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Mass Times this Week

Mon-Wed & Friday 8am Chapel; 10am Cathedral; 12.30pm Cathedral; 5.10pm Chapel

Thursday 8.00am Chapel; 10.00am Cathedral; 12.30pm Cathedral;
7.00pm Cathedral (Chrism Mass)

Morning Prayer Included in the 8.00am Mass on Friday in the Chapel

Saturday 9.30am Villa Maria; 11.30am Cathedral

Sunday

Cathedral of St Stephen Saturday 6.00pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday 8.00am; 10.00am (Solemn Mass); 12 noon; 7.30pm

St Patrick's, Fortitude Valley Sunday 9.00am; 12 noon

Villa Maria, Spring Hill Sunday 9.30am

Reconciliation

Monday to Friday 10.30-11.30am; 1.00-1.30pm; 4.30-5.00pm

Saturday 10.00-11.00am; 4.30-5.30pm

Exposition Monday to Friday 10.30am – 12.15pm

Benediction Monday to Friday 12.15pm



THE CATHEDRAL OF
ST STEPHEN
*Embracing Villa Maria and
St Patrick's Fortitude Valley*

WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET

8 – 13 APRIL 2019
FIFTH WEEK OF LENT
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"...Let the one among you who is guiltless be the first to throw a stone at her." – John 8:7

Often in the Gospel narratives, we read stories of how Jesus had to face unjust accusations made by the Pharisees and the Scribes. They were upset with Jesus' teaching and they desperately wanted to discredit him in any way they could. They wanted not only to silence him, but to get rid of him because of his claim to speak with God's authority. When a moral dilemma or difficult legal or religious question arose, it was typical for the Jews to take the matter to a rabbi for a decision.

In today's Gospel account, the scribes and the Pharisees came to Jesus with a difficult moral question concerning a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery. John writes that they wanted to "test" Jesus on the issue of retribution so "that they might have some charge to bring against him" (John 8:6). Jewish law treated adultery as a serious crime since it violated God's ordinance and inflicts chaos on the stability of marriage and family life. It was one of the three gravest sins punishable by death. If Jesus said the woman must be pardoned, he would be accused of breaking the Law of Moses. If he said the woman must be stoned, he would lose his reputation for being the merciful friend of sinners.

Jesus then does something quite unexpected - he begins to write in the sand. Perhaps, as some scholars would suggest, Jesus was writing down a list of the sins of the accusers

standing before him. By so doing, he turns the challenge towards his accusers. In effect he says: Go ahead and stone her! But let the man who is without sin be the first to cast a stone. The Lord leaves the matter to their own consciences.

Jesus did not condemn the adulterous woman, rather he both expresses mercy and strongly exhorts her to not sin again. The scribes wished to condemn, Jesus wished to forgive and to restore the sinner to health. His challenge involved a choice - either to go back to her former way of sin and death or to reach out to God's offer of forgiveness, restoration, and new life in his kingdom of peace and righteousness. Jesus gave her pardon and a new start on life.

God's grace enables us to confront our sin for what it is, and to turn back to God with a repentant heart and a thankful spirit for God's mercy and forgiveness. He does not want the death of a sinner, but wishes the sinner to be converted and live. In his wisdom, God understands our weakness, and in his mercy God forgives our sins. God not only helps us to put our sins behind us, but also to draw good from them. And surely, the fact that we all have sinned, and therefore stand continually in need of God's mercy, will make us refrain from casting stones at others. There is no more important thing in life than compassion for a fellow human being.

Fr Odinka Nwadike

ANZAC DAY MASS - THURSDAY 25 APRIL AT 8.00AM All are welcome to celebrate this solemn day in the life of our Country at the Annual ANZAC Day Mass which will be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge at the Cathedral. On this day we welcome many veterans and their families as well as dignitaries from government and defence services. The car park will be open until 1.00pm to allow people to attend the Civic Ceremony.

SAFEGUARDING ESSENTIALS PRESENTATION On-line Safeguarding Essentials Presentation (level 1) for all volunteers who have not already attended Safeguarding Training is available at www.safeguardingaob.com.au. After viewing the presentation, volunteers must complete a **Confirmation of Completion form** and return it to the parish office to have the training recorded with People & Culture.

COSSAG – LUNCHEON, GUEST SPEAKER & EXHIBITION **Wednesday 1 May – 11:30 for a 12:00 start.** We are excited to invite you to our 2019 luncheon. Our guest speaker this year is the esteemed Dr Rhyl Hinwood. Rhyl is a pre-eminent sculptor who has been practising her craft for over 40 years. Rhyl's work can be found around the Cathedral of St Stephen and through out other venues across Brisbane and indeed Australia. She is currently the patron of Sculptors Queensland. Along with the talk we will have an exhibition of local artists on the theme: "Life's Journey" Enjoy a buffet lunch while listening to our guest speaker. Tickets are \$35. Purchase tickets by emailing cossagart@gmail.com

POSITION VACANT – SACRISTAN Applications are open for a position at the Cathedral of St Stephen. A person with Cathedral or Parish experience in liturgical ministry is required for a full time position of Sacristan for 37.5 hours a week working on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. **Closing date 18th April 2019.** For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers. *The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.*

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MONDAY 8 APRIL 2019
Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Have mercy on me, O God,
for people assail me;
they fight me all day long and oppress me.

FIRST READING:

Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 22

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your
staff; with these you give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness
shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory to you, Word of God,
Lord Jesus Christ!
I do not wish the sinner to die, says the Lord,
but to turn to me and live.
Glory to you, Word of God,
Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: John 8:1-11

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will not walk in the
darkness,
but will have the light of life.

TUESDAY 9 APRIL 2019
Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Wait for the Lord; be strong;
be stout hearted, and wait for the Lord!

FIRST READING: Numbers 21:4-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 101:2-3, 16-21
O Lord, listen to my prayer
and let my cry for help reach you.
Do not hide your face from me
in the day of my distress.
Turn your ear towards me
and answer me quickly when I call.

The nations shall fear the name of the Lord
and all the earth's kings your glory,
when the Lord shall build up Zion again
and appear in all his glory.
Then he will turn to the prayers of the
helpless;
he will not despise their prayers.

Let this be written for ages to come
that a people yet unborn may praise the Lord;
for the Lord leaned down from his sanctuary
on high.
He looked down from heaven to the earth
that he might hear the groans of the prisoners
and free those condemned to die.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!
The seed is the word of God,
Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: John 8:21-30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

When I am lifted up from the earth,
I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.

LENT IN THE CATHEDRAL PARISH
REFLECTING, SHARING AND LIVING THE GOOD NEWS

- **Fridays from 12-1pm.** Mercy House Meeting Room
- **Sundays** following the 12noon Mass in the downstairs choir room.

◆ **LIVING LENT WITH LUKE**

Living Lent with Luke Wednesday's during Lent commencing at 12noon in St Stephen's Chapel. Presenters are:

10 April – Allie Ernst – Director IFE

17 April – Archbishop Mark Coleridge

◆ **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Every Friday during Lent at 10.30am.

◆ **2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION**

The 2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held on **Monday 15 April at 5.10pm**. The Cathedral car park will be available. There will be no 5.10pm Mass on 15 April.

CHRISM MASS

Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the annual Chrism Mass to be held in the Cathedral of St Stephen this **Thursday 11th April 2019 commencing at 7.00pm**. This is a celebration for the entire Archdiocese and all are welcome. Please note that there will be no 5.10pm Mass on 11 April. Car parking will be available from 5.30pm.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to **Nicole Andrews & Trevor Gillbard; Jenny Pham & John Khoo and Anita Deeb & Michael Nolan** who were married in the Cathedral over the weekend.

TOUR DE BRISBANE – 14 APRIL

Sunday 14 April – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord the Tour de Brisbane bicycle race will be held, causing road closures in the Brisbane CBD. We have been negotiating with the organisers to ensure that our parishioners attending the 8.00am Mass will be able to access the Cathedral car park. The roads will be re-opened by 8.45am so other Masses will not be affected. Parishioners attending the 8.00am Mass will need to approach the police check point on the corner of Edward and Charlotte, advise the police that you are attending Mass and you will be

permitted to drive the wrong way down Charlotte Street to enter the car park.

St Patrick's Parishioners coming from south of the river, who normally cross the Story Bridge, are encouraged to check the website for the most up to date information about road closures and changed traffic conditions. This information is available at www.tourdebrisbane.org/roads

LITURGICAL MINISTERS AVAILABILITY FOR EASTER CEREMONIES

Liturgical Minister are requested to nominate, on the sheets available at the Mass Co-ordinators table, which Masses/Ceremonies they will be attending for the Easter Triduum and will be available for Ministry.

TRIDUUM CEREMONY TIMES

Sheets are available at the doors of the church.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME: FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN GRADE 3, 4 AND ABOVE

Sacraments are sacred events, in which we enter more fully into the mysteries of our Catholic faith. They are community events, which remind us of the role of the community in our faith life. Based upon the sacramental guidelines of the Archdiocese, the sacramental preparation is a collaborative process that is parish based and family centred.

Here is a wonderful opportunity for parents to **contact the parish office** at cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au to enroll their children into this year's sacramental program before the Information Session.

On **Sunday May 4th**, at 9am at the Hanly Room, there will be a parent information session for those who will be enrolled in our Sacramental Program for this year. In this session, preparation process will be outlined and questions answered.

On Saturday morning, **8 June**, there is a mini retreat that brings the preparation to an end and the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated.

On Sunday, **June 9**, Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate with the Archbishop the sacrament of **Confirmation for those in grade 3**, and on Sunday, **June 23**, the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we celebrate the **First Holy Communion for those in grade 4** who have prepared for that sacrament.

Benediction Hymns and Prayer

O SAVING VICTIM

O saving victim opening wide
The gate of heaven to us below.
Our foes press on from every side
Thy strength supply, thine aid bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend
For evermore blest three in one,
O grant us life that shall not end
In our true native land with thee
AMEN.

HYMN OF ADORATION

Down in adoration falling,
This great sacrament we hail;
Ancient types have long departed
Newer rites of grace prevail
Faith for all defects supplying
Where the feeble senses fail.

Glory let us give and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
honour, might and praise addressing
while eternal ages run;
Equal praise to him confessing
who proceeds from both as one.
AMEN

V. You have given them bread from heaven
R. Having in itself all delight.

SWEET SACRAMENT DIVINE

Sweet Sacrament Divine,
hid in thy earthly home,
Lo! Round thy lowly shrine,
with suppliant hearts we come.
Jesus, to thee our voice we raise
in songs of love and heartfelt praise,
Sweet Sacrament Divine.

Sweet Sacrament of Peace,
dear home of every heart,
where restless yearnings cease,
and sorrows all depart.
There in thine ear, all trustfully
We tell our tale of misery
Sweet Sacrament of Peace.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

*Lord Jesus Christ at your last supper
you prayed to the Father
that all should be one.*

*Send your Holy Spirit
upon all who bear your name
and seek to serve you.*

*Strengthen our faith in you, and make us
love one another in humility.*

*May we, who have been reborn in one
baptism, be united in one faith under one
shepherd.*

Amen



WEDNESDAY 10 APRIL 2019

Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

My deliverer from angry nations,
you set me above my assailants;
you saved me from the violent man, O Lord.

FIRST READING: Daniel 3:14-20, 24-25, 28

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Daniel 3:52-56

Blest your glorious holy name.

You are blest in the temple of your glory.

You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.

You are blest who gaze into the depths.

You are blest in the firmament of heaven.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
Happy are they who have kept the word with
a generous heart
and yield a harvest through perseverance.
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: John 8:31-42

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

God has brought us to the kingdom of his
beloved Son,
in whom we have redemption through his
Blood,
the forgiveness of sins.

THURSDAY 11 APRIL 2019

Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Christ is mediator of a New Covenant,
so that by means of his death,
those who are called
may receive the promise of an eternal
inheritance.

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:3-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 104:4-9

Consider the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

Remember the wonders he has done,
his miracles, the judgements he spoke.

O children of Abraham, his servant,
O sons of the Jacob he chose.
He, the Lord, is our God:
his judgements prevail in all the earth.

He remembers his covenants for ever,
his promise for a thousand generations,
the covenant he made with Abraham,
the oath he swore to Isaac.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: John 8:51-59

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

God did not spare his own Son,
but handed him over for us all;
with him, he has given us all things.

FRIDAY 12 APRIL 2019

Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I am in distress.
Deliver me from the hands of my enemies
and those who pursue me.
O Lord, let me never be put to shame,
for I call on you.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:10-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 17:2-7

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes.

The waves of death rose about me;
the torrents of destruction assailed me;
the snares of the grave entangled me;
the traps of death confronted me.

In my anguish I called to the Lord;
I cried to my God for help.
From his temple he heard my voice;
my cry came to his ears.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory to you, Word of God,
Lord Jesus Christ!
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:
you have the words of everlasting life.
Glory to you, Word of God,
Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: John 10:31-42

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Jesus bore our sins in his own body
on the cross,
so that dead to sin,
we might live for righteousness.
By his wounds we have been healed.

SATURDAY 13 APRIL 2019

Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: CWBII 290

God of mercy and compassion

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37:21-28

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Jeremiah 31:10-13
**R. The Lord will guard us,
like a shepherd guarding his flock.**
O nations, hear the world of the Lord,
proclaim it to the far-off coasts.
Say: 'He who scattered Israel will gather him
and guard him as a shepherd guards
His flock.' R.

For the Lord has ransomed Jacob,
has saved him from an overpowering hand.
They will come and shout for joy on Mount
Zion, they will stream to the blessings
of the Lord. R.

Then the young girls will rejoice and will
dance, the men, young and old, will be glad.
I will turn their mourning into joy.
I will console them, give gladness for
grief. R.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!
Rid yourselves of all your
Sins and make a new heart and a new spirit.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: John 11:45-56

COMMUNION HYMN: CWBII 310

The glory of the cross we sing

RECESSIONAL HYMN: CWBII 442

Holy light on earth's horizon

SATURDAY MORNING

Marian Prayer

With the Virgin Mary, our souls proclaim the greatness of the Lord and our
spirits exult with joy in Jesus our Saviour.

R. Blest are you, O Lord, through eternity!

Because you have looked with favour,
upon your lowly handmaid. R.

Because the power of your love
has done great things for her. R.

Because your mercy reaches from
age to age to all who worship you. R.

Because you show the power of your arm
and scatter the proud of heart. R.

Because you cast down princes from their thrones
and exalt the lowly. R.

Because you fill the hungry with good things
and send the rich away empty. R.

Because you are mindful of the mercy
promised to our fathers, to Abraham and to his descendants forever. R.

We pray to you, God our Father:
Give us souls of praise like that of the Virgin Mary,
souls that know how to marvel at your love and find joy in telling you,
"Thanks!"

LENTEN PRAYER

Fast from judging others; feast on the Christ indwelling in them.

Fast from emphasis on differences; feast on the unity of all life.

Fast from apparent darkness; feast on the reality of light.

Fast from words that pollute; feast on phrases that purify.

Fast from discontent; feast on gratitude.

Fast from anger; feast on patience.

Fast from pessimism; feast on optimism.

Fast from worry; feast on trust.

Fast from complaining; feast on appreciation.

Fast from negatives; feast on affirmatives.

Fast from unrelenting pressures; feast on unceasing prayer.

Fast from hostility; feast on nonviolence.

Fast from bitterness; feast on forgiveness.

Fast from self-concern; feast on compassion for others.

Fast from personal anxiety; feast on eternal truth.

Fast from discouragement; feast on hope.

Fast from facts that depress; feast on truths that uplift.

Fast from lethargy; feast on enthusiasm.

Fast from suspicion; feast on truth.

Fast from thoughts that weaken; feast on promises that inspire.

Fast from idle gossip; feast on purposeful silence.

*Gentle God, during this season of fasting and feasting, gift us with your presence,
so we can be a gift to others in carrying out your work. Amen.*

*At our Masses on Friday we have a collection
to allow weekday parishioners to support the
Cathedral. Thank you for your contribution.*