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*The Pastor's Pen....* Were Lent to have begun a few weeks later this year than it does we would have heard more of the Sermon and teaching of Jesus on the Mount. This year we have to satisfy ourselves with only four Sundays' worth of excerpts from the three chapters in Matthew's Gospel of this new law for Christ's followers. If we really want to get this teaching in its entirety then it's up to each of us to read Matthew's chapters 5 to 7 inclusive for ourselves.

Let me tell you that the teaching ends with Jesus saying that it's not those who say 'Lord Lord' (the talkers and enthusiasts) who will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but those who actually do the will of God the loving Father in heaven. Jesus then adds that those who hear his words and practice them will be like sensible people who build the house of their lives and ways solidly on rock to withstand the troubles and storms of life; those who don't listen and act on what they've heard will be like fools who build their house on sand and will not last through trials and difficulties. Teaching is fine and dandy, but as Jesus indicates, it's the practice of it that makes all the difference.

This weekend Jesus addresses our relationships with each other, specifically those with people we don't like or get along with and those who don't like or get along with us. He uses the term 'enemies' to emphasise the points needed making. The old law came to teach that we were to love our own and those on our side. The rest of humanity were best ignored or if they offended us, punished. This is the eye for eye and tooth for tooth philosophy which ends up making a world full of blind and toothless people. On the contrary, Jesus says that we are to be generous, helpful and kind to those who even make unreasonable demands on us. This isn't something we are compelled to do, rather it is something that we can freely choose to do which breaks the endless cycle of hurt and vengeance.

Jesus ends this teaching with a version of the great commandment; love your enemies, pray for those who persecute you and then you will be as God is with us, becoming sons and daughters of God who is good, kind and fair to all. The Old Law held that we were to love our neighbours; the New Law of Jesus declares that all people are our neighbours, our sisters and brothers. The only sure way out of the offence and revenge cycle is to act on this truth. The perfection of God that we are to imitate and make our own is found in loving, shown in the form and by deeds of mercy, forgiveness, generosity and care.

St. Paul puts the power of our choice this way; no competition, discord or putting one person or view over that of another. No Paul versus Apollos versus Cephas, a fight in the Corinthian early church community, for all of these people, in fact all people, the world, life and death, the present and the future, all are our servants, but we are servants who now belong to Christ and Christ belongs to and is the servant of God. Challenging teaching, yes. Impossible, no, as long as we listen deeply and act in the grace and Spirit of the Lord.

*Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.*

**A couple of important notes.**

1. **The Lenten Season** begins for us this coming Tuesday night and through Ash Wednesday. I know how hard it is with so many daily demands, but do try to get along to an Ash Wednesday Mass or Service in our Parish or wherever it is convenient. Lent prepares us and lead us to the greatest Christian feast of faith, Easter and Easter time.



2. We have purchased some **Lenten reflection books** you may take and use over these six weeks, and into Easter, either for yourself, your household or in a small group. Whatever works best for you, and if you will use one, then please take one. A donation of \$5.00 in the collection if you can.

3. Friday evening 7.00pm **Stations of the Cross** at St. Joseph's Church during the weeks of Lent. Maybe a way of acting on our intentions to prepare well for the Easter festivities.



4. On another note, we **farewell** Teresa Quinn, an active member of our Parish community for many decades, especially at the Sunday night 6.00pm Mass at Christ the King Church, who has moved from our area. While being sad to see Teresa go we understand that this is a good move for her at this point in her life. After next Sunday night's 6.00pm Mass on 26th February we will have tea/coffee and share a cake to acknowledge Teresa's great contributions to our community and to wish her every blessing. All welcome.

Many thanks as always. Fr. Mark.



## ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

Vigil Mass - 7.00pm TUESDAY 21st February - St Joseph's Church

Mass - 8.30am ASH WEDNESDAY 22nd February - Christ the King Church

Combined Schools Liturgy - 10.00am ASH WEDNESDAY 22nd February - St Joseph's School Hall

*Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and Abstinence.*

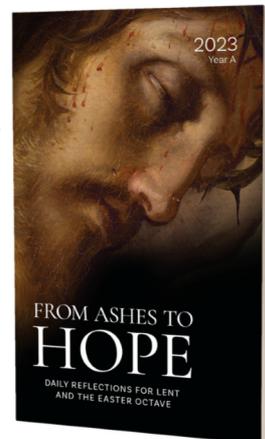
### **A NEW REFLECTION PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP USE FOR LENT AND THE EASTER OCTAVE 2023**

Evangelisation Brisbane has developed a new Lent and Easter Octave reflection resource for 2023 called *From Ashes to Hope*.

*From Ashes to Hope* has been written to provide each of us with the opportunity to spend a few minutes a day calling out to God from our hearts. Based on the readings for each day of Lent, Holy Week and the Easter Octave, this prayer and reflection resource provides an opportunity for each of us to turn the eyes of our hearts to God as God leads us beyond ashes to hope.

This resource has been written by Shane Dwyer, Associate Director for Adult Formation at Evangelisation Brisbane - an experienced speaker, faith resource writer, and course provider, and Janiene Wilson, a clinical psychologist who has worked in private practice and in the Church context for many years.

The reflection books (pictured right) are available at the mains doors of the churches. If you are able to contribute \$5.00 to cover the costs of the book, your donation would be greatly appreciated either via the normal collection baskets at Mass or drop it into the parish office. A leaders' guide can be provided for those who will be journeying with a group over the Lenten period.



**The 2023-25 Sacraments of Initiation 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, 2023, (usually Grade 3 children and above), regardless of which school they attend. The premise under which this policy is implemented within our Parish, is about inviting children to complete their initiation into the Catholic faith as part of a parish based, school supported, family centred preparation program. **We will be working together as a team to continue your child's faith journey.**



An information night is proposed for **6:30pm 16 March 2023, at Christ the King Church**, Churchill Street, Graceville, for parents who would like to find out more about the program (Confirmation, First Holy Communion and Penance) and the process for enrolling their child/children in the same. Important information regarding the program will be provided at this night, so at least one parent or guardian should attend so that you may be in the best possible position to make an informed decision on whether your family wish to commit to the program at this time. *Only parents/guardians need attend this session.*

To express your interest in attending the information night simply email the Sacramental Program Coordinator at [sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au) Your email will be acknowledged. A copy of the agenda for the evening will be made available closer to the event.

This meeting is a great opportunity to ask questions to help make an informed decision about whether the time is right for you and your family to participate in our program.

**Parish Liturgy Team Report:** The Parish Liturgy Team met on Saturday 4 February. Key discussion items at the meeting included:

- Reflection on our recent liturgies, including the Nativity of the Lord, and Australia Day.
- Planning for our upcoming liturgies, including arrangements for Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday.
- Update on Rotunda ministry rostering and new and retiring volunteers.
- A Parish Music Ministers Gathering, which will be held at St Joseph's Church on Saturday 11 March at 10.00am.
- A National Liturgy and Music Conference "*Mystery and Mission: The Art of Liturgical Celebration*", which will be held 28-30 September in Brisbane. Further details are at the Conference Website <https://mysteryandmission.com.au>.

**A Message from Archbishop Mark:** This week in Brisbane we're hosting the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Charles Balvo. He's the Pope's personal representative in Australia and deals with both the church and the government. Archbishop Balvo hails from New York and has served as Nuncio in New Zealand and the Pacific, Kenya and South Sudan, the Czech Republic and now Australia. Much of the time he's stuck at his desk in Canberra handling the many exchanges between the Holy See and the church and state in Australia. One of his more important tasks is to oversee and organise the consultation for the appointment of new bishops. He gathers together the responses of the consultation and sends them to Rome with a list of three names for any appointment that is to be made. But he doesn't just sit behind a desk. Archbishop Balvo has travelled far and wide across the country in his brief time here, and now he comes to Brisbane. He'll be with us for six days, visiting various parts of the Archdiocese and having conversations with many people about where the Church is in this part of the world and what needs to happen as we move into the future.

**Ambrose Treacy Student Assessment:** Four Year 12 students from Ambrose Treacy College Indooroopilly will be present at the 9.30am Mass this weekend 19th February with the hope of parishioners spending a few minutes with them to help them with an assessment piece on ethics for their Year 12 Study of Religion. To complete this assessment, they need to gather adherents' views on the ethical issue of Euthanasia. The boys would very much appreciate the assistance of parishioners at the 9.30am Mass this Sunday and ask that you take the time to fill out a survey for them. The surveys are anonymous. Please speak to Zac, Harry, Ishan or Ryan if you are happy to take part.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** today Sunday 19th February at the 9.30am Mass at Christ the King, then next Sunday 26th February at the 8am Mass at St Joseph's, alternating weekly between each church throughout the school term. All primary school aged children are welcome.



**Ash Wednesday Liturgies:**

Vigil Mass for Ash Wednesday: 7pm Tuesday 21st February at St Joseph's Church.

Mass on Ash Wednesday morning: 8.30am Wednesday 22nd February at Christ the King Church.

Combined Schools Liturgy: 10am Wednesday 22nd February at St Joseph's Hall Corinda.

*Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and Abstinence.*

**Rest In Peace:** The Funeral Mass for Shirley Dwyer will be celebrated at 11am on Thursday 23rd February at Christ the King Church. Shirley, a life long parishioner, was the second child to be baptised in the newly established Christ the King Parish back in 1930. *In the waters of baptism, Shirley was given a share in the death and resurrection of Christ. May she now share eternal life with Christ.* To all of Shirley's family the parish community offers our prayers and sympathy.

**First Holy Communion Information Night:** Thursday 23rd February at 6.30pm in St Joseph's Church Corinda. This meeting is for parents/guardians of children who have already made the Sacrament of Confirmation and who are choosing to continue their child's sacramental journey through the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Contact our Sacramental Program Coordinator at [sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au)



**Parish Choir:** rehearsal next week at the later time of 7.30pm on Thursday 23rd February in St Joseph's Church. The choir will be singing next weekend at the Saturday evening Mass on 25th February for the First Sunday of Lent.

**St Vincent de Paul meeting:** 8am on Friday 24th February 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:** 6.30pm Friday 24th February at St Joseph's Hall Corinda. Commencing with a light dinner and finishing at 8.30pm. All young people are most welcome to attend. Contact Malia at the parish office or at [pv.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pv.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au) if you require further information.

**Stations of the Cross:** each Friday evening of Lent at 7pm in St Joseph's Church commencing on Friday 24th February.

**The Parish Conference of St Vincent de Paul:** will be commissioned at the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 25th February.

**Christ the King School Sponsored Mass:** will be held at the 9.30am Sunday Mass on 26th February.

**Cake and Coffee:** after the 6pm Mass next weekend to farewell Teresa Quinn on Sunday 26th February at Christ the King Church.

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting:** 7pm Thursday 2nd March at the Parish Office.

**World Day of Prayer:** will be held 10am on Friday 3rd March at St John's Lutheran Church, Clewley Street, Corinda. This year's theme "Have Heard About Your Faith" is God's promise in the letter to the Ephesians, which is an invitation to active listening, which is the ground of our prayers. Following the example of the letter (Ephesians 1:15-19), where the author praises the church for their faith in Jesus and love toward all the saints, the worship service contextualizes the witness of the saints with the stories from Taiwan.

**Liturgy Team Meeting:** 10am Saturday 4th March at the Parish Office.

**The Fijian Choir:** will lead our music ministry at the 5.30pm Saturday evening Mass on 4th March.

**Sausage Sizzle:** after the 6pm Mass on Sunday 5th March. All welcome!

**PARISH MUSIC MINISTERS GATHERING:** A gathering of Parish Music Ministers will be held at St Joseph's Church on Saturday 11 March at 10.00am. The invitation is extended to all parish music ministers – organists, pianists, guitarists, other instrumentalists, cantors, small group singers and choir members. The gathering will start with a time of prayer, followed by some discussion and conclude with some morning tea and a chance to chat and catch up. It is anticipated that entire gathering will be finished by 11.30 am. Please RSVP to Ian Larter (email: [ian.larter7@bigpond.com](mailto:ian.larter7@bigpond.com)), so that we can have an understanding of numbers able to attend.

*We pray for the good health, strength and healing of:* Ron Atkins, Alan Carr, Bridie Carr, Beryl Clark, June Denham, Maureen Doherty, Nash Giles, Maureen Gleeson, Gregory Gould, Christine Harris, Bob Healy, Myrna Healy, Clare Hickey, Ned Hiller, Greg Hunt, Mark Inmon, Maureen Inmon, 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 due to conflict, natural disaster and ill health.*

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

*May the recently deceased rest in peace:* Paul Franklin, Shirley Dwyer, Tecele Tesfazgi, Lilly Bai (Omana), Lex McCarthy, Jorge Ruiz, Glenis Lund, Francisco Dominguez Del Brio

*We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:* George Maltet, Madeleine Maltet, John Hourigan, Madonna McCarthy, Mervyn Kalinowski, Brian Ahearn, Jean Wheatland, Mary Kent, Carmel Curtin



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## WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Tuesday	7.00pm	St Joseph's - Ash Wednesday Mass
Wednesday	8.30am	Christ the King - Ash Wednesday Mass
	10.00am	St Joseph's Hall - Combined Schools Liturgy
Thursday	9.00 am	St Joseph's - Mass
Friday	9.30 am	Christ the King - Mass
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

## SUNDAY MASSES

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)

### SEVENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN, 19 FEB	7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Lev 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48
MON, 20 FEB	Sir 1:1-10; Mk 9:14-29
TUE, 21 FEB	St Peter Damian, bishop, doctor of the church - <i>Optional Memorial</i> Sir 2: 1-11; Mk 9:30-37

### LENT

WED, 22 FEB	ASH WEDNESDAY ( <i>Fast and abstinence</i> ) Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
THU, 23 FEB	St Polycarp, bishop, martyr, patron saint of relief of earaches - <i>Memorial</i> Deut 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25
FRI, 24 FEB	Is 58:1-9; Mt 9:14-15
SAT, 25 FEB	Is 58:9-14; Lk 5:27-32

### FIRST WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 26 FEB	1st SUNDAY of LENT Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11
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**Prep Enrolments for 2024 at Christ the King School:** During Term 1 we are organising our Prep enrolments for 2024. To ensure we have sufficient places, we now require enrolment details from our existing families. If you have a

child due to commence Prep next year (born between 1 July, 2018 and 30 June, 2019) and already have children attending Christ the King School, please ensure the enrolment form together with a copy of your child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate and immunisation record is returned to the school office by the end of February. The enrolment form can be found on our website at <https://www.ctk.qld.edu.au/enrolments/>



**Prep 2024 Applications at St Joseph's School:** If you have a child due to start Prep in 2024 (born between 1 July, 2018 and 30 June, 2019) and have not yet submitted an application, please complete one as soon as possible. St Joseph's School is taking enrolments from all applicants. The link to the online registration form can be found on the school website at <https://www.stjoseph.qld.edu.au/enrolments/> Please note that applications will close on 14 March 2023. All applicants, will then be invited to an enrolment interview.

*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.*

## HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

### GATHERING: "AS WE GATHER AT YOUR TABLE"

- As we gather at your table,  
as we listen to your word,  
help us know, O God, your presence  
let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
Nourish us with sacred story  
till we claim it as our own;  
teach us through this holy banquet  
how to make Love's vict'ry known.
- Turn our worship into witness  
in the sacrament of life;  
send us forth to love and serve you,  
bringing peace where there is strife.  
Give us, Christ, your great compassion  
to forgive as you forgave;  
may we still behold your image  
in the world you died to save.
- Grant us vision, gracious Spirit  
to seek guests to share that feast  
where triumphant love will welcome  
those who had been last and least.  
There no more will envy blind us  
nor will pride our peace destroy,  
as we join with saints and angels  
to repeat the sounding joy.



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (9.30 AM): "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.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

"PSALM 103: THE LORD IS KIND AND MERCIFUL"



The Lord is kind and mer - ci - ful.

### SENDING FORTH: "SING A NEW SONG"

*Refrain:* Sing a new song unto the Lord;  
Let your song be sung from mountains high.  
Sing a new song unto the Lord,  
Singing alleluia.

- Shout with gladness! Dance for joy!  
O come before the Lord.  
And play for Him on glad tambourines,  
And let your trumpet sound.
- Rise, O children, from your sleep;  
Your Saviour now has come.  
He has turned your sorrow to joy,  
And filled your soul with song.
- Glad my soul for I have seen  
The glory of the Lord.  
The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised.  
I know my Saviour lives.



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