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Mass Times

9am Friday and 8am Sunday

Reconciliation - By appointment

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ST LUKE'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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FIRST READING [Ex 17:8-13](#)

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains:

from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. (R.)

2. May he never allow you to stumble! Let him sleep not, your guard.

No, he sleeps not nor slumbers, Israel's guard. (R.)

3. The Lord is your guard and your shade; at your right side he stands. By day the sun shall not smite you nor the moon in the night. (R.)

4. The Lord will guard you from evil, he will guard your soul. The Lord will guard your going and coming both now and for ever. (R.)

SECOND READING

[2 Tm 3:14 – 4:2](#)

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL [Lk 18:1-8](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."'

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'



St Luke's community thank Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy and Fr Anto Francis, who will continue to celebrate Sunday and Friday masses here at St Luke's.

HYMNS

ENTRANCE

Glory and Praise to Our God

Refrain:

Glory and praise to our God,
Who alone gives light to our days.
Many are the blessings he bears
To those who trust in his ways.

We the daughters and sons of him
Who built the valleys and plains,
Praise the wonders our God has done
In ev'ry heart that sings.

In his wisdom he strengthens us,
Like gold that's tested in fire.
Though the power of sin prevails,
Our God is there to save.

Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day
Our God is waiting to save,
Always ready to seek the lost,
To answer those who pray.

COMMUNION

Eat This Bread

Refrain:

Eat this bread, drink this cup,
Come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
Trust in me and you will not thirst.

I am the bread of life,
The true bread sent from the Father.

Anyone who eats this bread,
Will live for ever.

If you believe and eat this bread,
You will have eternal life.
Come now with praises before him!
Let the "Amen!"
Sound from His people again,
Now as we worship before Him.

RECESSIONAL

Seek, O Seek the Lord

Antiphon:

Seek, O seek the Lord, while he is near;
Trust him, speak to him in prayer,
And he will hear.

God, be with us in our lives,
Direct us in our calling;
Break the snares the world contrives,
Keep us from falling.

God, increase in us the life
That Christ by dying gave us:
Though we faint with mortal strife
His blood will save us.

Strengthen in our hearts the love
We owe to one another;
How can we love God above
And not our brother?



May your week ahead be blessed.

NOTICES

'Amazing Grace' is one of the most well-known hymns of all time. Perhaps less known is the story of the hymn's composer, John Newton (1725-1807), and what inspired its composition.

Newton had for many years been a slave ship captain during a time when 80% of the British Empire's foreign income came from the slave trade. His conversion to Christianity and the subsequent shame and repentance he felt over his former way of life led him to pen those now very familiar lyrics immortalised in the hymn for which he is most remembered.

Newton eventually became an evangelical Anglican minister and a noted preacher, hymn composer and social justice advocate. His influence spread significantly beyond his London parish, and was most famously felt by a young and promising parliamentarian, William Wilberforce (1759-1833) who, like Newton, was also a convert to Christianity.

Newton mentored Wilberforce for many years in their shared passion for the formal abolition of the slave trade. Together they laid the social and legal groundwork to outlaw slave trading by the Empire. It was 20 long and arduous years of opposition, persecution, prayer and tests of faith before they saw the British Parliament pass the 'Slave Trade Act' in 1807, which restricted slavery. Newton died just 3 days later. However, it would be another 26 years of advocacy, hard work and prayer by Wilberforce and his supporters before the parliament would eventually pass the definitive outlawing of slavery with the

FEAST DAYS

- Mon-** St Ignatius of Antioch
- Tue-** St Luke, Evangelist
- Wed-** St Paul of the Cross
- Sat-** St John Paul II

'Abolition of Slavery' act, in 1833 – a moment 48 years in the making (1787-1833).

Newton's and Wilberforce's unparalleled contributions in securing this unprecedented outcome would in a few short years see close to 1 million slaves emancipated. It was not just Newton & Wilberforce's shared faith that motivated and sustained them – but also the virtue of perseverance in the face of so much opposition. In today's gospel we hear the parable of 'The Widow and the Unjust Judge' – a lesson in persevering in prayer.

I suspect Newton, Wilberforce and their many Christian supporters found solace and strength in this parable, trusting that every prayer achieves a victory in God's own way and good time. We are all able to take comfort from the Lord's assurances that our prayers are always heard, and be inspired to 'pray continually and never lose heart.'

Fr Brendan Gormley (Associate Pastor, Cathedral of St Stephen)

Heart of the Disciple is a 28-day reflection resource for Advent or any time during the 2022-2023 liturgical year. It is available at church from this Sunday.
Cost is \$5-00.



CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL This week Catholic Mission will share the continued vision of Fr Habte and how, through the Goat Rearing Centre, many other families living in poverty are able to access agricultural training and employment that they would otherwise be unable to. As shared by Fr Habte, when established, the Centre will not only provide nutritious milk but job creation and agricultural training for farmers and community members. Please give generously this weekend to help continue this program by using the **appeal envelope**, or going online at catholicmission.org.au/families. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.



ANOINTING MASS will be held at St Luke's on the first Friday of each month at the usual time of 9.00am. The next one will be on the **4th November**. Any changes will be notified via the newsletter.

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

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