



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Year A – 15th December, 2019

The community of the Cathedral of St. Stephen acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands.

Embracing
Villa Maria Centre
and
St Patrick's
Fortitude Valley



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Readings for today: Isaiah 35:1-6, 10; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11

Priest: Today, as we gather on the third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, we light the third of the candles, remembering how God's love was made manifest through the ministry and preaching of John the Baptist.

Third candle lit as the cantor sings.

Priest: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God!

All: **We thank you, O God, for the promise of full joy that this season brings to light.**

Priest: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God!

All: **For all the troubles life brings, you open up possibilities that fill our hearts with joy.**

Priest: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God!

All: **Help us trust in your promises of day after night, hope after despair, joy after sorrow.**

Priest: May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **All: Amen.**

Priest: Let us pray.
O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.



Cathedral of St. Stephen
249 Elizabeth St
Brisbane



St. Patrick's
58 Morgan St
Fortitude Valley



Villa Maria Chapel
171 St Pauls Tce
Spring Hill

Cathedral Parish Mass Times this week

Monday – Friday: 8.00am Chapel; 10.00am Cathedral; 12.30pm Cathedral; 5.10pm Chapel
Saturday: 9.30am Villa Maria; 11.30am Cathedral

Sunday

Cathedral of St Stephen

Saturday: 6.00pm (Mass in anticipation of Sunday)

Sunday: 8.00am; 10.00am (Solemn Mass); 12 noon; 7.30pm

St Patrick's 9.00am; 12 noon
Villa Maria 9.30am

Reconciliation: Monday – Friday 10.30-11.30am; 1.00-2.00pm; 4.00-5.00pm
Saturday 10.00-11.00am; 4.30-5.30pm

Exposition: Monday – Friday 10.30am – 12.15pm **Benediction** Monday – Friday 12.15pm

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.”

PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.*

*O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.*

*Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.*

*Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.*

*Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.*

*Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.*

Amen

*Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.*



CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN 2020 CALENDAR

This weekend all parishioners are invited to take home a Cathedral Calendar. It has all the important dates and events taking place in the Cathedral Parish in 2020. It is also a great instrument for evangelisation. If you have family and friends who are not quite connected with the church, why not give them a calendar and invite them to be part of our parish life in 2020? The calendars are available at the doors of the church.

CHRISTMAS MASS LITURGICAL ROSTER

Thank you to the liturgical ministers who have already volunteered their services for the Christmas Masses. A draft roster is available at the Mass co-ordinators table. The final roster will be email next week. We are still requiring Ministers for the **6.00pm; 8.00pm Masses on Christmas Eve and 10am Mass & 12 noon on Christmas Day**. If you are attending one of those Masses, you are invited to put your name next to a ministry. Thank you for your generosity and ministry - it is appreciated.

3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH CUPPA AFTER MASS

Today, please join us after the 8:00am Mass for a cuppa and enjoy fellowship with your fellow parishioners. This will be the last gathering for the year. We will meet again in February 2020.

MORNING PRAYER AND EVENING PRAYER DURING ADVENT

Join us for Friday Morning Prayer, combined with the 8am Mass and Wednesday Evening Prayer combined with the 5.10pm Mass.

ADVENT IN THE CATHEDRAL PARISH

SUNDAY MASS

Cathedral – 6.00pm (Sat); 8.00am; 10.00am; 12noon; 7.30pm

St Patrick's – 9.00am; 12noon

Villa Maria – 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASS

Cathedral – 8.00am; 10.00am; 12.30pm; 5.10pm

RECONCILIATION

Weekday – 10.30-11.30am; 1.00-2.00pm; 4.00-5.00pm

2nd Rite of Reconciliation – Monday 16 December – 5.10pm

Saturday – 10.00-11.00am; 4.30-5.30pm

Morning Prayer – 8.00am Friday (incorporated within Mass)

Evening Prayer – 5.10pm Wednesday (incorporated within Mass)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL REPORT

The Pastoral Council met on Tuesday evening December 10 and at that meeting agreed to a mission statement for the Cathedral Parish viz:

The Cathedral Parish of St Stephen seeks to be a focal point in the city of Brisbane to witness the love of Christ and the Gospel.

It seeks to do that by building and sustaining open, welcoming and friendly environments and communities in which all people can grow in their relationship with God and each other.

A range of other issues was discussed and short notes on these will soon appear in the new Cathedral web pages.

SVDP CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The Annual St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal will be conducted this Sunday 15th December across the Parish. Envelopes will be available and you are assured that your generosity will be used within our local community. Thank you once again.

On 29 November, our St Stephen's Cathedral, **St Vincent de Paul (Vinnies) Team** held its first Christmas Vinnies Market in the Cathedral Precinct! We are delighted to report, that the event which ran from 10am to 2pm raised just over \$3000 for our St Stephen's Vinnies Team (Conference). All the hard work and preparation was worthwhile as all these funds will be used to purchase food and other supports for those living in poverty within the inner Brisbane, city area. We are immensely grateful to the many wonderful people in the precinct that supported us in various ways especially Donna Lynch, Kathleen Jones, Georgia Allan (& family), Tom Kline and the Cathedral Guides & Welcomers. Without the help of the precinct community we would not have been able to achieve this wonderful result. We were overwhelmed with the generosity of many, and would like to make special mention of Flight Centre, The Stock Exchange Hotel, Mullins Lawyers, Jade Buddha, Catholic Church Insurances who donated generous prizes for the Raffle and to Woolworths, Spring Hill for their regular support of our Sausage Sizzles. Our Vinnies Team here at St Stephen's feel very blessed to be part of such a supportive community! Thank you all for supporting us and the work we do. Please keep the people in need of our help this Christmas in your prayers. For more info on joining our Vinnies team and how you can help in 2020, please email membership.bris@svdpqld.org.au.



Nine Lessons for Advent and Christmas

Wednesday 18 December – 6.00pm

Lights of Christmas

Nightly 11-24 December – 6.30 – 10.30pm

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

St Stephen's Cathedral

Christmas Eve – 6.00pm; 8.00pm; 11.30 pm Carols;

Christmas Day – 12.00 midnight; 8.00am; 10.00am; 12.00noon

St Patrick's – Christmas Eve – 7.00pm; Christmas Day – 9.00am

Villa Maria Chapel – Christmas Day – 9.30am

Music at the 10.00am Solemn Mass

Celebrant: The Archbishop

ENTRANCE SONG

Philippians 4:4 – 6, Ps. 85:2 – 5.

*At the sound of the bell, the Cathedral Choir processes from the Sacristy singing the Introit. The assembly **responds** as the Choir and Ministers process towards the altar with the following translation of the Introit text. The first verse (which is the Antiphon) is repeated after the third verse.*

Come, re-joyce in God our King; Sing, your voi-ces rai-sing. I re-peat a-gain: Re-joyce! Sing with ju-bi-la-tion!

Let your gen-tle-ness be known; Lo, the Lord is com-ing. Do not wor-ry, but with thanks Let your prayers be sum-moned.

2. **Lord, you favoured once your land, Brought back Jacob's fortunes
And forgave your people's sins, Pardoned their transgressions.
You withdrew them from your wrath, Turned from your hot anger.
Now restore us, saving God; Let your rage not linger.**

3. **Glory to the Triune God: Praises to the Father;
Praises also to the Son, Who became our brother.
Sing the Holy Spirit's praise, Peaceful dove, descending;
As at first it was, is now, And shall be unending.**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

CWB 248 v.3

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 145:6-10

R Come, Lord, and save us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Isaiah 61:1

R Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Ps 84:2 – 3a.

Benedixisti, Domine, terram tuam, avertisti captivitatem Jacob. Remisisti iniquitatem plebis tuae; operuisti omnia peccata eorum.

Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people: and covered all their sins.

Josef Gabriel Rheinberger (1839 – 1901)

SANCTUS

CWB 11a

MISSA BREVIS, Andrea Gabrieli (1532/33 – 1585)

*The cantor and assembly **sing together** to the end of 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord'; the Cathedral Choir then sings a choral extension 'Hosanna in excelsis' from Missa in Brevis (Gabrieli).*

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

CWB 12a

AGNUS DEI

CWB 77

*The Agnus Dei is sung in **alternation** with the choir: the cantor and assembly sing the **first and last** invocations; the Cathedral Choir*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON & PSALM

Isaiah 35:4.

Dicite: Pusillanimes confortamini, et nolite timere: ecce Deus noster veniet et salvabit nos.

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

COMMUNION HYMN

Saviour of the nations, come

CWB 246

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Nun Komm der Heiden Heiland BWV 661'

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Safeguarding Children And Vulnerable Adults—Archdiocesan Prevention and Protection Policy

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm.

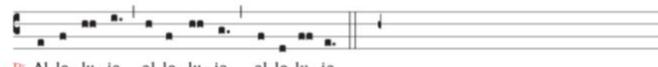
They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, students on placement and visitors to our sites.

MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL

The music is drawn from the Catholic Worship Book II for all Masses, available from our Welcomers at the entrances or on the pew seats. The 10:00am Solemn Mass is led by the Cathedral Choir.

The 12:00pm Mass is led by the Cathedral Schola. All other Masses are led by a cantor.

	6:00PM 8:00AM	12:00PM	7:30PM
Processional	CWB 232	CWB 232	CWB 249
Lighting of the Advent Wreath	CWB 248 v.3	CWB 248 v.3	CWB 248 v.3
First Reading	<i>Isaiah 35:1-6, 10</i>		
Responsorial Psalm	<i>Ps 145:6-10</i>		
 <p style="text-align: center;">☩ Come, Lord, and save us.</p>			
Second Reading	<i>James 5:7-10</i>		
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Isaiah 61:1</i>		
 <p style="text-align: center;">☩ Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.</p>			
Gospel	<i>Matthew 11:2-11</i>		
Offertory		Canite Tuba – Guerrero	CWB 233
Sanctus	CWB 11a	CWB 11a Missa Bell' Amfitrit – Lassus	CWB 11a
Memorial Acclamation	CWB 12a		
Agnus Dei	CWB 17a	CWB 77 Missa Bell' Amfitrit – Lassus	CWB 17a
Communion Hymn	CWB 246	Even so, Lord Jesus – Manz CWB 246	CWB 246
Recessional	CWB 254 v.3	CWB 254 v.3	CWB 621

OFFERTORY MOTET, 12pm Mass

Joel 2:1 & Isaiah 40:4

Canite tuba in Sion, quia prope est dies Domini. Ecce veniet ad salvandum nos. Erunt prava in directa, et aspera in vias planas: Veni, Domine, et noli tardare. Alleluia.

Blow the trumpet in Zion, for the day of the Lord is nigh. Lo, He comes to our salvation. The crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways plain. Come, Lord, and do not delay. Alleluia.

Francisco Guerrero (1528–1599)

COMMUNION MOTET, 12pm Mass

Based on Revelation 22

Peace be to you and grace from Him Who freed us from our sins, Who loved us all and shed His blood That we might saved be.

Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord, The Lord, Almighty God, Who was and is and is to come; Sing Holy, Holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein, Rejoice on earth, ye saints below, For Christ is coming, is coming soon, For Christ is coming soon!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come, And night shall be no more; They need no light nor lamp nor sun, For Christ will be their All!

Ruth Manz (1919–2008)



lights
OF CHRISTMAS
CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN

6.30pm carols
7pm light show
(every 12 minutes)

FREE

11 - 24
December