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The Pastor's Pen....

The pattern of the parables, and indeed of much of Jesus' teaching, is three fold:

1. These stories start with something familiar to His listeners and to us. Lost coins and sheep, fig trees, orchards and vineyards, people attacked and robbed on the road, the rich and the poor, people sowing seeds and others trying to grow them and the like.
2. There is then a kingdom moment, a surprise about God and about the way that we think about God, life and reality.
3. Lastly, the ending leaves us a bit up in the air, leaves us in charge to make of the ending as we choose, as we imagine.

In the parables it's our religious imagination that Jesus is trying to speak to and spark up into a flame. This is much like the way music, art, architecture, history, films, novels and so on try to get us to imagine how they came about, what they're saying to us and what they mean for us today.

This weekend's parable is a classic example of all of this. The scene is set first. The Tax collectors and well known public sinners we're all seeking to get close to Jesus and learn from him. Meanwhile, the Pharisees, leaders of the people, and the learned scribes complained because Jesus was welcoming and even dining with such disgraceful law breakers and sinners. It's out of this scenario, this setting that Jesus' parable emerges.

A family, in this case centred on a father and his two sons, is in crisis. This is a common enough situation for all of us to understand. Children and parents fighting, children so unlike to each other that we wonder sometimes if they came from the same parents! One child who is very responsible, reliable and hard working in the family business, but who can be resentful. The other child being the exact opposite; flighty, changeable, seeking only a good time and an easy way out for him/herself.

What happens is that the younger son demands his share of everything right now, this instant, busting the family farm and home apart. The father gives him what he wants and let's him go his way. This is a big ask by the son, but it's been done before by plenty of us. Yet now, no surprise here either, the boy goes his own way, blowing it all on the high life of wine, women and song. Then, bankrupt, times turn tough and he's abandoned by his 'good time Charlie' friends. He ends up alone, starving in a pigsty. Deciding that this can't go on, he makes up a 'sorry dad story' and heads back towards home.

Now, the Kingdom God part comes into play. Most parents would grieve the loss of such a child, but this Father goes further, much, much further. You see, every day he's been on the lookout for the boy's return, staring up and down the road hoping against hope he'll come back home. When his son turns up and begins 'his sorry dad story' the Father cuts him off, embraces his sweaty, smelly son, gets the best clothes, ring and shoes they have, dresses him up as royalty and sets out to throw the biggest party of the year for his safe return. I think that in all of this even the kindest amongst us might have drawn the line somewhere before the fattened calf got killed for the feast, but not this Father, who if you noticed, now has a capital F.

Enter the older, good, responsible, reliable son who stayed home, didn't take and waste his inheritance, and stuck by his work on the family farm. Returning from the fields he finds the party in progress and to put it mildly he's not best pleased at this turn of events. Welcome his younger brother home, okay he thinks, but not with this extravagance, this prodigality! He believes his brother needs to be taught a lesson, to be shamed, to be punished and to be treated as no better than one of the lower household servants. He's incensed with anger at what the Father is doing for this unreliable wastrel of a son of his, whom he cannot bring himself to call his brother anymore. Once more the Father goes to extremes, leaves the party to go out and remind his reliable good son that everything the family has, all of the Father's resources, are his for the asking, then begging him to come in and join the feast, for by his brother's return the dead have surely risen back to life.

Now the choice is his, to come into the feast or stay angry out in darkness? Now the choice is on the younger son, too. Will he learn from this experience or go off the rails again forgetting all that the Father has done for him? And now the choice is ours as well; to believe that this really is the way the love of our Father and God is working for all of us always, or to shrink God's love down to that of our own and make the Father's heart and vision no deeper or wider than our own? The great parable of the prodigal son, and of the even more prodigal Father, is well worth listening to again and pondering in our minds and prayers during this fourth week of Lent.

Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.

A personal note from Father Mark.....

Last weekend at the Masses I celebrated I told you that, after months of bearing with my left knee and badly torn meniscus, I am going to have surgery on Thursday 31st March. The plan is that this will be Day Surgery. If all goes well, I'll be out and back home at Corinda by that evening. However, I will need a few days of recovery and won't be able to drive until Monday 4th April at the earliest. My thanks to Frs. Pio Waqavotuwale and Stephen Byrnes for supplying the Masses I would have led and your needs during these few days of my recovery. I plan and pray I'll be well and mobile for the Lenten Mass for the Forgiveness of Sins on Tuesday night, 5th April at St. Joseph's at 7.00pm. A prayer or two for my successful surgery and recovery would be appreciated. Thank you. *Fr. Mark Percival.*

EASTER 2022

MASS FOR FORGIVENESS OF SINS ~ Tuesday 5th April 2022: MASS - 7pm - St Joseph's

PALM SUNDAY ~ 9th & 10th April 2022: MASS - 5.30pm Saturday - St Joseph's
MASS - 8.00am Sunday - St Joseph's
MASS - 9.30am Sunday - Christ the King
MASS - 6.00pm Sunday - Christ the King



HOLY THURSDAY ~ 14th April 2022: MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER - 7pm - St Joseph's
Please note change of location due to the larger Covid safe capacity of the Corinda Church.

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

Please note that there is no evening Mass on Easter Sunday.

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

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 Health 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 place your details on the clipboards located near the pictures of Mary MacKillop** at the front of the church, or contact the **Parish Office on 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 Corinda Graceville Community can grow stronger and be more fruitful. Thank you. *Fr. Mark Percival.*

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: 0422 107 802.



Rosalie 44, is an ex-combatant who lives with her husband and seven children in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Forced to join the army when she was just 15-years-old, Rosalie experienced significant trauma and hardship during her years in the military. After she was demobilised from the army, Rosalie, like other ex-combatants, was left to fend for herself in the community. With your generous support and through our local partners, Rosalie was able to connect with other members of her community and participate in business skills training to help her to reintegrate into society.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help women like Rosalie to succeed in the future, providing hope For All Future Generations. 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 Strengthening and Healing: this weekend at the Saturday evening Mass we pray for our candidates who will be received into full communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil. As we approach Easter we ask all parishioners to please remember in your prayers in a special way our seven candidates: Linda, Kokoda, Temujin, Tupac, Seth, Sasha, and Joyce.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: The final Children's Liturgy for Term 1 will be held this morning Sunday 27th March at the 8am Mass at St Joseph's Corinda. Children's Liturgy will resume on Sunday mornings in both churches after Easter.

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

Cantor Practice: TODAY Sunday 27th March at 2.00pm

Full Choir Practice: Thursday 31st March at 7.30pm

Full Choir Practice: Thursday 7th April at 7.30pm

Full Choir Practice: Sunday 10th April at 2.00pm

Rest in Peace: the Funeral Service for life-long time parishioner Win Mendoza will be celebrated at 11am on Thursday 31st March at St Joseph's Church Corinda. *On the day of Baptism Win was clothed in Christ. With deep faith she lived out her Christian life. May Christ now enfold her in love and bring her to eternal life.*

Youth Group Friday 1st April - 6.30pm to 8.30pm: the final Youth Group for Term One will be held next Friday 1st April at 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.

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

The Fijian Choir: will sing at the 5.30pm Saturday evening Mass next weekend 2nd April.

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.

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

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: 'The Spirit and the Cross' are still available at the doors of each church.

We, the community of Corinda-Graceville Catholic Parish, 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 and emerging.

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Ron Atkins, Mona Lissa Buckley, 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 Trenear, 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: Win Mendoza, Gloria Peterson and for all those who have died from Covid19

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Sandra Scantlebury, David Radford, Andrew McCarthy, Conrad Maesepp, Brian Kelly, Philip Lynch, Carmelina Pietrobon, Jo Parsons, Veronica Howard, Norma McNamara, Colin McMullen, Anthony Brady



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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

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.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (8.00 am MASS): "DISMISSAL FOR CHILDREN"

We send you now to hear God's word; God's message just for you.
Walk with Jesus by your side in ev'ry-thing you do.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

(Printed so that users may pray daily the Liturgical Prayer of the Church)

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
MON, 28 MAR	Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54
TUE, 29 MAR	Ezek 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-3, 5-16
WED, 30 MAR	Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30
THU, 31 MAR	Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47
FRI, 1 APR	Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
SAT, 2 APR	St Francis of Paola, hermit, patron saint of sailors - <i>Optional Memorial</i> Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-52

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 3 APR	FIFTH SUNDAY of LENT Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
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RESPONSORIAL PSALM: "PSALM 34: TASTE AND SEE"



Taste_ and see the good - ness of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (8.00 am MASS): "PSALM 34: TASTE AND SEE"



Taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. O___ taste and see.____

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.

LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "MASS SHALOM"

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

COMMUNION: "WE REMEMBER"

Refrain: We remember how you loved us to your death,
And still we celebrate, for you are with us here;
And we believe that we will see you when you come,
In your glory, Lord
We remember, we celebrate, we believe.

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Archbishop Mark has a message for you: On Friday 25 March Pope Francis stood in St Peter's and consecrated Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. He urged the Church around the world to join him in that Act of Consecration. Here in Brisbane we did that at 10am in the Cathedral with Mass, the Stations of the Cross and the Act of Consecration. This is a distinctively Catholic way of saying that peace is possible, even at this stage, and that prayer is more powerful than bombs and bullets. The Pope has called the universal Church to join him because he recognises that this war in Ukraine has implications for the whole world. Ukraine may seem a long way from Australia, but the war there is right on our doorstep. We speak of the Immaculate Heart of Mary because she is the woman with the absolutely pure heart that wills one thing alone – and that is peace. She gave birth to the Prince of Peace, and she can intercede now to bring peace out of the horrors of war. So if you couldn't be with us in the Cathedral, you might stop for a moment and join your prayer to the great chorus that has risen around the world.