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ST LUKE'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A

10 September

FIRST READING Ezekiel 33:7-9

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

SECOND READING Romans 13:8-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

GOSPEL Matthew 18:15-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between you and him. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

A PASTORAL STATEMENT ON THE REFERENDUM

The Referendum on the Voice brings Australia to a threshold moment, since it looks not only to our past but to our future, not only to what we have been but to what we can become.

There is no doubt that Australia has achieved great things since European settlement, and that is a source of national pride. But Australians are increasingly coming to appreciate the devastation that European settlement

has brought to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Australia's first Catholic bishop, John Bede Polding, spoke plainly of their treatment. In 1842 he wrote, "The life of an (Aboriginal) human being is valued no more than the life of a kangaroo, and far less...than that of a bull-ock". In 1849, Polding wrote in his Lenten message, "The first occupants of the lands over which your flocks and herds now roam have a very strong claim upon you".

There emerged in time a policy of assimilating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples into mainstream Australian culture. However well-intentioned it may have seemed, the policy led to the dissolution of Indigenous culture. We are now familiar with the concept of terra nullius (that before European settlement the land belonged to no-one), the tragedy of the Stolen Generation and the fact that the prior habitation of the First Nations peoples was not recognised in the Australian Constitution.

Australians are now being asked to consider a constitutionally enshrined Voice to Parliament and to executive government, which was asked for in the Uluru Statement from the Heart. The hope is that this will not only offer constitutional recognition but also assist towards a more just and equitable Australia, helping to tackle not just the symptoms but the causes of chronic disadvantage.

A full copy of the Archbishop's Pastoral Statement on the Referendum is available at the front door of the church. The second part of the statement will be printed here next week.

ENTRANCE

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.

Gospel Acclamation: ♪

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

OFFERTORY

A New Commandment

A new commandment I give unto you:
That you love one another as I have loved you,
That you love one another as I have loved you.

By this shall all know that you are my disciples:
If you have love one for another.
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If you have love one for another.

A new commandment I give unto you:
That you love one another as I have loved you,
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Mass is also celebrated every
Wednesday at St Benedict's Church,
81 Mowbray Tce, East Brisbane at
9.00am. All are welcome.

THANKSGIVING:

In Faith and Hope and Love

Refrain:

In faith and hope and love
With joyful trust we move
Towards our Father's home above.

Christ, our bread along the way;
Christ, our rescue when we stray.

Christ, our shelter, Christ our friend,
Our beginning and our end.

Christ, our hope and our reward;
Our redeemer and our Lord.

RECESSIONAL

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to you we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above;
For all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all, to you we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For your church, that evermore
Lifts its holy hands above,
Off'ring up on ev'ry shore
Its pure sacrifice of love:
Lord of all, to you we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.



NOTICES

National Child Protection Week

The National Child Protection Week campaign runs from 3 - 9 September.

The campaign aims to engage, educate and empower Australians to understand the complexity of child abuse and neglect and work together to prevent it.

This year, the message that 'Every child in every community needs a fair go' will be complemented with the theme 'Where we start matters'.

Where we start our lives, the resources available to us, and the opportunities presented to us make a significant difference in our life outcomes. Of course, where we start isn't where we finish.

Safeguarding Sunday

The Catholic Church in Australia will also mark Safeguarding Sunday this weekend - 10 September.

This day seeks to acknowledge the immense damage caused by the abuse, exploitation and neglect of children and vulnerable adults within Catholic contexts. It commits to safeguarding practi-

FEAST DAYS

Wed - St John Chrysostom

Thu- The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

es and protocols that create and maintain safe environments. It also invites people to pray for those harmed by abuse directly and indirectly.

The Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference has prepared a series of resources with a theme "Safe and Supported," which will be shared with Dioceses and parishes around Australia soon. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.au/s/article/



A MULTICULTURAL MASS will be held on Sunday 24th September, presided by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and concelebrated by priests ministering to cultural communities throughout the Archdiocese. The Mass is held

annually in recognition of World Day of Migrant and Refugees, and will this year highlight the 2023 theme - Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay? Sunday 24 Sept at 2:30pm in the Cathedral of St Stephen. RSVP: app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM23 Mass will be followed by cultural performances and refreshments in the cathedral grounds. Everyone is welcome to come along.

WOMEN OF THE WAY RETREAT

13-15 Oct. Ladies would you like to take time out to Reflect and Recharge? Treat yourself to some quality time with God. BOOK NOW. Theme: Open the eyes of My Heart, Lord. Watson Park Convention Centre, 337 Old Gympie Rd, Dakabin.

Weekend includes Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, Praise and Worship, inspirational teachings, prayer ministry and time for fellowship. For more info contact Rosa Montegrando - 0400755516 or email wowqld@gmail.com

Scripture Group meets at St Benedict's Church East Brisbane on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7pm. The next session is on Wed 27 Sept. All are welcome.

AN ANOINTING MASS will be held on Friday **6th Oct.** Any changes will be notified via the newsletter.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM - Confirmation will be held on Wednesday 11 October at 6pm in St Joseph's Church Kangaroo Point.

Parent/caregiver/child Preparation sessions are this Sunday **10 Sept** at 2pm and Sunday **8 October** at 2pm (including rehearsal). These sessions will be held at St Joseph's church. Please contact the parish office for more infor-

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.

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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.

Thanks be to God.