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The Pastor's Pen....

The Opening Prayer (or Collect) of the Mass for this weekend prays that 'always pondering spiritual things we may carry out, in both word and deed that which is pleasing to you.' In doing this, and that we might do this better, we are praying for God's grace and assistance. This prayer is the key to what the readings reveal, for they, (especially the Gospel), ask a lot of us, which without God's help we cannot carry out.

We've been taught through thousands of experiences and in countless ways to look after ourselves first. We've learnt not to be taken in by others, to grab our chances when they turn up and to forgive and be merciful only if there's a benefit for us and a good chance of some return.

The First Reading about David and King Saul offers a different, more generous way. It's about mercy and kindness when it was undeserved and wouldn't produce any apparent return. David was at war with King Saul and his forces. He wasn't a King himself at this point, Saul was, even though David had been chosen and anointed to take over from Saul who had gone astray. Saul and his troops were on the hunt to kill David and his supporters when David and one of his men entered their camp finding them soundly asleep. The opportunity was there for David to kill Saul and take over as King. Abishai, David's friend and supporter, offered to do the deed but David wouldn't have any part of it. Instead, he took Saul's spear, the killing weapon, and then from a distance made it plain that he had been in Saul's camp and had the chance to get rid of him but had chosen mercy over his own immediate benefit and ascent to power. David resisted the opportunity of vengeance against his enemy and the chance to quickly rise in his power for the sake of a higher value, respect for God's law and mercy towards all, even towards those who wanted to kill him.

St. Luke relates a great teaching of Jesus, the 'golden rule' that we treat others as we would like them to treat us. This means doing to others as we would have done to us, and not doing to them what we wouldn't want done to us. Around this 'rule' Jesus gives examples of loving that are demanding for us to practice; loving enemies, doing good by those who hate us and treat us badly, lending without hope of return or reward and so on. As Jesus teaches, if we only love and help and are kind and generous to those who do the same for and to us, what's so good or special about that? Nothing, of course! Most people can manage this much.

Instead, we're asked to be like God, loving, generous and kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. If we do this we'll sons and daughters of the Most High. In St. Matthew's Gospel we're asked to 'be perfect as your Heavenly Father is perfect.' This is scary stuff, for who amongst us is that perfect? Again, the answer is no one, but as Jesus in St. Luke makes clear God's perfection is a perfection in love, the generous, self-giving and serving kind of love. This, too, is a big ask of us as I said earlier, but it's not impossible.

To get better at this loving type of perfection, conforming ourselves more to God's image, we need to pray and ponder on spiritual things seeking God's help and mercy in our lives which is exactly what we asked of God in our prayer right at the beginning of Mass. Jesus does make one thing very clear though; the amount we measure out is the amount we will be given back. Kindness, loving, generosity, forgiveness and mercy makes us, others and our society a much better and more humane existence.

I'd rather this way forwards than more selfishness, mistrust, vengeance and greed which we've all seen ultimately does no one and nothing any lasting good. I hope that you desire this better way forwards, too, as we pray and ponder spiritual things together as the Church.

Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.

ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGIES

Mass - 7.00pm TUESDAY 5th March - Christ the King

Mass - 8.30am ASH WEDNESDAY 6th March - St Joseph's

Combined Schools Liturgy - 10.00am ASH WEDNESDAY 6th March -
St Joseph's Hall Corinda

How to Help your Child Understand the Mass

Wednesday 27th February 7pm-9.30pm

At the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 19 Randolph Street Graceville.

There are two ways in which we share understanding the Mass with the children in the atrium.

Firstly we use the Scriptures themselves and secondly we use the symbols of the Mass.

Come and see the integral building blocks offered to the young child for revealing that

Jesus Christ comes to meet us in the Mass and desires to be with us in a most wonderful and extraordinary way.

We will also take a brief glimpse at the works of the older child that enable us to go deeper than you can imagine into the awesome realities of the Eucharist and the power unleashed there.

All parents, grandparents and families involved in the Sacramental program are invited!

RSVP BY CALLING US AT THE ATRIUM ON 3379 8635

(or if you have already responded by giving your name to our Sacramental Coordinator, Melissa Lonergan, this will suffice)

We need to know numbers to set up appropriately either upstairs or downstairs so it is critical that you reply by Monday 26th February



CATHOLIC PARISH OF CORINDA GRACEVILLE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Expressions of interest are open for those parents who are considering enrolling their children in the local Catholic Sacramental Program (Confirmation, First Eucharist and Penance).

An information night will be held on **Wednesday, March 27th**, for parents who would like to find out more about our Sacramental Program and the process for enrolling their children in the same.

The 2019-2021 program - run by the Catholic Parish of Corinda Graceville – is for all children who are baptised and have turned 8 years of age by July 1, 2019 (usually Grade 3 children and above), regardless of which school they attend.

The **mandatory** parent information night will be held from **7.00pm at Christ the King Church, Churchill Street, Graceville on Wednesday, March 27th**. If you have yet to do so, to express your interest in attending the information night simply

email the Sacramental Program Coordinator at the following address :- sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au

Your correspondence will be acknowledged with a confirmation and a copy of the agenda for the evening.

Those who have already expressed interest will be automatically sent the agenda.

Enrolments for the Sacramental program will officially open following the March information session.

Enrolments for the 2019/2021 program will close 27 April, no exceptions.



Navigating the Aged Care System: Parishioner Jim Toohey is President of Carers Queensland, an organisation which represents unpaid carers (predominantly adult children or spouses) of people entering, or considering entering, aged care. This is highly topical, with the royal commission currently underway, and also substantial changes impacting on what is a very complex and hard to navigate programme. Jim has offered to hold an information session of approximately 1 ½ hours (including question time) for anyone interested in finding out more about how the system works, and expected changes. **The session is scheduled for Tuesday 5th March from 2.30pm—4pm**, in the Parish Centre at Graceville. Please phone the parish office to book.

Parish Music Ministry Meeting: All those currently involved in the Parish Music Ministry (organists, pianists, instrumentalists, singers, cantors, choir members) are invited by Father Mark to attend an important meeting to be held at the **Parish Centre Graceville at 6.30pm on Tuesday 26th February**. Your attendance and input at this short meeting (approx. one hour) will be most beneficial as we plan and dialogue to ensure the best ministry possible across the parish. Thank you in anticipation of your attendance.

Additional Musicians and Singers required for Weekend Masses: We are looking for more musicians (organists, pianists, guitarists, instrumentalists) and singers (cantors, or those who wish to sing in a small group, or be part of the parish choir) to lead and support the music ministry across all of our weekend parish Masses. If you are interested in finding out more about being part of the parish music team, please talk to Fr Mark, Ian Larter (ph. 3379 6579) or contact Michael at the Parish Office.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

Townsville Flood Appeal: The St Vincent de Paul Society has opened a North Queensland Flood Appeal. You can donate by phoning **13 18 12** or by going to www.vinnies.org.au clicking on donate, and then selecting the **North Queensland Flood Appeal**. We know from experience in this parish just what it means to have support from others at a time like this.

Religious Instruction in State Schools: The Principals of Corinda and Sherwood State Schools are welcoming Christian Religious Instruction teachers into the schools weekly to teach, encourage, and give students an opportunity to hear about Jesus. Four more people are needed to join the Religious Instruction Program. Interested persons must be regular attendees at church, and will be required to have a Blue Card. However, no other qualifications are necessary, other than a love of God and a workable knowledge of God's Word. Sherwood State School classes are held weekly on Thursday between 12 noon and 1.45pm. Corinda State School classes are held weekly on Friday from 8.50am to 9.30am. Please contact Bill or Milly Hancock on 3379 1879 or at bilmilly@bigpond.net.au after 20th February.

This Weekend in the Parish

Children's Liturgy 8am St Joseph's

Morning Tea after 8am Mass

Parish Choir 9.30am Mass Christ the King Church

Baptisms 11am Christ the King Church

Parish Music Ministry Meeting

For all those currently involved in the Parish Music Ministry (organists, pianists, instrumentalists, singers, cantors, choirs)

6.30pm on Tuesday 26th February

Parish Centre Graceville

PARISH CRAFT GROUP

9.30 am Wednesday 27th February at Parish Centre

**Evening Retreat at the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
"HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD UNDERSTAND THE MASS"**

7pm Wednesday 27th February at the Parish Centre

19 Randolph St, Graceville

An opportunity for parents and grandparents learn more about the celebration of Mass, in a way that opens up the Liturgy for children. This evening is particularly helpful to parents who have enrolled their children in the Sacramental program.

Parish Choir Rehearsal

7.30pm Thursday 28th February at Christ the King Church

The choir will be singing at the 9.30am Presentation Sisters Farewell Mass on Sunday 17th March. All welcome.

Phone Margaret Lawless on 0431 904 633

MOTHERS WITH CHILDREN MORNING TEA

Friday 1st March at 9.30am.

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). Contact Malia Mar on 3379 1534 or at pv.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au

**World Day of Prayer THIS FRIDAY 1st March at 10am
St David's Anglican Church, 69 Chelmer St East, Chelmer**

This year's theme is "Come - Everything is Ready" and the liturgy has been prepared by the people of Slovenia. Please invite your friends of all faiths to attend the Annual World Day of Prayer Service at St David's.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP

FOR HIGH SCHOOL AGED STUDENTS

Friday 1st March, 6.30pm to 8.30pm, with dinner!

This week in the Children's Liturgy Room at Corinda. If you wish to involve your children, or wish to volunteer to help out in any way, please speak to Lorna Mar or Malia Mar at pv.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au or 3379 1534.

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Gary Ahearn, Imogen Atkins, Fleur Bennell, Trevor Butler, Alan Carr, Alexander Clark, Beryl Clark, Carmel Cole, Freddy Collins, Patrick Collins, Sr Felicity Corder pbvm, Bob Cowan, Jack Dennis, Anne-Marie Deschamps, Celine Doherty, Peter Doyle, Trevor Fanton, Betty Ferguson, Chris Ferguson, Nash Giles, Irene Hannon, Sayako Hattori, Clare Hickey, Ned Hiller, Sr Jo Kenny olsh, Berndt Krogull, Monica Lampe, Derek MacLean, Sr Pat Mawn olsh, Gordon McCormack, Neil McCormack, Norma McCormack, Patrick McKenna, John McNamara, Maureen McNamara, Morgan Mollard, Sr Valerian O'Brien olsh, June O'Callaghan, Luke O'Reilly, Taavi Orupold, Maureen Orr, Emma Parer, Mark Parer, Sr Eleanor Parker olsh, Jo Parsons, Madeline Pride, Br Luke Quinn cfc, Carmel Radford, Sr Bernadetta Robinson olsh, Theresa Sarrell, Mary Shand, Christopher Skipper, Lea Tate, Conor Tweedy, Grant Wallace, Rebecca Wallace, Genevieve Waters, Frank Zubeldia *We remember especially all of our parishioners living in aged care facilities*

May those who have died recently rest in peace: Fr Adrain Meaney msc

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Madonna McCarthy, Margaret Morgan, Joseph Pace, Catherine Rogers, Terence Edey, Ronald Parker, Julie McHugh, Harry Bohan, Ethel Bohan, Trevor Bohan, Mervyn Kalinowski, Julian Burton

Liturgy Team Meeting

10am Saturday 2nd March - Parish Office Corinda

Parish Plenary Council Gathering

The second and final opportunity in the parish to consider the **Plenary Council meeting in 2020** will be held in the Parish Centre Graceville on **Saturday afternoon, 2nd March between 2pm and 4pm**. This is our chance to reflect, and to have our voice heard, as we contemplate what Jesus is asking of the Church in Australia. You are encouraged to please attend.

Catholic Women's League Meeting

9.30am Tuesday 5th March - Parish Centre Graceville
Everyone is welcome.

ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGIES 2019

(Day of Fast and Abstinence)

Mass 7pm TUESDAY 5th March - Christ the King
Mass 8.30am WEDNESDAY 6th March - St Joseph's
Combined Schools Liturgy 10am ASH WEDNESDAY
6th March - St Joseph's Hall Corinda

St Vincent De Paul Meeting

8am Friday 8th March - Parish Office Corinda

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7pm EACH FRIDAY NIGHT DURING LENT
AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH
Commencing Friday 8th March



Presentation Sisters Farewell Celebration

After 82 years at Graceville, ministering at Christ the King School, across the parish, and throughout the district, the Presentation Sisters have withdrawn from Graceville.

A Mass of Thanksgiving and Farewell will be celebrated at 9.30am on Sunday 17th March at Christ the King Church.

All are invited to this most special occasion, to give thanks to God for all that the Sisters have given to our parish and to say thank you and farewell to the Sisters themselves.

Calling all cooks

An integral part of the Alpha program is to provide a cooked evening meal to the guests. If there is anyone able to cook up a simple dish for freezing, please contact Lyn Vickerson on 0407 144 033. Lyn will advise you as to what meals are required, and hey presto – a little pressure is off the Alpha team *and* the guests will continue to have lovely home-cooked meals.



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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday	9.00 am	St Joseph's – Liturgy of the Word
Wednesday	9.00 am	St Joseph's – Mass
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
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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)
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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

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

SEVENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN, 24 FEB	7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME 1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38
MON, 25 FEB	Sirach 1:1-10; Mk 9:14-29
TUE, 26 FEB	Sirach 2:1-11; Mk 9:30-37
WED, 27 FEB	Sirach 4:11-19; Mk 9:38-40
THU, 28 FEB	Sirach 5:1-8; Mk 9:41-50
FRI, 1 MAR	AUTUMN EMBER DAY Special Day of Prayer and Penance Sirach 6:5-17; Mk 10:1-12
SAT, 2 MAR	Sirach 17:1-15; Mk 10:13-16

EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN, 3 MAR	8th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Sirach 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45
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Seminarians Welcome!

Each weekend during the academic year the seminarians from Holy Spirit Seminary Banyo attend Sunday Mass at a Parish within the Archdiocese. This is an attempt to expose them to the routine of the Liturgical year as celebrated in the Parish and give them an experience of both the fruits and challenges of the Parish Sunday celebration of the Eucharist.

Over the coming semester, we welcome Jesse Smith, Matthew Popovic and Minje Kim who will be attending Mass in the Parish as part of this formation process. Jesse, Matthew and Minje will mainly be attending the 9.30am Mass at Christ the King Graceville, as this best suits the Seminary timeframe.

HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

"PSALM 103: THE LORD IS KIND AND MERCIFUL"



The Lord is kind and mer - ci - ful.

COMMUNION HYMN: 9.30am Sunday: "ONLY A SHADOW"

1. The love we have for You, O Lord is only a shadow of Your love for us; only a shadow of Your love for us; Your deep abiding love.
 2. The Bread we take and eat, O Lord is Your body broken and shared with us; Your body broken and shared with us; the gift of Your great love.
- Refrain:* Our lives are in Your hands,
Our lives are in Your hands.
Our love for you will grow, O Lord;
Your light in us will shine.
3. Our own belief in You, O Lord, is only a shadow of Your faith in us; only a shadow of Your faith in us; Your deep and lasting faith.
 4. The dreams we share today, O Lord, are only a shadow of Your dreams for us; only a shadow of Your dreams in us; if we but follow you.
 5. The joy we share today, O Lord, is only a shadow of Your joys for us; only a shadow of Your joys for us; when we meet face to face.



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Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.
Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.
Amen.
Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.



ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? WELCOME! Please make yourself known to us. We'd like to formally greet you, so please complete a "NEW PARISHIONERS' SHEET" at the front of the church we will get in touch with you soon.