

MASS TIMES

9am Friday

8am Sunday

RECONCILIATION

7:45am Sunday

or by appointment



ST LUKE'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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First Reading 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.' With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.' After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering. When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 16

(R.) Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

1. Lord, hear a cause that is just, pay heed to my cry. Turn your ear to my prayer: no deceit is on my lips. (R.)

2. I keep my feet firmly in your paths; there was no faltering in my steps. I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God. Turn your ear to me; hear my words. (R.)

3. Guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shadow of your wings. As for me, in my justice I shall see your face and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Thes 2:16-3:5

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say. Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Rv 1:5-6

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his forever and ever. Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?' Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection

from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Billy Elliott was a boy brought up in a strife-torn mining town in the north of England. He discovered a passion for dancing. At an interview at the Royal Ballet School which was going badly, he was asked: 'What do you feel when you're dancing?' 'I've got fire in my body.' And he got the scholarship because the panel realised that when Billy danced, he became 'fully alive': body-mind-spirit fully integrated. When Billy danced, everything that Billy was, was dancing. That is what our Resurrection is all about. Our whole personality will be dancing with the radiance of Divine Fire coursing through our body-mind-spirit. The Sadducees' small-minded sarcasm could not grasp that we will be bodies transfigured, translucent to divine light and energy. We could take a moment to pray that, by the grace of God, our bodies will dance, enflamed by Divine Love.

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HYMNS

ENTRANCE

437 Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind, but now I see

Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

OFFERTORY

323 Where There Is Charity and Love

Refrain: Where there is charity and love,
there the God of love 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. **(Refrain)**

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.
(Refrain)

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. **(Refrain)**

THANKSGIVING

302 God of Mercy and Compassion

God of mercy and compassion,
Lord of life and blinding light
Truth whom creatures would refashion
Force on us the gift of sight

Refrain: Truth insistent and demanding,
Love resented and ignored,
Life beyond all understanding,
Give us peace and pardon, Lord.

God most holy and forgiving,
Penetrate our pride and sloth;
On a people partly living
Force the gift of life and growth **(R)**

Lord, who out of love consented
To the worst that we could do,
Lord, abandoned and tormented,
Let us love and suffer too **(R)**

RECESSIONAL

411 Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Holy God, we praise your name!
Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your power proclaim,
All in heaven above adore you.
Boundless is your vast domain,
Everlasting is your reign.

Hear the loud celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim
In unceasing chorus praising;
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy Lord!

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name you;
While in essence only One,
Undivided God we claim you;
And adoring bend the knee,
While we own the mystery.

NOTICES

Confirmation and First Holy Communion



Last weekend our parish celebrated with **Max Douse** and **Henry Skerman** as they received the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

We congratulate Max, Henry, and their families on this significant milestone in their faith journeys.

Our warmest thanks go to Phil van Brunschot for preparing these boys to receive their sacraments.

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.

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Christmas market
Cathedral of St Stephen
unique handmade & fair trade gifts

Saturday 30/11
2pm to 7:30pm
with live music

Sunday 1/12
9am to 3pm
with food stalls



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THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Available from the churches this weekend for \$2

This week's edition includes:

- Newly ordained Townsville priest Fr Emene Kelemete is ready to serve the people of God;
- Logan deanery renewal event Kingdom Now gathers 400 people for an evening of prayer, panels and workshops;
- Much needed rain lifts spirits on farms in QLD and NSW, but there is still a long way to go to combat drought

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND



St Margaret of Scotland was in fact thought to be born in Hungary and was brought to England as a young girl in 1057. She fled to Scotland after the Norman conquest of England and in 1070 married King Malcolm III. Margaret was a deeply religious woman. As queen she was able to bring about necessary reforms to the Scottish church and in doing so, brought it into line with the Western church. She also used her influence to help ordinary people by establishing schools, hospitals and orphanages.

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PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR DROUGHT

The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. People across the country are encouraged to pray for the gift of rain, for people affected by the drought and to provide practical support, where possible. The Bishops note that large parts of the country are directly affected by the drought, but the impact is national – and so should the response be national. Access resources and find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/drought

If you have an item you would like considered for the newsletter please contact the Parish Office.

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.

Thanks be to God