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Mass Times

9am Friday and 8am Sunday

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# ST LUKE'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## FIRST READING *Ez 37:12-14*

### *A reading from the prophet Ezekiel*

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

### Responsorial Psalm

(R.) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

## SECOND READING *Rom 8:8-11*

### *A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus

from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

## GOSPEL *Jn 11:1-45*

### *A reading from the holy Gospel according to John*

The sisters Martha and Mary sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life.

If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress,

with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer.

I knew indeed that you always hear me,

but I speak

for the sake of all these who stand round me,

so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.



# 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:

With the Lord there is mercy  
And fullness of redemption.

### Gospel Acclamation:



I am the resurrection and the life,  
Says the Lord;  
Whoever believes in me  
Will not die for ever.

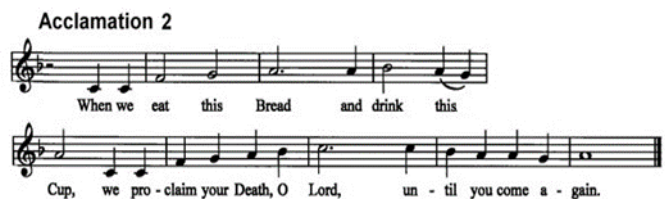
## OFFERTORY

### 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

### I Am the Bread of Life

I am the bread of life;  
You who come to me shall not hunger;  
and who believe in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

#### Refrain:

And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up on the last day.

The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world;  
and if you eat of this bread,  
you shall live forever, you shall live forever.

I am the Resurrection, I am the life.  
If you believe in me, even though you die,  
You shall live for ever.

# NOTICES

As we make our way through the season of Lent we recognise in the Mass readings themes such as sin and repentance, darkness and light, and this Sunday's gospel focusses on death and new life.

Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead after four days. Jesus had previously raised the daughter of Jairus, and also the son of the widow of Nain. In the Old Testament Elijah and Elisha raised people from the dead. But nowhere is there an instance of someone being raised from the dead after *four* days.

The raising of Lazarus is the crowning miracle of Jesus' ministry, and likely the main reason that led to his condemnation and death – the authorities could not afford to let the story get out.

The raising of Lazarus was a foreshadowing of Christ's own Resurrection after sacrificing himself for us. During Lent we strive in our own ways to conform ourselves more to this sacrificial love of Christ, that we too may share in his Resurrection.

May our hearts be purified and our gaze directed more purposefully and lovingly towards our ultimate goal – Christ, who alone is the Light of the World, and the fullness of Resurrection and New Life. *Fr Brendan Gormley*

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**PROJECT COMPASSION** 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.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling



1800 024 413.



## HOLY WEEK AT ST LUKE'S

**Holy Thursday** - Thursday of the Lord's Supper - **5.00pm**

### **Good Friday**

10.00am Stations of the Cross; 10.30am Sacrament of Penance

3.00pm - The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord.

**Easter Sunday** - 8.00am



**MEMORIAL MASS** for **Noreen Rawlings** (wife of Leo and resident of St Luke's Green Independent Living), will be held on Friday 31 March at the 9.00am parish Mass. All welcome.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the annual **CHRISM MASS**  
 Thursday 30th March 2023 @ 7:00pm  
 Cathedral of St Stephen  
 249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane  
 A celebration for the entire Archdiocese  
 All Welcome  
 car parking available from 6:00pm

**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

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### Date Claimer for Sunday Readers...

**Sunday 23 April** after the 8.00am Mass we will have a 30-40 minute refresher for our Readers. Bishop Ken and I thank you for your weekly commitment to Reading at our Sunday Masses.

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](http://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.**

## NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the  
Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

*(At the words that follow, up to and including 'and be-  
came man', all bow)*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin  
Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius  
Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of  
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and  
glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic  
Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the  
dead and the life of the world to come.

## 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

“When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we  
proclaim your Death, O Lord, 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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