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MASS TIMES:

Weekend:
Saturday: 6pm Vigil
Sunday: 7am, 9am and 5.30pm
Italian Mass: 10.30am

Weekday: 6.30am & 9am
 Monday to Friday
 8am Saturday
 & Public Holidays

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 8.30am - 9.00am
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Spread the Word

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7 March 2021

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Israel believed that the temple was built over the navel of the universe, the axis mundi, that spot where the world above and the world below met the world of history, thus enabling the three worlds to communicate. When Jesus called himself the new temple, he was claiming to be the centre of the universe, the spot where three-way cosmic communication occurs, the presence of God in the midst of the community. When we accept him in faith, we are accepting these claims. We may profess this belief, but do our lives reflect it?



Although some consider the law a rigid set of precepts, it is really more a collection of directives that have grown out of the experience of life. To say that Jesus is the wisdom of God means that God's wisdom is made known in him and that he is the way that points to God. While laws often embody distinctive cultural values or customs, as wisdom of God, Jesus crosses cultural boundaries and breaks down cultural distinctions. As the wisdom of God, Jesus fulfils the expectations of any and all codes of law.

Both the law and the temple witness to the power of God in the lives of believers. However, both institutions pale in the light of Jesus who is identified as the power of God. This divine power is not revealed in lofty precepts or in magnificent stones, but rather in the broken and pierced body of Jesus Christ. How willing are we to accept him?

Project Compassion: Week 3

Oliva, 22, didn't have the opportunity to go to school, and was embarrassed that she was unable to read, write or count. Her business was losing money because she couldn't add up.

Then Oliva enrolled in Caritas Australia's literacy and numeracy classes.

She also set up a home classroom to teach her neighbours for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes.

Oliva has now graduated, attendance at her classes is growing, her kiosk is thriving and she is helping her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in the next local election - to help her community to 'Be More.'



Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and support people like Oliva's gain access to education to build a brighter future and live in communities that upholds everyone's dignity.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday 7 March

- 9.00am Baptisms in Mass – Church
- 2.00pm Confirmation Family Session 1 – Church

Monday 8 March

- 9.30am St Vincent de Paul – Aquinas Room
- 11.00am Funeral: Harold Christensen – Church
- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group – Church

Tuesday 9 March

- 9.30am Playgroup – Hospitality Area
- 9.30am Scripture Group – Library
- 4.00pm Penance Session 2 – Church
- 7.30pm Liturgy Committee – Library

Wednesday 10 March

- 10.30am BED Scripture Group – Library
- 6.00pm OLOG Diners – Pacific Golf Club
- 6.30pm Legion of Mary – Library

Thursday 11 March

- 9.30am Playgroup – Hospitality Area
- 11.00am BED Scripture Group – Library
- 6.00pm Thomas Cantley Singers – Church
- 7.00pm RCIA Group – Library

Friday 12 March

- 7.00pm Stations of the Cross – Church

Sunday 14 March

- 2.00pm Penance Session 2 – Church

Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick Sonja Robinson, Norme Duchetta, Jude Jeyarajah **and those whose anniversaries occur around this time** Archbishop John Bathersby, Jorge M. Asido, **and the recently deceased** Harold Christensen, Maureen Mary Ferguson, Christine Sunga Corpuz, Fr Peter Gillam.

The Catholic Leader

The *March Edition* of the Catholic Leader is available for \$4.00 from the Parish Shop this weekend.

All readers are to consider taking up a subscription. Subscriptions start from \$50/year for paper delivery. You can take up a new print subscription by visiting catholicleader.com.au/subscribe or call 3324 3555.

Parish Shop News

We are looking for a couple of parishioners to open the Parish Shop at either the Saturday 6.00pm Mass or Sunday 5.30pm Mass. If interested, please contact the Parish Office for further details.

Parish Office Hours – Tuesday 9 March

Please note that the parish office will be only open 8.30am – 12.30pm this coming Tuesday, 9 March. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

Sacramental Program 2021

Penance (Year 5 / 10 years old)

Penance Session 2

- Tuesday 9 March, 4pm-6pm (Option 1)
- Sunday 14 March, 2pm-4pm (Option 2)

Confirmation (Year 3 / 8 years old)

Family Session 2

- Sunday 21 March, 2pm-3.30pm (Option 1)
- Tuesday 23 March, 3.30pm-5pm (Option 2)

OLOG Diners will meet for dinner at Pacific Golf Club (Pine Mountain Road, Carindale) on Wednesday 10 March at 6pm. Wednesday night is Pizza and Pasta night with a selection of dishes for \$14.90. All parishioners are welcome.

TCS Singers – a community choir for adult singers of all abilities – has commenced rehearsals for Season 1, 2021. We gather every Thursday evening during school term at Our Lady of Graces Church.

New members welcome. For more information email tcsingers@gmail.com, or call Kellie Corbett (evenings/weekends) on 0409 580 428.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross are held at 7pm on each Friday evening of Lent.

Contact tracing details are collected at the door for those who attend Stations of the Cross.

Please note that on Friday 19 March parking may be limited due to St Martin's School holding their disco. We will block off some parking for those attending Stations of the Cross.

Chrism Mass

The Annual Chrism Mass to be held in the Cathedral of St Stephen on *Thursday 25 March, commencing at 7.00pm*. This is a celebration for the entire Archdiocese. Booking information will be advised once this is published by the Archdiocese.

Working Bee

A parish working bee is schedule for *Saturday 27 March, 7.00am onwards*. This is to prepare the church and grounds for Holy Week and Easter. Please mark this date in your diary.

Palm Fronds & Cypress Pine Branches

Do you have palm trees or cypress pine trees at home? If you do, we would appreciate any palm fronds or small cypress pine cuttings for Palm Sunday (27-28 March). If you are able to assist, please contact the parish office.

Vocation View

Jesus cleaned out the temple of money changers. He was angry; He was zealous; He was authoritative. He was doing what He had to do, even though it involved risk, danger, insult and wonder. Such is a vocation.

To talk to someone about your vocation, contact the Vocation Brisbane office on 1300 133 544, vocation@bne.catholic.net.au or visit their website www.vocationbrisbane.com.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is currently only being celebrated by appointment. Please contact the parish office to make an appointment.

Private Prayer in the Church

The church is open during parish office hours for private prayer. Entry into the church is via the office. Please be wary that the church is not available for private prayer while a funeral is being celebrated.



Sacred Paschal Triduum Timetable 2021

Given the current restrictions we still have to abide by under the COVID Industry Safe Plan for Places of Worship, the Sacred Paschal Triduum Timetable for 2021 will be different from the times of before COVID. Similar to our Christmas Masses last year, some parts of the Sacred Paschal Triduum liturgy will need to be held in the Dominic Centre. This is because the Dominic Centre can accommodate more people than in Our Lady of Graces Church.

Due to the restricted numbers, we ask parishioners to be considerate of others when making their selections on the parts of the Triduum liturgy they wish to attend.

Below is the timetable as it currently stands.

Holy Thursday [1 April]:	7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper - Our Lady of Graces Church <i>Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10pm</i>
Good Friday [2 April]:	10am Stations of the Cross - Our Lady of Graces Church 10am Stations of the Cross - St Martin's School Oval 'The Valley' 3pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord - Dominic Centre
Holy Saturday [3 April]:	7pm Easter Vigil in the Holy Night - Our Lady of Graces Church
Easter Sunday [4 April]:	7am Easter Sunday Mass - Dominic Centre 9am Easter Sunday Mass - Dominic Centre

Note: NO Evening Mass on Easter Sunday

Please note that the Italian Community are still finalising their timetable for the Triduum and this will be included in Spread the Word next week.

The booking system for the Sacred Paschal Triduum will open on **Tuesday 9 March, 8.30am**. Please go to the parish website www.carinacatholicparish.org.au, click on the "Easter Bookings" icon and select the parts of the Triduum you wish to attend.

If you cannot access a computer, please phone the parish office to make your booking from **Tuesday 9 March, 8.30am**.

For the whole Triduum to proceed as planned, **we will need lots of helpers!** We will need many marshals and ushers to ensure it is a COVID Safe event. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help in any way.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Commemorating Anniversary of Death of Archbishop John Bathersby

The Archbishop Mark Coleridge and the Bishops of Queensland will be concelebrate the 12.30pm Mass at the Cathedral of St Stephen on Tuesday 9 March to commemorate the 1st Anniversary of John Bathersby's passing. COVID19 restrictions will limit the Cathedral attendance numbers. Those who wish to attend must visit the Cathedral website and register at: www.cathedralofststephen.org.au.

The Mass will also be webcast live via <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast/>

menALIVE Parish Based Weekend

menALIVE are holding their first parish based weekend for 2021 at Our Lady of The Angels Parish Chermside West / Wavell Heights.

The weekend will run from 8am Saturday 13th March through till 1:15pm Sunday 14th March at St Paschal Baylon Hall. Wavell Heights.

Men of all ages and faiths are invited.

For further information, Tim (0420 799 876) or menaliveolachermside@gmail.com

Couples Retreat – Hosted by the Latin American Catholic Community of Brisbane

If you are married, in a de facto relationship, engaged, or dating this retreat is for you. It does not matter how long you have been together, or how many relationships you have had in the past; if you are seeking to take your relationship to the next level with the true meaning of love then this retreat is for you. Spend a weekend together and you will find the keys to reconnecting and reigniting the spark in your relationship. Make a two-day investment in your most important asset: your relationship.

During the weekend of Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 March you will hear from trained couples that will guide your loving experience on each day. Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and Sunday Mass are all taken care of so all you have to do is come both days from 8.30am to 5.00pm.

Cost is \$180 per couple both days, including lunch, morning and afternoon teas. Venue is Holy Spirit School Hall, 36 Villiers St, New Farm. Please do one registration per couple via Eventbrite: <http://bit.ly/couplesretreat2021>

Sunday Mass Bookings

Go to www.carinacatholicparish.org.au and click on the "Mass Bookings" image.

If you do not have internet access, call the parish during office hours on 3398 2977.

- Sunday 14 March (Bookings now open & close Friday 12 March, 12 noon)
- Sunday 21 March (Bookings open online on Sunday 7 March, 6.30pm)



Sunday Readings

3rd Sunday of Lent (7 March)

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17 *The Law was given through Moses.*

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 *We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God.*

Gospel: John 2:13-25 *Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.*

4th Sunday of Lent (14 March)

First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16. 19-23 *The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.*

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10 *When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.*

Gospel: John 3:14-21 *God sent his Son into the world that we might be saved through him.*

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