

Catholic Parishes Kangaroo Point East Brisbane and Buranda Newsletter



32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

12 November, 2023

Mass Times

ST LUKE'S CHURCH 43 Taylor St, Woolloongabba Friday: 9.00am Mass Sunday: 8.00am Mass

ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH 81 Mowbray Tce, East Brisbane Wednesday: 8.00am Mass

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH 26-36 Leopard Street. Kangaroo Point Sunday: 9.00am Mass

Reconciliation: By appointment

Book of Remembrance for the Month of Holy Souls

You are invited to enter the names of your deceased loved ones and friends who have gone before us. and whom vou wish to be remembered during Mass. The book of Remembrance will remain at the front door until Advent.

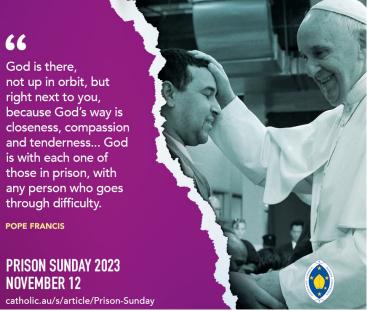
Pastor's Post

Hanging in There

It has been said that perseverance is the hard work you do after you get tired of doing all the hard work you already did. After observing the incredible drive of marathon runners and those preparing for next year's Olympic Games, one wonders what keeps them so motivated and focussed, particularly when so many will not be rewarded with medals or public adulation. Could it be that they have discovered the energy and fulfilment of perseverance? The truth is that perseverance, that necessary trait of a healthy spiritual life, is never easy, which is why so many people Saturday: 5.00pm Vigil Mass find it difficult to persevere with the practice of their faith when it appears at times to be just hard work.

> While it seems to be commonly found in athletes and saints, perseverance is not always virtuous, particularly when it presents as stubbornness or pigheadedness. Synonyms for perseverance include endurance, steadfastness, constancy and stability. But it would be wrong to equate perseverance with merely staying in one place or sticking to one thing. We all know of people who have stayed in unfulfilling jobs or relationships, even when they were offered something better, simply because they lacked the courage to change. This is not the life-giving perseverance that can draw us into a deeper appreciation of God's call to transform ourselves and the world in which we live.

> Two crucial factors impacting on an approach to perseverance are self-discipline and a vision of the future. The heart of discipline is remembering what you want and staying focused on the journey towards getting what you want. In other words, a vision and a goal. The clearer our vision of what we want in the future, the better our chances are of mustering up the energy and sustaining the self-discipline to achieve that vision. The sharper the vision the more likely the perseverance.



Jesus himself gives us frequent examples of his steadfastness. It is good to ask ourselves what enabled him to endure his particular trials and temptations. The answer is simple. Jesus persevered the same way we do: by remembering God loved him and he wanted all people to know that they too were loved as intensely. His vision was totally clear and his path was sure. Even his energy to keep going came from the fact that he knew there was no other way to achieve his goal. He kept to what he had been taught and knew to be true.

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

God of mercy and compassion, of grace and reconciliation, pour your power upon all your people in the Middle East: Jews, Muslims and Christians, Palestinians and Israelis. Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation, that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces, and peace and justice could be experienced by all. May I be an instrument of your Peace.





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Around our Parishes

Feast Days

Friday:

St Elizabeth of Hungary

Parish Lucky Number (KPEB)

The winner of last week's lucky number was:

Lyn Horner (again)

being part of the Lucky Number Draw simply need to speak with Isobel at the foyer of St Benedict's evening.

draw go to support the St Vincent de Paul and other social needs in the Parish.

Baptisms

Baptisms are held in the parish on the second Saturday each month at St Lukes at 10.30am and the fourth Sunday following the 9.00am mass at St Joseph's Kangaroo Point. Preparation is held on the second Saturday of the month at St Lukes Buranda, at 10.30am.

Your Prayers

We pray for our fellow parishioners and friends who are unwell especially:

Michael Mulligan, Pauline Burnett, and Jeanette McMahon.

We pray also for our recently departed and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



What's happening

Children's Liturgy, Children's liturgy led by Jayne Camuglia assisted by other accredited parents will be held in the The Coolock Room, at St Joseph's at the 9.00am Mass on the first Sunday of each month. You are encouraged to send your child along to hear the word of God adapted to their level of understanding.

Upcoming Highlights....

Women's Retreat. An opportunity to reflect upon the God who constantly chooses to come to us in loving relaitonshipp. Hosted and Any parishioners interested in facilitated by: Grace Harwood of Dragonfly Ministries. Friday: 15 December, 2023 at 6.00pm to Sunday 17 December, 2023 at 3.00pm at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre. To register or enquire: Church at Mass on Saturday grace@dragonflyministries.net.au or 0409 524 283.

Guided Men's Retreat. Evangelisation Brisbane's Adult Formation team Proceeds of the lucky number is excited to host a three-day guided retreat for men this November: 'Awake, Attentive, Called'. Dates: 6:00pm Friday 24 November to 12:00pm Sunday 26 November 2023. Location: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre (267 Wellington Street, Ormiston). RSVP: Monday 20 **November 2023,** register online at tinyurl.com/guidedmensretreat2023.

Scripture Group

The Scripture Group meets at St Benedict's Church, East Brisbane on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7pm. (Next meeting is 22nd November) everyone welcome to attend. Please note: The group will **not** meet in December or January. First meeting in the new year will be 13 February, 2024.

Volunteers Needed—St Vincent's Hospital

St Vincent's Brisbane is in need of Eucharistic Ministers and Volunteers for its Pastoral Care Department. Shifts would only be 1-2 hours per week. If you can help please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Maureen Hansen on maureen.hansen@svha.org.au

Queensland Irish Choir - A Celtic Christmas Celebration

The **Queensland Irish Choir** presents its Christmas Concert to be held at the Chermside-Kedron Community Church, Gympie Rd, Kedron on Sunday, 26 November 2023 at 2 pm. Come along and enjoy a wonderful afternoon of Celtic song and music. The Choir will present a number of well-known Christmas carols and hymns. Tickets at \$20 per adult and \$10 children (U15) can be obtained online https:// www.trybooking.com/CLTCA or at the door. Enquiries 0493 455 487

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The Order of the Mass

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 praver: 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.

FIRST READING: Wisdom 6:12 — 16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them.

Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates.

Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.

She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her

and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2

(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

SECOND READING: Thessalonians 4:13-18.

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later, "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

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.)

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,

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who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

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

Hymns

Buranda Parish

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Be watchul and ready:

You know not

When the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

OFFERTORY

The Fullness of God!

Deep in Christ I pray you know
The power he can give!
May your hidden self grow strong!
And may you live
Strong in faith and built on love
Until you know
How high and long, how wide and deep
The fullness of God!

Know the way you learnt from Christ:
To live life anew!
Let your heart be drawn to Him;
Let Christ renew
The hope in you to grow into
Goodness and Truth!
And living so you'll come to know
The fullness of God!

COMMUNION

Our Supper Invitation

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine. Take of my life and live, branch of my vine. Let me befriend you now; eat, take your fill. Don't be afraid to dream; love has its will.

Take up your burden now, walk 'til you find Just what the journey means; Walk while there's time. Food for the journey will answer your need. Don't be afraid to walk; love, my love will lead.

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine. Be a sweet nourishment to good friends of mine Let me befriend you now; eat, take your fill. Share with your people, that love has its will.

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine. Take of my life and live, branch of my vine.

RECESSIONAL

Bring Forth the Kingdom

We are a blest and a pilgrim people: Bound for the Kingdom of God! Love our journey and love our homeland: Love is 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 blessed and anointed people: Signed for the Kingdom of God! Oil to strengthen us on our journey: Shine for the Kingdom of God!



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