



St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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We acknowledge and respect the Traditional Owners of this place, the Jarowair and Giabal peoples.

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Year B Saturday 20 October/Sunday 21 October 2018

- First Reading:** Isaiah 53:10-11 – *If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs and have long life.*
- Responsorial Psalm:** Let your mercy be on us, O God, as we place our trust in you. [Psalm 32]
- Second Reading:** Hebrews 4:14-16 – *Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.*
- Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!
- Gospel:** Mark 10:35-45 – *The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.*

Praying the Psalms

Some 36 years ago, an old family friend, Brian Hurley, gave me a gift of a diary to write in. I was in grade 8 at the time. As you can see from the picture below, I have kept a diary pretty much ever since. The more current years are on the next shelf in my office!! I don't only keep a diary but also anything from that year that I would like to remember. It gives a real insight into that year when I look back at the old photos etc. The psalms are a little like keeping a diary.

In some ways the psalms become a viewpoint to understanding the time they were written, but doubly so, in getting to understand Christ as the fulfilment of the psalms. They are not a history in the sense of keeping a diary, but rather a "felt" history containing some of the most powerful and beautiful imagery borne from much reflection on God and life. They are aimed at three different audiences – imagine a gathering of people camping under the stars and someone starts to strum a musical instrument, so in wonder and awe they sing of God's presence and awesomeness – now imagine you are in a temple with drums and dramatic music singing hymns and responses remembering God's salvation history – then imagine you are at home alone worried about life, struggles, and your plea goes up to God in words of despair and hope.

So when we read and reflect on the psalms we can look at them in different ways. Knowing that Jesus was a person versed in the scriptures we can say fairly certainly that he would have known the psalms by heart and carried them with him throughout the day as part of his oral tradition. Through his quoting psalms in the gospels we can be sure Jesus prayed them in the synagogue at Nazareth, when he was on pilgrimage, sang them at the Passover, and used the words before his agony and death. When sitting in the cell prior to coming before Herod he prayed the psalms to find comfort and strength. So as we hear the psalms we can reflect on their meaning to us in our daily lives. Praying the psalms during Advent might be a way of reflecting on our journey.

One simple way of doing this is to read the psalm each morning, and keeping a different line or a couple of lines in mind to reflect on during the day. You might also ask yourself what may have been happening in Jesus' life or the life of his friends when this psalm came to mind.

This week the psalm uses the line *"..to keep them alive in famine"* Over the course of the day I may notice someone who needs a little help. Someone who is *hungry* for some of my time, my prayers, my smile, my goodwill, my kind word.....or.....what is it that I am thirsting for? We will start to put the psalm in the bulletin each week if you would like to get to know the psalms better. In a deep sense it is an invitation to connect with the Jesus of 2,000 years ago and see the same psalm reflected today in our context. There are a number of psalms that I particularly like. In Psalm 77, when reflecting on the crossing of the Red Sea, the psalmist writes, *"The earth moved and trembled when your way led through the sea, your path through the mighty waters and no one saw your footprints."* I often reflect on the times in my life where God has powerfully played a hand and I have failed to acknowledge God's wonderful presence, having not noticed God's footprints.

Ps. Consider a diary as a gift!

Have a peaceful week, God Bless, Fr. Michael



We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently: Geoff Cornish, Audrey Brady, Viv Cuskelly, James Edward Bretherton. *May Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them, May They Rest in Peace.*

We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Fr Roger Burke

For all those who are ill in our community, especially Fr Ray Kearney [Brisbane], Roslyn Pardon [nee Kearney], Joanne Essey [Sydney], Mr Rene Perla, Elizabeth Johnson, Braxton Rayner, Kate Gibbs, Max Shearer, Saturnino Bustamante, Hannah Marie Marasigan, Robert Badger, Stephanie Shine, Bernice Herbert, Susie Rolls, Andrew Supple (Robina), Mary-Ann Hine, Antony Dunbarr, Kathy Allan, Bernadette Gobbert, Freda Coorey, Margaret Missen, John Morgan, Patricia McCracken, Matthew Dwyer, Reggie James, Morgan O'Brien, Charles Walker, Celie Brosnan, Teresita Pamulaklakin, Michael O'Malley.

Congratulations to these newly weds: Cody Sullivan and Jessica Jansen. *May the Holy Spirit bless their lives together.*

For all those recently baptised: Michaela Kathleen Meurant daughter of Cameron and Leonie, **Ivy Jayne Waters** daughter of Melisah and Philip and **Elsie Jean and Laurence James Lynch** [Southbrook FM] children of John and Georgina. *May the gift of the Holy Spirit grow throughout their lives.*

Reconciliation: 1st Rite available every Saturday, 9.00am – 10.00am at St Patrick's Cathedral.

Often we say that we don't have time to pray properly – quietly and reflectively. Prayer requires some discipline and commitment. You are invited to make a commitment to give one hour each month to quiet prayer. Each month there will be a Holy Hour with exposition in the Cathedral. Simply a quiet moment to come and spend time with God – purposely and open to the Spirit. Each third Wednesday between 5.00pm and 6.00pm. Dates: 21/11 and continued into 2019.

Plenary Council 2020: Let's Have Our Say!

Yes the invitation is genuine: those who are gradually putting together the agenda for the Plenary Council first session in October 2020 [two years away] want to hear every voice. They want to hear your voice, the story of your experiences of Church. They want to hear your ideas and hopes for a Church that really brings GOOD NEWS each day to our country, Australia.

Send your thoughts and hopes directly to the addresses in bold type below. Better still, make some time to have conversations about the key question: What is God asking the Church to be in [and to bring to] Australia in these times? Conversations among family members and with friends will not only produce more wisdom, they'll bind us more closely together through our listening and speaking honestly.

Have your say – send your thoughts:

by email to plenarycouncil@catholic.org.au

by post to **Plenary Council 2020, PO Box 747 NORTH SYDNEY NSW 2059**

by delivering or sending to our Cathedral Office (marked Plenary Council)

123 Neil Street, Toowoomba

PO Box 7056 TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350.

Becoming Catholic: There are already five adults very interested in becoming Confirmed members of our Catholic community having lived their lives so far as members of other Christian traditions. There may well be many more! Please give this movement some prayer and thought. Extend an invitation to relatives and friends about exploring this journey into full membership of our Catholic community. Simply ring the Cathedral Office to express interest on 4637 1500.

Holy Hour/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Friday from 2pm at the convent of Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver, 71 Margaret Street, Toowoomba

Ladies Friendship Group: If you enjoy a cuppa and a chat, please join us every Friday morning between 9.30am and 11.30am in St Pat's Parish Centre. All welcome!

Wednesday Prayer Group: Meets each Wednesday at 9.30am in the Parish Centre. All welcome!

St Vincent de Paul: The next meeting of St Vincent de Paul will be held at 4 Julia Street at 6.30 pm on Tuesday 23 October 2018. New members are most welcome. Contact Terry on 0428 582 205.

Diaconate Ordination: Congratulations to Thomas Duncan who will be ordained for our Diocese by Bishop McGuckin as Deacon on Friday, 16 November at Banyo. Please keep Tom in your prayers as he takes this vocational step in his life's journey.

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver are holding a Variety Garage Sale at 71 Margaret St, Toowoomba on Saturday 27 October 2018 6.30am-12noon. All funds go to charity. Contact No: 4632 1818.

Anglican Roman Catholic Annual Service of Prayer for Reconciliation: 6pm Monday 5 November 2018 in St Patrick's Cathedral Toowoomba. All Welcome! *President: Most Rev Robert McGuckin, Catholic Bishop of Toowoomba Diocese. Preacher: The Right Rev Cameron Venables, Assist Bishop Western Region, Anglican Diocese of Brisbane.*

Accommodation needed: A mature-aged lady is seeking short-term accommodation. Please contact Noela in the St Anthony's Parish Office on 4636 1737.

I Cantanti Chamber Choir on Sunday 4 November at 2pm at St Luke's Church. Leaflets on Church tables.

The Catholic Leader: Please feel free to take a copy. If you are able to pay the \$2.50, please place in collection plate.

**PARISH WEEKLY PROGRAM:
Sunday 21 October 2018/Sunday 28 October 2018**

Sunday 21 Oct	Sunday 29B Ordinary Time First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11 Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16 Gospel: Mark 10:35-45	7.00am Mass 9.00am Mass 5.30pm Mass	11am Baptism of Elsie Jean and Laurence James Lynch [Southbrook FM] 4.30pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre
Monday 22 Oct	Monday 29B Ordinary Time First Reading: Eph 2:1-10 Gospel: Luke 12:13-21	9.00am Mass at STM NB: STM Mass 29/10 will be 10am	9.30am Parish Office Staff meeting 5.30pm Choir Practice
Tuesday 23 Oct	Tuesday 29B Ordinary Time First Reading: Eph 2:12-22 Gospel: Luke 12:35-38	7.00am Mass 5.30pm Mass at STM	8.45am SSC Year 11 Mass [HR] 12.15pm: St Pat's Indoor Bowls
Wednesday 24 Oct	Wednesday 29B Ordinary Time First Reading: Eph 3:2-12 Gospel: Luke 12:39-48	7.00am Mass	11.30am Funeral of James Edward Bretherton [Fr J Quinlan] 2.15pm SSPS Liturgy Grade 1 [at SSPS] 7:15pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre
Thursday 25 Oct	Thursday 29B Ordinary Time First Reading: Eph 3:14-21 Gospel: Luke 12:49-53	7.00am Mass	9am SSPS Grade 4 Mass [FM] 4pm Safeguarding meeting in the Parish Centre
Friday 26 Oct	Friday 29B Ordinary Time First Reading: Eph 4:1-6 Gospel: Luke 12:54-59	7.00am Mass 9.00am Mass at STM	12pm Baptism of Louis Harboe-Green [FM] 7:15pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre
Saturday 27 Oct	Saturday 29B Ordinary Time First Reading: Eph 4:7-16 Gospel: Luke 13:1-9	7.00am Mass 6.00pm Vigil	9.00am – 10.00am: 1 st Rite of Reconciliation
Sunday 28 Oct	Sunday 30B Ordinary Time First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9 Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6 Gospel: Mark 10:46-52	7.00am Mass 9.00am Mass 5.30pm Mass	4.30pm: Bingo – Cathedral Centre

**MINISTRIES FOR MASS:
Saturday 27 October 2018 / Sunday 28 October 2018**

	Vigil 6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
Coordinator	Mary Schwartz 0400 655 835	Elizabeth Klimkowicz	Kevin Hoddle 4635 4784	Gabrielle Saide 4632 4778
Welcomers	Peter & Eileen Castles	John Ryan, Vince Murphy Bob Ryan, Joan Coonan	Teresa Frelek	Joe Briffa Jim Harris John and Rosemary Keanan
Readers	Kathy Pingel Jon Schwartz Peter Castles	Elizabeth Klimkowicz David Harpham Brian Ridge	Monica Conway Paul Howard Marion Strong	Clare Wilson Barbara Lees Ann Draper
Communion Ministers	Eileen Castles Mary Schwartz Kate Gilloway Roberta Cooke Wendy Heelan	Sr Reena John Mary Tupou Mary L Fitzgerald Debbie Ryan Christine Harpham	Helen Hoddle Michael Cook Trisha Ward	Gabrielle Saide Ann Maree Ford Deborah Brody Joe Briffa Ken Avenell
Altar Assist				
Music	Vicky and Singers	CDs	St Patrick's Choir	Tom and Singers
Collectors	Lindsay Fox Rodney Melvin	Bob Hegarty, John Ryan, Vince Murphy, Bob Ryan Bernie Coonan	Brian Strong Terry Collins	Jim Harris Joe Briffa John Cronin John and Rosemary Keanan
Counters	This Week: Jabour Hanna, Gabrielle Saide, Kate Gilloway, Craig Hogan		Next Week: Jenny Hurd, Bob Hegarty, Helen Hoddle, Bob Ryan	

Collections: 13/14 October 2018: PG - \$1614.00; Loose - \$2005.40

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Today's Psalm

The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love.

The Lord looks on those who revere
him, on those who hope in his love.

To rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.

ENTRANCE SONG: The Servant Song

GA487/AOV2-169

Will you let me be your servant?
 Let me be as Christ to you.
 Pray that I may have the grace to
 let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
 we are travellers on the road.
 We are here to help each other
 walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
 in the night-time of your fear.
 I will hold my hand out to you,
 speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping.
 When you laugh I'll laugh with you.
 I will share your joy and sorrow
 'til we've seen this journey through.

*REPEAT VERSE 1.***RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** GA31 V1,2,4

*Response: Let your mercy be on us, O God, as we
 place our trust in you.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: GA139

*Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia The Son of Man came to
 serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.
 Alleluia.*

PREPARATION OF GIFTS:**A Trusting Psalm** AOV1-115

*Refrain: Lord, let your mercy be on us
 as we place our trust in you.*

The word of the Lord is faithfulness and love.
 His love can never be measured.
 His beauty is like nothing we have ever seen,
 so let us place our trust in him.

The word of the Lord means a patient, gentle God.
 His love can never grow weary.
 His mercy is as though our sins have never been,
 if we can place our trust in him.

The word of the Lord is fire burning strong
 his love can never grow weary.
 He will seek and save the lost until we all return
 so let us place our trust in him.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION: Mass of St Francis Acc 2

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we
 proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

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

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COMMUNION SONG: Table of Plenty AOV2-20

Refrain: Come to the feast of heaven and earth!

Come to the table of plenty!

*God will provide for all that we need,
 Here at the table of plenty.*

O, come and sit at my table
 where saints and sinners are friends.
 I wait to welcome the lost and lonely
 to share the cup of my love.

O, come and eat without money;
 come to drink without price.
 My feast of gladness will feed your spirit
 with faith and fullness of life.

My bread will ever sustain you
 through days of sorrow and woe.
 My wine will flow like a sea of gladness
 to flood the depths of your soul.

Your fields will flower in fullness;
 your homes will flourish in peace.
 For I, the giver of home and harvest,
 will send my rain on the soil.

**RECESSIONAL SONG: Sing of the Lord's
 Goodness** GA413/AOV1-131

Sing of the Lord's goodness,
 Father of all wisdom.
 come to him and bless his name.
 Mercy he has shown us,
 his love is forever,
 Faithful to the end of days.

*Refrain: Come, then, all you nations,
 sing of your Lord's goodness.
 melodies of praise and thanks to God.
 Ring out the Lord's glory,
 praise him with your music,
 worship him and bless his name.*

Power he has wielded,
 honour is his garment,
 risen from the snares of death.
 His word he has spoken,
 one bread he has broken,
 new life he now gives to all.

Courage in our darkness,
 comfort in our sorrow,
 spirit of our God most high;
 solace for the weary,
 pardon for the sinner,
 splendor of the living God.

Praise him with your singing,
 praise him with the trumpet,
 praise God with the lute and harp;
 praise him with the cymbals,
 praise him with your dancing,
 praise God till the end of days.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth,
 and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
 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.