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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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The Pastor's Pen....

This weekend, and the two following, give us some of the richest readings possible for our Lenten Season. We hear the story of Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well and the offer made to her of living eternal water. Then next weekend the story of the man born blind and his gradual journey into both sight and the light of truth. Lastly, on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, we'll hear the story of the raising of Lazarus of Bethany, the journey and transition from death into life. The water of baptism and the infilling of the Holy Spirit, the life-long journey into deeper faith and fuller insight into God's ways and will, and finally the reality of the paschal mystery and our dying and rising in Christ. These themes are at the very core of Christianity and of our faith.

Back now to this weekend's Gospel, but first, a little geography. There were only two ways for Jews to make the journey North and South in New Testament times. The first was from the Northern Galilee province down to the Jordan River, then following along its bank to Jericho and then up and over the hills and desert to the Southern province of Judaea and Jerusalem. The other way was inland, over much arid land through the province of Samaria and the Samaritan towns to the Southern Judean province, then up the hills to Jerusalem. Jesus used both routes at various times as the Gospels reveal.

It was this second inland route through Samaria that he was taking when he encountered the Samaritan woman at the well. Here we must know two things; observant Jews did not use anything touched by a Samaritan and no respectable Jewish man would ever strike up a conversation in public with a woman, let alone a Samaritan one. In asking the woman for a drink Jesus broke both of these taboos of his time and culture. Not only this, but he continued to conduct an intimate conversation with her and to offer her God's life.



The key here is when Jesus says that the time is coming, a time that he is launching, when neither Jews nor Samaritans will worship on their respective holy mountains, instead worshipping as God desires, from the heart and in spirit and truth. This is beginning to happen already as Jesus interacts with this woman for he is offering her living water that never dries up or is difficult to obtain, a water of life welling up inside of all who seek God's will and way.

In this Gospel St. John is telling us that a new age has already commenced. The Christ is reaching out to all. God is offering to live in any and everyone of good will and of faith. The external things, wells, water, the food acquired by the disciples and so on, point to a deeper reality hidden just behind the veil of the physical. This is the basis for all of our Sacraments. God communicating God's own life and light to us through the things we humans can actually see, hear, touch, taste and smell; our earthly, physical symbols.

As Jesus Christ sat and talked to this woman, so he wants to sit with and talk to us now. He starts with where we're at (hot, tired, dusty and thirsty beside a deep well) and takes us deeper into the real meaning of living. He offers to us the never ending refreshment of God's life giving water, all for free. The Samaritan woman took this offer up and drew others to Jesus. This is our call, our way forward and our mission today.

Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.

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. Children are invited to visit the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at the same time at 6.30pm on Thursday night. This is located directly behind Christ the King Church, at 19 Randolph Street, Graceville.

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.



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

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

When: 6pm - 9pm Thursday 18th May
8am - 9pm Friday 19th May
9am - 3pm Saturday 20th May

Where: Riverlife Centre, 47Jennifer St, Seventeen Mile Rocks.

Cost: Earlybird is \$170pp | \$150 pp for groups of 10+ After early bird is \$200pp | \$170 pp for groups of 10+

Expressions of Interest are to made to the parish office so that group bookings and early bird rates can be shared by all. The parish will subsidise part of the costs. Please contact the parish office this week if you wish to attend.

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.



Zimbabwe is experiencing an intense drought, exacerbated by climate change. With the support of Caritas Hwange, Priscilla learnt conservation farming skills to grow drought-resistant crops and started poultry farming to support her family during the current food crisis.

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.



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>

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.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: today Sunday 12th March at the 8am Mass at St Joseph's Church, then next Sunday 19th March at the 9.30am Mass at Christ the King Church, alternating weekly between each church throughout the school term. All primary school aged children are welcome. New leaders and helpers are always welcome.

Rite of Strengthening and Healing: We pray for Garura as she journeys to Confirmation and Communion which will be celebrated at the Easter Vigil. Today at the 8am Sunday Mass we pray a special Rite of Healing and Strengthening over Garura. *Grant that Gaurua, who like the woman of Samaria, thirsts for living water, may turn to the Lord as she hears his word, so that, she may attain purity of heart and advance on the way to salvation.*

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 and children who would like to find out more about Confirmation, First Holy Communion and Penance. Please see details on page 2.

Parish Choir: rehearsals for Easter ceremonies at 7pm on Thursday 16th 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.



Solemnity of St Patrick: Mass 9.30am on Friday 17th March at Christ the King Church. *May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face; the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.*

Youth Group for high school students and young adults: 6.30pm Friday 17th 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.

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.



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

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.

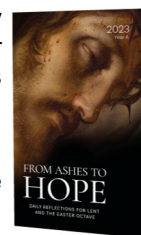
30th Anniversary of Ordination: Father James O'Donoghue, who was raised here in Corinda Graceville Parish and celebrated his first Masses in both St Joseph's Church and Christ the King Church in 1993 will celebrate the 6pm Mass on Sunday 19th March on the 30th Anniversary of his Ordination.

How to help your 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.

St Vincent de Paul meeting: 8am on Friday 24th March in the Parish Office at Corinda.

LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MAIN DOORS OF THE CHURCHES AND AT PARISH OFFICE

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.

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, 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 Osh, 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: Peter Lepp, Fr Brian Harris OMI, Karl Tarbey

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Edna Cook, Eileen Mimis, Colin Cuthbert, Kathryn Salmon, Burt Peterson, Colin Little, Mark Plunkett, Celine Doherty, May Markey



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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Wednesday 10.00 am St Joseph's - Anointing 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)

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

MON, 13 MAR 2 Kg 5:1-15; Lk 4:24-30
(Anniversary of election of Pope Francis, 2013)

TUE, 14 MAR Dan 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

WED, 15 MAR Deut 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

THU, 16 MAR Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23

FRI, 17 MAR ST PATRICK, bishop, patron saint of Ireland and engineers - *Solemnity*
Jer 1:4-9; Acts 13:46-49; Lk 10:1-12

SAT, 18 MAR St Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop, doctor of the church
- *Optional Memorial*
Hosea 5:15 - 6:6; Lk 18:9-14

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

SUN, 19 MAR 4th SUNDAY of LENT
1 Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41



St Patrick's Day Mass

The Annual St Patrick's Day Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral of St Stephen, Elizabeth Street at 10.00am on Thursday 17 March 2023. Fr Gerard McMorrogh will be the celebrant. All are welcome to attend. And, for those who may be unable to do so, the Mass will be live-streamed through the Cathedral website at - archbne.org/bzw

HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

GATHERING: "COME TO THE WATER"

Refrain: Come to the water! You who are thirsty!
Though you have nothing, I bid you come!
And be filled with the goodness I have to offer!
Come! Listen! Live!

1. Why spend your money on what cannot fill the emptiness deep in your heart?
Listen to My word and you will enjoy:
goodness and peace in your heart!
2. Just as the heavens are high above earth;
my ways and thoughts beyond you!
Call me your Father and know I am near!
I will be Father to you!
3. Just as the rain falls to water the earth;
just as the seed becomes bread,
my word upon you can never return
until my longing is filled!



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):

"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 95: IF TODAY YOU HEAR HIS VOICE"



If to - day you hear his voice; har - den not your hearts.

PREPARATION OF GIFTS:

"FROM ASHES TO THE LIVING FONT"

1. From ashes to the living font your Church must journey, Lord,
Baptised in grace, in grace renewed by your most holy word.
2. Through fasting, prayer and charity your voice speaks deep within
Returning us to ways of truth and turning us from sin.
3. For thirsting hearts let waters flow, our fainting souls revive;
And at the well your waters give our everlasting life.
4. From ashes to the living font, your Church must journey still,
Through cross and tomb to Easter joy, in Spirit fire fulfilled.

COMMUNION: Saturday 5.30pm

"WORTHY IS THE LAMB"

Refrain: Worthy is the Lamb that was slain
To receive honour and glory.
Worthy are the ones who believe
To receive the goodness of God.

1. Worthy are you, O Paschal Lamb.
Wisdom and strength belong now to you.
You laid down your life, and died upon the cross:
We've become a people of hope.
2. Worthy are you, O Bread of Life.
Salvation and joy belong now to us.
By conquering death and rising to new life,
We've become a people of praise.
3. Worthy are you, O Risen Christ.
Wonders and signs, revealing your might.
Your power and glory shine upon our lives:
We've become your light for the world.



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