



ST LUKE'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

MASS TIMES

8am Sunday

RECONCILIATION

By appointment – please
contact Parish Office

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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

20 September 2020

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 144:2-3,8-9,17-18

(R.) *The Lord is near to all who call him.*

1. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. the Lord is great, highly to be praised, his greatness cannot be measured. (R.)
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
3. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. (R.)

SECOND READING

Philippians 1:20-24, 27

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be

with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake. Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at

the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

REFLECTON by Fr Michael Tate

This is a story of the day labourers of Jesus' time. The 'early birds' contracted for the just wage of one denarius and did the hard work over the course of a long day. They were outraged when latecomer also received a denarius. This little parable circulated in the Christian community of the first century because there was great antagonism between the Jews who became followers of Jesus and the non-Jews, the 'Gentiles'. Jewish Christians looked at their long history of hardship preparing for the coming of the Messiah. And, now, here were these Gentiles who had done nothing by comparison, and God appeared to be granting them whatever it took to enjoy the 'daily bread' of the Kingdom of God. Jewish Christians had to be shocked out of *their* idea that God's grace could *not* be lavished on those outside the boundaries of the Chosen People. We could pause to pray to be taken by happy surprise by those billions of people outside the Church who, by the grace of God, will share with us 'the Bread of Life', given for the salvation of *all* the world.

ENTRANCE

Seek, O Seek the Lord

Antiphon:

Seek, O seek the Lord,
while he is near;
trust him, speak to him in prayer,
and he will hear.

God, be with us in our lives,
direct us in our calling;
break the snares the world contrives,
keep us from falling.

God, increase in us the life
that Christ by dying gave us:
though we faint in mortal strife
his blood will save us.

Strengthen in our hearts the love
we owe to one another;
how can we love God above
and not our brother?

OFFERTORY

Quiet Music



THANKSGIVING

One Bread, One Body

Refrain:

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many,
throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all.

RECESSIONAL

A New Heart For A New World

Refrain:

Create a new heart, Holy Lord,
beckon our lives through your word,
open our eyes to your call,
united as one for your world.
Heighten our minds to your thoughts,
heal us of pride and of hurt,
may we go forth in your name
we pray our hearts change.

The heart of the cross, lowly and poor,
calls us on.

Lord, it is you promising hope,
promising truth.

Restless, the hearts
who yearn for your peace in this land.
Deepen the dream justice brings life,
justice redeems.

NOTICES



2020 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

The annual **Catholic Campaign** will be run in St Luke's Parish this weekend. The Archbishop of Brisbane invites your support for the current major areas of need in the local Church:

- 1) **The Priests Foundation**, which cares for elderly and unwell priests in their retirement;
- 2) **Centacare**, which supports Catholic social services, including disability care;
- 3) **Holy Spirit Seminary**, which educates seminarians for our future parishes; and
- 4) **The Mary MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund**, which provides education bursaries to children for whom a Catholic education is beyond their family's reach

Last year's Catholic Campaign raised \$1.25 million to support the needs of the local Church.

Your tax-deductible donation to the Campaign today will be equally divided between the above four areas of need.

Visit catholiccampaign.com.au to find out more.

Monsignor Peter on Leave

For those of you who may have missed the news last week, Monsignor Peter Meneely, our Parish Priest, will be taking leave for shoulder surgery. Monsignor will be returning to the parish in early November. Please keep him in your prayers throughout this time of surgery and recovery. If you have any queries in his absence, please contact the parish office on (07) 3324 3222 or stlukes@bne.catholic.net.au.

SAINT OF THE WEEK Saint Matthew



St Matthew was originally a tax collector for the Roman Government at Capernaum, before Jesus called him to become an apostle. Jesus' contemporaries were surprised to see him associating with someone like Matthew, but Jesus explained that he had come "not to call the just, but the sinners". In the Gospels of Mark and Luke, Matthew is called Levi, and so it is thought that he may have had both names. The first Gospel was believed to have been written by Matthew. His account of Christ's life was written for his fellow Jews; to convince them that their anticipated Messiah had indeed come in the person of Jesus.

LIVESTREAMED MASS

Our masses will also continue to be livestreamed via YouTube for the foreseeable future. Please refer to our website www.stlukesburanda.com.au for the YouTube link, or type https://youtu.be/ZWb1DVcM3_0 into your internet browser.

You can also watch Mass on TV on Channel 10 at 6.00am on Sundays. Mass is broadcast from the Cathedral of St Stephen website on Sundays at 8:00am and 10.00am and on weekdays at 8am.

<https://www.cathedralofstephen.org.au/mass-times.html>.

Contact Local Safeguarding Representative

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Golden Wedding Anniversary

We offer our congratulations to John and Gail Moloney on the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary yesterday. Gail is the daughter of parishioner Shirley Hallinan. We wish John and Gail every blessing on this special milestone, and pray that the Lord will continue to bless their marriage abundantly.

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*