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The Pastor's Pen....

Only after establishing himself in Jerusalem as King over the united tribes of Israel and building himself a palace did David think of building a home, a Jerusalem Temple, for God, in which to place the revered Ark of the Covenant. Initially, Nathan the prophet/spokesperson of God agreed, but as we've heard in the First Reading from the Second Book of Samuel, God had other ideas about this matter of Temple building. King David never would build God's Temple. That work was left to his son, Solomon, who erected the first Jerusalem Temple around 940 BC.

God's plan was to build a 'house' for King David, making his Davidic line and leadership secure forever. It's this promise to David that reached its fulfilment hundreds of years later in Jesus. He claimed His connection to David's house and line from Joseph, as told to us in St. Matthew's Gospel.

Now, just days away from celebrating the Nativity of the Lord at Christmas, our Church directs us this year not to St. Matthew's story and the person of Joseph but to that of St. Luke and the person of Mary. Her plan was to do as other young women of her time did; get married to a respectable and trustworthy man and raise a family. She was already 'engaged' (as we would say) to this man, Joseph, who had a steady job as a carpenter and builder. After her engagement, which would be many months long as scattered families sorted out inheritances and dowries and arranged for travel to the marriage feast, Mary foresaw herself moving in with and settling down with Joseph, becoming both a wife and mother.

There is a theme, a connection here for once more God had other plans. Just as David had to change his plans in regard to building a grand Temple building and building a Davidic Royal line and house of succession to suit what God wanted, so Mary's plans had to alter dramatically as St. Luke's story of the Annunciation makes clear to us this weekend. You could say that as the Angelic messenger of God came in one door, out another door went Mary's plans for her hidden ordinary life. As the saying goes; Man/Woman proposes, but God disposes.

Few of us like sudden upsets to our plans, but such rapid unforeseen changes happen to us more often than we realise as this past year has proven. Jobs change, we move houses, people come and go their separate ways, sickness and even death strikes and our fortunes go up and down. What attracts us to David and even more so to Mary is that they accepted and adapted themselves to God's designs for the good of the many. David left the Jerusalem Temple building project for his son to complete. Mary dumped her dreams of a 'normal' life so that God could do for us what needed so desperately doing, the work of our salvation and the completion of God's promises to us in David's line, the establishment of God's House and throne that would be everlasting.

David and Mary, generations apart, both listening to God and responding to God's sometimes awkward, disturbing will. These are the people we have to ponder and prayerfully consider as we move rapidly onwards to celebrate the birth and presence with us of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Emmanuel.

Mass Times over the Christmas Season.

Mass will be celebrated as usual on Wednesday 23rd December.

There will be no morning Mass on Thursday 24th December.

Christmas Masses as already published on the afternoon/evening of 24th and Christmas morning 25th. **Bookings for Christmas close at 9am on Tuesday 23rd December.**

Usual weekend Masses on Saturday evening 26th and Sunday morning 27th December, the Feast of the Holy Family.

There will be no morning Masses on Wednesday 30th or Thursday 31st December.

Mass will be celebrated on Friday 1st January 2021 for New Year's Day, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God at 9.30am at Christ the King Church.

Usual weekend Masses on Saturday evening 2nd and Sunday 3rd January 2021 for the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord.

Please help us to help you by booking online or via the Parish Office for your attendance at all weekend and weekday Masses.

Thank you. *Fr. Mark Percival. MA, PP.*

Christmas Mass

Please read this important information

Christmas Masses will be a little different this year:

- Mass times are different this year (see below).
- Numbers are restricted, but there are **five Christmas Masses so there is room for everyone** if we spread the load. Traditionally 6pm Christmas Eve is an enormous Mass. We cannot have everyone attending 6pm - we need to spread the crowd across all Masses.
- **You need to book to attend Mass** via parish website www.corindagracevilleparish.org.au Click on the "Christmas Mass Bookings" icon.
- **Bookings for all Christmas Masses will close at 9am on Wednesday 23rd December** (and may close earlier if the Mass is fully booked).
- **You must book each person individually** and complete all contact details for each individual person – even babies in arms! This is so that we have an accurate and complete list for contact tracing purposes.
- **Please print your tickets and bring them with you to Mass.**
- **When booking for Mass at St Joseph's Church** you will need to choose to book INSIDE the Church, or UNDERCOVER in the Mall, or OUTSIDE on the lawn. **The place that you book is the place that you must sit at Mass.**
- **When arriving for Christmas Mass please come 30 minutes early.**
- **Be prepared for wet weather.** The forecast for Christmas is rain. You will be queueing on the footpath / outside so be prepared. You may need rain protection to even gain access. For those booked outside on the lawns there will be no covering and you can not enter into the church or other covered areas as these areas are booked and numbers are restricted in each area due to our Covid regulations. Be sensible. Come prepared.
- **At St Joseph's Church** there will only be **one access point** to enter the entire church precinct. All will have to **enter from Oxley Road, into the main entry of the church grounds.** Please traverse safely along the footpath on Oxley Road to the main entry point. There will be no access for the general public at any other point around St Joseph's Church.
- **Those with mobility issues**, can safely enter from the Martindale Street driveway, or the covered walkway from the parish carpark. Please note that these access points will only be available for parishioners with mobility needs.
- **For Christ the King Church** you can only book for inside the Church. Access to Christ the King Church is via the front door only. However the side ramp is available for those with mobility needs.
- **Please remain socially distanced.** Each family unit must be 1.5m away from other families, when queuing at the entry, when on site for Mass, when receiving Communion, and when leaving.
- **Hand sanitiser** will be available.
- The parish is operating under a Covid Safe Industry Plan for Places of Worship.

We will celebrate the following Masses:

Christmas Eve:

4.00pm St Joseph's Corinda

6.00pm St Joseph's Corinda

8.00pm St Joseph's Corinda

Christmas Day

8.00am St Joseph's Corinda

9.30am Christ the King Graceville



Please go to the parish website <https://www.corindagracevilleparish.org.au/> to book. You will see the normal "Mass Bookings" icon for our regular Masses and a "Christmas Mass Bookings" icon which is what you need to click on to book any of the Christmas Masses, or please phone the parish office to book.

Marshals / Ushers Meeting: All those who have kindly responded to the request to help marshal / usher at our Christmas Masses are reminded that **you will need to attend a training / briefing session at St Joseph's Church on Sunday afternoon 20th December at 3pm.** As the plans for this year's Covid Safe Christmas are different to any previous Christmas it is essential that all volunteers attend. For these Masses to proceed as planned we will need of lots of helpers! We will need many marshals and ushers at each Mass to ensure it is a Covid Safe event. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help at any Mass.

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday December 24th December in order to set up for the Christmas Masses. The office will re-open to the public on Tuesday 29th December.

Help setting up for Christmas: We require a band of helpers to assist with setting up the St Joseph's precinct for the three Christmas Eve Masses. Separate seating areas need to be roped off, signage has to be displayed, and seats need to be put in place. If you are able to help please come along to assist us setting up at **8am Thursday morning 24th December.** The more helpers who come the quicker the work will be done.

Mass on New Year's Day - Mary the Holy Mother of God - will be held at 9.30am at Christ the King Church on Friday 1st January 2021. Bookings are now open on line if you wish to attend this Mass.



THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Free Catholic Leader: In the spirit of Christmas joy, The Catholic Leader team is proud to announce that the Christmas 2020 edition will be available in print this weekend in parishes across the Archdiocese of Brisbane. The Christmas 2020 newspaper will be

free to all readers, as a small gesture to supporters who have prayed for the print newspaper to return. This occasion marks the first time since the middle of March that our masthead has been printed as a physical newspaper. We are excited and proud to share this special edition with you.

Appointments: The Archbishop has advised the following: **Fr Thomas Kessy CSSp** Parish Priest Dorrington; **Fr Meno Basti Devalagama Arachchige OMI** Administrator Cannon Hill; **Fr Daniel Redhead PP** Dean of Brisbane South; **Fr Kevin Smith PP** Dean of Brisbane East; **Fr Paul Chackanikunnel CMI PP** Dean of Brisbane North-East; **Fr Stanley Orji** Associate Dean of the Cathedral in addition to Director of Vocations; **Fr Dang Nguyen OSA** Associate Pastor Caloundra; **Fr Joe Antony Susai Manickam OMI** Assistant Priest Cannon Hill; **Fr Gaspar Mushi CSSp** will conclude his appointment as Associate Pastor of Bray Park, we thank Fr Gaspar for his time among us and wish him well for the future; **Fr Van Huong Nguyen** Chaplain of The Prince Charles Hospital and St Vincent's Private Hospital, Northside continuing to provide regular assistance at Grovely Mitchelton parish; **Deacon Francis Fernandes** diaconal ministry Gatton Laidley; **Deacon Jack Ho** diaconal ministry Chermside; **Deacon William Leo Aupito Iuliano** diaconal ministry Gympie; **Fr Seong Kil (Paul) Lee** has finished his appointment as Chaplain of the Korean Catholic Community, Rosalie, and has returned to Korea; **Fr Jim Smith** has retired as Chaplain/ Director of Psychiatric Pastoral Care (CPPC), I thank him for his many years of dedicated service as Director there and for the pioneering work he has done; **Fr John Chalmers** has retired as Chaplain to Centacare, I thank him for his many years of outstanding service as Chaplain and Director of Mission. In January we will bid farewell to **Fr Nicholas Okafor** and **Fr Chima Ofor** who have been such a welcome presence among us from their seminary days until now. Fr Nicholas will return to Nigeria briefly before undertaking studies overseas. Fr Chima will move to Sydney in order to complete his doctoral studies there. We thank them both for all that they have given and invoke God's many blessings upon them as they head into the future. We will always be part of their story and they will always be part of ours. May the Holy Spirit inspire us all in service of the Gospel as we bid farewell to 2020 and look to the year ahead.

Be prepared for rain this Christmas: Remember you will have to queue outside in order to gain entry to Mass so be suitably prepared. For those who have booked seats on the lawn, we are unable to provide covering from the rain.

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Fraser Ainsworth, Maureen Atkins, Ron Atkins, Fleur Bennell, Alannah Berman, Alan Carr, Jairo Cifuentes, Beryl Clark, Tony Condon, Anne Crossin, Lina Daddow, Anne-Marie Deschamps, Robyn Dodd, Emilia Dow, Trevor Fanton, Chris Ferguson, Carol Finchman, Jack Gabler, Fr Gianni ofm, Rudolf Giebels, Nash Giles, Gerard Gillespie, Philomena Green, Kendall Hammond, Pam Harding, Charlie Hardy, Myrna Healy, Clare Hickey, Ned Hiller, Michael Hogan, Cedric Holland, Anne-Marie Hollier, Margaret Holynski, Mark Inman, Carolwyn Jackson, Monica Lampe, The Lip Family, Anthony Lupi, Derek MacLean, Gordon McCormack, Neil McCormack, Colin McLeod, Maureen McNamara, Margaret Mealey, Damien Mollard, Fr Ron Mollison, Adam Morrison, Monica Morrison, Joyce O'Brien, Taavi Orupold, Emma Parer, Rebecca Pullin, Dawn Punter, Sr Bernadetta Robinson olsh, Mary Shand, Maria Smargiassi, Geraldine Slatworthy, Lea Tate, Sr Cyprian Thureson pbvm, Philomena Van Brunschett, Paul Vickers, Rebecca Wallace, Genevieve Waters, Margaret White, Roseen Wode, Frank Zubeldia, & all suffering from COVID-19.

We pray for all of our parishioners living in aged care facilities.

May the recently deceased rest in peace: Joyce O'Brien, Laurence Hasted, Patrick McKenna, Stephen Daddow

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Leonardo Girgenti, Matthew O'Dea, Dan Augustine, John Brereton, George Brereton, Des Kerwick, Margaret Chan, Len Daniels, Winifred Moynihan, Peg Armstrong, Peter Pitot, Allan Randall, Therese Do, Joyce Faulkner, Mabel McLaughlin, George Davis, Murray & Helena Pine, Joan Geeling, Camel See, Dominic, Maria, Peter, Dominic



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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday	5.30 pm	St Joseph's
Sunday	8.00 am	St Joseph's
	9.30 am	Christ the King
	6.00 pm	Christ the King

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Wednesday	9.00 am	St Joseph's – Mass
Thursday	4.00 pm	St Joseph's - Mass
	6.00 pm	St Joseph's - Mass
	8.00 pm	St Joseph's - Mass
Friday	8.00 am	St Joseph's - Mass
	9.30 am	Christ the King – Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday	4.30 pm – 5.00 pm	St Joseph's
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Other times by appointment.
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism for Children is celebrated by appointment on the following Sundays 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

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

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

FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

SUN, 20 DEC	FOURTH SUNDAY of ADVENT 2 Sam 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38
MON, 21 DEC	St Peter Canisius, priest, doctor of the church - <i>Optional Memorial</i> Song 2:8-14 or Zeph 3:14-18; Lk 1:39-45
TUE, 22 DEC	1 Sam 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56
WED, 23 DEC	Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24; LK 1:57-66
THU, 24 DEC	2 Sam 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; LK 1:67-79

CHRISTMAS TIME

FRI, 25 DEC	The NATIVITY of the LORD - <i>Solemnity with octave</i> (Holy Day of Obligation) <i>Vigil:</i> Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 <i>Night:</i> Is 9:1-7; Titus 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 <i>Dawn:</i> Is 62:11-12; Titus 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 <i>Day:</i> Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 (Note: Night Readings will be used at all Masses)
SAT, 26 DEC	St Stephen, the first martyr - <i>Feast</i> Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22
SUN, 27 DEC	The HOLY FAMILY of Jesus, Mary and Joseph - <i>Feast</i> Gen 15:1-6, 21:1-3 or Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 or Col 3:12-21; Lk 2:22-40

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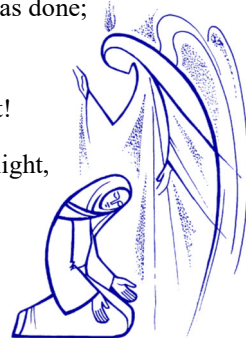
Local Safeguarding Representative Job Vacancy: After four years of ensuring that Corinda Graceville Parish is a safe place for our children and vulnerable adults, and making sure that the parish is compliant in all areas of Safeguarding, Rachel Carr is leaving her role as Local Safeguarding Representative at the end of the year. If you are interested in the role please submit an expression of interest to the parish office. We are immensely grateful to Rachel for all that she has established and for all of her hard work and diligence over the past four years.

Parish Calendar 2021: All Parish groups are invited to submit your meeting / event dates for the 2021 Parish Calendar to Michael at the parish office as soon as possible please.

HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

GATHERING: "MAGNIFICAT"

1. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.
2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;
His holy name - the Lord, the mighty One.
3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Pow'rs and dominions lay their glory by;
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and forevermore!



PENITENTIAL ACT: "THE CONFITEOR"

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

[And, striking their breast, they say:]

through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;

[Then they continue:]

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

"PSALM 89: FOR EVER I WILL SING"



I will sing for ev-er of the good-ness of the Lord.

COMMUNION: "MY SOUL IN STILLNESS WAITS"

Refrain: For you, O Lord, my soul in stillness waits,
Truly my hope is in you.

SENDING FORTH: "O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL"

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.
4. O come, O Rod of Jesse's stem, from every foe deliver them
That trust your mighty power to save,
and give them vict'ry o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.
5. O come, O Key of David, come, and open wide our heav'nly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.