



THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. STEPHEN

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26 JANUARY 2025 – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

Readings for today: Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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Dear friends,

2025 is a Jubilee Year. Every 25 years (and sometimes more regularly), the church inaugurates a year of jubilee, which focusses our attention of renewal, restoration and the gift of God's mercy.

In ancient Judaism, the Jubilee Year (which was called the year of the *yōbēl*, meaning "of the goat or ram", because the holiday was proclaimed by the sound of a ram's horn) was a year that was declared holy. During this period, the Mosaic law prescribed that slaves could regain their freedom, and that land (of which God is the sole master), should be returned to its former owners. A jubilee year was typically celebrated every 50 years. Seven was a sacred number – seven lots of seven years (49) were particularly sacred, so the fiftieth year (the extra year) was seen as a time to enact God's gift of restoration of creation and social relationships.

In the Christian era, after the first Jubilee of 1300, Pope Boniface VIII fixed the frequency of Jubilee celebrations to every 100 years. Following a plea from the people of Rome to Pope Clement VI (1342), the frequency was reduced to every 50 years. Paul II extended the inter-jubilee period to 25 years. From then on, ordinary Jubilees were held at regular intervals.

The concept of jubilee is deeply biblical. As Jesus reads the words of the prophet Isaiah from the scroll in the gospel today, he is declaring a time of jubilee – a "year of the Lord's favour".

A time of jubilee isn't just a personal act because in essence it is designed to have social consequences. As Jesus proclaims today, the jubilee is about "good news", liberty, restoration, and freedom.

The physical "holy door" at the chapel-side of the Cathedral is not a decoration or a magical door – it is a door of commitment. We are crossing a threshold to say that we hear and respond to Jesus' announcement of what it means to be a disciple of God's kingdom. So what might the Jubilee Year mean for you and me? Listen carefully because Jesus might have something to say to you this weekend. So be careful about walking through the door because the Spirit of the Lord might ask you and me how are we being pilgrims of hope:

- By being good news to others through our friendship, empathy and understanding?
- By helping to "free" those who are held captive by illness or hopelessness?
- By giving those who are weighted down by darkness some sense of hope by seeing a way forward?
- By lightening the load of those downtrodden by life's circumstances?

The Jubilee is also a time of rest and restoration, particularly for the land and all creation. The Jubilee is an invitation – are we willing to hear God's invitation to accept new ways of living and new relationships? The door is open because this is the year of the Lord's favour. *Fr. Anthony*

MASS TIMES

Cathedral



Mon - Fri
8am; 10am; 12:30pm;
5:10pm (Chapel)

Saturday

11:30am
6:00pm Vigil

Sunday

8am; 10am;
12pm; 7:30pm

St Patrick's



Sunday

9am; 11am
Brazilian Community Mass (in Portuguese)
5pm

Villa Maria



No public Masses until further notice

RECONCILIATION

Cathedral

Mon-Fri
10:30-11:30am

1-1:30pm

4:30-5pm

Saturday

10-11am
4:30-5:30pm

EXPOSITION

Cathedral

Mon-Fri
10:30am-12:15pm

BENEDICTION

Cathedral

Mon-Fri
12:15pm



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Sunday 26 January Tours

Find out what being a guide and welcomer is really like!

Join us for a tour after 8am, 10am, and midday Mass this Sunday the 26th January. Meet your friendly guide at the covered walkway to the Chapel after Mass.



JOIN THE GUIDES & WELCOMERS TEAM

Could you be the face of St Stephen's Cathedral that greets and welcomes our many visitors? If you have an interest in history and like being a part of a vibrant team - this could be for you!

We are holding an Information Day at the Cathedral on Thursday February 6th for prospective Guides & Welcomers.

To find out more and register, please email CathedralGandWeb@bne.catholic.net.au or contact the office on 3324 3030



Ann Hoban



Last weekend, the Cathedral community was saddened to hear of the death of Ann Hoban. Anyone who has attended First Friday, Saturday morning or Sunday evening Mass would be aware of Ann's great commitment to St. Stephen's. Ann was a wonderful woman of faith and servant to the Cathedral, especially as a cantor. In her own prayer and spiritual life, Ann had a deep devotion to Our Lady which found expression in her preparation and participation in the 11:30am

Mass each Saturday. Ann had a close circle of friends at the Cathedral and was particularly supportive of priests and bishops who moved through the Cathedral over the years. We are grateful for her faith, her presence and her commitment and we pray that she may now rest in peace.

Ann's funeral will be celebrated on Tuesday at 10am. No parking will be available for the Funeral.

Changes to Tuesday Mass & Confession due to Funeral

There will be no 10am Mass on Tuesday 28 January due to the above funeral. Confessions will take place once the funeral has finished.

Young Adult Ministry Fundraiser

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Free tea and coffee available



- ◆ Sausage sizzle and drink.....\$5.00
- ◆ Sausage sizzle only.....\$3.00
- ◆ Drink only.....\$2.50



SUNDAY 02 FEBRUARY Under the veranda at Mercy House
After the 8am, 10am, & 12pm Masses

◆ Thank you for your contribution ◆

Australia Day Public Holiday 27 January 2024

Mass will be celebrated at 8.00am [only] on this public holiday. This Mass will also be livestreamed.

Everyone is invited to gather to pray for our Country and its peoples.

As with all weekday Masses, the carpark will not be available

Young Adult Ministry



YAM is back this year with their first Mass being celebrated in the Cathedral by Archbishop Mark Coleridge

**6 PM
SATURDAY 08 FEBRUARY**

The Mass will be followed by a short talk in the Hanly Room about the Jubilee Year.

EVERYONE BETWEEN 18 AND 35 YEARS OLD IS WELCOME TO JOIN US



The agenda will be as usual, beginning at 4.30 in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel with Adoration and Reconciliation, followed by Mass, Dinner and the talk in the Hanly Room.

Infant Baptism

Parents wishing to have their child baptised at the Cathedral of St Stephen or St Patrick's Church, Fortitude Valley, are invited to attend the next Infant Baptism Preparation meeting.

Date: Saturday 1 February 2025
Time: 9:30am
Venue: The Hanly Room, FRC
The Cathedral car park is available

An application package 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 via the Cathedral website:
<https://www.cathedralofststephen.org.au>





Holy Door for the Year of Jubilee



**Sisters and brothers
This is the season of hope!**

**The Jubilee calls us to spiritual renewal
and commits us to the transformation of our world.**

**It is a time of Jubilee –
for our mother Earth disfigured by profiteering;
for the poorer countries burdened beneath unfair debts;
for all those who are in bondage to all forms of slavery.**

**We have received the gift and task of bringing hope
wherever hope has been lost:
to the weary who have no strength to carry on,
to the lonely oppressed by the bitterness of failure,
to all those who are broken-hearted.**

**We have received the gift and task of bringing hope
into every situation.**

**Let all people receive hope –
the hope of the Gospel,
the hope of love,
the hope of forgiveness.**

Pope Francis



Hope
in the
Lord

Hold
firm
and
take
heart

Ps 27:14



MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL

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

Processional Hymn Blessed Jesus, at your word
(CWBII 457)

Blessed Jesus, at your word
we are gathered all to hear you;
let our hearts and minds be stirred
now to seek and love and fear you;
by your gospel pure and holy teach us,
Lord, to love you solely.

All our knowledge, sense and sight
lie in deepest darkness shrouded,
till your spirit breaks our night
with your beams of truth unclouded;
you alone to God can win us,
you must work all good within us.

Glorious Lord, yourself impart,
light of light from God proceeding;
open lips and ears and heart,
help us by your Spirit's leading;
hear the cry your Church now raises;
Lord, accept our prayers and praises.

Kyrie Mass of St Francis (CWBII 22a)

Gloria Mass of St Francis (CWBII 22b)

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 18: 8-10, 15*



R Your words are spirit, O Lord, and they are life.

Gospel Acclamation *Luke 4:18*



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

*The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor
and freedom to prisoners.*

Offertory *Organ music*

Sanctus Mass of St Francis (CWBII 22c)

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

Agnus Dei Mass of St Francis (CWBII 22h)

Communion *Organ music*

Communion Hymn Thus says the Lord of hosts
(CWBII 629)

Thus says the Lord of hosts to his belov'd creation,
"My servant I commend, a light for every nation.
My people he will call from every time and place,
and wholeness my desire this broken world embrace."

Behold, the Lamb of God, our sinful souls befriending.
The Spirit is his sign, in power and grace descending.
Of higher nature he than all who went before,
to lost and guilty come, with perfect grace in store.

Now may the Father's grace, to all the world be given,
through his eternal Son, with perfect peace of heaven.
O fellowship divine, and love's eternal spring,
your never-ending praise let all creation sing!

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

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.

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