





The Catholic Parish of Corinda Graceville

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Divine Mercy Sunday
6th / 7th APRIL 2024

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The Pastor's Pen... Alleluia Alleluia

Holy Week began with the right sort of 'bang' when over 600 people participated in our Palm / Passion Sunday Masses. I had hoped that this response would continue during the three great days, the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday celebrations. Thankfully, this happened as people came to hear God's Word and worship the God of love and life in large numbers at St. Joseph's and Christ the King.

Conservatively, I estimate 280 participated on Holy Thursday evening; 150 prayed the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday morning at Graceville and 500 came to the Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at Corinda that afternoon. At the Easter Vigil, when we received 6 new members through the Easter Sacraments, around 400 participated, with a further 350 at St. Joseph's Easter morning Mass and 250 at Christ the King on Easter Day. This means that over 2,500 people desired to be with us at least once (and some came more often) over Holy Week.

I know a lot of hard and very generous work and the sharing of time, talent and energy went into all that was said, sung, seen, touched, done and celebrated. To our parishioners who put in this extra effort, your gifts and sacrifices did make a significant difference, and as I've recounted above, touched the lives, minds, hearts and souls of many people. Thank you to everyone who participated and to all who took on any kind of ministry over Lent and particularly during Holy Week. We're also glad to have Jonathan, Eva, Jack, Draeton, Elton and Semhar as fellow Christians with us in our local Catholic Parish.

Now we're in Easter Time, the 50 days of celebration that exceed the 40 days of Lent, a Season of continuous Resurrection focus. This Season will culminate on Pentecost Sunday which falls this year on Sunday 19th May. As usual the Solemnities of Trinity Sunday and Corpus Christi will then occur on the following two weekends with our return to the green of Ordinary Time (10th Sunday) happening on Sunday 9th June.

This weekend John's Gospel always takes us to the evening of the first Easter Sunday when Jesus appeared in the room where the disciples were gathered, doors locked out of fear. It then moves us on to the Sunday after Easter, this Sunday, when Jesus came to them again and this time Thomas was with them. All doubts dissolved, Thomas gave the greatest profession of faith saying: "My Lord and my God".

The man from lowly Nazareth, the Rabbi and Teacher, Healer and Preacher who was abandoned and rejected and died on the Cross, has been raised to life by God, Thomas now grasped that Jesus is the Christ, the Lord of our lives and the living presence of God with us always, even to the end of time. That we're all on Thomas' journey of faith is obvious; that we make and then deepen Thomas' commitment and witness to it is our goal.

Blessed are those who have not seen, and yet believe! Fr. Mark Percival. MA, PP.

Fijian Choir: will sing at the 5.30pm Mass this Saturday evening 6th April. Thankyou for your joyous contribution to our celebration.

Choir Practice: will be held at St Joseph's Church at 7pm on Thursday 11th April.

Working Bee: we have made a change of plans for the upcoming working bee at 9am on Saturday 13th April. Instead of working in the gardens we will gather inside St Joseph's Church to clean the pews which have collected a lot of sticky residue from all the disinfectant used during Covid cleaning. Please bring a clean bucket if possible.

Sausage Sizzle: the monthly Sausage Sizzle at Christ the King Church will be held at the end of the school holidays after the 6pm Mass on Sunday 14th April. Please note the change of date from this weekend.

Parish Finance Council: will be held at 7pm on Thursday 18th April. Please note that this meeting will be held at St Joseph's School, 28 Clewley St Corinda (not at the parish office).

St Vincent de Paul: will meet at 8.30am on Friday 19th April at the Parish Office.

Youth Group for high school students: will resume on Friday 19th April at 6.30pm at St Joseph's Hall Corinda. Light dinner, fun, games, faith and friendship all included. Please contact our Youth Worker Claire on 0490 202 194 for more info.

Children's Liturgy: for primary school aged children will resume on Sunday 21st April at 8am at St Joseph's Church, then at Christ the King Church at 9.30am on Sunday 28th April, alternating between the two churches weekly during school term. Children enrolled in the Sacramental Program are encouraged to attend.

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

5.30 pm Saturday 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

4.30 pm - 5.00 pm St Joseph's Saturday

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 EASTER

SUN, 7 APR SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

(Divine Mercy Sunday)

The ANNUNCIATION of the LORD - Solemnity MON, 8 APR Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

TUE, 9 APR Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7-15 WED, 10 APR Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21

THU, 11 APR St Stanislaus, bishop, martyr, patron saint of Poland -

Optional Memorial

Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36 (Alt. Rev 12:10-12; Jn 17:11-19)

FRI, 12 APR Acts 5:35-42; Jn 6:1-15

St Martin I, pope, martyr - *Optional Memorial* Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21 SAT, 13 APR

THIRD WEEK OF EASTER

SUN, 14 APR THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5; Lk 24:35-48

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of: Joan Armstrong, Ron Atkins, Shirley Baldwin, Joan Burgin, Jack Cain, Barbara Carmody, Bridie Carr, Anne Ciesiolka, Cath Dennis, Maureen Doherty, Mary Egan, Wilma Evans, Margaret Fernandez, Erica Finnimore, Gwen Fosdick, Laurie Gillespie, Gregory Gould, Margaret Hawser, Bob & Myrna Healy, Una Hill, Mark Inmon, Maureen Inmon, Bevan Johnson, Fran Johnson, Charles Keating, Shelly Kelly, Annie Little, Fr Frank Lourigan, Steve Mahoney, Nino Malissa, Monique Maltet, Neil McCormack, Damien Mollard, Julene Montgomery, Gabrielle Morgan, Adam Morrison, Monica Morrison, Lorraine Neville, Richard Niland, June O'Callaghan, Jan O'Donoghue, Jimmy O'Keefe, Rita O'Keefe, Taavi Orupold, Emma Parer, Genevieve Parer, Jennifer Parer, Shelly Parer, Glenda Penna, Clive & Dawn Punter, Mary Spandler, Sr Cyprian Thureson pbvm, Pauline Thureson, Thao Trinh, Sue Venderley, Rebecca Wallace, Nick Willemsen.

May the recently deceased rest in peace: Fr Paul Jennings msc, Sr Therese Stick osc, Carolyn Brooks

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Marie-Lys Warnick, Mary Healy, Henry Thomas, Millicent Vokes, Maureen Allen, Bill Cuddihy, Imelda Lourigan, Andrew McCarthy, Brian Kelly, Conrad Maesepp, Arthur Egert, Adeline Attwood, John Quinn, Kit Melaney, Jack Dennis

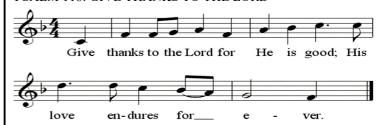
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HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

"PSALM 118: GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD"



SPRINKLING WITH WATER: "RIVER OF GLORY"

River of glory, springs of our birth,

flood of God's riches poured on the earth.

We are born from the darkness and clothed in the light!

We are bathed in the glory of God!

Final: Bathed in the glory of God!



SENDING FORTH: "ALLELUIA! LOVE IS ALIVE"



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