Jesus, heart of mercy, loving face of God revealed. You proclaimed the word, 'not sacrifice but mercy'. For in you we see the Father who longs for our return, Ever faithful, His covenant of love.



"TABLE SONG"

Refrain: We are the body of Christ. Broken and poured out; promise of life from death. We are the body of Christ.

1. Is not the bread of life we break / a sharing in the life of God? Is not the cup of peace out-poured / the blood of Christ?
2. How shall we make a return to God, for goodness un-surpassing? This saving cup we shall hold high, and call out God's name!
3. Unless a grain of wheat shall fall / upon the earth, it shall remain a single grain; but if it dies, it will come to life!
4. Come taste and see the goodness, the wonders of the risen one! Come bless our God, in all things, let praise be our song!

SCHOOL SPONSORED MASS (Saturday 6.00 pm):

"A SCHOOL PRAYER"

1. Lord, be with us through the day, Help us understand the way To follow right and never wrong, And make our love grow ever strong
2. St Joseph protect us at work and play, And guide our teachers everyday To lead us along the right paths, This, dear Lord, is what we ask

"WALK HUMBLY WITH GOD"

Refrain: Live justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with God. Here in this place, this place of love, This is our call.

1. Gathered together here gathered hopes, and gathered dreams. Though many we are one, Spirit of peace, Spirit of love.
2. Christ in you and Christ in me We are called to love tenderly. Heart to heart and hand in hand, Young and old, woman and man.
3. God in the mountains, God in the trees God in the gentle running stream. Humbly walking with our God, God of me, God of all.