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#### Mass Times this Week

Monday to Friday 8.00am Chapel; 10.00am Cathedral; 12.30pm Cathedral;  
5.10pm Chapel  
Morning Prayer Included in the 8.00am Mass on Friday in the Chapel  
Saturday 9.30am Villa Maria; 11.30am Cathedral

#### Sunday

**Cathedral of St Stephen** Saturday 6.00pm (Vigil Mass)  
Sunday 8.00am; 10.00am (Solemn Mass); 12 noon; 7.30pm

**St Patrick's, Fortitude Valley** Sunday 9.00am; 12 noon

**Villa Maria, Spring Hill** Sunday 9.30am

#### Reconciliation

Monday to Friday 10.30-11.30am; 1.00-1.30pm; 4.30-5.00pm  
Saturday 10.00-11.00am; 4.30-5.30pm

**Exposition** Monday to Friday 10.30am – 12.15pm

**Benediction** Monday to Friday 12.15pm



THE CATHEDRAL OF  
**ST STEPHEN**

*Embracing Villa Maria and  
St Patrick's Fortitude Valley*

# WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET

**16 – 21 DECEMBER 2019**  
**3RD WEEK OF ADVENT**  
**YEAR A**

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

#### 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)

**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



Gather on the lawn at St Stephen's Cathedral to celebrate the joy of Christmas with an extraordinary sound and light show. The Lights of Christmas is a free event open to the public that will delight families with music, food and childrens' activities every evening 11 - 24 December, 6:30 - 10:30pm.



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## MONDAY 16 DECEMBER 2019

Monday of the 3rd week of Advent

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations; declare it to the distant lands: Behold, our Saviour will come; you need no longer fear.

### **FIRST READING:**

Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 24:4-9

Lord, make we know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in you truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour.

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old.  
In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord.

The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.  
Alleluia!

### **GOSPEL:** Matthew 21:23-27

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Come, O Lord, visit us in peace, that we may rejoice before you with a blameless heart.

## TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2019

Tuesday of the 3rd week of Advent

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Rejoice, O heavens, and exult, O earth, for our Lord will come to show mercy to his poor.

### **FIRST READING:** Genesis 49:2, 8-10

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 71:1-4, 7-8, 17

O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement.

May the mountains bring forth peace for the people and the hills, justice.  
May he defend the poor of the people and save the children of the needy.

In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails.

He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds.

May his name be blessed for ever and endure like the sun.  
Every tribe shall be blessed in him, all nations bless his name.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Come,  
Wisdom of God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: teach us to walk in the paths of knowledge!  
Alleluia!

### **GOSPEL:** Matthew 1:1-17

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Behold, the Desired of all the nations will come, and the house of the Lord will be filled with glory.

## 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:

*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.

## 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.

## 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. Also, a huge thank you to all those who contributed towards the Vinnies Christmas Market and the Christmas Hamper Appeal. Completely amazed by the generosity of our parishioners and those in the Cathedral Precinct.

## THE WAY—ADVENT & CHRISTMAS DAILY REFLECTIONS

Further copies of The Way, an 84-page pocket-size book containing beautiful artworks and spiritually rich daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (1 December 2019) through to the Baptism of the Lord (12 January 2020) are available this weekend. The RRP is \$4.40, however, The Way is available at the doors of the church today, for the reduced price of \$2.00. Please place your donation in the catholic papers cash box.



**Service of Nine Lessons & Carols**

Cathedral Choir and Schola of St Stephen's Cathedral

**Wednesday 18 December, 6pm**

St. Stephen's Cathedral  
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane

A closing collection will be taken up

# Benediction Hymns and Prayer

## **O SAVING VICTIM**

O saving victim opening wide  
The gate of heaven to us below.  
Our foes press on from every side  
Thy strength supply, thine aid bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
For evermore blest three in one,  
O grant us life that shall not end  
In our true native land with thee  
AMEN.

## **HYMN OF ADORATION**

Down in adoration falling,  
This great sacrament we hail;  
Ancient types have long departed  
Newer rites of grace prevail  
Faith for all defects supplying  
Where the feeble senses fail.

Glory let us give and blessing  
To the Father and the Son,  
honour, might and praise addressing  
while eternal ages run;  
Equal praise to him confessing  
who proceeds from both as one.  
AMEN

V. You have given them bread from heaven  
R. Having in itself all delight.

## **GOD WITH HIDDEN MAJESTY**

**(Gather Aust. 388)**

God with hidden majesty, lies in presence here,  
I with deep devotion my true God revere:  
Whom this outward shape and form secretly contains,  
Christ in his divinity manhood still retains.

All my other senses, cannot now perceive,  
But my hearing, taught by faith, always will believe:  
I accept whatever God the Son has said:  
Those who hear the word of God, by the truth are fed.

Blest reminder of the death suffered for the world,  
Sacrament of living bread, health to every mind,  
Let my soul approach you, live within your grace,  
Let me taste the perfect joys time shall not efface.

## **PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

*Lord Jesus Christ at your last supper  
you prayed to the Father  
that all should be one.  
Send your Holy Spirit  
upon all who bear your name  
and seek to serve you.*

*Strengthen our faith in you, and make us  
love one another in humility.  
May we, who have been reborn in one  
baptism, be united in one faith under one  
shepherd.  
Amen*



## **WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER 2019**

*Wednesday of the 3rd week of Advent*

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Christ our King is coming, he is the  
Lamb foretold by John.

**FIRST READING:** Jeremiah 23:5-8

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 71:1-2, 12-13, 18-19

O God, give your judgement to the king,  
to a king's son your justice,  
that he may judge your people in justice  
and your poor in right judgement.

For he shall save the poor when they cry  
and the needy who are helpless.  
He will have pity on the weak  
and save the lives of the poor.

Blessed be the Lord, God of Israel,  
who alone works wonders,  
ever blessed his glorious name.  
Let his glory fill the earth  
Amen! Amen!

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come,  
Leader of ancient Israel, giver of the Law  
to Moses on Sinai: rescue us with your  
mighty power!  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 1:18-24

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

His name will be called Emmanuel,  
which means God-with-us.

## **THURSDAY 19 DECEMBER 2019**

*Thursday of the 3rd week of Advent*

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

He who is to come will come and will  
not delay, and now there will be no fear  
within our land, for he is our Saviour.

**FIRST READING:** Judges 13:2-7, 24-25

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 70:3-6, 16-17

Be a rock where I can take refuge,  
a mighty stronghold to save me;  
for you are my rock, my stronghold.  
Free me from the hand of the wicked.

It is you, O Lord, who are my hope,  
my trust, O Lord, since my youth.  
On you I have leaned from my birth,  
from my mother's womb you have been  
my help.

I will declare the Lord's mighty deeds  
proclaiming your justice, yours alone.  
O God, you have taught me from my  
youth and I proclaim your wonders still.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come,  
Flower of Jesse's stem, sign of God's love  
for all his people: save us without delay!  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Luke 1:5-25

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The Dawn from on high will visit us,  
guiding our feet in the way of peace.

**FRIDAY 20 DECEMBER 2019**

*Friday of the 3rd week of Advent*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

A branch shall sprout from the root of Jesse, and the glory of the Lord will fill the whole earth, and all flesh will see the salvation of God.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 7:10-14

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 23:1-6

*R. Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.*

The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples. It is he who set it on the seas; on the waters he made it firm. **R**

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place? The man with clean hands and pure heart, who desires not worthless things. **R**

He shall receive blessings from the Lord and reward from the God who saves him. Such are the men who seek him, seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Come, Key of David, opening the gates of God's eternal kingdom: free the prisoners of darkness! Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Luke 1:26-38

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The Angel said to Mary:  
Behold, you will conceive and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus.

*At our Masses on Friday we have a collection to allow weekday parishioners to support the Cathedral. Thank you for your contribution.*

**SATURDAY 21 DECEMBER 2019**

*Saturday of the 3rd week of Advent*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** CWBII 416

**FIRST READING:** Song of Songs 2:8-14

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 32:2-3, 11-12, 20-21

*R. Cry out with joy in the Lord, you holy ones; sing a new song to him.*

Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. O sing him a song that is new, play loudly, with all your skill. **R**

His own designs shall stand for ever, the plans of his heart from age to age.. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. **R**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. In him do our hearts find joy. We trust in his holy name. **R**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Come, Emmanuel, God's presence among us, our King, our Judge: save us, Lord our God! Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Luke 1:39-45

**COMMUNION HYMN:** CWBII 592

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:** CWBII 417

**SATURDAY MORNING**

*Marian Prayer*

*Holy Virgin, I beg you:  
enable me to receive Jesus from the Spirit,  
according to the same process  
by which you bore him.  
May my soul possess Christ,  
thanks to the Spirit  
through whom you conceived Christ.*

*May the grace to know Jesus  
be granted to me through the Spirit  
who enabled you to know how  
to possess Jesus and bring him forth.*

*May my littleness show forth  
the greatness of Christ  
in virtue of the spirit  
in whom you recognised yourself  
as the handmaid of the Lord,  
desiring that it be done to you  
according to the word of the angel.*

*May I love Christ in the spirit  
in whom you adored him as your Lord  
and looked after him as your son.*

*AMEN*

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