

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)	
TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	
SUN, 24 SEP	25th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20-24, 27; Mt 20:1-16 (<i>World Refugees & Migration Day</i>)
MON, 25 SEP	Ezra 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18
TUE, 26 SEP	Sts Cosmas and Damian, martyrs - <i>Optional Memorial</i> Ezra 6:7-8, 12, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21
WED, 27 SEP	St Vincent de Paul, priest, patron saint of charitable societies - <i>Memorial</i> Ezra 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6 (Alt. 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 9:35-37)
THU, 28 SEP	St Wenceslaus, martyr - <i>Optional Memorial</i> St Lawrence Ruiz and companions, martyrs - <i>Optional Memorial</i> Haggai 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9
FRI, 29 SEP	Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, archangels - <i>Feast</i> Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 or Apoc 12:7-12; Jn 1:47-51
SAT, 30 SEP	St Jerome, priest, doctor of the church, patron saint of scholars - <i>Memorial</i> Zech 2:5-9, 14-15; Lk 9:43-45 (Alt. 2 Tim 3:14-17; Mt 13:47-52)
TWENTY-SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	
SUN, 1 OCT	26th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Ezek 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

Appointments: After consultation, Archbishop Mark Coleridge has made the following appointments: Fr John Conway - Parish Priest Living Waters Parish, Caboolture; Fr Ladu Yanga - Parish Priest St Paul's Parish, Woodridge; Fr Brendan Gormley - Administrator Holy Cross Parish, Lutwyche; Fr Mark Percival - reappointed Parish Priest of Corinda Graceville Parish; Fr Morgan Batt - Dean of the South Coast Deanery; Fr Ejikeme Ntamaka - Associate Pastor Cathedral of St Stephen; Fr Anthony Odionyenfe - Associate Pastor Surfers Paradise Parish; Fr Krupa Sagar Bonagiri MSSCC - Associate Pastor Living Waters Parish, Caboolture; Fr Marce Singson - Chaplain St Vincent's Care Services, Southport and Arundel campuses; Fr Ignasius Sibar MI - Chaplain to Hospitals. Fr Ashok Thomas has been appointed by his Bishop as Chaplain of the Mary Matha Syro-Malabar community on the Gold Coast. Fr David Batey's retirement has been brought forward on medical advice. I am grateful for his more than two decades of faithful and generous service to the community of Woodridge where he will be greatly missed. Fr Anthony Mellor will finish as Dean of Studies at Holy Spirit Seminary at the end of this year and will be succeeded in the role by Fr Gerard Hall SM.

Archbishop Mark has a message for you: Last week the City Markets made their debut in the Cathedral precinct. By lunchtime the precinct was abuzz with people everywhere, reminding me of the great spaces around cathedrals in Europe, where you find cafés, markets, musicians and more. We might think of our precinct as a kind of monastic space for religion alone, but the Word became flesh, which is why Christianity and the buzz of life are a good mix...like those Italian cribs where the Child is born not in an empty countryside but in the thick of village life where it's all happening. See you at the markets next Tuesday, which run from 8am to 2pm every Tuesday.

More from Archbishop Mark: With a birthday in late September I was born with the roar of finals football in my ears. But late September also meant springtime and the gentler rhythms of cricket. So I was born at the turn of the seasons. This year I celebrate 75, the age when a bishop has to submit his resignation to the Pope. That also means a change of seasons for me in other ways. But sometimes seasons change slowly. So I'll write to the Pope and wait for the change to come, watching a bit of football and cricket in the meantime. My mother had to wait nine months for me to arrive, but I may have to wait longer for the next phase of my life to be born. She had to wait for me to decide, but I'll have to wait for others to decide. There's a touch of uncertainty in that, but also a touch of freedom...

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass: Saturday 30th September, 11am Mass followed by Morning Tea, at the Cathedral of St Stephen, Elizabeth St, City. RSVP to cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au or 3324 3030

HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES	
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: "PSALM 145: THE LORD IS NEAR"	
 <p>The Lord is near to all who call him.</p>	
SENDING FORTH: "COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY"	
<i>Refrain:</i>	We are companions on the journey, Breaking Bread and sharing life; And in the love we bear is the hope we share for we believe in the love of our God, We believe in the love of our God.
1.	No longer strangers to each other, no longer strangers in God's House; we are fed and we are nourished by the strength of those who care, by the strength of those who care.
2.	We have been gifted with each other, and we are called by the Word of the Lord; to act with justice, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with our God, to walk humbly with our God.
	
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Uluru Statement from the Heart: Free online discussion series: Prayer, scripture reading and discussion on the Uluru Statement From the Heart in the lead up to the Voice to Parliament Referendum. Tuesdays 11am to 12.15pm via Microsoft Teams: 26 September, 3 October & 10 October. Facilitated by Joni McCourt RAP Project Manager and Emma Beach, Executive Officer for the Catholic Justice and Peace Commission. Register via beache@bne.catholic.net.au



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25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23rd / 24th SEPTEMBER 2023

World Refugee and Migration Day

The Pastor's Pen....

When things in my life aren't going as well or as smoothly as I'd hoped, and for various reasons this can be often enough, I've found it helpful when focusing on Jesus to concentrate on the generosity of God and God's providential love. The creation and sustaining of the universe and of humanity is an ongoing action of God's wise, creative and generous power. Jesus' vision of God's Kingdom was one of unlimited abundance and generosity, and Jesus' own life, death and resurrection was and remains an act of pure, loving generosity for me, for us and for the entire world.

The providential love and care and the bottomless generosity of God is what the parable is about as we listen to it in Matthew's Gospel. It's not meant as a model for modern day industrial relations. Rather, it is a revelation of God's goodness which is always reaching out to call all of us into the work of helping the Kingdom of justice, love and peace to come to fruition.

God looks out for and looks after all of us fairly and generously whether we be long on the job or freshly arrived to work. All are asked and welcomed to help and to make their contribution in the vineyard of the world and of the Church and every worker is paid sufficiently to ensure their well-being and that of those who rely on them. No one is short changed or forgotten.

What made it possible for Jesus to serve and to give himself away as he did was that he had an unbroken faith in the abundant plenty of God's Kingdom and God's love. God is generous to a fault in the creation given to and for us all, in mercifulness and in fidelity to God's word and promises, even to death and beyond it into the everlasting feast of heaven. With this conviction in mind Jesus acted in the same way for us, without any fear and with deep faith in God's loving care.

St. Paul writes to us in our reading from his Letter to the Philippians, that for him life is Christ and death is gain and that despite his many troubles and sacrifices he remains alive for the benefit and good of others. The First Reading from the Prophet Isaiah says that the Lord is always near to those who call, a message echoed in our response to the Psalm. The Gospel parable ends with the land owner/God saying; Why be envious because I am generous? Whenever we feel troubled, confused, let down or worried and unhappy, taking these words and the richness of God's care, kindness and mercy to heart can lift us up and help us to keep on working and giving of ourselves until God's will is fulfilled.

On a personal note I can now confirm that Archbishop Mark Coleridge has appointed me to remain with you for a further six year term as Parish Priest of our wonderful, generous community and Parish at Corinda Graceville. I hope that you can share in my happiness at this decision. I thank you for your many kindnesses to me over these last six years together.

Fr. Mark Percival. MA, PP.

PRAYER FOR THE 109th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2023

God, Father Almighty,
 grant us the grace to work tirelessly
 for justice, solidarity and peace,
 so that all your children may enjoy
 the freedom to choose whether to migrate or to stay.
 Grant us the courage to denounce
 all the horrors of our world,
 and to combat every injustice
 that mars the beauty of your children
 and the harmony of our common home.
 Sustain us by the power of your Spirit,
 so that we can reflect your tender love
 to every migrant whom you place in our path,
 and to spread in hearts and in every situation
 the culture of encounter and of care.



To view the 2023 Migrant and Refugee kit "Free to Choose Whether to Migrate or to Stay" go to <https://acmro.catholic.org.au/resources/migrant-refugee-kit/booklet>

**MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
FOR THE 109th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2023**

Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay

Dear brothers and sisters!

The migratory flows of our times are the expression of a complex and varied phenomenon that, to be properly understood, requires a careful analysis of every aspect of its different stages, from departure to arrival, including the possibility of return. As a contribution to this effort, I have chosen to devote the Message for the 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees to the freedom that should always mark the decision to leave one's native land.

"Free to leave, free to stay" was the title of an initiative of solidarity promoted several years ago by the Italian Episcopal Conference as a concrete response to the challenges posed by contemporary migration movements. From attentive listening to the Particular Churches, I have come to see that ensuring that freedom is a widely shared pastoral concern.

"An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said: 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him' (Mt 2:13). The flight of the Holy Family into Egypt was not the result of a free decision, nor were many of the migrations that marked the history of the people of Israel. The decision to migrate should always be free, yet in many cases, even in our day, it is not. Conflicts, natural disasters, or more simply the impossibility of living a dignified and prosperous life in one's native land is forcing millions of persons to leave. Already in 2003, Saint John Paul II stated that "as regards migrants and refugees, building conditions of peace means in practice being seriously committed to safeguarding first of all the right not to emigrate, that is, the right to live in peace and dignity in one's own country" (Message for the 90th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, 3).

"They took their livestock and the goods that they had acquired in the land of Canaan, and they came into Egypt, Jacob and all his offspring with him" (Gen 46:6). A grave famine forced Jacob and his entire family to seek refuge in Egypt, where his son Joseph ensured their survival. Persecutions, wars, atmospheric phenomena and dire poverty are among the most visible causes of forced migrations today. Migrants flee because of poverty, fear or desperation. Eliminating these causes and thus putting an end to forced migration calls for shared commitment on the part of all, in accordance with the responsibilities of each. This commitment begins with asking what we can do, but also what we need to stop doing. We need to make every effort to halt the arms race, economic colonialism, the plundering of other people's resources and the devastation of our common home.

"All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need" (Acts 2:44-45). The ideal of the first Christian community seems so distant from today's reality! To make migration a choice that is truly free, efforts must be made to ensure to everyone an equal share in the common good, respect for his or her fundamental rights, and access to an integral human development. Only in this way will we be able to offer to each person the possibility of a dignified and fulfilling life, whether individually or within families. Clearly, the principal responsibility falls to the countries of origin and their leaders, who are called to practice a good politics – one that is transparent, honest, farsighted and at the service of all, especially those most vulnerable. At the same time, they must be empowered to do this, without finding themselves robbed of their natural and human resources and without outside interference aimed at serving the interests of a few. Where circumstances make possible a decision either to migrate or to stay, there is a need to ensure that the decision be well informed and carefully considered, in order to avoid great numbers of men, women and children falling victim to perilous illusions or unscrupulous traffickers.

"In this year of jubilee you shall return, every one of you, to your property" (Lev 25:13). For the people of Israel, the celebration of the jubilee year represented an act of collective justice: "everyone was allowed to return to their original situation, with the cancellation of all debts, restoration of the land, and an opportunity once more to enjoy the freedom proper to the members of the People of God" (Catechesis, 10 February 2016). As we approach the Holy Year of 2025, we do well to remember this aspect of the jubilee celebrations. Joint efforts are needed by individual countries and the international community to ensure that all enjoy the right not to be forced to emigrate, in other words, the chance to live in peace and with dignity in one's own country. This right has yet to be codified, but it is one of fundamental importance, and its protection must be seen as a shared responsibility on the part of all States with respect to a common good that transcends national borders. Indeed, since the world's resources are not unlimited, the development of the economically poorer countries depends on the capacity for sharing that we can manage to generate among all countries. Until this right is guaranteed – and here we are speaking of a long process – many people will still have to emigrate in order to seek a better life.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me" (Mt 25:35-36). These words are a constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door. Consequently, even as we work to ensure that in every case migration is the fruit of a free decision, we are called to show maximum respect for the dignity of each migrant; this entails accompanying and managing waves of migration as best we can, constructing bridges and not walls, expanding channels for a safe and regular migration. In whatever place we decide to build our future, in the country of our birth or elsewhere, the important thing is that there always be a community ready to welcome, protect, promote and integrate everyone, without distinctions and without excluding anyone.

The synodal path that we have undertaken as a Church leads us to see in those who are most vulnerable – among whom are many migrants and refugees – special companions on our way, to be loved and cared for as brothers and sisters. Only by walking together will we be able to go far and reach the common goal of our journey.

FRANCIS, Rome, Saint John Lateran, 2023

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 everyone who participated in the Feast of Nations last Sunday. So many people contributed in so many ways, setting up and decorating, providing so many entertaining items, cleaning up, and of course offering good food and good company, and making connections between others. My Big Thank You to the Feast of Nations Support Team for their great support. *Malia Mar*

Multicultural Mass: This weekend Sunday 24th September, presided by Archbishop Mark Coleridge, at 2.30pm at the Cathedral of St Stephen, 249 Elizabeth St, City. Mass will be followed by cultural performances and refreshments.

Feast of St Vincent De Paul: All Vincentians and parishioners are invited to attend Mass on the Feast of St Vincent de Paul at 9am on Wednesday 27th September at St Joseph's Church. At this Mass we will specially remember and pray for recently deceased member of our Parish community and life-member of our Parish SVDP Conference, Paul Vickers RIP, who gave great service to the community through his dedicated work with the Society of St Vincent de Paul. There will be a chance to gather over morning tea after the Mass. All parishioners are welcome



St Vincent de Paul Feast Day - Wednesday 27th September: St Vincent de Paul (1581-1660) was a French Catholic priest who co-founded the Congregation of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity. He is the patron saint of charities and all charity work. It's been 190 years since the founding of the St Vincent de Paul Society in France in his name and today we have the honour of being the hands behind the help in our local community. The St Joseph's and Christ the King Corinda Graceville Conference would like to thank you, the parishioners, for your continued support of the Society. We rely on people to give generously; through material donations, volunteering time, or supporting the Society financially. For more information on our works, please contact Peter Duffy pbduffy54@gmail.com or phone 0418 796 965, or Marnie Niland Marnie.Niland@svdpqld.org.au or any of the members in our Conference.

Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael: come celebrate the Feast of the Archangels at 9.30am Mass on Friday 29th September at Christ the King Church. This day also marks National Police Remembrance Day, which is an opportunity to pay our respects to officers killed on duty, as far back as the beginning of the Queensland Police Force in 1864.

Sausage Sizzle: after the 6pm Mass on Sunday 1st October. All welcome to stay and share some hospitality. Thank you to our generous parishioners who supply and prepare this treat for us on the first Sunday of each month.

King's Birthday Public Holiday: the Parish office will be closed for the public holiday on Monday 2nd October.

Parish Pastoral Council: will meet at 7pm on Thursday 5th October at the Parish Office.

St Vincent de Paul Meeting: The next meeting will be at 8.30am on Friday 6th October at the Parish Office.

Youth Group: is having a holiday and will meet again at St Joseph's Hall at 6.30pm on Friday 6th October.

Liturgy Team Meeting: will be held at 10am on Saturday 7th October.

The Fijian Choir: will lead our music ministry at the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 7th October at St Joseph's Church.

The Rite of Election for the Sacrament of Penance: will be held at all weekend Masses on 7th / 8th October. Please pray for the children of our parish preparing for the Sacrament of Penance.

Parish Choir: rehearsals will commence on Thursday 12th October at 7pm at St Joseph's Church

Reflection Morning: Saturday 14th October: The parish is hosting a special morning reflection on Saturday 14th October from 9.30am to 12pm. To be held at St Joseph's Church Corinda, this reflection will be based on the meaning of the Mass and the Eucharist. The morning will be conducted by Shayne Dwyer and Lisa Kerr from the Archdiocese's Adult Formation Team from Evangelisation Brisbane. We are very lucky to be able to provide such experts to guide the morning. Please take advantage of this special opportunity. Morning tea and a light lunch will be included. To help us to plan and prepare for the morning an RSVP to the parish office would be helpful, but is not necessary. You can just turn up in the day if you want too.



Children's Liturgy: is on a break for the school holidays and will resume at 9.30am on Sunday 15th October.

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Joan Armstrong, Ron Atkins, Margaret Bailey, Jack Cain, Barbara Carmody, Bridie Carr, Beryl Clark, June Denham, Cath Dennis, Maureen Doherty, Margaret Fernandez, Erica Finnimore, Neil Flynn, Nash Giles, Laurie Gillespie, Gregory Gould, Margaret Hawser, Bob Healy, Myrna Healy, Una Hill, Ned Hiller, Mark Inmon, Maureen Inmon, Charles Keating, Shelly Kelly, Annie Little, Fr Frank Lourigan, Monique Maltet, Gordon McCormack, Neil McCormack, Brian Mealey, Damien Mollard, Julene Montgomery, Gabrielle Morgan, Adam Morrison, Monica Morrison, Richard Niland, Val O'Brien, Jan O'Donoghue, Jimmy O'Keefe, Rita O'Keefe, Taavi Orupold, Emma Parer, Genevieve Parer, Jennifer Parer, Shelly Parer, Glenda Penna, Clive Punter, Dawn Punter, Steph Simpson. Sr Cyprian Thureson pbvm, Pauline Thureson, Thao Trinh, Sue Venderley, Rebecca Wallace, Ben Waters, Nick Willemsen. *We remember and pray for all our parishioners living in aged care. We pray for all who are suffering due to conflict, natural disaster and ill health.*

May the recently deceased rest in peace: Karen Lyons, Fr Albert Yelds msc

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Brian Cahill, Dominic Trinh Can, Anna Doan Nguyen, Maria Man, Anna Tam Pham, Pat Everist, Ruth Ward, Wally Percival, John Ross, Eileen Doherty, Harry Rand, Sylvia Hartigan, Gwen Nielson, Carmel Cole, Mary Purcell, Rose Carroll, Neil Ferguson, Margaret Long, Jack Gray, Marjorie O'Donohoe, Bill Williams, Cliff Biggs

