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of Corinda Graceville

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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The Pastor's Pen....

In this week's Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. The Gospel text follows a series of warnings and predictions by Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus wants his disciples to understand that the exact day and time cannot be predicted. He teaches the disciples that they must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

When thinking about the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, it is important for us to consider the first-century wedding traditions of Palestine. Scholars tell us that it was the custom of the day for young maidens - friends and family members of the bride - to meet the bridegroom when he came to bring his bride to her new home.

As with many of Jesus' parables, several levels of interpretation are possible. In last week's Gospel we heard Jesus warn against following the example of the Pharisees and scribes. If read in the context of early Christianity's struggle to define itself against Pharisaic Judaism, this parable is a continuing critique of Judaism. It suggests that the Jewish leaders were like the foolish virgins, unprepared to meet and welcome Jesus, the bridegroom of Israel.

In the chapter the text preceding this parable, however, Jesus warns about the future destruction of Jerusalem, the tribulation of the end times, and the coming of the Son of Man. When read in this context, this parable is a warning to the Christian community to remain vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus, the Son of Man who will return at the end of time. This interpretation is supported by the reference to the delay of the bridegroom. The Christian community for whom Matthew wrote this Gospel was coming to terms with the realisation that the promise of Jesus' return would not be fulfilled in their lifetimes.

This weekend also begins on the Saturday evening of Remembrance Day. War and conflict continues apace in our world. People right now are facing death and suffering and many, be they warriors or civilians, men, women and children, are dying and having to face their God in whatever way they conceive God. Jesus' words about not knowing exactly when the Son of Man will come and being ready to meet and greet him with lamps alight has this relevance, too. The question remains for us to ask ourselves, 'Are we ready to receive Jesus?'. Will we be prepared to receive him whenever and however he comes?

Fr. Mark Percival. MA, PP.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Annual Appeal

Please support the wonderful work at our own Graceville Atrium where our children have the opportunity to listen, reflect, learn and grow in their journey of life and faith as they develop a deep love for God.

We currently have around 100 children attending regularly each week of the year plus another 150 children who attend for their Sacramental Preparation. That is over 250 children using these resources annually, guided by the wonderful catechists in our own Atrium at Graceville.

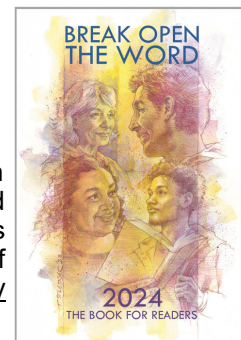
Donation envelopes (prepared by the children) can be found on the pews and placed into the normal parish collection at Mass or returned to the Parish Office. If you are donating to the Catechesis Appeal please ensure that your donation is placed in an envelope. Thank you!



Parish Liturgy Team Report: The Parish Liturgy Team met on Saturday 4 November. Key discussion items at the meeting were:

- Review of the recent Parish Memorial Mass and other parish celebrations and activities.
- Planning for upcoming liturgies, especially the Season of Advent and Christmas liturgies.
- Reporting on the various liturgical ministries and new volunteers joining the liturgical ministries.
- Tabling and discussion of the report prepared on the investigation into the feasibility of introducing digital screens in the churches and the recommendation not to proceed at this stage. The recommendation was accepted and endorsed by Fr Mark.

Break Open the Word: Copies are now available for the new liturgical year which commences on the First Sunday of Advent (2nd / 3rd December). Ministers of the Word please collect your copy located near the picture of Mary MacKillop in each church or from the Parish office during the week. This book is essential for the preparation of Ministers of the Word. Please purchase a copy, at the subsidised price of \$10.00 (Retail price is \$26). Previous editions of Break Open the Word can be donated to Prison Ministry via the parish office.



Advent Reflection Book - available from next weekend at the Churches or from the Parish Office.

Advent is such a busy time of year and we so easily forget that - at its heart - it is meant to be a time of preparation, waiting and hope for the coming of Jesus into our world and lives.

To remind us of this, the parish has purchased "The Sign" a daily reflection book for Advent and the Christmas Season, which provides an opportunity for us to be still each day, listen to God, and come to know that Jesus is the whole reason for our being. Like Mary proclaimed in her Magnificat: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord." The Advent Program is a pocket-sized book that includes daily reflections from the beginning of Advent to the Baptism of the Lord. The book also includes beautiful artwork from the Masters with accompanying artwork reflections.

The Advent books will be available in both churches and at the parish from next weekend. A donation of \$5.00 per book would be appreciated to cover the costs the parish has expended. This donation can be placed in the normal parish collection at Mass, or use the Tap and Pay terminals at the doors of the churches, or pop into the parish office.

The Book of Life is displayed in both churches beside the Baptismal Font and Paschal Candle, connecting the Baptism of our loved ones into the eternal Light of Christ in new life. You are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones, family and friends, into the Book of Life and all will be remembered and prayed for throughout November.



Envelopes for Mass Offerings can be collected from the entrances of the churches. You may place the names of your deceased loved ones on the back of the envelope (or on a list inside) along with your offering. This envelope is to be placed in the normal collection basket at Mass, or given directly to Father or handed into the Parish Office. Father Mark will record these names for the offering of Masses. Once the names on the envelopes have been recorded they will all be placed before the Altar at our churches throughout November. Please DO NOT place your envelope directly into the basket in front of the Altar.

Parish Calendar 2024: All Parish groups are invited to submit meeting / event / activity dates for the 2024 Parish Calendar to Michael at the parish office as soon as possible.

Archbishop Mark has a message for you: This week I've been in North Sydney at one of the two annual Australian bishops meetings - in May and November. The danger at these get-togethers is that they become just business meetings. The challenge is for the bishops not just to get through the business but to listen deeply to each other in order to hear the voice of the Holy Spirit. In that sense, our get-togethers are spiritual meetings rather than business conventions. That's why we begin each of our meetings with Mass of the Holy Spirit. There's "something greater than Solomon" when we gather round the tomb of St Mary MacKillop.

Appointments: Archbishop Mark Coleridge has announced the following appointments: Fr Ravi Kumar Koyya ALCP/OSS - Priest in Residence at Star of the Sea Parish, Cleveland, from 20 September. Fr Heepok Lee - Chaplain to the Korean Catholic Community, effective 6 October 2023. Fr Rony Chacko MCBS - Administrator of St Rita's Parish, Victoria Point from 9 October 2023 to 8 February 2024. Fr Jose Panampuzha CMI - Parish Priest of St Rita's Parish, Victoria Point, effective 8 February 2024. Fr Joe McKay OFM - Administrator of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish, Stafford, effective 15 January 2024. Fr Onyema Eloagu - Parish Priest of Regents Park Parish, effective 2 February 2024.

Plan for Christmas: This year, the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas fall very close together on our calendar! So that means the weekend Masses and Christmas Masses happen very closely. To help you plan early for your family events and also getting to church here are the Mass times for this year:

Fourth Weekend of Advent: Saturday 23rd December: 5.30pm St Joseph's
Sunday 24th December: 8.00am St Joseph's and 9.30am Christ the King.
(no Sunday evening Mass at Graceville).

Christmas Eve: Sunday 24th December: 4.00pm St Joseph's and 6.00pm St Joseph's
Christmas Day: Monday 25th December: 8.00am St Joseph's and 9.30am Christ the King.



We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians, the Yuggera and Turrbal peoples, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Annual Appeal: will be held at all Masses this weekend 11th / 12th November. Please support this very important and special ministry for our children. Anne Delsorte, Director of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, will speak at all Masses about the good work being done at the Graceville Atrium.

Children's Liturgy: today Sunday 12th November at the 9.30am Mass at Christ the King Church, then next weekend on Sunday 19th November at the 8.00am Mass at St Joseph's Church. All primary school aged children, and all children enrolled in the Sacramental Program are welcome. The 19th November will be the last Children's liturgy Sunday for 2023.

God's blessings: to Sarah and Frederick who will be baptised at St Joseph's Church this weekend. We warmly welcome you into our Parish Family and the Family of God. Congratulations and blessings to their families.

First Penance: our parish children who have been preparing for their First Penance will celebrate the Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) at 6.30pm on Tuesday 14th November at St Joseph's Church. Please continue to pray for the children and their families.

Parish Choir Rehearsal: will be held on Thursday 16th November at 7pm at St Joseph's Church. New singers are always welcome.

St Vincent de Paul Meeting: The next meeting will be at 8.30am on Friday 17th November at the Parish Office.

Rest in Peace: Beryl Ross, who was a long time resident of Chelmer and parishioner of Christ the King community for almost 75 years, passed away on 4th November. Beryl's Funeral Service will be celebrated at Christ the King Church at 11am on Friday 17th November. Sympathy, prayers and support are offered to Beryl's children Jenny, Zeta, Liz, Terri, Gerard, Tony and their families. *God of life and love, to whom mercy and forgiveness belong, hear our prayers on behalf of your servant Beryl, whom you have called out of this world; and because she put her hope and trust in you, command that she be carried safely home to heaven and come to enjoy your eternal reward.*

Youth Group: Corinda Graceville Youth Group will meet on Friday 17th November from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at St Joseph's School Hall, including a light dinner. Please join us on Saturday 18th of November at 5:30pm for our Youth Mass. Our youth group concludes for the year with our last Friday night gathering on 24th November. For any info please contact Claire on 0490 202 194.

Open Music Group: Our next Open Music Group will lead the singing at the 6.00pm Mass on Sunday 19th November. We welcome anyone who would like to be part of the music and singing group. Just come to a practice at Christ the King Church at 5.00pm on the day. Contact Ian Larter (0414 811 782) for further details.

St Joseph's School Year Six Thanksgiving Liturgy: will be celebrated at 7pm on Wednesday 22nd November at St Joseph's Church.

St Joseph's School End of Year Mass: will be celebrated at 9am on Thursday 23rd November at St Joseph's Church Corinda. All are welcome.

Christ the King School End of Year Mass: will be celebrated at 9.30am on Friday 24th November at Christ the King Church Graceville. All are welcome.

The Parish Choir: will be singing for the Saturday evening 5.30pm celebration of the Feast of Christ the King on 25th November.

Christ the King School Sponsored Mass: will be held at 9.30am on Sunday 26th November on the Feast of Christ the King at Christ the King Church Graceville.

Christ the King School Year Six Thanksgiving Liturgy: will be celebrated at 6pm on Wednesday 29th November at Christ the King Church Graceville.

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Joan Armstrong, Ron Atkins, Margaret Bailey, Joan Burgin, Jack Cain, Barbara Carmody, Bridie Carr, Cath Dennis, Maureen Doherty, Margaret Fernandez, Erica Finnimore, Neil Flynn, Nash Giles, Gregory Gould, Pam Harding, Margaret Hawser, Bob Healy, Myrna Healy, Una Hill, Ned Hiller, Mark Inmon, Maureen Inmon, Bevan Johnson, Fran Johnson, Charles Keating, Shelly Kelly, Annie Little, Fr Frank Lourigan, Monique Maltet, Gordon McCormack, Neil McCormack, Phil Middleton, Damien Mollard, Julene Montgomery, Gabrielle Morgan, Adam Morrison, Monica Morrison, Donald Mortiss, Richard Niland, Val O'Brien, Jan O'Donoghue, Jimmy O'Keefe, Rita O'Keefe, Emma Parer, Genevieve Parer, Jennifer Parer, Shelly Parer, Glenda Penna, Clive Punter, Dawn Punter, Sr Cyprian Thureson pbvm, Pauline Thureson, Thao Trinh, Sue Venderley, Jim Vievers, 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: Beryl Ross, Jacqueline Kearney, Fr Greg Bourke ofm, Jose da Silva, Sylvia Fleming, Sr Margaret Bird olsh, Johannes Vandermatt, Sr Eileen Kennedy olsh

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Peter Doyle, Ann Doyle, Thomas Castles, Catherine O'Hagan, Meg McGrath, Peg Fitzgerald, Del Smith, Michael Powell, Michael Maloney, Mary Grehan, Norma Cameron, Nicholas Smith, Bernard Denham, Clare Hammond, Joan Enright, Barry Weedon, May Mooney, Maria Beattie, Vittorio & Erminia Pietrobon, Rosa Maria Pietrobon, Francesco & Rosa Maugeri, Andrea Maugeri, Carmelina Pietrobon



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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)

THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN, 12 NOV 32nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thess 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13

MON, 13 NOV Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6

TUE, 14 NOV Wis 2:23 - 3:9; Lk 17:7-10

WED, 15 NOV St Albert the Great, bishop, doctor of the church,
patron saint of teachers, philosophers and scientists
- *Optional Memorial*
Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19

THU, 16 NOV St Margaret of Scotland - *Optional Memorial*
St Gertrude, virgin - *Optional Memorial*
Wis 7:22 - 8:1; Lk 17:20-25

FRI, 17 NOV St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious, patron saint of
Secular Franciscan Order - *Memorial*
Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37
(Alt. 1 Jn 3:14-18; Lk 6:27-38)

SAT, 18 NOV Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul,
apostles - *Optional Memorial*
Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8
(Alt. Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-33)

THIRTY-THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN, 19 NOV 33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thess 5:1-6;
Mt 25:14-30
(*World Day of the Poor*)

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HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (9.30 am MASS): **"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 63: MY SOUL IS THIRSTING"



My soul is thirst-ing for you, O Lord, my God.

COMMUNION: "IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD"

Refrain: In the breaking of the bread
we have known him; we have been fed.
Jesus the stranger, Jesus the Lord,
be our companion; be our hope.



SENDING FORTH: "SHINE, JESUS, SHINE"

1. Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness,
search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Support you Parish by using the Tap & Pay Terminals:

which are located at the main entrances of both churches. The screens display four donation options: \$5, \$10, \$20 or 'other amount'. Simply touch the amount you wish to offer and the screen will prompt you to tap your card for that chosen amount and it will show that your transaction has been successful. If you touch 'other amount' the screen will prompt you to type in the amount you wish to donate and then you simply tap your card when the screen is ready.

With out the support of our wonderful parish community we could not exist. Thank you to everyone for every way you support your parish community.

Parish Columbarium

Our parish columbarium has been embraced and used by so many parish families, since it was first built in 2004. It is a sacred place, next to St Joseph's Church, and is a most important part of our parish community and parish complex. Even though at a glance there appears to be many unused niches, most niches in the original two walls have been purchased and reserved by parishioners.

To address the need for more space, two new columbarium walls were constructed in recent years for the use of parish families. Niches in the newly constructed columbarium can be purchased at \$750 per single niche.

Some spaces remain available in the lowest row of the original columbarium walls. These single niches can be purchased at their original price of \$550 per niche.

Spaces for small plaques in memory of loved ones whose remains are located elsewhere, are also available. These small spots, for memorial plaques only, are available at a cost of \$250 each.

If you wish to enquire about purchasing a niche in the parish columbarium for yourself or your loved ones, please contact Michael at the parish office.

