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The Pastor's Pen....

I decided that I'd have a look back through our Newsletter archives on our Parish Website to see what I wrote to you three years ago on the Second Lenten Sunday which had the exact same readings as we do this year. I'd stand by what I wrote then, just as the Covid pandemic was closing in on us, but I'd say a few things a little differently today. Read on...

Jesus was tempted as we are. His choice was to always listen to God. Our choice is more of a mixed bag, sometimes listening to God and our informed conscience, at other times listening to our insatiable desires for pleasure, admiration, approval and power. We see and hear this all being played out on the Mount of the Transfiguration. To set the scene; Jesus had just finished talking to his disciples about his destiny; to be rejected, suffer and die on the cross and then three days later to be raised to life. They were confused by what Jesus had said because it didn't fit their plans and model of God's Messiah. In particular, Peter argued with Jesus about what he'd told them, saying that this must not be allowed to happen. From being praised for listening to God only minutes earlier, Peter was quickly chastised by Jesus for listening to himself and his desires, not God's.

It is directly after this incident that Jesus takes his three closest friends and followers, Peter, James and John with him up the high mountain. You'll remember that last weekend the Devil took Jesus up a high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms and riches of this world, promising to give it all to Jesus if he would only fall at Satan's feet and worship him. This was the last and the grandest of the three temptations in the desert, the one to power and riches for oneself, which Jesus rejected as he had done with the Serpent's previous tricks and snares. Now, it is Jesus who leads his disciples up a mountain, not to offer them riches and power for themselves, let alone himself, but to reveal to them the voice of God which he listens to and the glory of God which comes to those who choose to listen to God's voice and follow God's will.

What happens is that the disciples are granted to see for a short while beyond the veil of the ordinary to the reality of Jesus who is shining bright as he talked with the Law and the Prophets represented by Moses and Elijah. Then the bright cloud of God's presence covered them and God's voice was heard. It uttered the new and the most fundamental commandment for anyone who seeks to follow Jesus; This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him! All of our discipleship starts and ends with this; all of our fidelity to the way of Jesus Christ stands firm or fails and falls on our willing desire to listen to Jesus or to the many other opposing voices.

In the First Reading Abram listened to God, setting out for an unknown land and future that God would reveal. He therefore had to set himself to listen to God every day as he slowly made his journey across strange lands and cultures and amongst strangers. Perhaps we should take the hint about this from our physiology; we have one mouth, one tongue and two ears. Our aim should be to listen twice as much and for twice as long as we speak and before we even start speaking. Let's try this deep listening over the Lenten week ahead.

Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.

My thanks to Anne Juillerat, Annette Thrum, Louise and Alice Conway, Jock and Kath Kennedy and to all who helped in any way with our simple but important farewell to our long time parishioner and minister, Teresa Quinn. A good many stayed after Christ the King 6.00pm Mass last Sunday night, enjoying the cakes and drinks and chat as we acknowledged Teresa's gifts and generosity, thanked her and wished her well for her future at Coorparoo.

LENT AND EASTER 2023

Stations of the Cross ~ every Friday evening of Lent at 7pm St Joseph's

Anointing Mass ~ 10am Wednesday 15th March - St Joseph's

Mass for Forgiveness of Sins ~ 7pm Wednesday 29th March - St Joseph's

PALM SUNDAY ~ 1st & 2nd April - normal weekend Mass times

HOLY THURSDAY ~ Mass - 7pm - 6th April - Christ the King

GOOD FRIDAY ~ Stations of the Cross - 10am - 7th April - Christ the King
~ Good Friday Passion - 3pm - 7th April - St Joseph's

HOLY SATURDAY ~ Easter Vigil - 6pm - 8th April - St Joseph's

EASTER SUNDAY ~ Mass - 8am - 9th April - St Joseph's
~ Mass - 9.30am - 9th April - Christ the King
~ NO Evening Mass on Easter Sunday

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 will be held at **6:30pm on Thursday 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.

To express your interest in attending the information night simply email Melissa the Sacramental Program Coordinator at 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.

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 15th March 2023. The enrolment form can be found on the school website at <https://www.ctlk.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.



Tereesa is a Gamilaroi woman from Western Sydney who struggled with homelessness while raising her four children. Through the Baabayn Young Mums and Bubs Group, Tereesa was able to reconnect with her culture and create a better future for her children.

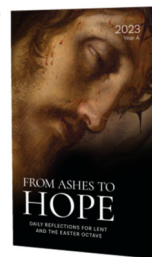


Please donate to Project Compassion 2023. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available in the churches, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.



LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKS ARE STILL AVAILABLE AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH AND PARISH OFFICE

A new Lent and Easter Octave reflection resource for 2023 called *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.



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.

Lent Ideas for Kids: During Lent Christians really intentionally prepare for the celebration of Easter, and we do this in three ways: 1. We pray and spend time with God. 2. We make room for God by fasting from things that usually fill our time or our bellies. 3. We reach out through alms giving which puts our love for others into action. It doesn't matter how old you are, Lent is a time that even our youngest disciples can embrace! So, we have just a few ways that you can engage the kids in your life in prayer, fasting and almsgiving as they make a new beginning with Jesus this Lent. These ideas are included in a free Lenten calendar, which can be downloaded at : <https://tinyurl.com/kidsandlent>

Ambrose Treacy Student Assessment: Two Year 12 students from Ambrose Treacy College Indooroopilly will be present at our evening Mass this weekend 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 views on the ethical issue of Euthanasia. The boys would very much appreciate the assistance of parishioners and ask that you take a few minutes after Mass to fill out a survey for them. The surveys are anonymous. Please speak to Thomas or Louis if you are happy to take part.

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands on which we gather, the Yuggera peoples and Turrbal peoples, and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging. We acknowledge the continuing and deep connection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country, its land, waters and culture.

Thank you to the Fijian Choir: who lead our music ministry at the Saturday evening Mass this weekend.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: today Sunday 5th March at the 9.30am Mass at Christ the King Church, then next Sunday 12th March at the 8am Mass at St Joseph's Church, alternating weekly between each church throughout the school term. All primary school aged children are welcome. New leaders and helpers are always welcome - if you are interested in helping this important ministry please speak to Malia Mar at the parish office.

Sausage Sizzle: after the 6pm Mass on Sunday 5th March. All welcome to stay for some hospitality and friendship!

Parish Choir: rehearsals for Easter ceremonies at 7pm on Thursday 9th March in St Joseph's Church. All are welcome to be part of the parish choir. Please join us for Easter and come along to practice.


St Vincent de Paul meeting: 8am on Friday 10th March in the Parish Office at Corinda. If you wish to join and assist Vinnies in their good works please speak to Peter Duffy, or any member of the St Vincent de Paul, or attend one of their meetings each Friday fortnight at 8am in the Parish Office.

Youth Group for high school students and young adults: 6.30pm Friday 10th March 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 if you require further information.

Stations of the Cross: each Friday evening of Lent at 7pm in St Joseph's Church. All are welcome to attend this very special and prayerful devotion as we journey through the season of Lent.



Closing date for First Holy Communion Enrolments: is Friday 10th March. If your child is 9 years of age or older and has received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and you wish for them to make their First Holy Communion this year, please contact Melissa, our Sacramental Coordinator, now at sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au

 **Parish Music Ministers Gathering:** A gathering of Parish Music Ministers will be held at St Joseph's Church this coming 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 11.30am. Please RSVP to Ian Larter (email: ian.larter7@bigpond.com), so that we can have an understanding of numbers able to attend.

Anointing Mass: Wednesday 15th March at 10am at St Joseph's Church Corinda: All are welcome to attend this special Mass of Anointing during the season of Lent. A time of prayer, worship and healing as we journey towards Easter.

The 2023-25 Sacraments of Initiation Program Information Night: will be held at 6:30pm on Thursday 16 March at Christ the King Church. This meeting is for parents who would like to find out more about Confirmation, First Holy Communion and Penance. Please see details on page 2.

St Joseph's School Sponsored Mass: we will welcome the school community on Saturday evening 18th March at 5.30pm Mass at St Joseph's Church as the school community helps lead our ministries at Mass.

30th Anniversary of Ordination: Father James O'Donoghue, who was raised here in Corinda Graceville Parish and celebrated his first Masses in both St Joseph's Church and Christ the King Church in 1993 will celebrate the 6pm Mass on Sunday 19th March on the 30th Anniversary of his Ordination.

Open Music Group: Our next Open Music Group will be held at the 6.00pm Mass on Sunday 19 March. If you would like to be part of the group, please come to a practice at Christ the King Church at 5.00pm on the day. Contact Ian Larter 0414 811 782 for further details.

How to help you child understand the Mass: a workshop for Parents and Grandparents to help you to help your children and grandchildren to understand the beauty of the Mass. A wonderful opportunity to open up the meaning of the different elements of the Mass. Open to anyone to attend at 6.30pm on Thursday 23rd March at the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Graceville. Please contact Melissa via sc.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au to register your attendance.

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Ron Atkins, Jack Cain, Alan Carr, Bridie Carr, Beryl Clark, June Denham, Maureen Doherty, Nash Giles, Laurie Gillespie, 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, Jennifer Park, 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 Willemssen.

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: Peter Lepp, Fr Brian Harris OMI, Karl Tarbey, Paul Franklin, Shirley Dwyer, Teclé Tesfazgi

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Colin Little, Mark Plunkett, Celine Doherty, May Markey, Joseph Pace, Catherine Rogers, Douglas Wode, Julie McHugh, Judith Massey, Joan Crowley, Ronald Parker



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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Wednesday 9.00 am St Joseph's - Mass
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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 OF LENT

SUN, 5 MAR 2nd SUNDAY of LENT
Gen 12:1-4; 2 Tim 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9
MON, 6 MAR Dan 9:4-10; Lk 6:36-38
TUE, 7 MAR Sts Perpetua, patron saint of widows and mothers of deceased sons, and Felicity, martyrs
- *Optional Memorial*
Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
WED, 8 MAR St John of God, religious, patron saint of hospitals, nurses and the sick - *Optional Memorial*
Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
THU, 9 MAR St Frances of Rome, religious, patron saint of motorists and widows - *Optional Memorial*
Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
(Anniversary of the death of Most Rev. John Bathersby, 2020)
FRI, 10 MAR Gen 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
SAT, 11 MAR Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

THIRD WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 12 MAR 3rd SUNDAY of LENT
Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42



SUMMIT23 is a three day gathering of clergy, religious, educators, catechists, lay leaders and communities from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane for keynote presentations, workshops, panel discussions, prayer and encounter with Jesus.

The Summit is a key moment in the implementation of the decrees of the Plenary Council. Though we do not yet have papal approval, there is much we can do. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will share his vision for the Archdiocese alongside a number of other leading voices, including Sherry Weddell (author of *Forming Intentional Disciples*).

The Summit will create a place where each person can encounter Christ, be formed in faith, and equipped for the mission we are called to.

When: 6pm Thursday 18th May to 3pm Saturday 20th May
Where: Riverlife Centre, 47 Jennifer St, 17 Mile Rocks

Cost: Earlybird is \$170pp | \$150 pp for groups of 10+ (ends 12 March) After early bird is \$200pp | \$170 pp for groups of 10+

Expressions of Interest to the parish office so that group bookings and early bird rates can be shared by all.

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.

- Forty days and nights, you guide the steps of our journey.
May your presence be felt in the whisper of your voice.
- 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.

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 33: LORD, LET YOUR MERCY BE ON US"

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "MASS SHALOM"

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

PREPARATION OF GIFTS:

"FROM ASHES TO THE LIVING FONT"

- From ashes to the living font your Church must journey, Lord,
Baptised in grace, in grace renewed by your most holy word.
- Through fasting, prayer and charity your voice speaks deep within,
Returning us to ways of truth and turning us from sin.
- From desert to the mountain-top in Christ our way to see,
So, tempered by temptation's might we might transfigured be.
- From ashes to the living font, your Church must journey still,
Through cross and tomb to Easter joy, in Spirit fire fulfilled.



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