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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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1st Sunday of Lent —Year A

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FIRST READING Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden.

The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

SECOND READING Rom 5:12-19

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

GOSPEL Mt 4:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says:

Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are

the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says:

He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

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Fasting during Lent - The law of fasting binds those who have completed their eighteenth year, until the beginning of their sixtieth year; the law of abstinence (from eating meat) binds those who have completed their fourteenth year (CCL 97, 1251f).

Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. In this way, the whole Church prepares for Easter with those who are to be baptised.



HYMNS

"Lent is a time of restraint and simplicity in the life of the Church...." *[Brisbane Liturgy]*

Therefore on Sundays we will acknowledge the Lenten solemnity by omitting the Recessional Hymn. This will encourage us all to leave the Church reflectively, in the spirit of Lent.

ENTRANCE

From Ashes to the Living Font

From ashes to the living font
Your Church must journey Lord,
Baptised in grace, in grace renewed
By your most holy word.

Through fasting, prayer and charity
Your voice speaks deep within,
Returning us to way of truth
And turning us from sin.

From desert to the mountain top
In Christ our way we see,
So, tempered by temptation's might
We might transfigured be.

From ashes to the living font,
Your Church must journey still,
Through cross and tomb to Easter joy.
In Spirit-fire fulfilled.

Responsorial Psalm:

Be merciful, O Lord,
For we have sinned

Gospel Acclamation:



No one lives on bread alone
But on every word that comes
From the mouth of God.

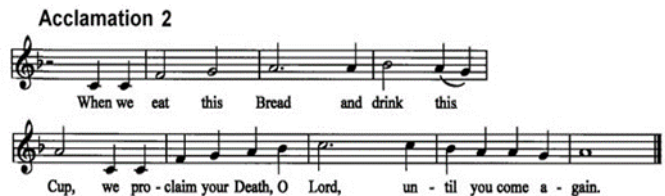
OFFERTORY

Tree of Life

Tree of Life and awesome myst'ry,
In your death we are reborn,
Though you die in all of hist'ry,
Still you rise with ev'ry morn,
Still you rise with ev'ry morn.

From the dawning of creation,
You have loved us as your own;
Stay with us through all temptation,
Make us turn to you alone.
Make us turn to you alone

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:



COMMUNION

One Bread, One Body

Refrain:

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many,
Throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
Woman or man, no more.

Many the gifts, many the works,
One in the Lord of all.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
Gathered to one, for all.

NOTICES

Dear friends,

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday amid the charred remains of the previous year and the determined resolve to repair our broken promises. The chronicles of Jesus' public ministry not with ash but situated amid the wild places, against the backdrop the constant hunger of severe fasting and the tense encounters with a slandering, accusative voice. "The wilderness" is a powerful biblical image and we know only too well in our country how quickly the wilderness can turn to ash. It evokes beauty and fear, rest and exhaustion, retreat and loneliness, communion and detachment, all in the same breath.

Central to Israel's self-understanding was their exodus from Egypt and journey through the wilderness to the Promised Land. Their great story of emergence from being subjects of slavery to bearers of the covenant was told against the background of battling despair and unfaithfulness in the desert. The Israelites came to interpret this forty-year span as a story of prolonged discernment, through which God came to shape their "inmost heart" and they came to know themselves as a people bound by a covenant, a bond, with this God. Jesus travelled the same spiritual route as his ancestors, through the freeing waters of renewal in the Jordan and then out into the uncertain wilderness. Jesus entered this wilderness of discovery and decision-making. Matthew's description of Jesus' wilderness experience crystallises all the human drama that played out in his public ministry. Like his ancestors, for Jesus the wilder-

FEAST DAYS

Mon - St Gregory of Narek
Sat - St Casimir

ness is a place of profound soul-searching. Jesus' response to each of these temptations is seen most clearly by the way he lived his life. Essentially, this collection of conversations with the tempter is Matthew's theological reflection on the faithfulness of Christ. Open to the life of the Spirit which rested on him, Jesus remained faithful to his identity and calling. And yet, in Jesus, the sinless one, we have someone who is not incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us, because he has been put to the test in exactly the same way as ourselves. The wilderness marks the terrain of our exodus from slavery to freedom. Lent is our annual pilgrimage through that which we have turned into desert. Christ guides us through the Lenten wasteland to the Easter garden of new life. *Fr Anthony*

BAPTISM PREPARATION will be offered on the *2nd Saturday of each month* at 10.30 am in the meeting room inside the church. **BAPTISM** will be celebrated on the *3rd Saturday each month* at 10.30am or by arrangement. Please contact the parish office if you'd like to find out more.

The St Luke's Memorial Garden and Columbarium is located on the northern side of St Luke's Church in a peaceful and reflective garden.

If you or a member of your family would like to be laid to rest in the St Luke's Columbarium please contact the Parish Office for more information.

PROJECT COMPASSION Please donate to Project Compassion 2023. Laxmi, 16, lives in in Jajarkot, a remote district in Nepal where almost half of the population live below the poverty line. Tragedy struck when Laxmi was 10 years old and her father passed away. Her father worked hard to pay for his children's education and after losing him Laxmi was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty.

With the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club at her school where she was encouraged to resume her education. Through the child's club, Laxmi developed the skills and confidence to become a leader, advocating for clean water taps at her school.

Laxmi is now excelling in her studies and working towards her dream of becoming a civil engineer. She continues to be involved in the child's club, serving as an advisor and mentoring the next generation of young leaders at her old school. **Envelopes are at the church door or scan here.**



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 **3rd March**. Any changes will be notified via the newsletter.

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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

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