



St Thomas the Apostle Parish Camp Hill



No. 12

Fourth Sunday of Lent

22 March 2020

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8:30 am - 1:30pm
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MASS TIMES:

Sunday Eucharist

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| Saturday | 5.30pm |
| Sunday | 8.30am |
| Sunday | 5.30pm |

Weekday Eucharist

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| Monday | 6.30am |
| Tuesday | 6.30am |
| Thursday | 9.00am |
| Friday | 9.00am |
| Public Holiday | 9.00am |

Reconciliation

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| Friday | 6.00pm |
| Saturday | 5.00pm |

Adoration and Benediction

1st Friday After 9am Mass

Anointing of the Sick during Mass

PARISH TEAM:

Parish Priest

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COVID-19 UPDATE

On Thursday afternoon we received correspondence from Archbishop Mark Coleridge regarding the Archdiocese of Brisbane's response to COVID-19.

In light of the latest advice from the Government and Catholic Health Australia, the Archbishop has instituted additional provisions which will now apply. The full letter can be found at <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> however, in summary:

- The celebration of Mass on Sundays (including the Saturday vigil) is suspended with immediate effect and until further notice, and all the faithful are dispensed from the Sunday obligation. **There will be NO WEEKEND MASSES from Saturday 21st March.** Please see below options to celebrate Mass from home.
- For the time being, weekday Masses may be celebrated as scheduled, with the current restrictions and precautions to be observed.
- The Sacrament of Reconciliation should in general be celebrated only by appointment with the priest, with the current precautions to be observed.
- Any Church celebration or event where more than 100 people are expected should be cancelled or postponed.
- All attending any Church celebration or event should respect the requirements of physical distancing.
- As far as possible, St Thomas' Church will remain open on weekdays to allow private prayer;
- Communion to the sick should be taken by priests alone and in general be restricted to Viaticum to the dying, with the current restrictions and precautions to be observed.
- Baptisms, weddings and funerals may be celebrated, but restricted if necessary to immediate family; baptisms and weddings can always be postponed.
- Preparation for and celebration of First Penance, Confirmation and First Communion should be postponed until the pandemic is over. Our First Reconciliation on 28th March and First Communion on 26th April & 2nd May have already been postponed.
- Priests should ensure that parishioners can contact them in emergencies. Please call the Parish Office or email Fr Christopher at obic@bne.catholic.net.au



If you are in need of any support with groceries, other errands or social contact at this difficult time, or know of any vulnerable members of our parish who might need assistance, please contact the Parish Office on: **3398 1154 or stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au.**

Worship at Home

Sunday Mass at St Stephen's Cathedral is webcast via:

<https://archbne.org/bzw>

Read the Sunday readings and associated commentaries at home. This can be done via the Liturgy Brisbane website:

<https://litedliturgybrisbane.weebly.com/sunday-readings-at-home.html/>

Mass for you At Home is a television show which has been broadcast in Australia for nearly 50 years, bringing Sunday Mass to your lounge room. It can be viewed on Channel 10 at 6am on Sunday morning, or via their website:

<http://www.mfyah.com/>



We remember in our prayers

The sick: Betty Bendel, Jim Paterson, Joan Scott, Humberto Villalta, Nes Mustafa, Matilda Elisabeth Swain, Joan Burlew, Betty Smith, Jolanda Villalta, Dan Bishop, Shirley Murphy, Olive Kiely, Sue Douglas, Jim Clifford, Tom Grant and Lauren Balcombe, Fr Ted Houlihan, Lola Radford & Sonia Mendez, Fr Ron Mollison, Cletus Obi

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Beatrice Fox, Timothy Marrinan, Antonio Lunaticci, Theresa King, Antonio D'Alessandro, Darryl King, Eileen Heggie, Margaret Perry, Ross Evans, Raymond Mullen, Neil Harkiss, Mary Wheatley, George Coombes, Mark Pantarotto, James Croning, Gwendolyn Taylor, William O'Sullivan, John Graham, Jim Corbett, Vickie Robbins, Morgan Innes, Beverley McKewin, Margaret Hess, Ronald Ashton, Patricia O'Connor, Maureen Harding, William Bradbury, Ron Kelly, Ian Douglas, Herb Collie and Bob Bongiorno



The Iona Passion Play Inc.

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** IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT **

It is with a heavy heart that the Iona Passion Play announces that, for the first time in a 62-year history, public performances of the Play will not be held.

This decision comes in response to the ongoing and evolving Corona-virus crisis. All ticket holders will be refunded their purchases as we organise this with our ticket provider Trybooking.

We thank everyone for their ongoing support of the play and also for their donations which help make the play possible. If you would like to support the play, please consider making a tax-free donation via this link: <https://www.passionplay.org.au/donations> or donating your 10c bottle refunds to our container registry no: C10219881

PRAYER FOR CORONAVIRUS

*Almighty and all-merciful God,
lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds,
in whom there is no shadow of death,
save us in this time of crisis;
grant wisdom and courage to our leaders;
watch over all medical people
as they tend the sick and work for a cure;
stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation;
if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open.
By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear,
that hope may never die
and the light of Easter, the triumph of life,
may shine upon us and the whole world.
Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.*

*Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.
St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.*

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR LENT 2020

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| Sun 22nd March | Fourth Sunday of Lent <i>Be Opened to See</i> As a family, read John 9: 1-41 |
| Mon 23rd March | St Turibius of Mogroverjo Read the story of St Turibius and pray for the people of Lima, Peru |
| Tues 24th March | Project Compassion asks us to pray for people in India this week |
| Wed 25th March | The Annunciation of the Lord Pray that you will be like Mary |
| Thur 26th March | Check times in your parish and go to reconciliation to prepare for |
| Fri 27th March | Fast from electronic games |
| Sat 28th March | Be mindful of all that God has done for you |

Fourth Sunday of Lent

1st reading: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13 *In the presence of the Lord God, they anointed David king of Israel.*

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5: 8-14 *Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you..*

Gospel: John 9: 1-41 *The blind man went off and washed himself and came away with his sight restored.*



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Thirty-two-year-old Sakun lives in a village in central east India. She developed polio as a child and has difficulty walking. Until now Sakun, an indigenous Gond woman, has been isolated in her community, unable to earn a livelihood and without knowledge of government schemes that could help her. After joining a Caritas Australia-funded program, Sakun has learned new skills and gained important mobility. Through their strategic guidance and support, Sakun now earns her own income and makes a small profit which goes towards her family's basic needs. She is more resilient, more confident and more independent.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to help uplift vulnerable communities & support the rights of indigenous peoples around the world.

Let's Go Further, Together.

You can donate through boxes and envelopes, call 1800 024 413 or visit

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion