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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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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

30th July 2023

FIRST READING 1 Kings 3:5.7-12

A reading from the book of Kings

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Lord, I love your commands.

1. My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word. The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold. (R.)
2. Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant. Let your love come to me and I shall live for your law is my delight. (R.)
3. That is why I love your commands more than finest gold. That is why I rule my life by your precepts: I hate false ways. (R.)

4. Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it. The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. (R.)

SECOND READING Romans 8:28-30

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

GOSPEL Matthew 13:44-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the

angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

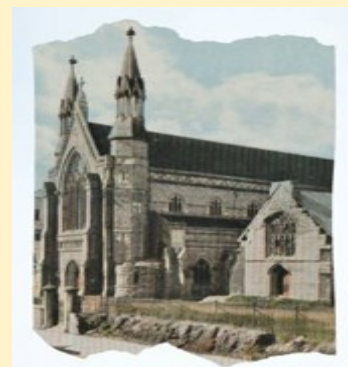
CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF WEDDINGS AT THE CATHEDRAL

All couples who have been married in the Cathedral of St Stephen are invited to a special Mass celebrating over 150 years of Weddings. A special focus will also be placed on those celebrating a Golden Wedding Anniversary (50 years) but of course anyone married in the Cathedral or the Chapel is invited to participate. **30th September** Mass at 11.30am, followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.

If you have photos or stories to share, please contact David Todd. Email

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HYMNS

ENTRANCE

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art,
Thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.


Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord,
Thou my great Father, thy child let me be,
Thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
Grant me its joys after vict'ry is won,
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, I love your commands.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. 
Blessed are you, Father,
Lord of heaven and earth.
You have revealed to little ones
The mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. 

OFFERTORY

I Have Loved You

Refrain:

I have loved you with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine;
I have loved you with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine.

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
He will bring you his light and his peace.

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
He will bring you his joy and his hope.

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
He will bring you his care and his love.



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

COMMUNION

Where There Is Charity and Love

Refrain:

Where there is charity and Love,
There the love of God abides.

The love of Christ has gathered us as one,
Rejoice in him with joy which he imparts;
Let us revere and love the living God
And love each other with unfeigning hearts.

And so when we are gathered here as one,
Let quarrels die and envious rancour cease;
Be our resolve all bitterness to shun
And in our midst be Christ, his love and peace

Oh, lead us, Master, by your saving grace,
To where the blessed glory in your sight;
There let us see and love you face to face,
Gathered once more in everlasting light.

RECESSIONAL

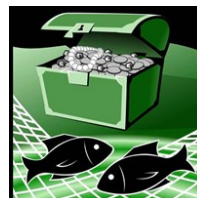
Bring Forth the Kingdom

You are a light on the hill, O people:
Light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
Shine for the Kingdom of God!

Refrain:

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace:
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
Bring forth the City of God!

We are a blest and anointed people:
Signed for the Kingdom of God!
Oil to strengthen us on our journey:
Shine for the Kingdom of God!



NOTICES

And Who Is My Friend?

I have to admit to not being a “Facebooker”, possibly because I don’t understand the idea of it. While I don’t doubt it has many useful applications, the concept of having to “friend” and possibly “unfriend” someone doesn’t really appeal to me. But probably more truthfully, I realise that I don’t have the time to take care of the friends I already have, let alone posting a list of daily happenings to people I don’t really know or value sufficiently. Add to this, we are fast approaching that busy time of sending cards and buying gifts. So I think it is worth considering the criteria of those we consider deserving of our time, thoughts and finances. Who do we choose as recipients of our generosity and why? Why are there some acquaintances that we rarely connect with and others that we can’t imagine not seeing or hearing from on a weekly basis. What is the difference between a friend and someone we know, people with whom we have shared years of experiences and others who seem to fall off the radar? The following wisdom I found in a book published in 1923, and was written as an answer to the question “Who are my friends?”

Those who understand your silence

Those who will be a balance in the seesaw of life

Those who consider your needs before your deservings

Those whom are true to themselves and therefore must be so to you

FEAST DAYS
 Tue - St Alphonsus Ligouri
 Wed - St Dominic
 Fri - St John Mary Vianney

Those who when they reach the top of the ladder,

do not forget you if you are still at the bottom.

Those who are the same today when prosperity smiles on you and tomorrow when adversity and sorrows come.

Those who cheerfully come in when all the world has gone out.

Those who weep with you when the laughing has finished.

Those who guard your interests as their own, neither flattering or deceiving.

Those who give just praise to your good deeds, and equally condemn your bad acts.

Those who are the same to you in the society of the wealthy and proud, as in the solitude of poverty.

Those whose cheerful smile sheds sunshine in every company.

They are your true friends.

While it sets a rather high standard it is also a good reminder of how we should treasure a really good friend, and why we should take the time to make sure we don’t let busyness or distance stop us from preserving those valuable friendships that deserve more than we give them.

Fr. Peter Dillon



The Social Justice Statement from the Australian Bishops 2023-2024, “Listen, Learn, Love: A New Engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples” will be launched on Wednesday, 23rd August. Through thorough consultation with many First Nations communities, the statement’s focus is justice for First Nations People in Australia. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, with NATSICC, invite all Catholics to join them on a journey to restore justice with the oldest living culture on our planet. Br Damien Price will speak in response to the Statement. **23 August 2023 at 7pm.** St James' Parish Hall, 92 Kirkland Avenue, Coorparoo
 RSVP: app.tickets.org.au/eb/



SAFEGUARDING TRAINING will be held in St Luke’s Church on **Sunday 6th August** from **9.00am to 10.00am**. This training is for all volunteers, anyone who is interested in becoming a volunteer, or anyone wanting to learn about Safeguarding in our parish. The session will be facilitated by Mr Jim O’Brien, Safeguarding Advisor, Office for Safeguarding Services. There’s no need to bring anything along, just yourself.

AN ANOINTING MASS will be held on the **4th Aug.**
Any changes will be notified via the newsletter.

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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 Your Safeguarding Representative is Catherine Goldsworthy 0467775862

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.*

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

*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.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
*(At the words that follow, up to and including 'the Virgin Mary', 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

SANCTUS SANCTUS

We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your resurrection
until you come again.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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. Alleluia Alleluia

Thanks be to God. Alleluia Alleluia