

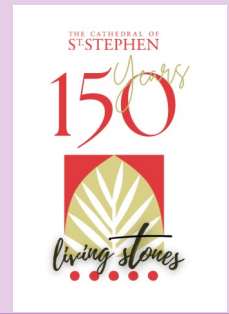
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

YEAR B – 24TH DECEMBER 2023

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

The Cathedral Parish has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.

Readings for today: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38



THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Celebrant In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

Celebrant The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
All And with your spirit.

Blessing of Advent Wreath / Lighting of Advent Candle

Celebrant Today, as we gather on the fourth Sunday of Advent, we light the fourth of the candles, remembering how God's love was manifested to the world through the generosity and courage of the Virgin Mary. Like Mary, may we embrace your will and become a dwelling fit for your Word.

The Fourth Advent candle is lit while all sing:

*Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.
Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Celebrant Dear sisters and brothers, as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in glory, let us pray that God will make us witnesses of the Lord of light, who taken on our humanity to bring salvation to all people.

SILENCE

Celebrant From the depths of your creating love, you made us male and female!
All Teach us the way of love, and help us to walk in it.

Celebrant In the goodness of your covenant, you created us a community of your love!
All Teach us the way of love, and help us to walk in it.

Celebrant In the fullness of time you sent us Jesus, a man of love who risked all for the sake of the world!
All Teach us the way of love, and help us to walk in it.

Celebrant In your resurrection power, you have revealed your love to all humanity!
All Teach us the way of love, and help us to walk in it.

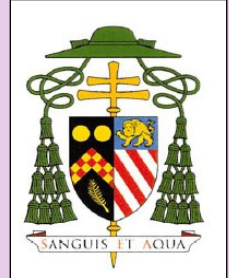
Celebrant Help us, O God, to rediscover the power of the Christmas story and meet again the Christ-child, born anew among us.
All Teach us the way of love, and help us to walk in it.

Celebrant Have mercy on us, O Lord:
All For we have sinned against you.

Celebrant Show us, O Lord, your Mercy:
All And grant us your salvation.

Celebrant May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.
All Amen.

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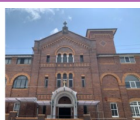
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St Patrick's Church
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Villa Maria Aged Care Chapel
171 St Paul's Tce
Spring Hill

No public Masses until further notice.

Cathedral of St Stephen Mass Times

Monday to Friday	Please see notice on page 2 of the Newsletter			
Saturday	11:30am			6:00pm Vigil
Sunday	8:00am	10:00am *	12:00pm	7:30pm

* The 8.00am weekday and 10:00am Sunday Masses are livestreamed

Cathedral Reconciliation Times

Wednesday to Friday	Following 8:am Mass		
Saturday	10:00-11:00am		4:30-5:30pm

St Patrick's Mass Times

Sunday	9:00am	11:00am
Brazilian Catholic Community (Portuguese Mass)		5:00pm

Cathedral Exposition Times

Monday to Friday	N/A
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Cathedral Benediction Times

Monday to Friday	N/A
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Christmas Eve/Christmas Day Mass Times

CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN

Christmas Eve - Sunday 24 December

5:00pm; 7:00pm

(11:30pm Carols); 12 midnight

Christmas Day - Monday 25 December

8:00am; 10:00am; 12 noon

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, FORTITUDE VALLEY

Christmas Eve - 6:00pm

Christmas Day - 9:00am



St Stephen's Feast Day Mass Time

CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN

Tuesday 26 December - 10:00am

Cathedral Office hours – post Christmas

The office will be closed 27-29 December 2023. From 2-6 January 2024 the office will open 9:00am to 12:30pm.

Livestreaming of Weekday Mass

Livestreaming of the weekday 8.00am Mass from the Cathedral will be in hiatus from Wed 27 Dec 2023 to Fri 5 Jan 2024.

Cathedral of St Stephen 150th Celebrations Merchandise

Available for sale following the morning Masses from the display outside the Francis Rush Centre and the Cathedral Office during the week.



Pens, Keyring, Mousepad, Coasters, Coffee Mug, Picnic Blanket, Umbrella

Welcome to the Cathedral of St Stephen



Scan the QR code to hear the Christmas message from Archbishop Mark Coleridge



Mass Schedule 26 December 2023 5 January 2024

Tuesday 26 December
Feast of St Stephen
Mass 10:00 am

Wed 27 to Friday 29 December
Mass 8:00am; Reconciliation 8:30am

Saturday 30 December
Reconciliation 10:00-11:00am
Mass 11:30 am

Sunday 31 December
CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN
Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
8:00am; 10:00am; 12:00pm; 7:30 pm
ST PATRICK'S
9:00am; 11:00am

Monday 1 January (Public Holiday)
Mass 8:00am

Tuesday 2 January to Friday 5 January
Mass 8:00am & 12:30pm
Reconciliation 1:00pm



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<https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-qld/vinnies-qld-cyclone-flood-disaster-appeal>



Cathedral of St Stephen

★ Candlelight concerts bring the magic of a live, multi-sensory musical experience to awe-inspiring locations like never seen before in Brisbane. Buy your tickets now to discover the music of Mozart, Bach, and other Timeless Composers at The Cathedral of St Stephen under the gentle glow of candlelight.

Thursday, 25 January 2024
6:30pm & 8:30pm



Candlelight Concert "Mozart Bach and Timeless Composers" played by a String Quartet.
<https://feverup.com/m/136773>



¡Feliz Navidad!

JOYEUX NOËL!

FRÖHE WEIHNACHTEN!

Buon Natale!

Feliz Natal!

Wesołych Świąt!

Vrolijk Kerstfeest!

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Maligayang Pasko

Chúc Mừng Giáng Sinh An Lành

*The community of the Cathedral of St. Stephen
wish you a happy and Holy Christmas*

A Christmas Prayer

*O Gift of gifts
You come among us the
Word made flesh.*

*O spring of Jesse
You are the promise of
life renewed.*

*O Son of God
and Son of Mary
You are our Redeemer
and the Fulfilment of Creation.*

*The human family stands
in need before you.*

*O helpless one,
Come to our aid.*



**I'm so glad that Jesus
was born in a stable.
Because my soul is so
much like a stable. It is
poor and in
unsatisfactory condition
because of guilt,
falsehoods, inadequacies
and sin. Yet I believe
that if Jesus can be born
in a stable, maybe he can
also be born in me.**

Dorothy Day

MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL

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

All Masses are led by a cantor.

Processional Hymn Immaculate Mary (CWBII 416)

Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you:
his pow'r and his mercy, his grace giv'n to you.

*Refrain Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria.
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria.*

Predestined for Christ by eternal decree,
God willed you both virgin and mother to be. *Refrain*

To you, by an angel, the Father made known
The grace of his Spirit, the gift of his Son. *Refrain*

Through you to your Son lead us, Mary, we pray;
through Christ to the Father is our only way. *Refrain*

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Christ be our light (CWBII 540)

*Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth,
we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see. Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Kyrie Mass of OLHC, Connolly (CWBII 23a)

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 88

I will sing for e - ver of the
goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 1:38

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

*I am the servant of the Lord:
may his will for me be done.*

Offertory Organ Music

Sanctus Mass of OLHC, Connolly (CWBII 23c)

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

Agnus Dei Mass of OLHC, Connolly (CWBII 23f)

Communion Organ Music

Communion Hymn The angel Gabriel (CWBII 247)

The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
"Rejoice", the angel said, "the Lord is with you"
Most highly favoured lady! Gloria!

"Be not afraid, for you shall bear a child;
by him shall we to God be reconciled.
His name shall be Emmanuel, the long foretold."
Most highly favoured lady! Gloria!

Then gentle Mary humbly bowed her head;
"To me be as it pleases God!" she said.
"My soul shall praise and magnify his holy name."
Most highly favoured lady! Gloria!

"And so," she said, "how happy I shall be!
All generations will remember me,
for God has kept the promises to Israel."
Most highly favoured lady! Gloria!

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born
in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
and Christian folk through-out the world will ever say:
Most highly favoured lady! Gloria!

Recessional Hymn Come, O long expected Jesus (CWBII 232)

Come, O long expected Jesus,
born to set your people free,
from our fears and sins release us,
in your heart our rest shall be.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope to all you shall impart;
dear desire of ev'ry nation,
joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Born, your people to deliver,
born a child and yet a king:
born to reign in us forever,
now your gracious kingdom bring.

By your own eternal Spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by your all-sufficient merit
raise us to your glorious throne.

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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.



ETPOS machines also are available at the doors of the church and have the capacity to enable us to select the amount we wish to contribute. As we become an increasingly cashless society, this facility gives us the opportunity to continue to financially support the Cathedral and St Patrick's.

Your support for the Cathedral Parish is appreciated.

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