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The Pastor's Pen....

Thanks to my colleague Fr. John Fitz-Herbert for the link to the article (below) by Fr. Steve Bevans SVD

It speaks to us of three important words and messages heard in last weekend's Gospel when, having overcome the tricks and temptations of Satan, and after Herod had imprisoned John the Baptist, Jesus commenced His public mission. These words are Kingdom, Repent and Gospel.

Our Gospel reading today on this First Sunday of Lent ends with three difficult words: Kingdom, Repent, and Gospel.

Difficult words on the one hand because we hear them so often that we are tempted to take them for granted. Difficult words on the other hand because of the gender-exclusive meaning of "kingdom," the rather negative connotations of "repent," and the tendency to understand "gospel" as just a story about Jesus. But these three words — which most scholars say express Jesus' core message, and which may have been Jesus' exact words — are really radical and life-changing words. They are words that are truly appropriate for us as we begin the season of Lent.

First of all, Jesus proclaims the kingdom of God in a land that is occupied by the kingdom of Caesar: the Roman Empire. But this kingdom is very different from the kind of force and violence that Rome represents. Jesus is proclaiming the possibility of a new kind of world. Pope Francis has called this a "revolution of tenderness." African American theologian Willie Jennings speaks of "revolutionary intimacy" as the message that Jesus offers. Feminist theologians and others play on the English word "kingdom" and speak about the "kingdom" of God, a new family. Elizabeth Schüssler Fiorenza talks of a "discipleship of equals," where all domination of any kind is ended. Gregory Boyle, the priest who works with gangs in East Los Angeles, speaks about a vision of "radical kinship." Irish theologian Enda McDonough writes eloquently of the age of "flourishing in community." A better world is possible! This is what kingdom really means.

All you have to do, says Jesus, is to accept that it is possible and begin to live in a new way. This is the point of the word "repent," which is intimately connected with the word "believe." Repent and believe are words that are not, in the wonderful phrase of Canadian novelist Rudy Wiebe, about feeling bad, but thinking differently. Repenting is about reimagining how the world could be, dreaming a new dream, going beyond what seems possible, thinking with people in a new way — these last two phrases connected to the Greek word for repent. To borrow the powerful words of Amanda Gorman, repentance is about being "brave enough to see" the light, "brave enough to be it."

This, then, is the gospel. This we know as "good news." But it is more than that. It is amazing news, incredible news, too good to be true, as Andrew Greeley once wrote. The great Sri Lankan theologian D. S. Niles once said that the good news of the gospel is like one beggar telling another beggar where to find bread. Pope Francis has written that preaching the gospel is sharing joy, pointing to beauty, and inviting people to a delicious banquet. The great Dutch theologian Edward Schillebeeckx once wrote that "being sad in Jesus' presence" was "an existential impossibility." Jesus, he said in another place, was like a joyful song.

These three difficult words, then, are actually wonderful words to hear as we begin this season of Lent. Lent offers us a new beginning, a chance to change our lives, a chance to change our world. In a homily he gave three years ago, about these same readings on the First Sunday of Lent, Pope Francis said that "Lent is a time of repentance, yes, but it is not a time of sorrow! It is a time of penance, but it is not a time ... of mourning. It is a joyous and serious commitment to strip ourselves of our selfishness, ... and to renew ourselves according to the grace of our Baptism." Radical intimacy. New imagination!

Another world is possible! The Kingdom! Being brave enough to see and be the light. Repent! God has not and will never abandon us. Gospel!

This weekend we receive a further important message only three words long, heard on the Mount of the Transfiguration; "Listen to Him". God asks us to do this because Jesus is God's Beloved Son, our way to life in all fullness. Abraham listened even when that listening was hard, demanding, even incomprehensible. God blessed him and all of his descendants in faith, those like Abraham who listen to God. St. Paul listened to God, was converted and utterly changed. He discovered God's unconditional love and mercy, realising that, in Jesus Christ, God was always on our side.

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The Pastor's Pen continued....

Listening is the way we enter into the vision of the Kingdom, the door that opens us up to repentance and belief in God's way of justice, kindness, mercy and peace, the hope of God's Good News, the Gospel of life that guides our way into the future God wants.

May you have a holy and hopeful Second Week of your Lenten journey.

Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.



CATHOLIC PARISH OF CORINDA GRACEVILLE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Expressions of interest are open for those parents who are considering enrolling their children in the Parish Sacramental Program (Confirmation, First Eucharist and Penance). All interested parties are very warmly welcomed to attend an information night on **Wednesday, March 17th**, to find out more about our Sacramental program and the process for enrolling in the same.

The 2021-23 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, 2021 (usually Grade 3 children and above), regardless of which school they attend.

The **mandatory** parent information night will be held from **6.30pm at Christ the King Church, Churchill Street, Graceville on Wednesday, March 17th**. 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 and a copy of the agenda for the evening will be sent. Those that 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 2021/23 program will close 23 April, no exceptions.

"How to help your child understand the Mass" This short 90 minute retreat will be held at **6.30pm on Wednesday 24th March** at the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium, 19 Randolph Street, Graceville. Please note that whilst this parent retreat is optional for those involved in the Sacramental program, attendance is strongly encouraged. This session will be particularly helpful to get an idea of what your child will receive through the First Holy Communion preparation so that you can best support them through their journey. Whilst we encourage parents of the Sacramental program to attend, this retreat would be helpful for any parent or grandparent who wishes to help the children in their family understand and engage in the Mass more. For contact tracing purposes we will require the following details as part of your RSVP ... Name, Email, Contact Number and Residential Address. Please respond to Melissa Lonergan, Sacramental Program Coordinator at sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au



A LENTEN RETREAT - THE FULLNESS OF GOD'S GREAT LOVE (and some keys God offers us to respond to that Love outpoured).

What does God want us to know about His Love, His mercy and His delight in us? How do we discover this love in the person of Jesus Christ and what keys does Jesus offer us in His words, in His parables and in His life that empower us to respond ever more fully to this great Love poured out for us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Take some time out this Lent to listen, to reflect and to be still in God's presence and in so doing prepare your heart for the celebration of His great love this Easter.

Date: Tuesday March 16th Time: 9.30am - 1.00 pm Cost \$10.00

Where: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium Graceville Parish Centre, 19 Randolph St. Graceville

Please bring your Bible, a notebook or journal, your own morning tea.

Maximum number of participants is 15 due to covid regulations.

We will consider running this at another time if there is enough interest, so let us know if you are interested in this at another time.

RSVP by Friday March 12th by email delsorte@bigpond.net.au or call the Anne Delsorte on 0459 025 118 or the parish office 3379 1534.

Corinda Graceville Parish is currently inviting applications for the casual position of Local Safeguarding Officer

This is an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic and committed applicant to join the Parish team and assist with the coordination of safeguarding compliance throughout the volunteer community.

The position will be paid in line with the Clerks Private Sector Award 2010 and the rate of pay will be base on the successful candidates' qualifications and experience.

For a copy of the position description please visit <https://catholic.sharefile.com/d-s6f3f71c67a184d68b5d16bb6dc77d1dc> or any other enquires please email James Herd, HR Coordinator at herdj@bne.catholic.net.au.

Applications close Sunday 28 February 2021.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.

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Welcome back to the Parish Choir who are singing for the first time in 12 months at the Saturday evening Mass. The next Choir practice will be at **7.30pm on Thursday 11th March** at St Joseph's Church. This will be the commencement of rehearsals for the Easter ceremonies. New members always welcome.

Welcome to the Christ the King School community who join us this weekend at the 9.30am Mass. Our school families are always most welcome at our weekend worship.

CWL Morning Tea on Tuesday Morning 2nd March at **11.00am** at Westside HQ (Sherwood Services Club), 3 Clewley Street, Corinda! Please note the later start time! Call Patra on 3379 8653 for more information.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: will be held on Thursday 4th March at 7pm at the Parish Office.

The local celebration of the **World Day of Prayer** will be held at **Sherwood Uniting Church**, cnr Sherwood Road and Thallon Street, Sherwood **THIS FRIDAY 5th March at 10 am**. As numbers are limited because of Corona virus it is **essential that you book**, by phoning Judy on 3379 1329. This year the women of our Pacific neighbours in Vanuatu have prepared the prayer service. Did you know that their capital is Espiritu Santo, which means Holy Spirit. We pray that the Spirit helps the people of Vanuatu to follow the motto of this year's service, which is *"Build on a strong foundation."*

Stations of the Cross will be held at **7pm on each Friday evening of Lent at St Joseph's Church, Corinda**. Please book to attend so that we have an accurate Contact Tracing list. Stations of the Cross are listed with the Corinda Masses each week on Trybooking. Please book via the parish website or phone the Parish Office.

Liturgy Team Meeting: will be held at 10.00am on Saturday 6th March in the Parish Office.

The Fijian Choir will sing next Saturday night 6th March at the 5.30pm Mass.

The next Children's Liturgy will be held at **8am on Sunday 7th March at St Joseph's Church**. Children's Liturgy is held on the first Sunday of each month during school term at 8am at St Joseph's and on the third Sunday of the month at 9.30am at Christ the King.

St Vincent de Paul: will meet at the Parish Office at 8am on Friday 12th March.

After Hours Emergency Number has changed: If you have recorded the after hours number please note that it has now changed to 0422 107 802. This number is for EMERGENCIES ONLY, and is only in use outside of parish office business hours. This number is not for general enquires or Mass bookings.

Please remember to book for weekend Masses PRIOR to 3pm on Friday, which is when the registration lists are printed for each weekend. The more people who are registered the easier it is for our volunteer marshals to deal with. If you are not on the registration list, your full details have to be recorded at the door, and this slows down the queue for everyone.



Margret, 39, is a teacher at a vocational school for deaf students in the Solomon Islands. She was born deaf, so she knows the challenges it poses to education and employment. The school faced water shortages that often left staff and students without safe water for drinking, cooking, washing and growing vegetables. Then Tropical Cyclone Harold damaged the school and its vegetable garden as the threat of COVID-19 loomed. With Caritas Australia's support, the school installed water tanks, provided cyclone-proof building materials, and helped to implement COVID-19 prevention measures. Margret's school now has enough water for its students and the capacity to cater for more, and is now planning to boost food security through increased agricultural production.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help people living with disabilities in the Solomon Islands gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to protect our common home.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



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, George Cole, Lina Daddow, 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, Myrna Healy, Clare Hickey, Ned Hiller, Cedric Holland, Anne-Marie Hollier, Margaret Holynski, Mark Inman, Sr Bernadette Koning olsh, Monica Lampe, Jennifer Lees, Alistair Lees, The Lip Family, Anthony Lupi, Derek MacLean, Gordon McCormack, Neil McCormack, Warwick McEvoy, Colin McLeod, Geraldine McLeod, Maureen McNamara, Margaret Mealey, Damien Mollard, Adam Morrison, Monica Morrison, Taavi Orupold, Emma Parer, Emily Perrin, Rebecca Pullin, Dawn Punter, Sr Bernadetta Robinson olsh, Mary Shand, Geraldine Slatworthy, Geoffrey Trenear, Sr Cyprian Thureson pbvm, Philomena Van Brunschett, Paul Vickers, Rebecca Wallace, Genevieve Waters, Roseen Wode, Frank Zubeldia, & all suffering from Covid-19.

We pray for all parishioners living in aged care.

May the recently deceased rest in peace: Judy O'Donoghue, Fr Pat Dowd, Angela Gilmour, James McMahon

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Ron Parker, Julie McHugh, Judith Massey, Joan Crowley, Hugh Ward, Sr Damian Philben olsh, Mervyn Kalinowski, Madonna McCarthy, Joseph Pace, Cathy Rogers, Douglas Wode



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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 9.00 am St Joseph's – Mass
 Friday 9.30 am Christ the King – Mass

DEVOTIONS

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

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 4.30 pm – 5.00 pm St Joseph's

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 pray daily the Liturgical Prayer of the Church)

SECOND WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 28 FEB SECOND SUNDAY of LENT
 Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10
 MON, 1 MAR Dan 9:4-10; Lk 6:36-38
 TUE, 2 MAR Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
 WED, 3 MAR Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
 THU, 4 MAR St Casimir, Patron saint of Lithuania and Poland - *Optional Memorial*
 Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
 FRI, 5 MAR AUTUMN EMBER DAY
 Special Day of Prayer and Penance
 Gen 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 SAT, 6 MAR Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

THIRD WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 7 MAR THIRD SUNDAY of LENT
 Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

EASTER 2021

HOLY THURSDAY ~ 1st April 2021:

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER - 7pm - St Joseph's
 Please note change of location this year due to the larger Covid safe capacity of the Corinda Church.

GOOD FRIDAY ~ 2nd April 2021:

Stations of the Cross - 10am - Christ the King
THE LORD'S PASSION - 3pm - St Joseph's

HOLY SATURDAY ~ 3rd April 2021:

EASTER VIGIL - 6pm - St Joseph's

EASTER SUNDAY ~ 4th April 2021:

MASS - 8am - St Joseph's
MASS - 9.30am - Christ the King



Bookings now open at:

<https://www.corindagracevilleparish.org.au/>

You will see the normal "Mass Bookings" icon for our regular Masses and an "Easter Bookings" icon which is what you need to click on to book any of the Easter Liturgies. Choose the church then choose the ceremony. You can only book ONE PERSON at a time, so simply book for each individual member of your family in order that we have a complete contact tracing list. Please PRINT your tickets.

For these celebrations to proceed we will need of lots of helpers! We require many marshals and ushers at each Liturgy to ensure it is a Covid Safe event. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help in any way.

HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

GATHERING: "BEYOND THE DAYS"

Refrain: Beyond the days of hope and myst'ry
 we see a light of faith renewed,
 and in our longing we thirst for guidance
 to walk with you day by day.

Final: to walk with you day by day.

3. In your hands, O God, we feel the touch of your guidance.
 Keep us safe in your care: may your gentleness be there.

4. On our Lenten path we see the dawn of a new day.
 Be our vision of hope; be the promise of our lives.

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:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

"I WILL WALK IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD"



LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "MASS SHALOM"



PREPARATION OF GIFTS: "RETURN TO GOD"

Refrain: Return to God with all your heart,
 the source of grace and mercy;
 come seek the tender faithfulness of God.

COMMUNION: "CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT"

Refrain: Christ, be our light!
 Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
 Christ, be our light!
 Shine in your Church gathered today.

SENDING FORTH: "GRANT TO US, O LORD"

Refrain: Grant to us, O Lord, a heart renewed;
 Recreate in us your own Spirit, Lord!

SENDING FORTH: Saturday 5.30pm Mass

"A NEW HEART FOR A NEW WORLD"

Refrain: Create a new heart, Holy Lord.
 Beckon our lives through your word.
 Open our eyes to your call, united as one for your world.
 Heighten our minds to your thoughts.
 Heal us of pride and of hurt.
 May we go forth in your name, we pray our hearts change.

