



SECOND SUNDAY of EASTER

Year C – 24th April 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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Doubt no longer but believe!

Readings for today: Acts 5:12-16; Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19; John 20:19-31

Dear friends,

I sense that most people have had their faith tested in the last few years between one thing and another. Thomas leads this Sunday of the journey of re-discovering the power of faith. As every honest believer knows, faith and doubt go hand in hand. Doubt need not be an enemy of faith; doubt can often be the doorway that leads to a deeper faith. It is unfortunate that Thomas is often given the description "doubting", because he is actually a firm believer, not just by the end of this story but throughout the whole of gospels – it is simply that his faith, like ours, needs to be fine-tuned by the events of life.

Ultimately, Thomas' dilemma is our dilemma. He just wants to get on with his life, but he doesn't want to base his life on shadows or a vague, elusive dream. Thomas wants to know.

None of us will ever know for sure, not in this life, not in ways that can be tested and proven—that is why it's called faith. There is, however, more than one way to come to know things other than by observable data. As human beings, we also have an instinctive way of knowing. Every parent knows this.

Parents don't always need facts to know that something is going on with one of their children.

Human beings have deep instincts for the truth, something inside us, ultimately something unspoken and indescribable, that guides our way. In that sense, we are different from Thomas. Thomas' faith was based on what he could see and touch, ours is based on what we can't see and touch, but we sense nonetheless.

Faith isn't about certainty or special knowledge, nor is faith about finding a safe place free from all tragedy. In reality, faith is about relationship. Our faith is challenged and re-arranged by all the events of our life. We don't have all the answers and we never will, not in this life, but we can let our questions lead us to having deeper answers. Doubt is faith's companion.

Thomas was brave enough to live with his questions – and he was faithful enough to discover some answers. Thomas doesn't doubt, he believes. May we allow the presence of the Resurrected Christ touch all that is wounded and troubled in us.

Fr Anthony



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St. Stephen
249 Elizabeth St
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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 8:00am ANZAC Day Mass (live-streamed)
Tuesday to Friday 8:00am (live-streamed); 10:00am; 12:30pm; 5:10pm
Saturday 11:30am

Sunday

Cathedral of St Stephen

Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 8:00am; 10:00am; 12 noon & 7:30pm (10am live-streamed)

St Patrick's Church

Sunday 9.00am; 11:00am

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

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

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

Inspirations for the Paschal Candle designs

St Stephens: The red cross of sacrifice, from which springs forth the water of life, radiates the light of glory. The golden rays, carved in, show how -in and through Christ's victory of love- wounds can be transformed. They also hint at the palm of martyrdom, and hence link with the patronage of St Stephen. Above, the Lamb of God, slain yet standing, leads us on in His footsteps from victory to victory. On the back we have the grand 'VENI', the cry 'COME!' This is firstly Christ's call, "Come to me, all you who thirst." It then becomes our cry also in return, "Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus!" And it is the calling for the Paraclete, the Holy Spirit, who we see in the form of a dove, descending upon all the Baptised.

St Patricks: The red cross, in a slightly Celtic form, is interwoven with golden life/growth motifs - the Cross, by the offering of Christ, has become the Tree of Life. Water springs forth from the heart of Christ, the wellspring of salvation.

ANZAC Day Mass - Monday 25 April at 8.00am

All are welcome to celebrate this solemn day in the life of our Country through the Annual ANZAC Day Mass which will be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. There will be road closures in the CBD, however entry to the Cathedral car park via Charlotte Street, will **not** be blocked. The Governor will arrive at 7.55am and if you are attending please be seated before her arrival. *This Mass will be livestreamed.*

'Notes for Notes': Cathedral Organ Repairs

The campaign has begun to raise funds to restore our Cathedral Jubilee Pipe Organ, which was badly damaged in the recent deluge. It will be out of action for some time while repairs are made. To get our instrument playing again, a campaign to help cover costs has been launched, 'notes for notes'. Can you help? Envelopes are available in the Cathedral, and can be left in the collection plates, or at the Cathedral Office.

Preparation for Holy Communion (for children who have been Baptised and Confirmed)

Parent information sessions will be held on **Tuesday 10 May and Wednesday 11 May—7.00-8.00pm** at St Joseph's Church, Kangaroo Point. Parents may attend whichever session is suitable. For information and an enrolment form please contact cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au or telephone 3324 3030.

Federal Election 2022-Bishops' Statement

Read the Australian Catholic Bishops' 2022 election statement, **Towards a Better Kind of Politics**, to help you reflect on the good you can do for the community by using your vote for the common good of all. The statement includes a Prayer for the Election and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching. Download a copy from www.catholic.org.au

Happy Retirement Bob Crapnell

Bob Crapnell has been a highly-regarded member of our Cathedral community and, after 20 years, has decided to hang-up his alb. Many would know Bob as a dedicated and enthusiastic assistant sacristan whose good humour made him a joy to work alongside. We wish Bob and his wife Margaret every joy and blessing for the future and I am certain that we will continue to see both of them around our Cathedral community for some time yet. **Bob - best wishes and thank you!**

Plenary Council Second Assembly-Walking in the Spirit

The People of God are invited to make a prayerful journey towards the Second Assembly of the Plenary Council through the Walking in the Spirit prayer campaign. Walking in the Spirit began on Easter Sunday, April 17, and runs until the Second Assembly, which opens on Sunday, July 3. Resources have been created for use by individuals, families, schools, parishes and other Catholic communities. Find out more at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit/

Congratulations

Andrew Simpson, Chris Dashwood, Devin Marriott, Frances Li, Jessica Nedved, Lachlan Wright, Mahshid Lindeberg, Michel Leminh, Miranda White, Rhiannon Ward and Stephen O'Connor last Saturday night at the Easter received a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. And to Celine Chapman, Meika O'Connell, Richard Hammill, Gabor Mihala and Kylie Wilson who were Confirmed in their faith and welcomed to the Table of the Lord as they joined us in receiving Holy Communion. We look forward to sharing the journey of faith together!

Sunday Mass Collections

Sunday collections during Mass have returned. At the Preparation of the Gifts ONLY 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.



If you give regularly via direct debit, please check the expiry date of your card, and update our records as needed.

The Cathedral of St Stephen
invites you to an
INFORMATION DAY
for
PROSPECTIVE GUIDES & WELCOMERS



As a guide and welcomer at the Cathedral of St Stephen, you will share your knowledge of the precinct, architecture, history, artwork and stained glass windows of the Cathedral and Chapel to many visitors and tour groups.

Thursday 28 April 2022
9:30am - 1:00pm
Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane

RSVP: Tuesday 26 April 2022
cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au; 07 3324 3006

Easter Vigil 2022



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Photos from the Easter Vigil are available from <http://purplemoonphotography.com>

MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL

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

Processional Hymn Jesus Christ is ris'n today
(CWBII 360)

Kyrie Mass Shalom — Smith
(CWBII 27a)

Gloria Mass Shalom — Smith
(CWBII 27c)

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117

Give thanks to the Lord for he is
good, for his love has no end.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 20:29

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
*You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!*

Offertory Motet Organ music

Sanctus Mass Shalom — Smith
(CWBII 27f)

Memorial Acclamation (ICEL #1): We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your resurrection,
until you come again. (CWBII 12a)

Agnus Dei Mass Shalom — Smith
(CWBII 27k)

Communion Motet Organ music

Communion Hymn We walk by faith
(CWBII 641)

Recessional Hymn Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav'n
and voices raise

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pain that he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation has procured, Alleluia!
Now exalted he is King, Alleluia!
And the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
Praise him now his might confess, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Spirit blest. Alleluia!

1./5. We walk by faith, and not by sight:
no gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
but we believe him near.

2. We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod;
yet in his promise we rejoice,
and cry "My Lord and God!"

3. Help then, O lord, our unbelief,
and may our faith abound;
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found.

4. That when our life of faith is done
in realms of clearer light
we may behold you as you are
in full and endless sight.

Repeat Verse 1.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;
sing to God a hymn of gladness,
sing to God a hymn of praise.
He who on the cross a Victim,
for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
now is risen from the dead.

Now the iron bars are broken,
Christ from death to life is born,
glorious life, and life immortal,
on this holy Easter morn.
Christ has triumphed, and we conquer
by his mighty enterprise;
we with him to life eternal
by his resurrection rise.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Saviour
who has won the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit,
fount of love and sanctity;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
to the Triune Majesty.

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