

# St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Parish Camp Hill



No. 2

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time — YEAR B

28th January 2024

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## Office hours

8:30 am - 1:30pm: M/T/Th/F

## MASS TIMES:

### Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5.30pm  
Sunday 8.30am & 5.30pm

### Weekday Eucharist

Monday & Tuesday: 7.00am  
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Public Holiday: 9.00am

### Reconciliation

Saturday 5.00pm-5.20pm

### Adoration and Benediction

1st Friday After 9am Mass

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## THE ARCHBISHOP OF BRISBANE

### AUSTRALIA DAY MESSAGE

*Australia Day is marked in different ways by the different peoples who form the rich tapestry of this nation lying beneath the Southern Cross. For some it is a moment to look back with pride on the many achievements of Australia since 26 January 1788. What began as a penal colony became in a relatively short time a peaceful and prosperous nation. It also became a stable democracy, sealed by Federation. None of this was easy, and Australia Day can be a time to give thanks for the sacrifices made.*

*For others who have come to this land more recently, often escaping the horrors of war, persecution and poverty, it is a moment to give thanks for the new home they have found in this country where they have been able to recover hope and rebuild their lives. Australia has given them much, but they too have given Australia much; and for that we all give thanks on the national day. For the first inhabitants of the land Australia Day looks different. We cannot forget the injustice and dispossession they have known since 1788. Often they were displaced from their land; and Australia has slowly come to understand that to break the bond between Aboriginal peoples and the land was to do them great violence, communally and individually. The cornerstone of Aboriginal cultures was shaken, with devastating consequences for Aboriginal peoples' sense of identity. This was made worse when children were removed from their families. To this day, we see the effects of this, described at times as intergenerational trauma. We who are not culpable are nonetheless responsible to do what we can to heal the wounds of injustice, since until those wounds are healed the claim that "all are equal" in this land will be little more than empty words. From 1788 until now, all have not been equal here; and they never will be until we remember in a way that reckons truthfully with the past and commits to doing what is necessary to heal the wounds. Until they are healed our national potential will never be fully realised, and Australia Day will not be the time of shared celebration it is meant to be.*

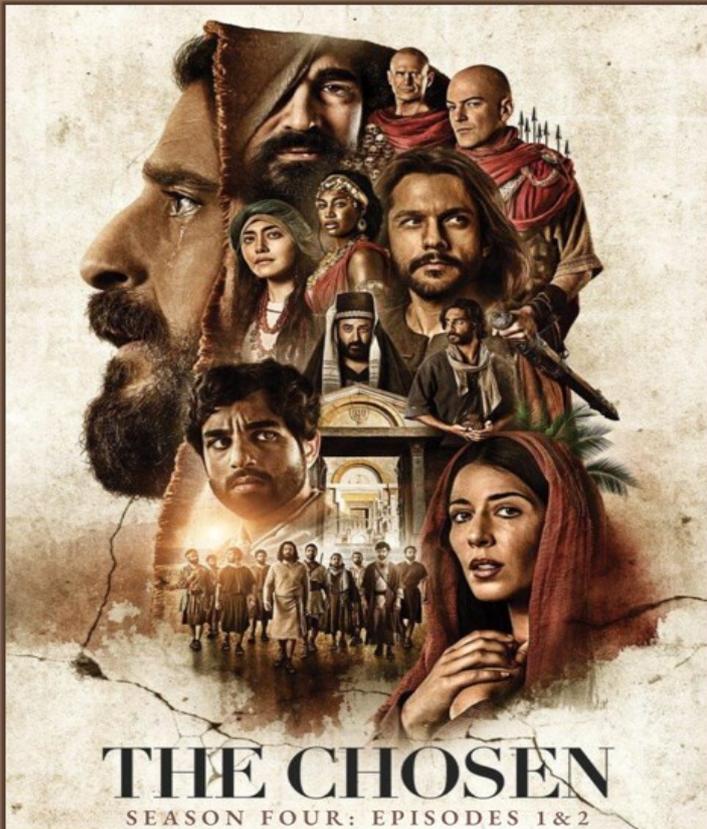
*A national day can be for us all a moment of deeper reflection when we recognise that Australia, with its many peoples, is capable of great compassion and of a wisdom that understands the truth. It can be a day to recognise what this country can be, a land where all are in fact equal and can walk together into the future God is preparing.*

*God of all peoples, Lord of the journey who always walk with us, in this land you have blessed us with the first inhabitants of the land who have loved it through the ages: for them we give you thanks. You have blessed us in the settlers who made this land their home, and forged a nation with their toil: for them we give you thanks. You have blessed us in the many peoples of different languages and cultures who have found a new home here: for them we give you thanks. We ask that you make a home among us, so that justice and truth may flourish here and all Australians may walk together into the future you are preparing: for that we give you thanks. Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

+ Mark Coleridge Archbishop of Brisbane

We at St Thomas' Parish acknowledge the Yuggera people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we gather. We pay our respects to elders - past, present and emerging, who have walked and cared for this land for thousands of years.





**Come join St Thomas Chosen fans at Garden City Cinemas to watch the start of Season 4!!**  
**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Feb at 1pm**  
**We'll gather in the foyer at 12.50pm**

**Enrolment in the Brown Scapular**  
**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 8am**

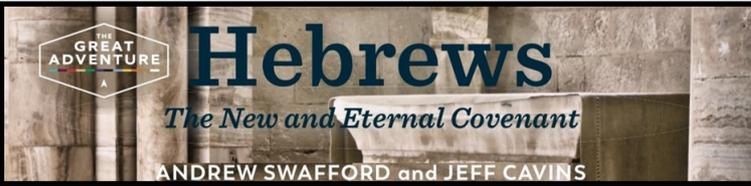
Is God calling you to a closer relationship with Him?  
 All grace comes to us through our Blessed Mother. Become devoted to her and she will bring you closer to her Son Jesus.



Mother Mary promised St. Simon Stock (a Prior of the Carmelites) that all who are wearing the scapular at the hour of death, will be preserved from the eternal flames. The scapular is a sign of our devotion to her and a pledge of Mother Mary's protection.

All those who wish to be enrolled, please join us for the Rosary at 7.30am and Fr Dantus will begin the Blessing and Imposition with the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel at 8am.

Hope to see you there!

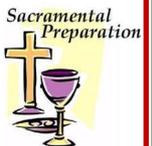


Brisbane East Deanery Scripture Group The Brisbane East Deanery will begin Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant, an 8-week study by Dr Andrew Swafford and Jeff Cavins, in the week starting Monday 22 January with daytime sessions on Wednesdays and Thursdays and evening sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays. The course will finish in the week ending Friday 22 March. This study will highlight the critical distinctions between the Old and New Covenants and give participants an appreciation of the riches God has given them in the New Covenant. For more information or to register your interest, please contact Louise Simento on 0456 700 040.

**Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane - Healing of the Family Mass**

Where: St John's Church, 688 Nudgee Rd, Northgate.  
 When: 11.00am, Saturday 3 February Prayer Support Teams available after Mass, followed by BYO Lunch.

**Sacramental Preparation 2024**



**First Reconciliation**

- Enrolment/Commitment and
- Session 1 – 3/4 Feb
- Session 2 – 10/11 Feb
- Session 3 – 17/18 Feb
- Session 4 – 24/25 Feb

**Actual Celebration: Sat 2 March @3.30pm**

**Confirmation Preparation:**

Parents Information Session – Wednesday 6 March @ 6.30pm

- Enrolment/Commitment and
- Session 1 – 9/10 March
- Session 2 – 16/17 March
- Session 3 – 23/24 March
- Session 4 – 20/21 April

Rehearsal: Monday 29 April during school hours for St Thomas' children.

**Actual Celebration: Wednesday 15 May @ 5.30pm**

## Readings

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#### **First Reading: (Deuteronomy 18:15-20)**

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die.'"

#### **Responsorial Psalm: Ps 94:1-2. 6-9**

If today, you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

#### **Second Reading: (1 Corinthians 7:32-35)**

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

#### **Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!**

A people in darkness have seen a great light:  
a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.  
Alleluia!

#### **Gospel: (Mark 1:21-28)**

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

## For the Children...

Jesus showed that he is the one to be listened to. What are some things people would have heard Jesus say?



### **Readings for Next Sunday**

#### **5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B**

**First Reading: Job 7:1-4. 6-7**  
I am filled with sorrow all day long.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19. 22-23**  
Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel.

**Gospel: Mark 1:29-39**  
He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or another.