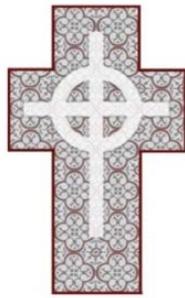


MASS TIMES
9am Friday
8am Sunday



ST LUKE'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

RECONCILIATION
7:45am Sunday
or by appointment

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Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C

18 August 2019

First Reading *Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10*

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank. Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said, 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

Responsorial Psalm *Psalm 39:2-4, 18.*

(R.) *Lord, come to my aid!*

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
2. He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock and made my footsteps firm.
3. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the Lord.
4. As for me, wretched and poor, the Lord thinks of me. You are my rescuer, my help, O God, do not delay!

Second Reading *Hebrew 12:1-4*

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

Gospel Acclamation *John 10:27*

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel *Luke 12:49-53*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over! 'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

A fierce fire in a eucalyptus forest bursts open the seed pods, cleanses the soil of smothering undergrowth, and returns nutrients to the soil to germinate the seeds. It is that sort of fire which Jesus brings to the earth. So, at Pentecost, He sent His Holy Spirit '... like tongues of fire', bursting the early disciples out of the protective shell of the 'Upper Room', allowing them to be germinated as seeds of the early Church. It is the same in every generation which has to ask: What personal, family or social situations provide a hard casing which must be cracked open? What is the smothering undergrowth which prevents our germination as fearless disciples? Jesus himself felt smothered by the small-minded people of Nazareth to which He never returned. He warns that families and good friends can try to smother the spark He wishes to ignite. We might pause for a moment to pray that the fiery Holy Spirit might enable us to become a stand of tall trees reaching for the Risen Son in all His glory.



ENTRANCE

307 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.

Seed that dies to rise in glory,
May we see ourselves in you,
If we learn to live your story
We may die to rise anew,
We may die to rise anew.

We remember truth once spoken,
Love passed on through act and word,
Ev'ry person lost and broken
Wears the body of our Lord,
Wears the body of our Lord.

OFFERTORY

Quiet Music



THANKSGIVING

189 Lord, to whom shall we go?

Refrain:

Lord, to whom shall we go?
You are our bread, broken and shared.
Lord, to whom shall we go?
Yours are the words of life.

Our fathers ate, yet their hunger remained.
Their hearts were not satisfied.

O Lord, you feed us with the finest of wheat,
our pledge of eternal life.

The bread you give is the living bread,
your flesh for the life of the world.

RECESSIONAL

513 For the Healing of the Nations

For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord;
For a just and equal sharing
Of the things that earth afford.
To a life of love in action
Help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us, Father, into freedom,
From despair your world release;
That redeemed from war and hatred,
All may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
Fear will die and hope increase.

You, Creator God, have written
Your great name on human kind;
For our growing in your likeness
Bring the life of Christ to mind:
That by our response and service
Earth its destiny may find.

NOTICES

JOIN CHRISTIANS AROUND THE GLOBE
AS WE PRAY AND TAKE ACTION
FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Season of Creation

1 SEPT – 4 OCT 2019

Living Laudato Si'

Four years ago, Pope Francis released an encyclical titled *Laudato Si'* on care for our common home. This year, the Archdiocese of Brisbane invites all parishes, schools and agencies to take part in events throughout the Season of Creation. See the video with Bishop Ken Howell at: <https://youtu.be/nlwp705BZoc>

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Pope Francis declared 1 September the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Archbishop Peter Loy Chong will be visiting from Suva, Fiji, to concelebrate a special Mass for creation with Archbishop Mark Coleridge on Sunday 1 September at St Stephen's Cathedral at 12.00pm. All are invited to attend.

Keynote Presentation: Archbishop Peter Loy Chong

'Laudato Si' in Oceania: Climate Change and Integral Ecology' will be hosted by ACU Brisbane in the Gaudete Centre at 6.00pm on 2 September 2019. The evening will include reflection and dialogue on the Pope's call to live integral ecology in Brisbane.

Find out more about the Season of Creation at www.seasonofcreation.org.

For Your Calendar

Multicultural Mass

on Sunday 25 August,
2.30pm, at the Cathedral.



Parish Reflection Day: Call to Holiness

at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 31 August 2019
from 9am to 4pm. \$30. Register online at
<https://ebab.weebly.com>

Annual Catholic Campaign

at our parish Mass on Sunday 8 September, to
support seminarians, retired clergy, those who need
Centacare services, and the Mary MacKillop School
Access Fund. Please support as you are able!

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

on Saturday 28 September at 10am, Cathedral of St
Stephen, for all couples celebrating their Golden
Wedding Anniversary. Please RSVP to
cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au by 20 September.

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and
guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and
to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak
boldly of our truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a
discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may
live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from
age to age.

Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Available from the churches this weekend for \$2

This week's edition includes:

- Church leaders urge more resourcing to aged and palliative care,
- Brisbane man Fr Joseph Murphy newly ordained in Sydney and
- new survey shows that majority of Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence.

SAINT OF THE WEEK – POPE PIUS X



Giuseppe Sarto was born into a poor family in 1835. From this humble beginning he was eventually elected pope in 1903. He took as his motto, "To restore all things in Christ". Pius X was remembered for many things including advocating the frequent reception of holy communion and the admission to it of children from the age of about seven; reform of church music and encouraging the use of Gregorian chant; the reform of Canon Law; the reorganization of the Roman curia; and the separation of church and state in France. He also promoted Bible reading for all Catholics and encouraged the use of clear and simple homilies. He found some aspects of the Vatican's wealth and ceremony distasteful. Before his death in 1914, Pius X wrote in his will, "I was born poor, I have lived poor, and I wish to die poor."

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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 one 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

1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection,
until you come again.
- OR: 2. When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.
- OR: 3. Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.

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.