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The Pastor's Pen....

Two years ago, on Friday 20th March 2020, it being the Friday before the Fourth Sunday of Lent that year, I presided at my last public Mass for many months to come. Covid 19 had come into our country and fear and panic ran through our politicians, through leaders of every persuasion and cause, and indeed ran amok through the Australian public. The Federal Government called all overseas arrivals to a sudden halt and put Australians into their first National lockdown. This lockdown lasted some months with many and varied laws and restrictions on businesses, work, travel and daily activities. In the case of our Churches and other public group activities such as live concerts, films, theatres, bars and clubs, hospitals and Nursing Home visitations and the like, this lockdown went on until Trinity Sunday, 7th June 2020. Even after this our Church participation was limited in scope and numbers for many more months as some of you will recall. Such were the rules, laws and health orders of that time by which we were bound legally and socially to abide.

It's worth remembering all of this lest we forget the past and are then surprised by new unexpected events as they unfold. It's also good to remember what happened because we had about as much choice over this pandemic and the response to it as did those upon whom the tower at Siloam fell or those Galileans whose blood the Roman Governor, Pontius Pilate, mixed with that of their sacrifices to God. Jesus points out that difficult and bad things happen, not because the victims then (or now) deserve any retribution, suffering or punishment, but because bad and difficult things will always befall people and often for no apparent reason.

Blameless or blame-worthy, illnesses, pandemics, accidents, natural disasters, wars and human destructiveness happen, or are caused to happen by others, catching up anyone in their path. Plagues and famines, earthquakes, wars like those in Ukraine and in many other places, cancers, car crashes, collapsing structures and violence of all kinds are forever with us in our ever changing world wherein people have some freedom of choice and when the planet we live on is always moving and evolving. The only way to completely prevent all of this would be to have a sterile, lifeless Moon-like world inhabited by robotic beings. In a living world such as ours, inhabited by life and by beings with choices to make, risks are inherently going to be part of the experience of living.

What Jesus points us to is how we use the time we do have and the freedom we can exercise. We're like the fig tree, planted by the orchard owner, God. It had given no fruit for three years and was simply taking up the scarce good soil. The orchard owner came by and saw that it had offered nothing, turned to the gardener and directed that it be cut down. Here, the gardener intervened, pleading for patience and mercy. With work and care, he said, it may yet bear fruit. The gardener won the day and the tree was given more time.

We control what we can and cooperate with the gardener, Jesus, to make sure that our time here, the length and future of which to us is unknown, is as fruitful as possible. The rest we have to leave trustingly to the patience and mercy of God. Let's pay special heed then to the Opening Collect/Prayer of the Mass;

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a sure remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by the weight of our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.

EASTER 2022

HOLY THURSDAY ~ 14th April 2022:

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER - 7pm - St Joseph's

GOOD FRIDAY ~ 15th April 2022:

Stations of the Cross - 10am - Christ the King

THE LORD'S PASSION - 3pm - St Joseph's

HOLY SATURDAY ~ 16th April 2022:

EASTER VIGIL - 6pm - St Joseph's

EASTER SUNDAY ~ 17th April 2022:

MASS - 8am - St Joseph's

MASS - 9.30am - Christ the King



Ministry Call Up. We need your help for our future!

As I've said in my Pastor's Pen, many changes have happened to us during these last two years, some for the better, others not so. One positive change was the generous take up and help of our need for Marshals at our Church gatherings. I thank you for your kindness and work for our community over these past two years in the Marshalling role. Presently, with our activities and numbers no longer being capped by Government and Heath laws, Marshalling isn't required. Also presently, and who knows for how long to come, it also seems that Communion will continue to be by the one kind and in the form of the consecrated bread/host only.

What we do need are more people willing to renew their ministry involvements in the Liturgy. We need more of you to say 'yes' to helping your Priests and community with the **distribution of Holy Communion**, in **proclaiming and reading the Scriptures** at Mass, by assisting us all with the role of **weekend Mass Co-ordinator**, in the **taking up the collection plates** which have made a come back, being a **Welcomer** at Mass and by **helping with Children's Liturgy of the Word** at both of our Churches when it is held. We are also seeking more of you to assist us with the **music and singing on weekends**. Lastly, please know that preparation and support will be given to you in taking up any of these important ministries within our Parish. You are never left on your own in serving the people of God.

I'm am very grateful to all who have continued their ministries during these challenging years. I'm also very aware that some have needed and/or chosen to step away from their service for personal and health reasons. **Now is the time of Call and Renewal**. I ask you to think hard about how you can help your Clergy and Parish community in any of the above areas I've mentioned. I'm calling on you to say 'yes' to helping us all. Please contact the **Parish Office Phone 3362 8777** with your offer of assistance in any of the above ways, or any way that you think and feel that you can help us, so that the fig tree in Corinda Graceville Community can grow stronger and be more fruitful. Thank you. *Fr. Mark Percival.*

Parish Flood Recovery Helpers: We wish to plan to offer some long term help to our parishioners who have been inundated by flood water. Simple things that our community can offer may make life easier for those who are currently displaced from their homes. At the back of each church you will find clipboards nominating different categories of help, such as **Cooking, Washing, Mowing, Gardening, Cleaning, Handyman, Professional Advice**, and if you have a physical resource such as a ute or a trailer, or if you can donate items that can help families. Simply place your name, email and phone number on the relevant sheet/s that nominate the category that you can help with. The Parish Office will collate all of the information and match up those who can help with those who need assistance.

SVDP Flood Assistance: The Christ the King and St Joseph's Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society is actively involved in providing assistance to people who have been affected by the floods. We are here for the short term to provide immediate needs, and for the longer term, when homes are again occupied, and we can assist with replacing white goods, furniture, and with other expenses to make your home liveable again. If you have been affected, or if someone you know has been, a call should be made to the SVDP call centre on 1800 846 643. This is a central number and callers will be referred to their local conference.

The St Vincent de Paul Warehouse at Sumner Park is again able to accept donations of furniture, and expect a large demand following losses during the floods. If you have any items you wish to donate, please phone the call centre on 1800 846 643. Unfortunately we are unable to accept electrical items. Please note that the Oxley Vinnies store is not operating due to substantial flooding.

Flood Assistance general information, links and support info: can be found on our parish website at <https://www.corindagracevilleparish.org.au/flood-assistance.html>

Lenten Reflection Books: It's not too late to take a Lenten reflection book home. The little black books entitled 'The Spirit and the Cross' are available at the doors of each church. This resource covers Lent and Easter Octave and is written for busy individuals but is easily adapted for groups. Each day includes a scripture reading and a reflection, some questions to aid prayer and discussion, and relevant quotes from Pope Francis. If you wish to take a book and are able to donate \$5 please pop the money in the collection basket at Mass.



Helpers Needed: Unfortunately we are unable to commence **Children's Liturgy of the Word** at the 9.30am Christ the King Sunday Mass due to a lack of leaders / helpers. If you wish to assist in this important ministry to our children, please contact the parish office or speak to Malia Mar at Mass. You do not need to have any "teaching" qualifications, just a love of God and a love of children! You will be supported with resources and rostered as appropriate. *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.*



Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, living in a remote community in the Northern Territory. As elders grow older and pass away, she knows she must share her knowledge with the younger generation. However, the community faces multiple challenges, including a lack of jobs, limited educational opportunities, and socio-economic which can lead to young people becoming disconnected from culture. With your help, Caritas Australia supports Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation, which operates a centre for traditional and contemporary Aboriginal arts and culture, providing employment and generating income for local communities.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help provide employment and training for First Australians, allowing them to remain on country and keep their culture alive. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. **You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available at the doors of the church, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au or by calling 1800 024 413.**

Rite of Enrolment for First Holy Communion Children: we welcome all of our parish children who are enrolled for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this year, and their parents and families who, with the parish community will support these children in their journey of faith. This weekend the children celebrate their Rite of Welcome across all of our weekend Masses.

St Joseph's School Sponsored Mass: welcome to the children, parents and staff of St Joseph's School who are helping us celebrate the 5.30pm Saturday Mass this weekend.

Parish Choir Rehearsals for Easter: The following practices will take place at St Joseph's Church Corinda:

Alto Practice: TODAY Sunday 20th March at 2.00pm

Descant Practice: Wednesday 23rd March at 1.00pm

Full Choir Practice: Thursday 24th March at 7.30pm

Cantor Practice: Sunday 27th March at 2.00pm



St Vincent de Paul Meeting: 8am Friday 25th March at the parish Office. If you are interested in joining SVDP, please email us at ctksj4075@svdpqld.org.au and a conference member will contact you with information. We need more Vinnies members than ever after the recent flood event.

Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord: Mass 9.30am Friday 25th March at Christ the King Church.

Youth Group Friday 25th March 6.30pm to 8.30pm: Youth Group is held each Friday night of the school term at 6.30pm in St Joseph's Hall Corinda. All high school aged youth and young adults are invited to attend.

Stations of the Cross: held at 7pm each Friday evening of Lent at St Joseph's Church Corinda. All welcome to attend this special Lenten devotion.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: for all primary school aged children. The final Children's Liturgy for Term 1 will be held on Sunday 27th March at the 8am Mass at St Joseph's Corinda.

Liturgy Team Meeting: will be held at 10.00am on Saturday 2nd April at the Parish Office.

Mass for Forgiveness of Sins: On our Lenten Journey we have the special opportunity to gather as a community for the Mass for Forgiveness of Sins at 7pm on Tuesday 5th April at St Joseph's Church Corinda.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: will be held at 7.00pm on Thursday 7th April at the Parish Office.

Pope to consecrate Russia and Ukraine to Mary: Pope Francis will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday March 25, the Vatican announced this week. The same act, on the same day, will be carried out in Fatima by His Eminence Cardinal Krajewski, Apostolic Almoner, as envoy of the Holy Father. Cardinal Konrad Krajewski was one of two papal envoys sent to Ukraine in an expression of the Pope's concern for the war-torn country's population. Latin Rite Catholic bishops asked Pope Francis earlier this month to consecrate Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. In a letter to the Pope, the Ukrainian bishops said that they were writing "in these hours of immeasurable pain and terrible ordeal for our people" in response to many requests for the consecration.

Also Pope Francis has held a videoconference with Patriarch Kirill, head of the Russian Orthodox Church, in which Pope Francis said there is no such thing as a "just war". Pope Francis told Patriarch Kirill, who has been increasingly supportive of Vladimir Putin's war in Ukraine, that the pair should "unite our efforts ... to help the suffering, to create paths to peace, and to put out the fire." "The Church must not use the language of politics, but the language of Jesus," the Pope said. "As pastors we have the duty to stay close and to help all the people who suffer from war," Pope Francis said. "The churches are called to contribute to strengthening peace and justice ... Wars are always unjust, because the ones who pay are the people of God," the Pope said.

NEW PARISH PHONE NUMBER 3362 8777

Please note that due to NBN upgrades the Parish Office Phone Number has changed. Please record this number for all future phone calls to the parish. The out-of-hours emergency number remains the same as previously: 0422 107 802.

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Ron Atkins, Alan Carr, Bridie Carr, Jairo Cifuentes, Beryl Clark, George Cole, June Denham, Ian Douglas Coles, Maureen Doherty, Nash Giles, Carla Gill, Philomena Green, Bob Healy, Myrna Healy, Clare Hickey, Ned Hiller, Mark Inmon, Ryan Lange, Anthony Leo, Gordon McCormack, Neil McCormack, Kevin McErlean, Jack McLaughlin, Colin McLeod, Geraldine McLeod, Maureen McNamara, Margaret Mealey, Damien Mollard, Julene Montgomery, Adam Morrison, Monica Morrison, Jan O'Donoghue, Jimmy O'Keefe, Taavi Orupold, Emma Parer, Genevieve Parer, Shelly Parer, Dawn Punter, Sr Bernadetta Robinson olsh, Mary Shand, Tony Stark, Sr Cyprian Thureson pbvm, Pauline Thureson, Geoffrey Treneer, Paul Vickers, Rebecca Wallace, Nick Willemsen, Frank Zubeldia. We pray for all who are suffering from Covid19.

We remember and pray for all our parishioners living in aged care.

May the recently deceased rest in peace: Sr Gertrude Mary Kennedy olsh, Mike Trad, Gordon Devereux and for all those who have died from Covid19

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Philip Lynch, Carmelina Pietrobon, Jo Parsons, Veronica Howard, Norma McNamara, Colin McMullen, Anthony Brady, Edna Cook, Kathryn Salmon, Burt Peterson, Beryl Bright



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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Wednesday	9.00am	St Joseph's - Mass
Thursday	9.00 am	St Joseph's - Mass
Friday	9.30 am	Christ the King - Mass

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

DEVOTIONS

Friday	7.00 pm	St Joseph's - Stations of the Cross
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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 pray daily the Liturgical Prayer of the Church)

THIRD WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 20 MAR	THIRD SUNDAY of LENT Ex 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9
MON, 21 MAR	2 Kg 5:1-15; Lk 4:24-3
TUE, 22 MAR	Dan 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35
WED, 23 MAR	St Turibius of Mogrovejo, bishop - <i>Optional Memorial</i> Deut 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19
THU, 24 MAR	Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23
FRI, 25 MAR	The ANNUNCIATION of the LORD - <i>Solemnity</i> Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
SAT, 26 MAR	Hosea 5:15 - 6:6; Lk 18:9-14

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 27 MAR	FOURTH SUNDAY of LENT Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
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PRAYER of the PEOPLE of CORINDA GRACEVILLE CATHOLIC PARISH

Good Shepherd, be with us as we make our way
in these days by faith.

Guide and shape us

so that our minds and hearts resemble yours,
so that you come to reign
as the Lord and King of our lives.

Help us to hear and welcome the Good News
of your loving kindness and mercy,
renewing us in the grace of Christ.

Fill us with the Holy Spirit

so that we can joyfully live and share your light.
Protect us, forgive us and like St. Joseph help us
to discern and do the will
of our Loving God and Father. Amen.

Mary, Mother of Our Lord and of the Church. Pray for us.
St. Joseph, husband, father and worker. Pray for us.
St. Mary of the Cross, MacKillop, woman of courage
and hope. Pray for us.

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HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

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 103: THE LORD IS KIND AND MERCIFUL"



The Lord is kind and mer-ci-ful.

LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "MASS SHALOM"

Refrain: Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus;
Praise and honour, Lord Jesus Christ!

COMMUNION: "UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT"

Refrain: Unless a grain of wheat
shall fall upon the ground and die,
it remains but a single grain with no life.

HYMN AFTER COMMUNION: SATURDAY 5.30pm

"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 every day.
To lead us along the right paths
This, dear Lord, is what we ask.



RECESSIONAL: GO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Refrain: Go make a difference, we can make a difference
Go make a difference in the world
Go make a difference we can make a difference
Go make a difference in the world

1. We are the salt of the earth, called to let the people see
The love of God in you and me
We are the light of the world, not to be hidden, but be seen
Go make a difference in the world.
2. We are the hands of Christ, reaching out to those in need
The face of God for all to see
We are the spirit of hope, we are the voice of peace
Go make a difference in the world.
3. So let your love shine on, let it shine for all to see.
Go make a difference in the world.
And the spirit of Christ, will be with us as we go
Go make a difference in the world.

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acknowledge the traditional custodians
of the lands on which our parish stands,
the Yuggera and Turrbal peoples,
and pay our respects to Elders past, present & emerging.*