



The ASCENSION of the LORD

Year C — 29th May 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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Readings for today: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Luke 24:46-53

Dear friends,

Spiritual writer, Fr. Ron Rolheiser, helps deepen our sense of what we call “the Paschal Mystery”:

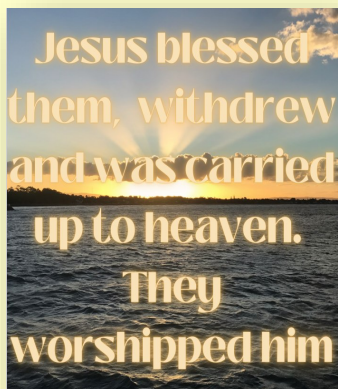
The paschal mystery, the passage through death to new life, though normally associated with Christ’s death and resurrection, is in its widest sense a natural mystery. All reality grows and deepens through it. Christ’s life, however, offers its deepest modelling and his death and resurrection is *the* paschal drama that we participate in. As an event in Christ’s life, the paschal mystery has four distinct movements to it. Together, these form one dynamic movement from death to life and together they form a psychology of love and growth. In a very simple schema, the paschal mystery, as an event and as a psychology, might be charted as follows:

- *Passion and death*... “the loss of life”
- *Resurrection*... “the reception of new life”
- *Ascension*... “the refusal to cling, as ascending beyond the old life”
- *Pentecost*... “the reception of new spirit for the new life”.

The Paschal Mystery is an unfolding process through cycles of dying and rising. In the course of this continuous cycle, the feast of the Ascension focuses us on the need to let go in order to receive the gift of the new. The feast of the Ascension does not put a full stop on the story of Jesus but is the bridge through which the story of Jesus continues. Jesus’ ascension is not an abandonment but provides the space for the

emergence of a new moment of the Paschal Mystery. New life always involves the difficult and sometimes painful process of letting go. We can cling onto the past, either in our refusal to move on or in our stubbornness to acknowledge change. Eventually, everything that we are familiar with will fade away and everyone whom we love will become a memory. The question is: what do we in moments such as these? There’s an old expression about “offering it up”, that is, handing it all over to God. In truth, unless we are able to hand things over to God—our lost joys, our lasting hurts, our sacred memories—there can be no room to receive the “spirit for a new life”. The feast of the Ascension helps us to understand and accept that a healthy, psychological and spiritual perspective of the cycles of life necessarily involves letting go. Jesus didn’t come so that everything would stay the same for ever; Jesus comes as the bearer of new life. The entry into new life always requires that the old life passes away. This need not be a sorrowful experience. Jesus’ ascension is not an exit door that closes quickly; Jesus’ ascension proclaims that the gates of new life are wrenched open, never to close. The Ascension recognises that, in times of transition, we need space to let go. When we overcome our stubbornness to accept change, the invitation to new life opens up before us, and we are offered the “new spirit for the new life”. In letting go, we receive the gift of newness from Heaven itself.

Fr. Anthony



**Cathedral of
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

Cathedral Parish Mass Times this week

Monday to Friday 8:00am (live-streamed); 10:00am; 12:30pm; 5:10pm** (see note re First Friday Vigil)
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 Monday to Friday 10.30am-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

Catholic Mission Brisbane

Over the weekend of 27 – 30 May Catholic Mission Brisbane welcomes **Cardinal Berhaneyesus Demerew Souraphiel** who is the Archbishop of Addis Ababa and the Chancellor for The Catholic University of Eastern Africa.

This year, Catholic Mission is partnering with the essential work of the community and Church in Ethiopia, as they look to establish a goat rearing centre to provide nutritious milk for families in most need, to help reverse and prevent health problems like malnutrition. Catholic Mission has had a continuing partnership with the church in Ethiopia for over ten years. The Cardinal will be concelebrating the 10am live-streamed Mass on **Sunday 29 May** with Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

Position Vacant – Assistant Sacristan

Applications are open for the above position at St Stephens Cathedral. The position is a part-time 25 hours a week.

This position provides assistance to the Sacristan in the preparation of liturgical events within the Cathedral.

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers.

Applications close: **31 May 2022**

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a zero tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.

The 'Spirit of Hope' Prayer Meeting – St Stephen's Chapel

Next Meeting **Wednesday 1 June 2022**, 10.45am – 12.15pm (after 10am Mass) Praise and Worship in the C.B.D. Guest Speaker is Audrey Seow. Personal Prayer Ministry will be available. Everyone is welcome! Contact: Maureen 0403002199 or Helena 0405321901.

First Friday Vigil Mass

Thursday 2 June, the Order of Malta will host a First Friday Vigil Mass. This Mass will take place in St Stephen's Chapel, on the Thursday before First Friday, commencing at 6.00pm. The 5.10pm Mass will not be celebrated on Thursday 2 June.

Young Adult Ministry

The YAM Mass will now be held on the **First Saturday of the Month commencing June 4 at 6 pm** instead of Sunday night. Young adults and the young at heart are invited to join us for Mass at the Cathedral of St. Stephen, followed by supper in the Hanly Room. To keep up to date with most recent news and events of YAM, find us on Facebook @StStephensCathedralYAM or email yam.cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane

Saturday 4 June 2022 the CCR will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary in Brisbane. Everyone is welcome to celebrate with them at the 11.30am Mass with Archbishop Mark.

Brisbane Marathon – Sunday 5 June 2022

In order to ensure the safety of all participants, comprehensive traffic management plans will be in place throughout Brisbane City, New Farm and Kangaroo Point. Please check your usual route into the city to allow extra travel time for the road changes.

Details of full road closures are available on the website:

www.brisbanemarathon.com.au/changed-traffic-conditions

Cathedral of St Stephen has been specifically accounted for with traffic being able to flow through to the car park. QPS officer, Traffic Control and a coned roadway on the corner of Elizabeth & Creek Streets, will allow vehicle access to the car park.

Latest health warnings

The latest advice from Qld Health encourages that, due to the current outbreak of Influenza A and continuing concerns around COVID, face masks be worn inside in crowded areas. For your health and the protection of others, you might consider wearing a face mask when attending Mass. As always, if you feel unwell, please remain at home.

Infant Baptism Preparation

The next Baptismal Preparation meeting will be held on **Saturday 4 June at 9.30am** in the Hanly Room. If you would like to have your child baptised at the Cathedral or St Patrick's, information and an application form can be obtained by contacting the Cathedral office on 3324 3030, or email cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au. Baptismal enquiries can also be made on-line at the Cathedral website: <https://www.cathedralofstephen.org.au/baptism.html>

Family Festival

Parishioners who regularly attend the Saturday morning Mass, please note on **Saturday 25 June** the Family Festival celebrating the "World Meeting of Families" will commence at **11:00am** with a family focussed Mass celebrated with Archbishop Mark.

FAMILY FESTIVAL
CELEBRATING THE "WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES"
SATURDAY 25 JUNE
11:00AM TO 2:30PM

COFFEE VAN
PETTING ZOO
FAMILY ACTIVITIES
JUMPING CASTLE
LIVE MUSIC
SAUSAGE SIZZLE

CHILDREN'S MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP MARK
FOLLOWED BY ACTIVITIES ON THE GREEN

ST STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL AND GROUNDS
(249 ELIZABETH ST, BRISBANE CITY)

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All past students & teachers are invited

St Stephen's Cathedral Primary School Reunion

Enquiries and bookings:

Connie Costa Massadi 0415 592 155

Flora Di Lizio 0418 753 554

Cost: \$30 pp | RSVP: 12 July 2022

Payment by bank deposit before 12 July 2022

Bank of Qld: C Massadi BSB 124 196 A/c No 232 98330

Your surname is required in reference at bank

School photos & memorabilia are welcome

conniecosta123@hotmail.com

Sunday 24 July 2022

10:00am Mass - Cathedral of St Stephen
followed by

Morning Tea in the Hanly Room

(adjacent to the Cathedral)

Guest speaker | Sr Ann Hetherington RSM OAM
St Stephen's School teacher

Parking will be available in the Cathedral car park
Entrance from Charlotte Street

Support for the Cathedral Parish

Your continued support for the Cathedral Parish is appreciated. You may place your donations in the collection plate during the Offertory, "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.



ENTRANCE SONG

Acts 1:2, Ps 46

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 men of Galilee,
Why gaze into the sky?
Just as the Lord ascended, so
He will return from high.

All peoples, clap your hands,
To God with joy now sing.
The Lord, the Awesome, the Most High,
O'er all the earth is King.

God has gone up with shouts
Amid the trumpet's blast.
Sing praise to God our King, sing praise,
And let this music last.

The Lord rules over all;
He sits upon his throne.
All princes of the earth shall kneel
And honour him alone.

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

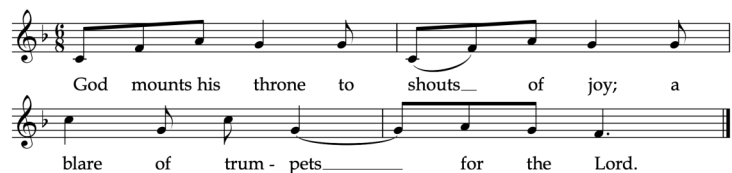
KYRIE & GLORIA

Messe Breve in C

Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 46



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 28:19



Go and teach all people my Gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world.

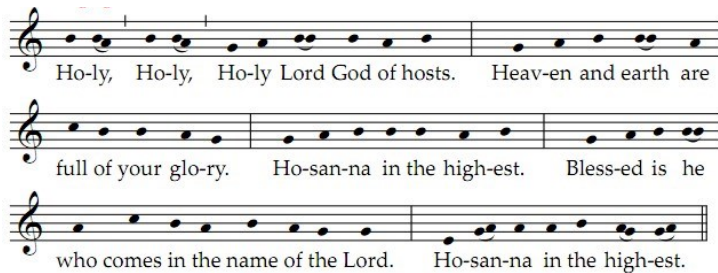
OFFERTORY MOTET

Above all praise and all majesty.
Lord, Thou reignest evermore, Hallelujah!

Music: Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy (1809-1847)

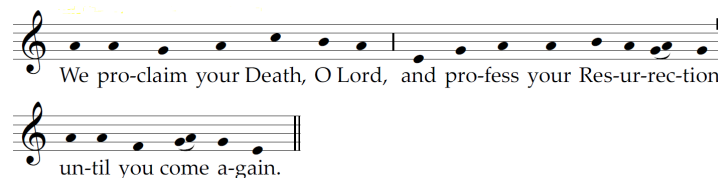
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Mass XVIII



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

ICEL #1



LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Messe Breve in C

Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

John 6:7:33,34

Psallite Domino, qui ascendit
super coelos coelorum ad
orientem. Alleluia.

Sing to the Lord who ascended
the highest heavens, towards
the East, alleluia.

COMMUNION HYMN

CWB 503

Holy Father, God of might,
Throned amid the hosts of light,
Take our life, our strength, our love,
King of earth and heaven above.

Hear the songs your people raise,
Songs of joyful thanks and praise,
Calling all created things
To adore you, King of kings.

Christ, be with us as we go,
Let this blind world see and know,
Burning in our lives, the sight
Of its only saving Light.

So, will all exalt your name,
And your kingship all proclaim,
heaven and earth in unity,
praise the Blesséd Trinity.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude in C Major BWV 547

– 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 usually led by the Cathedral Schola. All other Masses are led by a cantor.

Processional Hymn Christ, our Lord, the Prince of ages
(CWBII 399)

Kyrie Mass Shalom – Smith (CWBII 27a)
12pm Mass 'Spatzenmesse' K.220, – WA Mozart

Gloria Mass Shalom – Smith (CWBII 27c)
12pm Mass 'Spatzenmesse' K.220, – WA Mozart

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 46

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a
blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 28:19

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Go and teach all people my Gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Offertory Motet *Exultate Deo*
(12pm Mass) – Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)

Sanctus Mass Shalom – Smith (CWBII 27f)

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

Agnus Dei Mass Shalom – Smith (CWBII 27k)
12pm Mass 'Spatzenmesse' K.220, – WA Mozart

Communion Motet *Christus Jesus Splendor*
(12pm Mass) – Luca Marenzio (1554-1599)

Communion Hymn Alleluia, sing to Jesus
(CWBII 449)

Recessional Hymn Holy Father, God of Might
(CWBII 503)

OFFERTORY MOTET (12pm Mass)

Christus Jesus splendor
Patris, et figura substantiae
ejus, portans omnia verbo
virtutis suae purgationem
peccatorum faciens, in monte
excelso gloriosus apparere
dignatus est. Alleluia.

*Jesus Christ, radiance of the
Father, and in his image and
likeness, upholding all things
by the Word of his power, by
purging our sins, was pleased
to manifest his glory from on
high. Alleluia!*

Music: Luca Marenzio (1554-1599)

Christ, our Lord, the Prince of ages,
Christ, the nations' glorious King,
whom we praise with exultation,
saints and angels answering,
to your throne with true devotion,
hearts and minds and senses bring.

Come, O Lord, and claim your kingdom,
rebel hearts your grace can gain;
bend the stubborn will of rulers
who from homage still refrain:
in the home as in the city
be supreme, O Christ, and reign.

On our own dear land, Australia,
let the light of mercy shine,
that, in holy Church united,
all may know the saving sign:
Christ, up on the cross up lifted,
drawing all with love divine.

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph, His the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of ev'ry nation Has redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us, faith believes, nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise? "I am with you evermore!"

Alleluia! Bread of Angels, here on earth our food, our stay.
Alleluia! here the sinful come to you from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners, Earth's redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal, you the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! Born of Mary, Earth your footstool,
heav'n your throne:
You within the veil have entered, robed in flesh,
our great high priest;
Here on earth both priest and victim in the Eucharistic feast.

Holy Father, God of might,
Throned amid the hosts of light,
Take our life, our strength, our love,
King of earth and heaven above.

Hear the songs your people raise,
Songs of joyful thanks and praise,
Calling all created things
To adore you, King of kings.

Christ, be with us as we go,
Let this blind world see and know,
Burning in our lives, the sight
Of its only saving Light.

So, will all exalt your name,
And your kingship all proclaim,
heaven and earth in unity,
praise the Blessed Trinity.