



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Year C – 20th March 2022

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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*"It may bear fruit
next year"*

Readings for today: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12; Luke 13:1-9

Dear friends

On Tuesday, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy made a video-address to Russian conscripts and officers. In between emphasising his sureness of their loss and urging them to surrender, he said "I know that you want to survive, we hear your conversations in the intercepts, we hear what you really think about this senseless war, about this disgrace and about your state. Your conversations with each other. Your calls home to your family. We hear it all. We draw conclusions. We know who you are..."

His address evoked images of soldiers resentful and dismayed, whose feelings were concealed within their tanks and buried under propaganda. Soldiers whose true feelings went out through the air as radio waves, and which were silently listened upon by intelligence officers...somewhere, shrouded in mystery.

His image it is not dissimilar to the image the first reading paints today when God, shrouded in mystery, says to Moses "I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings".

God is invisible to us, but we are not invisible to God. Whether it is in the darkness of the cosmos or within the

darkness of the human heart, God is near and "gazes into the depths" (Dan 3:54). God hears the anxieties, the stifled tears, the ground teeth, the winces, the suppressed sighs, the voiceless cries.

As for the Israelites and so for us, God does not offer a quick fix. Rather he invites us on a journey through the dark. It is a way *through* the wilderness and that Way is Jesus Christ. That Way will take us out of the darkness of Egypt, through the darkness of the desert, and, at some point, into the dark clouds atop Sinai, before we reach the Promised Land.

In recent times, we seem to have gone from darkness to darkness: COVID, trade-wars, real wars, disrupted trade, disrupted work and now a possibly new virus on the horizon. Lent too is a darkness, but it is one of the darknesses of Sinai. The struggle "ascending" Lent, through prayer and fasting, opens onto the encounter with God which sends us back down into the year with vision and strength.

My friends, let us keep on in the "work" of Lent so that our faith, our minds and our hearts will be strengthened for what lies ahead in life and that we may not end up - in the words of St. Paul today - as "corpses [littering] the desert".

God bless, Fr. Francis



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St. Stephen**
249 Elizabeth St
Brisbane



St. Patrick's
58 Morgan St
Fortitude Valley



**Villa Maria Age
Care Chapel**
171 St Pauls Tce
Spring Hill
*No public Masses until
further notice.*

Cathedral Parish Mass Times this week

Monday to 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 Monday to Friday 10.30-11.30am; 1:00-1:30pm; 4.30-5.00pm

Saturday 10:00am-11:00am; 4:30-5:30pm

Exposition Monday to Friday 10:30am to 12:15pm; **Benediction** Monday to Friday 12:15pm



Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, who tells stories through movements handed down over generations. With your support, Janice and the Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation support the community to generate income and employment, while keeping culture alive.

Please donate to **Project Compassion 2022** and help provide employment and training for First Australians, allowing them to remain on country and keep their culture alive.
Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.



St Vincent de Paul Society – Cathedral Conference

March 20th – 3rd Sunday of Lent

In today's Gospel Jesus is quite direct in his message: "bear fruit." This Lent we are called to cultivate and nourish our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Almsgiving is not only the call to share the fruit of your labour (financial aid), but to share the gift of your time and compassion.

If you find yourself wondering how you can give this lent, our parish St Vincent de Paul Conference invites you to considering joining us. Contact Trish on 0417 913 439 or email membership.bris@svdpqld.org.au to talk to someone about how you can help.

Stations of the Cross

During Lent, Stations of the Cross are held at 10.30am on Friday's, following the 10.00am Mass.

Sunday Mass Collections



Another sign of things returning to normal, is the return of the collections during Mass. At the Preparation of the Gifts and following Holy Communion, the collection plates will be passed. You may still "Tap & Go" at the doors of the church or donate on-line by scanning the QR

Code which will direct you to the donation page on the Cathedral website.

Easter Triduum

We will soon be compiling a roster for the three major liturgies, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. Readers or Ministers of Holy Communion who are willing to serve, please email the Cathedral office as soon as possible, cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au.

Vinnies Flood Appeal 2022



Donations to the Vinnies Flood Appeal can be made via the link: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-qld/vinnies-disaster-appeal-qld-2022>

Knights of the Southern Cross



We welcome to the 6.00pm Mass the Knights of the Southern Cross Queensland who are celebrating their centenary. We give thanks to God for the service that the Knights of the Southern Cross have provided in charitable works over these 100 years. Their treasured St Mary MacKillop's pilgrimage cross is now on display in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in St Stephen's Cathedral. The cross is one of a pair made by the Knights of the Southern Cross from floor timbers of St Mary MacKillop's first school in Penola, South Australia, established in the 1860s.

Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary – Feast of the Annunciation

Responding to Pope Francis' call, on **Friday 25 March**, you are invited to attend the **10am Mass** which will include the consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.


Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all; we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

 Australian Catholic Bishops Conference

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FISH & CHIP FRYDAY

every Friday for the month of **March**

from 12.00 - 1.30pm

under the veranda of Mercy House

\$5

 **ST VINCENT DE PAUL HELPS PEOPLE**

Your \$5 donation will enable Vinnies to help those who have come off second best in our local community.

ENTRANCE SONG

Psalm 24

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:

My eyes are fixed on God;
From snares he rescues me.
Behold my poor and lonely soul;
Have mercy, Lord, on me.

To you, O Lord, I pray,
I trust in your great name.
Let not my enemies exult,
Nor put my soul to shame.

Reveal your ways to me
And guide me in right paths,
That you may teach me in your truth,
O Lord, is all I ask.

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

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Short Mass in C

R. R. Terry (1864-1938)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

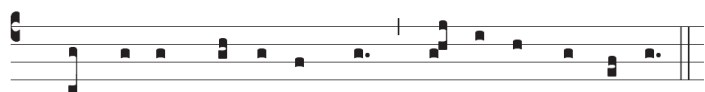
Psalm 102



If to - day you hear his voice,
hard - en not your hearts.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 4:42, 15



☩ Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, King of end-less glo-ry.

Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world;
give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

OFFERTORY MOTET

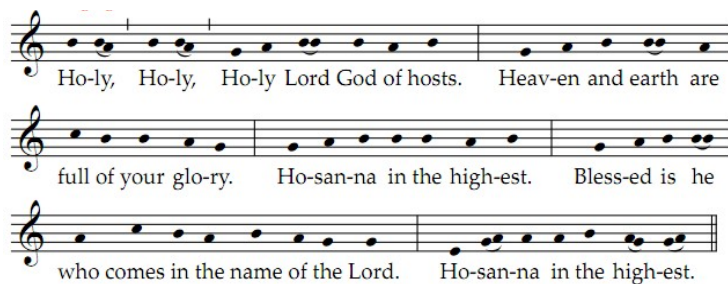
Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

O holy Jesus, most merciful redeemer, friend, and brother,
may I know thee more clearly,
love thee more dearly,
and follow thee more nearly. Amen.

Music: L. J. White (1910 – 1970)

HOLY HOLY

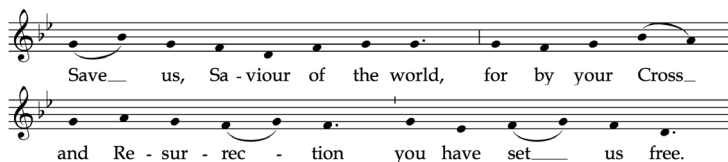
Mass XVIII



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are
full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

ICEL #3



Save us, Sa - viour of the world, for by your Cross
and Re - sur - rec - tion you have set us free.

LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Short Mass in C

R. R. Terry (1864-1938)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Mt 17:9

Qui biberit aquam,
quam ego do,
dicit Dominus Samaritanae,
fiet in eo fons aquae salientis
in vitam aeternam.

"Whosoever drinks the water
that I shall offer", said the Lord
to the Samaritan woman,
"shall have within him a spring
of water welling up unto
eternal life."

COMMUNION HYMN

CWB 595

Refrain Seek, O seek the Lord, while he is near;
Trust him, speak to him in prayer, and he will hear.

1. God, be with us in our lives,
Direct us in our calling;
Break the snares the world contrives,
Keep us from falling.

Refrain

2. God, increase in us the life
That Christ by dying gave us:
Though we faint in mortal strife
His blood will save us.

Refrain

3. Strengthen in our hearts the love
We owe to one another;
How can we love God above
And not our brother?

Refrain

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Erarm' Dich mein, o Herre Gott BWV 721

(Be merciful to me, O Lord God)

– Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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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 Seek, O seek the Lord
(CWBII 595)

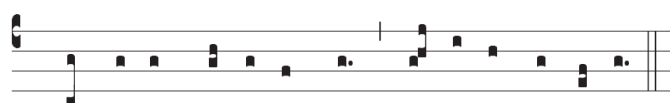
Kyrie Mass of Our Lady, Help of Christians
(CWBII 23a)

12pm Mass *Missa Brevis in D Minor KV.65* –
Mozart

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102



Gospel Acclamation Jn 3:16



☩ Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, King of end-less glo-ry.

*Repent, says the Lord;
the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*

Offertory Motet *Justitiae Domini* – Alessandro Scarlatti
12pm Mass (1660-1725)

Sanctus Mass of Our Lady, Help of Christians
(CWBII 23c)

Memorial Acclamation
(ICEL #3): Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection,
you have set us free. (CWBII 12c)

Agnus Dei Mass of Our Lady, Help of Christians
(CWBII 23f)

12pm Mass *Missa Brevis in D Minor KV.65* –
Mozart

Communion Motet *Hide not thou thy face* – Richard Farrant
12pm Mass (c.1525-1580)

Communion Hymn O God, creator of us all
(CWBII 296)

Recessional Hymn SILENCE
6pm Mass only **You are the Light**

OFFERTORY MOTET, 12pm Mass

Justitiae Domini rectae, laetificantes corda; et judicia eius dulciora super mel et favum. Nam servus tuus custodit ea.	<i>The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart; his judgments sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb. For thy servant keeps them.</i>
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Music: Alessandro Scarlatti (1660-1725)

Text: Psalm 18:9-12

Refrain Seek, O seek the Lord, while he is near;
Trust him, speak to him in prayer, and he will hear.

1. God, be with us in our lives,
Direct us in our calling;
Break the snares the world contrives,
Keep us from falling. *Refrain*

2. God, increase in us the life
That Christ by dying gave us:
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3. Strengthen in our hearts the love
We owe to one another;
How can we love God above
And not our brother? *Refrain*

O God, creator of us all,
from whom we come, to whom we go,
you look with pity on our hearts,
the weakness of our wills you know.

Forgive us all the wrong we do,
and purify each sinful soul.
What we have darkened, heal with light,
and what we have destroyed, make whole.

The fast by law and prophets taught,
by you, O Christ, was sanctified.
Bless all our penance, give us strength
to share the cross on which you died.

O God of mercy, hear our prayer,
with Christ your Son, and Spirit blest,
transcendent Trinity in whom
created things all come to rest.

6pm Mass Only
Hymn for the Knights of the Southern Cross
You are the Light

When we remember we are God's creatures
we are the work of God's hands,
brought into life and nourished by faith,
we hear Christ's words in our hearts:

Refrain "You, you are the light of the world,
bringing my face to those seeking the way.
You, you are the salt of the earth,
bringing my care to all those in need."

When we remember God has first loved us,
we tell our thanks and our praise.
Now as disciples sent out to serve,
we hear Christ's words in our hearts: *Refrain*

When we remember God's lasting kindness,
lifting us up when we fall,
we gain new strength to work for our world,
we hear Christ's words in our hearts: *Refrain*

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WITH YOU AT THE CONCLUSION OF MASS TODAY.**