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**Cathedral Parish Mass Times this week**

**Monday to Friday:** 8.00am; 10.00am ; 12.30pm \*; 5.10pm

**Numbers will be restricted to 100**

\* (12.30pm Mass will be live-streamed)

**Saturday:** 11.30am Cathedral - Numbers will be restricted to 100

**Sunday**

**Cathedral of St Stephen**

**Saturday:** Suspended until further notice

**Sunday:** 8.00am; 10.00am (live-streamed only)

**Reconciliation: Monday to Friday** 10.30-11.30am; 1.00-1.30pm; 4.30-5.00pm

**Saturday** 10.00-11.00am

**Exposition (St Stephen's Chapel):** Monday – Friday 8.30am – 12.15pm; 1.00pm – 5.00pm

**Benediction (St Stephen's Chapel):** Monday – Friday 12.15pm

**St Patrick's** Suspended until further notice

**Villa Maria** Restricted to Residents only

**WHAT IS NOT CANCELLED**

- **Weekday Masses** will still be celebrated in the Cathedral, with restrictions to 100 people. We ask, if you do attend weekday Mass, to keep a distance of 1.5m between yourselves.
- The **12:30pm week day Mass** will be live streamed.
- During the week, St Stephen's Chapel will be used for **Adoration**.
- **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Stephen's Chapel** at the conclusion of the 8am Mass.
- **Benediction** will be celebrated in the Chapel at 12:15pm after which people will be invited to process to the Cathedral for Mass.
- After the conclusion of the 12:30pm Mass, **the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in St Stephen's Chapel until 5pm.**
- **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will still be available during the week.
- Some prayers are provided here, for the faithful to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.

**CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) - LATEST NEWS**

The Archdiocese of Brisbane provides the latest updates and advice from the Queensland Government on the Coronavirus. Visit the Archdiocese website at:

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/>

**ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS JOHN BATHERSBY**

Copies of the Mass Booklet and Prayer Cards for the Solemn Funeral Rites for the Most Reverend John Alexius Bathersby are available. If you would like a copy, they are available from the Cathedral Office.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE—HOW TO JOIN THE PRAYER VIGIL**

Ready to end abortion through prayer? If you can spare an hour or more through Lent, please join us in our 40 day, 24 hour prayer vigil. For more information, email:

[40daysbrisbane@gmail.com](mailto:40daysbrisbane@gmail.com)

**COFFEE LOUNGE**

Closed until further notice.

**GUIDED TOURS**

Until further notice guided tours are suspended.



THE CATHEDRAL OF  
**ST. STEPHEN**

Embracing Villa Maria and  
St Patrick's Fortitude Valley

# WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET

**23 – 28 MARCH 2020**  
**4TH WEEK OF LENT**  
**YEAR A**

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

Dear friends,

As matters of public health continue to be at the forefront of our minds, in recent days, Archbishop Mark Coleridge has announced the following provisions:

- The celebration of Mass on Sundays (including the Saturday vigil) is suspended with immediate effect and until further notice, and all the faithful are dispensed from the Sunday obligation.
- Priests will continue to celebrate Mass (the *Mass for the people*) on Sundays without a congregation, with people able to follow Masses live-streamed from the Cathedral at [archbne.org/bzw](http://archbne.org/bzw) on Sundays (8am and 10am) and weekdays (12:30pm) and "on-demand".
- For the time being, weekday Masses will be celebrated as scheduled, with the current restrictions and precautions to be observed. All weekday Masses will be celebrated in the Cathedral and Reconciliation will be provided as usual.
- The Body of Christ should be administered only in the hand and the chalice will not be offered.

Needless to say, none of these decisions have been made lightly and they have significant foreseen and unforeseen

consequences. The timeframe for the lifting of these provisions remains unclear but we need to assume that they will be in place for some months. Increased provisions are certain to be enforced in the weeks ahead as we move into our cooler months.

Also, all regular parish meetings have been suspended into the foreseeable future but the Cathedral office will remain open. All weekday liturgies remain unchanged at this stage. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the parish office. The Archbishop's letter can be read in full on our website.

We will also have links on our website to resources to help you pray at home during this time.

In these times of trial, let us pray that our faith may hold firm and our commitment to one another strengthened. Even in these times of social distancing, may we be mindful of our need to care for one another, pray for one another and support one another.

*Fr. Anthony*



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## MONDAY 23 MARCH 2020

*Monday of the 4th Week of Lent*

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

As for me, I trust in the Lord.  
Let me be glad and rejoice in your  
mercy, for you have seen my affliction.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 65:17-21

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued  
me and have not let my enemies rejoice  
over me. O Lord, you have raised my  
soul from the dead, restored me to life  
form those who sink into the grave.

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love  
him, give thanks to his holy name.  
His anger lasts but a moment; his favour  
through life. At night there are tears, but  
joy comes with dawn.

The Lord listened and had pity.  
The Lord came to my help.  
For me you have changed my mourning  
into dancing: O Lord my God, I will  
thank you for ever.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus  
Christ!  
Seek good and not evil so that you may  
live, and the Lord will be with you.  
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus  
Christ!

**GOSPEL:** John 4:43-54

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

I will place my spirit within you and  
make you walk according to my laws;  
and my judgements you shall keep and  
observe, says the Lord.

## TUESDAY 24 MARCH 2020

*Tuesday of the 4th Week of Lent*

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

All who are thirsty, come to the waters,  
says the Lord. Though you have no  
money, come and drink with joy.

**FIRST READING:** Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 45:2-3, 5-6, 8-9

God is for us a refuge and strength, a  
helper close at hand, in time of distress:  
so we shall not fear though the earth  
should rock, though the mountains fall  
into the depths of the sea.

The waters of a river give joy to God's city,  
the holy place where the Most High  
swells. God is within, it cannot be shaken;  
God will help it at the dawning of the day.

The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of  
Jacob is our stronghold. Come, consider  
the works of the Lord the redoubtable  
deeds he has done on the earth.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus  
Christ!  
Create a clean heart in me, O God; give  
back to me the joy of your salvation.  
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus  
Christ!

**GOSPEL:** John 5:1-3, 5-16

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing  
I shall want. Fresh and green are the  
pastures where he gives me repose, near  
restful waters he leads me.

## LENTEN PRAYER

*Fast from judging others; feast on the Christ indwelling in them.  
Fast from emphasis on differences; feast on the unity of all life.  
Fast from apparent darkness; feast on the reality of light.  
Fast from words that pollute; feast on phrases that purify.  
Fast from discontent; feast on gratitude.  
Fast from anger; feast on patience.  
Fast from pessimism; feast on optimism.  
Fast from worry; feast on trust.  
Fast from complaining; feast on appreciation.  
Fast from negatives; feast on affirmatives.  
Fast from unrelenting pressures; feast on unceasing prayer.  
Fast from hostility; feast on nonviolence.  
Fast from bitterness; feast on forgiveness.  
Fast from self-concern; feast on compassion for others.  
Fast from personal anxiety; feast on eternal truth.  
Fast from discouragement; feast on hope.  
Fast from facts that depress; feast on truths that uplift.  
Fast from lethargy; feast on enthusiasm.  
Fast from suspicion; feast on truth.  
Fast from thoughts that weaken; feast on promises that inspire.  
Fast from idle gossip; feast on purposeful silence.  
Gentle God, during this season of fasting and feasting,  
gift us with your presence, so we can be a gift  
to others in carrying out your work. Amen.*

### **CORONAVIRUS (COVID19) CANCELLATIONS OR POSTPONEMENTS**

#### **MUSLIM-CHRISTIAN DIALOGUE IN DIFFICULT TIMES**

Due to the current health situation, the free  
public lecture by Fr Daniel Madigan SJ on  
**Muslim-Christian Dialogue in Difficult  
Times** on Thursday 26th March has been  
**cancelled**.

#### **CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL PROGRAM**

The Prayer Meeting usually held in St  
Stephen's Chapel, on the First Wednesday of  
each month has been **CANCELLED** until  
further notice due to the Coronavirus.

#### **CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM**

Children's Sacramental Program scheduled  
to begin after Easter has been **postponed**.  
Dates are already scheduled for later in the  
year and depending on the outcome of the  
measures being put in place, the Children's  
Sacramental Program will be held August/  
September. Many thanks for your continued  
patience and understanding as we come to  
terms with these unprecedented times.

• **LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS**  
Sunday after the 12 noon Mass & Thursday  
morning groups have been **cancelled**.

• **FISH AND CHIP FRY-DAY**  
**Cancelled**

# 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.

## **Holy God, We Praise Your Name**

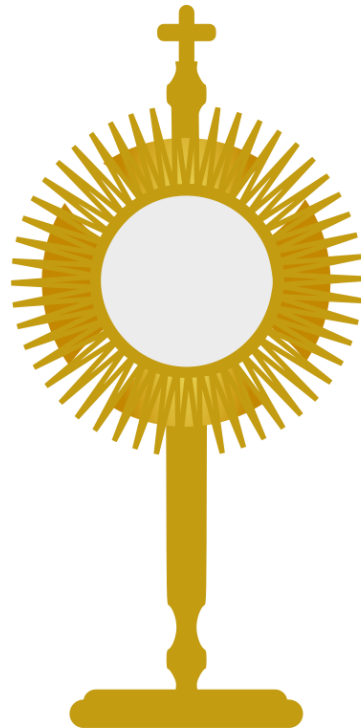
Holy God we praise your name!  
Lord of all, we bow before you;  
All on earth your pow'r proclaim,  
All in heaven above adore you;  
Boundless is your vast domain,  
Everlasting is your reign.

Holy Father, Holy Son,  
Holy Spirit, Three we name you;  
While in essence only One,  
Undivided God we claim you,  
And adoring bend the knee,  
While we own the mystery.

## **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 25 MARCH 2020**

*The Annunciation of the Lord*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** CWBII 458

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

The Lord said, as he entered the world:  
Behold, I come to do your will, O God.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 7:10-14, 8:10

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 39:7-11

*R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.*

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,  
but an open ear. You do not ask for  
holocaust and victim.  
Instead, here am I. **R**

In the scroll of the book it stands written  
that I should do your will.  
My God, I delight in your law  
in the depth of my heart. **R**

Your justice I have proclaimed  
in the great assembly.  
My lips I have not sealed;  
you know it, O Lord. **R**

I have not hidden your justice in my heart  
but declared your faithful help.  
I have not hidden your love and your truth  
from the great assembly. **R**

**SECOND READING:** Hebrews 10:4-10

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
The word of God became flesh and dwelt  
among us; and we saw his glory.  
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

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

**COMMUNION HYMN:** CWBII 569

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a  
son; and his name will be called  
Emmanuel.

**EXPOSITION HYMN:** CWBII 160

## **THURSDAY 26 MARCH 2020**

*Thursday of the 4th Week of Lent*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** CWBII 458

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;  
turn to the Lord and his strength;  
constantly seek his face.

**FIRST READING:** Exodus 32:7-14

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**  
Ps 105:19-23

They fashioned a calf at Horeb  
and worshipped an image of metal,  
exchanging the God who was their glory  
for the image of a bull that eats grass.

They forgot the God who was their  
saviour, who had done such great things  
in Egypt, such portents in the land of  
Ham, such marvels at the Red Sea.

For this he said he would destroy them,  
but Moses, the man he had chosen, stood  
in the breach before him, to turn back his  
anger from destruction.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus  
Christ!

God loved the world so much, he gave  
his only Son, that all who believe in him  
might have eternal life.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus  
Christ!

**GOSPEL:** John 5:31-47

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

I will place my law within them, and I  
will write it upon their hearts; and I will  
be their God, and they shall be my  
people, says the Lord.

**FRIDAY 27 MARCH 2020**

*Friday of the 4th Week of Lent*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

O God, save me by your name; by your power, defend my cause.  
O God, hear my prayer; give ear to the words of my mouth.

**FIRST READING:** Wisdom 2:1, 12-22

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 33:16, 18, 19-21, 23

*R. The Lord is near to broken hearts.*

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth.  
The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. **R**

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him. **R**

He will keep guard over all his bones, not one of his bones shall be broken. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. **R**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**GOSPEL:** John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

In Christ, we have redemption by his Blood, and forgiveness of our sins, in accord with the riches of his grace.

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

**SATURDAY 28 MARCH 2020**

*Saturday of the 4th Week of Lent*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** CWBII 598

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

The waves of death rose about me; the pains of the netherworld surrounded me. In my anguish I called to the Lord, and from his holy temple he heard my voice.

**FIRST READING:** Jeremiah 11:18-20

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 7:2-3, 9-12

*R. Lord, my God, I take shelter in you.*

Lord God, I take refuge in you. From my pursuer save me and rescue me, lest he tear me to pieces like a lion and drag me off with no one to rescue me. **R**

Give judgement for me, Lord; I am just and innocent of heart. Put an end to the evil of the wicked! Make the just stand firm, you test mind and heart, O just God! **R**

God is the shield that protects me, who saves the upright of heart. God is a just judge slow to anger; but he threatens the wicked every day. **R**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.  
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**GOSPEL:** John 7:40-52

**COMMUNION HYMN:** CWBII 297

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

By the precious Blood of Christ, the Blood of a spotless and unblemished Lamb, we have been redeemed.

**EXPOSITION HYMN:** CWBII 417

*Saturday Morning*

**Marian Prayer**

God our Father, we praise you and give you thanks for choosing the Virgin Mary to be the Mother of your Son.

In her, the Word found a servant;  
Your love makes her a queen.

We pray to you:

Make us follow her as an example that we might listen to your Word and put it into practice.

May we then be able to share the inheritance of eternal joy that you give us through your only Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our brother. Amen

**PRAYER IN TIME OF CRISIS**

Almighty and all-merciful God, lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds, in whom there is no shadow of death, save us in this time of crisis; grant wisdom and courage to our leaders; watch over all medical people as they tend the sick and work for a cure; stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation; if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open. By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear, that hope may never die and the light of Easter, the triumph of life, may shine upon us and the whole world. Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.  
St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.

**ECUMENICAL PRAYER**

Gracious God, We give thanks anew for your providence and presence. We prayerfully seek your grace, amidst COVID-19 here and overseas. We pray for those in need of healing. We pray for your peace with those who are anxious or grieving. We pray you will continue to strengthen and sustain all those who are serving in response. We pray for your Holy Spirit's discernment amidst the many choices and decisions facing our national, community and medical leaders. We pray we each might see quickly what more we can do to help those who are vulnerable. This prayer for our nation in the family of nations, with all that is on our hearts, we gather now and pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.