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Mass Times

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ST LUKE'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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FIRST READING [Ecc1 1:2; 2:21-23](#)

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

1. You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. **(R.)**

2. You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. **(R.)**

3. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. **(R.)**

4. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:

give success to the work of our hands. **(R.)**

SECOND READING [Col 3:1-5, 9-11](#)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

GOSPEL [Mt 5:3](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'



ENTRANCE

Christ Be Our Light!

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.

Refrain:

Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Many the gifts, many the people,
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
Making your kingdom come.

COMMUNION

Our Supper Invitation

Take of my bread and eat,
Drink my new wine.
Take of my life and live, branch of my vine.
Let me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.
Don't be afraid to dream; love has its will.

Take up your burden now, walk 'til you find
Just what the journey means;
Walk while there's time.
Food for the journey will answer your need.
Don't be afraid to walk;
Love, my love will lead.

Take of my bread and eat,
Drink my new wine.
Be a sweet nourishment
To good friends of mine
Let me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.
Share with your people,
That love has its will.

RECESSIONAL

Blest Be the Lord

Refrain:

Blest be the Lord, blest be the Lord,
the God of mercy, the God who saves.
I shall not fear the dark of night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day.

He will release me from the nets of all my foes.
He will protect me from their wicked hands.
Beneath the shadow of his wings I will rejoice,
To find a dwelling place secure

I need not shrink before the terror of the night
Nor stand alone before the light of day.
No harm shall come to me no arrow strike me
down,
No evil settle in my soul.

Although a thousand strong have fallen at my side
I'll not be shaken with the Lord at hand.
His faithful love is all the armour that I need
To wage my battle with the foe.



BLESSINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

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NOTICES

REFLECTION

Stop talking to yourself!

Conversation is what makes us human: we are word animals. Anyone who has been in hospital for some time knows that it is the lack of conversation which starts to tell. We need mouth to mouth resuscitation.

Did you notice in today's Gospel that the rich landowner is constantly murmuring to himself. He poses questions which he answers. He is so bound up with his possessions that there is no room in his life for real conversation with people or with God.

In muttering to himself, the rich man was becoming dehumanised and in danger that at the moment of death, he could find himself monologuing for all eternity, and that is a Hellish existence. He, and we, need to learn the language of Heaven and we begin that on earth.

There are two partners of conversation we need: With God we call it prayer. The Our Father is the conversation of the children of God with their heavenly Father. With other people, real dialogue might reveal something about them such that we need to respond wholeheartedly.

And then, draw closer to Our Lady who was the greatest conversation partner with God: 'Be it done unto me according to Thy word.' She is constantly trying to draw us into her conversation

FEAST DAYS

- Mon** - St Alphonsus Ligouri
- Tue** - St Peter Faber
- Wed** - St Dominic
- Thu** - St John Mary Vianney
- Sat** - The Transfiguration of the Lord

with God. We could pause for a moment to ask Our Lady to help us to learn and practise the language of Heaven: 'now, and at the hour of our death.' Amen. © Fr Michael Tate

SCAM EMAILS Many of our priests are currently the victims of being spammed by emails which are prolific at the moment. A cautionary warning though, as a parishioner at another parish was tricked and lost what for them was a considerable sum of money. Our Clergy would never seek to contact you in this way, or require of you that you provide them with cash or store cards to get them out of a bind. Thank you.

VALE CARMEL GLEESON

On Friday we farewelled our beloved parishioner Carmel Gleeson. Our deepest sympathies are extended to all the family. May Carmel rest in peace and rise in glory.



ANOINTING MASS will be held at St Luke's on the first Friday of each month at the usual time of 9.00am. *Any changes will be communicated via the newsletter.*

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Are ready to be collected this weekend. If you would like to contribute via envelopes, please let Shirley Hallinan know.



Going Deeper is a ten-session online series about the loving relationship with God at the heart of the Catholic faith. It explores different aspects of what it means to live a Catholic life. Together we dive beneath the teachings and practices and instead ponder, 'what is this all for'? Going Deeper is \$75. To find out more and register head to: <https://www.goingdeeper.org.au/>

CONTAINERS FOR CASH Remember to bring in your empty containers. We take them to the depot and convert them to cash. The containers can be placed in the collection bin as you enter the church. Thank you.

National Vocations AWARENESS WEEK

Each one of us is called – whether to the lay life in marriage, to the priestly life in the ordained ministry, or to a life of special consecration, in order to become a witness of the Lord, here and now. — POPE FRANCIS

Learn more about your vocation at www.vocationbrisbane.com

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THE ORDER OF MASS

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.*

Amen.

PENITENTIAL ACT

*Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our
sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred
mysteries.*

**I confess to you almighty God
and to you my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault (*striking the breast*)
therefore I ask the blessed Mary ever-virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

*May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our
sins, and bring us to everlasting life.*

Amen.

GLORIA (when spoken)

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, (*all bow*)
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father almighty,
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. **Amen.**

AFTER THE PREFACE

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection,
until you come again.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
*May almighty God bless you
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*
Amen.

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

Thanks be to God