



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year B — 2nd May 2021

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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*I am the vine,
you are the branches.
Whoever remains in me,
bears fruit in plenty.*

Readings for today: Acts 9:26-31; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8(Yr B)

Dear friends,

I once heard the story of a bishop who gave a retreat for a community of Trappist monks. Trappist monks live an extremely ascetical life and, among other things, observe perpetual silence. In this particular Trappist Monastery where the bishop led the retreat, their work was cultivating walnut and plum trees. They lived on a vast acreage with thousands of trees.

In the course of the eight day retreat, the bishop got to know one of the older monks whose task was pruning the plum trees. There were thousands of them, and he spent all day, every day deciding which branches were the ones that should be "pruned" in order to make the tree more capable of producing good plums. He was their expert "pruner" and a machine can't do that. You have to look over the tree and decide what's best for the tree, and then do the pruning that helps the tree.

The bishop said that he would walk through the trees of an afternoon and watch the expert pruner at work and they were allowed to talk to one another because he was the retreat master.

Towards the end of the retreat, the bishop said to him, "You must be able to do a lot of praying and feel very close to God when you're working out in the peace and quiet of this orchard." Apparently the monk stopped and a tear crept into his eye as he said, "Oh, indeed I do. I love these trees and I know them well. I always think of John's Gospel when Jesus talks about the fact that he is the vine and we are the branches, and that the Father prunes away the branches that are in the way. And while I'm pruning I say to the Lord, 'Thanks for doing that to me. You have pruned me, and shaped me, and helped me become what I never could have become without you. I'm not perfect, and I know I need more pruning, but you are always there to make me more into your image.' The Lord has done wonderful things for me, and I'd be nowhere without it." God works on us even without us knowing, constantly pruning us with great love and care. Responding to this care, may we become even more fruitful, offering our beauty and nourishment to the world. *Fr. Anthony*



**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
*No public Masses
until further notice.*

Cathedral Parish Mass Times this week

Monday 10.00am *live-streamed*
Tuesday – Friday 8:00am *(live-streamed)*; 10:00am; 12:30pm; 5.10pm
Saturday 11.30am *(live-streamed)*

Sunday
Cathedral of St Stephen **St Patrick's Church** **Sunday:** 9:00am & 11:00am
Saturday: 6:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am; 10:00am; 12 noon & 7:30pm *(8am & 10am live-streamed)*

Reconciliation: **Tuesday-Friday:** 10:30-11:30am; 1:00-1:30pm; 4:30-5:00pm
Saturday: 10:00am-11:00am; 4:30-5:30pm

Exposition: Tuesday – Friday 10:30am – 12:15pm **Benediction:** Tuesday – Friday 12:15pm

CHECK IN AND YOU'RE GOOD TO GO!

We're using the new Check In Qld app to help keep you COVID safe when you visit the Cathedral parish.

All you need to do is:

- visit www.covid19.qld.gov.au/check-in-qld for links to download the app from Google Play or Apple App stores
- enter your details once when you first open the app
- open the app when you next visit us
- select 'Check in Now' and scan or enter our code

Using this digital check in means your details will be stored securely by the Queensland Government for 56 days to assist with COVID-19 contact tracing (if needed).

The Check In Qld app is safe, secure and private. By using it, you are helping Queensland's venues to stay open, and you can visit us with confidence, knowing you can be contacted quickly and easily if there is any risk of exposure to the virus.

Thank you. We look forward to seeing you again soon.

MASS REGISTRATION

If you do not have access to a smart phone or are not comfortable downloading apps, you can register for Mass on-line via the Cathedral website:

<https://www.cathedralofstephen.org.au/mass--reconciliation-times.html>. or register at the door.

Those who do not have access to register on-line, please telephone the Cathedral Office before 12noon on Friday. For administration purposes, **registration closes at lunchtime on Friday.**

The following guidelines remain in place:

- If you are feeling unwell, please stay home and participate in Mass on-line via the Cathedral website;
- Physical distancing of 1.5m, whilst standing in the queue to check-in, during Mass and whilst in the Communion procession, is essential;
- Hand hygiene (sanitising your hands before entering the church and when exiting);
- Respiratory hygiene (coughing/sneezing into elbow);
- The number of people in our churches at any one time must be strictly adhered to.

Thank you for your co-operation.

NUDGE COLLEGE MOTHERS & SONS ANNUAL MASS AND LUNCH

Today at our 10:00am Mass, we will welcome students from Nudgee College and their mothers. We wish this year's Year 12 cohort and their parents a successful school year.

THE "SPIRIT OF HOPE" MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING

St Stephen's Chapel, Wednesday 5 May 2021 (10.45 - 12.15pm) following the regular 10am Mass. Please register for Mass on the Cathedral website.

Join us for Praise & Worship, a Witness talk & Personal Prayer Ministry. Please ring 0403002199 or email maureenallison43@gmail.com to book.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Traditionally, the World Day for Prayer for Vocations is held on 4th Sunday of Easter, however, as that date coincided with ANZAC Day in the Australian calendar, in the Brisbane Archdiocese it is celebrated today. The 58th World Day of Prayer for Vocations message from Pope Francis is available:

<https://tinyurl.com/popesmessage>

BRISBANE MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY

SATURDAY MAY 8 2021

Meet at Speakers' Corner, Parliament House, corner Alice & George Streets, Brisbane, at 2:30pm for COVID check-in & to collect signs for a 3pm rally. After the rally, a March for Life around the Brisbane CBD, concluding at Speakers' Corner. A gold coin donation, when you check-in, to help cover rally costs is appreciated. As always it will be a family-friendly event, and Queensland Police will have a presence to help ensure our safety at all times. This event is organised by Cherish Life QLD.

SUPPORT OF THE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Your financial support of the Cathedral Parish is always appreciated. Ways to financially support your parish:

- Direct debit via the online payment system on the Cathedral's website.
- The "Tap & Go" facility at the door of the church;
- Place your donation in the collection bags after Mass;
- The Parish Giving app. Hover the camera on your smart phone over the QR code and tap on the link to the Parish Giving facility.



HEALING MASS

The first Friday of the month Healing Mass at St. Mary Magdalene's, Bardon, **Friday, 7 May, 2021**, at 7.30pm. Fr. Neville Yun, PP, Mother of Mercy Parish will be the celebrant. Personal healing prayer will be available. COVID restrictions will be followed. Sponsored by CCR Bardon. For further information, contact Len Airey on 0421977849 or by email to lenpatairey@gmail.com "

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

The May edition of The Catholic Leader is now available in the church for \$4. This month's issue features:

- Special coverage for the Year of St Joseph
- St Mark's Inala celebrates 65 years
- Emmanuel City Mission is 'a holy place'
- Polish-born couple commission to make sacred art throughout Brisbane
- Four-page Your Choice education feature
- Final Despatch from a Dominican column

prayer for vocations

Loving God,

With one voice we lift up our hearts to thank you today for our lives, our vocation and all your gifts to us. Inspire us all to know and live our vocation. Give courage to young people, to listen and follow the call, to serve you in the Archdiocese as your priests, religious and lay ministers.

Bless us, your family of Brisbane. Help those you call to listen to what your Holy Spirit is saying to us. Guide them to serve in your vineyard, that they may fulfill your holy will and make all things new.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen



ENTRANCE SONG

Psalm 98

At the conclusion of the Introit, a bell is sounded. 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 final verse.



Antiphon:

O sing a new song to the Lord,
He has done wondrous deeds.
His right hand and his holy arm
Have gained the victory.

The Lord displayed his saving power
And truth and constancy;
He has revealed his justice and
His strength for all to see.

Make joyful noises to the Lord,
Break forth in harmony.
Sing praises to the Lord our God
With lyre and melody.

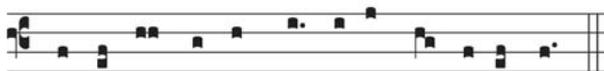
Give glory to our loving God,
The Father, and the Son,
And also to the Paraclete,
Eternal Three-in-One.

KYRIE & GLORIA

Missa Super Dixit Maria Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 21



R You, O Lord, are my praise in the great as-sembly.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 15:4-5



*v. Live in me, and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.*

OFFERTORY MOTET

Psalm 149

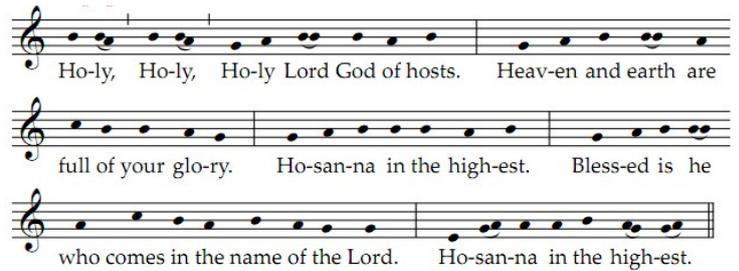
Cantate Domino canticum
novum; laus ejus in ecclesia
sanctorum. Laetetur Israëel in
eo qui fecit eum, et filii Sion
exsultent in rege suo.

*O sing unto the Lord a new
song: let the congregation of
saints praise him. Let Israel
rejoice in He who made him:
and let the children of Sion
be joyful in their King.*

Music: Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni (1657-1743)

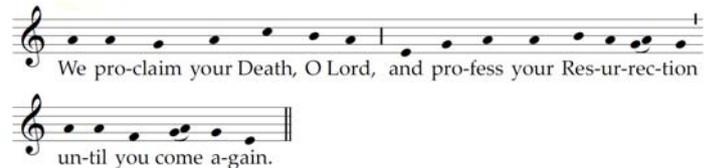
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Mass XVIII



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

ICEL #1



LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Missa Super Dixit Maria Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

John 15:5

Ego sum vitis vera et vos
palmites, qui manet in me,
et ego in eo, hic fert fructum
multum, alleluia, alleluia.

*I am the true vine, and you are
the branches; he who abides in
me, and I in him, shall bear
much fruit, alleluia, alleluia.*

COMMUNION HYMN

CWB 466

Christ is the heavenly food that gives
to every famished soul:
new life and strength, new joy and hope,
and faith to make them whole.
We are all made for God alone,
without whom we are dead;
no food suffices for the soul
but Christ, the living bread.

Christ is the unity that binds
in one the near and far;
for we who share his life divine
His living body are.
On earth, and in the realms beyond,
one fellowship are we;
and at his table we are knit
in mystic unity.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in D Major BuxWV 139
– Dietrich Buxtehude (c.1637-1707)

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MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL

Music at today's Mass is drawn from the Catholic Worship Book II, with congregational hymn texts on this sheet.

The 10:00am Solemn Mass is led by the Cathedral Choir, the music for this mass is inside this bulletin.

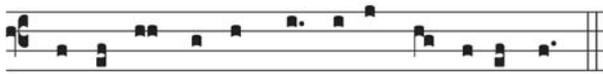
The 12:00pm Mass is today led by the Cathedral Chorale. All other Masses are led by a cantor.

Processional Hymn Christ is alive, with joy we sing

Kyrie Mass Shalom – Smith

Gloria Mass Shalom – Smith

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21



R You, O Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.

Gospel Acclamation John 15:4-5



Live in me, and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.

Offertory Motet Maria, Mater Gratiae – Fauré
(12pm only)

Sanctus Mass Shalom – Smith

Memorial Acclamation We proclaim your death, O Lord,
(ICEL #1): and profess your resurrection,
until you come again.

Agnus Dei Mass Shalom – Smith

Communion Motet They have taken away my Lord
(12pm only) – Stainer

Communion Hymn Unless a grain of wheat

Recessional Hymn Hail, Queen of Heaven

OFFERTORY MOTET, 12pm Mass

Maria, mater gratiae dulcis
parens clementiae tu nos ab
hoste protege, et mortis hora,
suscipe Jesu, Jesu tibi sit Gloria
qui natus es de Virgine cum
patre et almo Spiritu in
sempiternam saecula. Amen.

Mary, Mother of mercy!
Sweet mother of mercy, protect
us from evil, and at the time of
death; Jesus, you take the glory,
He who was born of a virgin
With his father, Immortal Spirit
unto ages of ages. Amen.

Music: Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

Christ is alive, with joy we sing!
We celebrate our risen Lord,
praising the glory of his name.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

He is the vine set in the earth,
sharing our life, becoming flesh,
that we might share in God's own life.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

He is the bread which comes from God,
broken to feed us in our need,
given to bring eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Christ is alive, with joy we sing!
We celebrate our risen Lord,
praising the glory of his name.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Refrain: Unless a grain of wheat should fall
upon the ground and die,
it remains but a single grain with no life.

1. If we have died with him,
then we shall live with him;
if we hold firm we shall reign with him.
2. If anyone serves me,
then they must follow me,
wherever I am my servants will be.
3. Make your home in me,
as I make mine in you,
those who remain in me bear much fruit.

Hail, Queen of Heaven, the ocean Star,
Guide of the wanderer here below,
Thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care:
Save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ, Star of the Sea,
Pray for the wanderer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste and spotless Maid,
From sin's domain God kept thee free,
Plead with thy Son, for He has paid
The price of our iniquity.
Virgin most pure, Star of the Sea,
Pray for the sinner, pray for me.

And while to Him who reigns above,
In Godhead One, in Persons Three,
The source of life, of grace and love,
Homage we pay on bended knee.
Do thou, bright Queen, Star of the Sea,
Pray for thy children, pray for me.

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