

# ST LUKE'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

## MASS TIMES

8am Sunday

## RECONCILIATION

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

27 September 2020

### FIRST READING

*Ezekiel 18:25-28*

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalms 24:4-9*

*(R.) Remember your mercies, O Lord*

1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. (R.)

2. Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. (R.)

3. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. (R.)

### SECOND READING

*Philippians 2:1-5*

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one

thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

### GOSPEL

*Matthew 21:28-32*

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to

them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

### REFLECTON by Fr Michael Tate

Jesus tells a little story about two brothers. One said 'Yes', but never did anything. The other said 'No', but then had a change of heart and did what was required. Jesus loved the brother who came around. He was very hard on the one who said 'Yes' but did not 'walk the talk'.

That is why he loved those tax collectors who gathered the revenue for the Roman authorities, and the prostitutes who serviced the Roman occupying army, but who switched allegiance from the Empire of Caesar to the Kingdom of God. This signalled a profound change of heart.

We may have said 'No' to God at various times with various intensity in our lives. But God is wonderfully patient and prepared to hear 'No' many times in the hope of hearing 'Yes'. God's patience never runs out. But our time to say 'Yes' does run out. We only have a relatively short life span!

At the end of Mass, the priest says, 'Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.' As St Francis of Assisi put it, 'Preach the Gospel, and occasionally use words.' Walk the talk.

## **ENTRANCE**

### **530 Gather Your People**

*Refrain:*

Gather your people, O Lord  
Gather your people, O Lord.  
One bread, one body, one spirit of love.  
Gather your people, O Lord.

Draw us forth to the table of life:  
brothers and sisters, each of us called  
to walk in your light. (R)

We are parts of the body of Christ,  
needing each other, each of the gifts  
the Spirit provides. (R)

## **OFFERTORY**

*Quiet Music*



## **THANKSGIVING**

### **Bread of Life, Hope of the World**

*Refrain:*

Bread of life, hope of the world,  
Jesus Christ our brother:  
feed us now, give us life,  
lead us to one another.

The bread we break and share was scattered once  
as grain: just as now it is gathered, make your  
people one.

We eat this living bread, we drink this saving cup:  
sign of hope in our broken world, source of lasting  
love.

Hold us in unity, In love for all to see; that the world  
may believe in you, God of all who live.

## **RECESSIONAL**

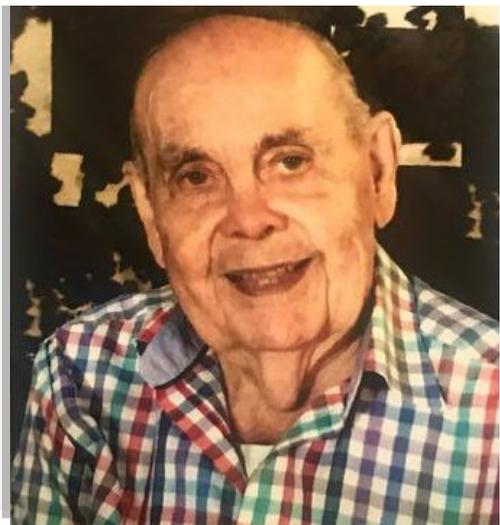
### **425 Now Thank We All Our God**

Now thank we all our God  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom his world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us,  
to keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
of this world in the next.

All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given,  
the Son and Spirit blest,  
who reign in highest heaven  
the one eternal God,  
whom heaven and earth adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

# NOTICES



## In loving memory of Daniel William Reilly

24 November 1930 – 19 September 2020

Some of you may have heard of the passing of our brother in Christ, Daniel Reilly, born to eternal life on 19 September 2020. Dan's funeral was celebrated at St Luke's Church on Friday 25 September, and he was remembered by a loving congregation of family, friends, school mates and colleagues. We extend our deepest condolences to Dan's family, especially to his widow Carmel. We pray for God to receive Dan's soul and lead him into everlasting life.

*May he rest in peace.*

## Pope Francis's Insights

Today the Gospel challenges us with the parable of the two sons, who respond to the Father's invitation to go into his vineyard: One says no, but then goes; the second says yes, but then doesn't work. There is, however, a big difference between the first son, who is lazy and the second, who is hypocritical. Let's try to imagine what happened inside them. In the heart of the first, after his no, the invitation of his father still rang out; in the second, however, despite his yes, the father's voice was buried. The memory of the father awakened the first child from laziness, while the second, although he knew the good, contradicted his word with his actions. In fact, he had become impervious to the voice of God and of conscience, and without any problems accepted the duplicity of life. Jesus with this parable places two paths before us. Experience shows that we are not always willing to say yes in word and deed, because we are sinners. But we can choose whether to be sinners on the way, who listen to the Lord, and when they fall they repent and rise.

*26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, 2017, Bologna*

## 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](mailto:stlukes@bne.catholic.net.au).

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

### Saint Theresse of the Child Jesus



**St Theresse of the Child Jesus** was born at Alencon, France in 1873. She entered the Carmelite convent of Lisieux at a young age and was recognised for her humility, simplicity and confidence in God. She died of tuberculosis in 1897, at the age only 24. Her autobiography, 'The Story of a Soul', was published after her death—she also left many letters, poems, religious plays and prayers. Teresa was canonised in 1925 and in 1997, Pope John Paul II declared her the thirty-third Doctor of the Church; the youngest person and only third woman to receive this title.

## 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](http://www.stlukesburanda.com.au) for the YouTube link, or type <https://youtu.be/efPichgN6E> 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.cathedralofststephen.org.au/mass-times.html>.

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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.  
Thanks be to God*