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The Pastor's Pen....

A movie, still showing at the time of this writing, 'The Lost King', tells the story of an amateur historian, Philippa Langley, and her relentless search for the remains of King Richard III. He was killed in a battle against the forces of Henry Tudor in Bosworth Field on the 22nd August 1485. Richard III was the last King of England to die in battle.

Despite ridicule from established archaeologists, historians and also from friends and colleagues, with little but some sincere support, she succeeded in the discovery of the King's remains on 12th September 2012, right where she said they'd be, under a car park in the City of Leicester.

Throughout the last 500 years King Richard III, the last of the Plantagenet line, was widely ridiculed for the supposed horrors of his short reign, called a usurper to the throne, a child murderer and mocked for being deformed, largely based on Shakespeare's play. The discovery and confirmation of his remains and their final burial in Leicester Cathedral on March 26th 2015 with full Royal honours has led to a complete reassessment of King Richard, his life, reign and work, freed now from the distortions and propaganda of the Tudor period. As for Philippa, she was awarded an MBE by the late Queen Elizabeth II for her work despite the machinations of others to steal her rightful claim and fame.

The Wise men came to visit the Holy Family and to give their allegiance to the infant King of the Jews. The shepherds before them also came in from the fields to Bethlehem to visit the King and Christ the Lord told to them by the Angels of Christmas night. During his years of ministry



and service Jesus was often accused of putting himself forward as a King, a usurper to the throne and power of Rome and its vassal kings. In the end, on account of this 'treason' Pilate gave orders for his crucifixion. Above the crucified and dying Jesus the Gospels tell us Pilate ordered posted a sign in Hebrew, Latin and Greek which read 'The King of the Jews', a mockery to all that Jesus said, did and was.

Yes, Jesus of Nazareth as he was known by most in his time, was a 'King' but not in the way usually associated or thought of a person bearing such a title. His public ministry began with his baptism, along with that of many other people, in the Jordan River by John the Baptist. John said that he was the Lamb of God, a sacrificial lamb like the Passover lamb, who had come to take away the sins of the whole world. John also testified that the Holy Spirit of God's anointing came upon Jesus at his baptism, confirming that he was Son of God.

Kings and Queens to this day are anointed with special oil at their coronation, a sign of being chosen to serve and to lead a people. We are all anointed with the sacred oil of Chrism at our baptism so that we can serve and lead others in the Spirit and example of Jesus Christ. Indeed, the word 'Christ' is itself a title which means anointed / chosen to serve God's will and purpose.

We were anointed at our baptism into the priestly, prophetic and kingly power of the Christ Himself. Living out this Christian vocation of our baptismal calling each day means that we need all of the grace and peace of God that we can find and drawing upon and all of the forgiveness and mercy of the sacrificial Lamb of God that is granted to us. Starting Ordinary Time this year by praying for these gifts and graces is a good way to begin.

Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.



Australia Day

Australia Day Mass
9.00am Thursday 26th January
St Joseph's Church, Corinda



Australia Day

Followed by Morning Tea.

Come , gather, celebrate and give thanks to God, for all that makes our diverse and beautiful nation wonderful.

Parish Calendar: the Parish Calendar for 2023 is printed and ready for collection. Please pick up a copy for your household, available at the entrances of the churches now!

The Funeral Mass: for Lois Kerwick will be held at 11am on Tuesday 17th March at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, corner of Kenmore Rd and Moggill Rd, Kenmore. Lois and her husband Des (dec'd) raised their family in Gray Street Corinda and were for many years loyal parishioners at St Joseph's, prior to moving to Kenmore. To Lois' many friends in the parish and to her family members who still live in Corinda Graceville we offer our prayers and sympathy. *Lord, look kindly on Your servant, Lois. As she served You faithfully throughout her life, give her the fullness of peace and joy.*

Australia Day Mass: Celebrate Australia Day with the parish community at a special Mass at St Joseph's Church at 9am on Thursday 26th January, to be followed by morning tea.



St Vincent de Paul meeting: 8am on Friday 27th January in the Parish Office at Corinda. Vinnies always welcomes new members to assist in their good works.

Youth Group for high school students and young adults: will commence on at 6.30pm on Friday 27th January at St Joseph's Hall. Contact Malia at the parish office or at pv.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au if you require further information.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: will recommence at the Sunday morning Masses from 29th January, alternating weekly between each church, commencing at the 8am Mass at St Joseph's on 29/1/23.

Ministers Gathering: As we commence 2023 we extend an invitation to our Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and our Mass Coordinators to come together for short time of formation, sharing and renewal on Saturday morning 11th February at 10am in St Joseph's Church. Please pop this date in your diaries and we will be in touch with more information soon.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Graceville Atrium: Would you like to join our team or enrol your children: The Atrium will reopen for the children on Tuesday 7th February. Our numbers are already over 90 and some of our groups are already full. Brochures will be available at the doors of the church next week.

Our catechists return next week to get the atrium ready and I am wondering if there is anyone who would like to join our team. We have a few groups at the moment that need an extra catechist or assistant and we are eager to have some extra helpers to enable us to better serve the children who come.

Our key task is to usher the children who come into the Lord's presence that He might reveal to them His great love and awesome plan for their lives. If this resonates with you and you would like to respond to this call please email Anne Delsorte at delsorte@bigpond.net.au for further information.

"The Catholic Leader": The St Vincent de Paul Society has reluctantly decided that we cannot continue to sell "The Catholic Leader" in our two churches. As regular purchasers would be aware, the paper is no longer able to organise reliable delivery to our churches, and in consequence SVDP has been experiencing substantial losses each month. Should you wish to continue to read "The Leader", you have these options:

- Arrange a home delivery: copies posted each month
 - Arrange an online subscription: copies emailed each month
- This can be done by going to catholicleader.com.au/subscribe/ or by phoning 3324 3555. Please note that this phone is not monitored every day, but that you can leave a message and they will get back to you.



Vinnies Corinda Shop: will be reopening after renovations and helpers are needed! Volunteers are required to assist at the Corinda Shop particularly on Fridays and Saturdays. Please visit the shop to enquire further or phone them on 3379 9565 and they will assist you further.

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Ron Atkins, Alan Carr, Bridie Carr, Beryl Clark, Lyn Crowley, June Denham, Maureen Doherty, Bob Fechner, Nash Giles, Maureen Gleeson, Bob Healy, Myrna Healy, Clare Hickey, Ned Hiller, Greg Hunt, Mark Inman, Maureen Inman, Therese Little, Fr Frank Lourigan, Gordon McCormack, Jack McLaughlin, Margaret Mealey, Damien Mollard, Julene Montgomery, Adam Morrison, Monica Morrison, Val O'Brien, Jan O'Donoghue, Jimmy O'Keefe, Taavi Orupold, Emma Parer, Genevieve Parer, Shelly Parer, Glenda Penna, Clive Punter, Dawn Punter, Luke Reed, Megan Riddle, Sr Bernadetta Robinson olsh, Sr Cyprian Thureson pbvm, Pauline Thureson, Thao Trinh, Sue Venderley, Paul Vickers, Rebecca Wallace, Nick Willemsen.

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: Pope Benedict XVI, Cardinal George Pell, Lois Kerwick, Jeni Warner, Jack Gabler, Sr Catherine Mary Crocker olsh, Ruth Mudge

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Eva McCormack, Elsie Trenear, Bradley Warbrooke, Mary Martin, May French, Lindsay Powell, Patricia Clarke, Edwin Webb, Peg Bourke, Val Ryan, George Fitz-Walter, Patricia Fitz-Walter, James Mahon, Evelyn Dangerfield, Concetta Bambino, Bridget Carmody, Giuseppe Danieli, Bill McMullan, Murray Pine, Helena Pine, George Davis, Ernie Thorpe, Brian Hauff, Rudy Della Piana, Neil Stafford, Noni Darch, Anna, Peter & Maria

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather, the Yuggera and Turrbal peoples, and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging. We acknowledge the continued deep connection and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

HOMILY AT THE SOLEMN PONTIFICAL MASS FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI
The Cathedral of St Stephen 7 January 2023 ~ Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Joseph Ratzinger was Pope for not quite eight years, but he was influential for much longer than that. By temperament he was in some ways more suited to wielding influence than exercising power.

His influence stretches back to the years of the Second Vatican Council (1962-65) when as a gifted young theologian he accompanied and advised Cardinal Frings of Cologne who was an important voice. Like other theological experts, Ratzinger became influential through the years of the Council: his name was known and his texts were read. Through the Council and beyond, he became one of the opinion shapers and a key interpreter of the Council's grand complexity. Throughout his life in fact the interpretation of Vatican II remained one of the dominant themes.

He became still more influential, though in a different way, when Pope John Paul II called him to Rome in 1982 after a brief stint as Archbishop of Munich. For twenty-three years Cardinal Ratzinger was Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, and it would be hard to overstate the power and reach of his influence in that role through the years.

His working relationship with John Paul II was extraordinary. They would meet on Friday, and those conversations helped shape the great themes of the Wojtyla papacy. From them came eventually the Encyclical Letters which bore the Pope's signature but the Prefect's stamp. Pope John Paul was given to prophetic insights and impulses – and to the Prefect fell the task of tying them down theologically lest the insights and impulses fly away on the wind and the prophecy come to nothing.

Like the Pope, Cardinal Ratzinger was never a Curial insider. He was not interested in the intrigues of the papal court. Yet he could make even the grandest of Curialists tremble, because they knew just how much the Pope trusted him and what influence he wielded. That gave Ratzinger a peculiar freedom in the Curial world. He depended on no-one but the Pope.

As Prefect, his tone and style changed from his days as theologian at the Council and in its immediate aftermath. In a time of great flux, containing both promise and threat, Ratzinger acted as guardian of Catholic orthodoxy with vigour, clarity and conviction – and no little controversy, which is what earned him the sobriquets of God's Rottweiler and the Panzerkardinal. Neither was true, but they made for snappy headlines and convenient stereotypes.

He acted with particular vigour against what had come to be known as Liberation Theology, born in the barrios of Latin America. As a young academic passionately concerned for truth, Ratzinger had come to loathe Marxism in all its forms and with all its lies. He had also lived through the Communist partitioning of his native land. Once he had judged that Marxism was at work in Liberation Theology, he was determined, with Pope John Paul, to put an end to it. In that mode, he could be very resolute indeed. He also became increasingly negative in his assessment of major trends within Western cultures and of what he judged to be the religious syncretism of some Asian theologies. As Prefect then he had plenty to keep him busy.

It's said that, through the years, he twice offered his resignation to John Paul II who refused to accept it. The Pope wanted the Prefect to stay until the end of the pontificate, though most probably Ratzinger himself was longing for the tranquillity of his German study. But stay on he did, showing himself, as he did through his life, to be one who was willing to serve, even against his own wishes.

He was already 78 when John Paul died, which is why I for one didn't consider him a real candidate in the conclave that followed. But he was elected in one of the shortest of modern conclaves. As Dean of the College of Cardinals, he had impressed them with his deft handling of the daily meetings between the Pope's death and the conclave. So too his memorable homily at the Pope's funeral made its mark; and then the homily he gave at the Mass before the Cardinals entered the conclave was telling.

His election was a clear decision to continue the trajectories of the Wojtyla pontificate. Yet as Pope Benedict, Joseph Ratzinger turned out differently than many expected. In some ways he proved to be a bundle of paradoxes, even contradictions. He was very much of a particular time, place and culture, yet his teaching has a timelessness about it; what he wrote was profound, yet it remained accessible; he was not a popular figure as his predecessor had been, yet he still drew the crowds; he was a shy and retiring man, yet he was thrust relentlessly into the limelight; he was kind and courteous, yet he could be uncompromising, even severe; he was mild-mannered, but there was also a polemical edge to him; he was extremely alert intellectually, yet he could be politically unaware, prone to being blind-sided; he was by nature conservative, a lover of tradition, yet he was a reforming Pope, not only with the Holy See's finances and its handling of sexual abuse, but most spectacularly with his resignation; he was in many ways immersed in, even imprisoned by the protocols of the papal court, yet it's hard to think of a decision better designed to unsettle them than his resignation.

The list could go on. Yet for all this complexity there was a radiant simplicity at the heart of it all, as his last words reveal. "Lord, I love you", he was reported as saying – simple words from the Gospel of John which go to the heart of the Petrine ministry and gather up an entire life.

Benedict XVI continued to be influential long after he had laid down the burden of the papacy. He will also continue to be influential beyond death, chiefly because of his texts which will remain a unique part of the Church's magisterial patrimony.

Social media now speaks of influencers. It's a slippery term, but it applies more aptly to Joseph Ratzinger than to just about anyone else I know. He may have exercised hierarchical power as Pope for a comparatively short time, but for 60 years he wielded real influence not just in the Vatican but in the global Church and perhaps in the world more broadly.

Our hope now is that Joseph Ratzinger/Benedict XVI – priest, theologian, teacher, Archbishop, curial Cardinal, Pope, Pope emeritus – will pray for the Church that journeys on and show himself in death more of an influencer than ever. And with the story of Cana fresh in our minds, our prayer is that Mary our mother, the supreme influencer, will bring Joseph our brother to an honoured place at the marriage feast of the Lamb, the banquet of eternal life, where the wine never fails and the joy never fades. Amen.



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

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

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 IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN, 15 JAN 2nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34
MON, 16 JAN Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22
TUE, 17 JAN St Anthony of Egypt, abbot - *Memorial*
Heb 6:10-20; Mk 2:23-28
(Alt. Eph 6:10-13, 18; Mt 19:16-26)
WED, 18 JAN Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6
THU, 19 JAN Heb 7:25 - 8:6; Mk 3:7-12
FRI, 20 JAN St Fabian, pope, martyr - *Optional Memorial*
St Sebastian, martyr, patron saint of athletes,
physicians and soldiers - *Optional Memorial*
Heb 8:6-13; Mk 3:13-19
SAT, 21 JAN St Agnes, virgin, martyr, patron saint of girls
- *Memorial*
Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Mk 3:20-21
(Alt. 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 13:44-46)

THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN, 22 JAN 3rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
Is 8:23 - 9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23

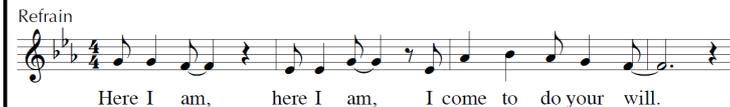
HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: "PSALM 40: HERE I AM"



PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS (SUNDAY 6.00 PM):

"PSALM 40: HERE I AM"



COMMUNION: "PSALM 34: TASTE AND SEE"

Refrain: Taste and see, taste and see
The goodness of the Lord.
O taste and see, taste and see
The goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

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Ministries around our churches: There are many parishioners involved in many ministries to help make our liturgies alive and prayerful. But we can always do with more help. Some ministries are "behind the scenes" and others take place during our worship. If you wish to be involved in anyway in any ministry please contact the parish office, or speak to Malia at Mass. Ministries that you can get involved with include:

- ◆ Church environment: preparing floral arrangements, banners and church decorations, washing and ironing church linen and other cleaning duties
- ◆ Music ministry: organists, pianists, guitarists, or other instrumentalists, cantors, choir members or other small group singers
- ◆ Mass ministries: Welcomers at the entrances of the churches, Ministers of the Word, Ministers of the Eucharist, Mass Coordinators (who open up the churches and set up for Mass and lock up afterwards), and those who set up and assist at Funerals
- ◆ Children's Liturgy: leaders and helpers
- ◆ Hospitality: after weekend Masses, for special occasions and Funeral Hospitality
- ◆ Communion to Nursing home residents
- ◆ Watering the gardens at St Joseph's Church

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.

Break Open the Word: This book is essential for the preparation of Ministers of the Word. If you have not picked up your copy there are still some available located near the picture of Mary MacKillop in each church or at the Parish office during the week. Please purchase a copy, at the subsidised price of \$10.00 (Retail price is \$29). Previous editions of Break Open the Word can be donated to Prison Ministry via the parish office.



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