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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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PO Box 6056, Woolloongabba QLD 4102

2nd Sunday of Lent —Year A

5th March 2023

FIRST READING Gen 12:1-4

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you:

I will curse those who slight you.

All the tribes of the earth

shall bless themselves by you.'

So Abram went as the Lord told him.

Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.**

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **(R.)**
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

SECOND READING 2 Tm 1:8-10

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

GOSPEL Mt 17:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus

came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'



PROJECT COMPASSION Teresa is a Gamilaroi woman from Western Sydney who struggled with homelessness while raising her four children. At just 16 years old, she had to leave school after falling pregnant with her first child. A single mother struggling with homelessness, Teresa's only concern was finding stability for her children. Seeking a better future for her family, Teresa joined Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation's Young Mums and Bubs Group, supported by Caritas Australia. Baabayn helped Teresa access housing and psychological support. Today, Teresa is studying a certificate in Community Services so that she can strengthen her skills and give back to her community. Teresa now works at Baabayn, providing support to young mothers and mentoring the next generation of young people. **Envelopes are at the church door. Thank you.**



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

Tune: O God Our Help in Ages Past

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.

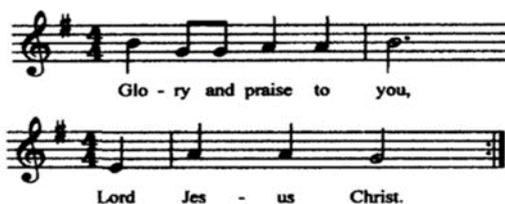
From desert to the mountain top
In Christ our way we see,
So, tempered by temptation’s might
We might transfigured be.

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

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be on us,
As we place our trust in you.

Gospel Acclamation:



From the shining cloud
The Father’s voice is heard:
This is my beloved Son, hear him.

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:

Acclamation 2



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.

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but
This is the bread come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread
Will live forever.

NOTICES

Transfigured Bodysouls

We have to get rid of the idea that the soul is a dot of energy in some hidden core of our body. In fact, the body is in the soul. There is no part of my body which is not immersed in my soul. It is my whole person, bodysoul, which needs to be saved. As Thomas Aquinas says: 'If only my soul is saved, I am not saved.'

Today's Gospel does not portray an out-of-body experience of religious ecstasy. Jesus' body was translucent, totally radiant with Divine Light. Further, this transfiguration was not a solitary experience for Jesus. Peter, James and John witnessed it precisely because it told them what our Heavenly Father desired as their destiny beyond martyrdom, if only they would listen to Jesus. Heavenly salvation will involve my whole person, bodysoul, being transformed. But could a person, during their earthly existence, share in the transfiguration experience of Christ?

We could pause for a moment to 'Google' or otherwise get hold of my favourite story of a saint – St Seraphim of Sarov – and pray that we may share with his disciple the bodily experience of 'immeasurable wellbeing' – 'infinite joy in our hearts'.

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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.

FEAST DAYS

Tue - St Perpetua & Felicity

Wed - St John of God

Thu - St Francis of Rome



SUMMIT23 From Archbishop Mark Coleridge - Pope Francis has said that this is not so much an era of change, but a change of era, and that's certainly true. One sign of that in this country has been the Plenary Council, which was the gift of God and the work of the Holy Spirit. Now the Plenary Council was always going to have three phases: preparation, celebration, and implementation. And we are in that third phase right now, the phase of implementation. Now part of that will be what we are calling the Archdiocesan Summit. We are at a point where we can't just wait for the future to fall into our lap. We have to listen to God in order to shape the kind of future together that God wants. So this Summit is for everybody, every-

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.

one who belongs to the household of God, the community of the baptised in Brisbane. On the 18th to the 20th of May, 2023. I will see you there. Be part of the hope for the future of our Church. Register at brisbanesum-

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

Thank you for supporting this important fundraiser. Not only are you saving plastics from going into the landfill, you're raising money for charity. Keep them coming—10c refund for every container.

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 **5th May**. Any changes will be notified via the newsletter.

STOPline - Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults

STOPline is an external service provided for the Archdiocese to receive confidential disclosures. Disclosures can be made anonymously. P: 1300 304 550 E:AOB@stopline.com.au

If you are a Parish Volunteer or working in the parish the onus is on you to comply with all Archdiocesan policies. Safeguarding training & registration is available online - www.safeguardingaob.com.au If you see any unsafe practice or reportable occurrence please contact the Parish Office or STOPline Service - 1300 304 550

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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