

CATHEDRAL LITURGIES THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 6.00pm (for Sunday)
 SUNDAY 8.00am, 10.00am, 12 noon, & 7.30pm.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8.00am, 10.00am, 12.30pm, 5.10pm
 SATURDAY 11.30am

MORNING PRAYER MONDAY – FRIDAY 8.30am (in the Chapel)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Wednesday 10.30am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

MONDAY-THURSDAY 10.30am – 12.15pm

BENEDICTION

MONDAY-THURSDAY 12.15pm

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

MONDAY-FRIDAY 10.30-11.30am; 1.00-1.30pm; 4.30-5.00pm
 SATURDAY 10.00-11.00am; 4.30-5.30pm

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, FORTITUDE VALLEY

SUNDAY 9.00am, 12noon

MAY THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE:

Florence SLATTERY, Ross GIRGENTI, Fr Jim HYNES, Allan MICHAEL, Ruby ROZELLS, Beronica WHANG, Beverley McPHEE, Gloria CARILLO, Silvia CARILLO, Abelardo PAYEN, Aquilina ELO, Encarnacion PAYEN, Rosita ITO, Leonides ELO, Natividad ELO, Esme & Severin ANDREASSEN, Ernst BREMER, Fr Pio LOMIBAO osb, Peter & Philomena CONNOLLY, Holy Souls, Nelson JIMENEZ, Restituta CASAS, Simplicio CASAS, Estella JIMENEZ, Hilarion JIMENEZ, Ivory SISON, Taylor Rose WINTERBURN, Bayani VALLADOLID Sr, Magdalena VALLADOLID, Imelda VALLADOLID, Mario MAGNO, Nerisa MAGNO, Melody VALLADOLID, Gloria FERNANDEZ, Nunziata STEPPA, Luigi STEPPA, Francesco LOMBARDO, Cyril WEEDON, Alexander CURTIS, Kevin CANTRILL, Elsie CANTRILL, George HADSIS, Barry WELLS, George BARKER, William & Annie BARKER, George & Helen BARKER, Dusty SPRINGFIELD, Margaret WECKER, Margaret CAMERON, Hans EELTINK, Jared SCRIVENER, Alfonso MENDOZA, Bella FLORES, Des KINNA
 For those of the AQUINAS, ST PAUL and PERPETUAL ADORATION Book.

This weekend our Mass Presiders are: The Cathedral				
6.00pm Saturday	8.00am	10.00am	12.00 noon	7.30pm
Fr Leonard Uzuogbu	Fr Leonard Uzuogbu	Fr Leonard Uzuogbu	Fr David Pascoe	Fr David King CP

St Patrick's, Fortitude Valley	
9.00am	12 noon
Fr David Pascoe	Fr Michael Rego SM

Readings	First	Second	Gospel
This Week	Genesis 12:1-4	2 Timothy 1:8-10	Matthew 17:1-9
Next Week	Exodus 17:3-7	Romans 5:1-2, 5-8	John 4:5-42

NEWSLETTER

The Promises of God

When God told Abraham to leave home, God was asking a lot of him. The world was not a global village then. Travel wasn't easy; there were no planes, taxis or hotels. Furthermore, leaving home was a decisive break with all the good of home, because going back for a visit was difficult or just out of the question entirely. So leaving home then was a loss that we can't imagine well anymore in our era of video calls and texting.

Still, when God told Abraham to leave, Abraham went.

Why did he go? Presumably because he wanted what God offered him. If Abraham left, God told him, then Abraham would become a great nation, and all the communities of the earth would find blessing in him. That is a fairly stunning reward.

So Abraham, who had a great desire for that reward, obeyed God, left what was familiar and beloved to him, and wandered off as a stranger in a strange land.

God's stunning promise to Abraham has been completely fulfilled. And then notice what happened.

Abraham lived a very long time after this promise of God's and he stayed faithful to God's commands his whole life. But by the time Abraham died, this is all he had: one son to carry on his posterity under this promise and two grandchildren. By anybody's estimation, this is a very small family. Certainly, one son and two grandsons is not a great nation.

Furthermore, hardly any communities knew Abraham at all, let alone found a blessing in him. The idea that all the communities of the earth would find blessing in him really would have been completely laughable at that time, wouldn't it?

Of course, as we now see it, all Jews, Christians and Muslims are the Abrahamic peoples. Many great nations are included among the Abrahamic peoples. All of them know Abraham and think that they find blessing in him.

And so God's stunning promise to Abraham has been completely fulfilled.

But notice that he did not live to see it. He had to take the fulfillment of God's promise to him on faith. So maybe Abraham is the father of faith because he was willing to stake his life on a promise whose fulfillment did not come in his lifetime on earth.

In this, he is not only the patriarch of the family of faith but also a pattern to follow for all those in his family.

Eleonore Stump



THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. STEPHEN
Incorporating the worshipping community of St Patrick's Fortitude Valley

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
 YEAR A
 12 MARCH 2017**

Most Rev Mark Coleridge
Archbishop of Brisbane

Very Rev David Pascoe
Dean

Rev Leonard Uzuogbu
Associate Pastor

Mrs Grace Harwood
Pastoral Associate

Mr George von Waidkuns-Velazquez
Sacristan

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 Mr Lloyd Eickenloff
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**Second Sunday of Lent
12 March 2017**



In Timor-Leste, Martina was driven from her home by domestic violence. The Protection Program connected her with livelihood training opportunities, offering the chance to afford education for her eight children and a safe life in a supportive community. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2017 and help empower women in Timor-Leste to recover from domestic violence, develop sustainable livelihoods, and lead a life of dignity.** You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, at www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



The Archbishop has announced the following Clergy Appointments to take effect from 17 April 2017. **Fr Leonard Uzuegbu** as Associate Pastor of Wilston Gordon Park & Enoggera; **Fr Odinaka Nwadike** as Associate Pastor at the Cathedral and **Fr Peter Dillon** Parish Priest of Surfers Paradise. Please pray that their ministry will be peaceful and fruitful for them and the people they serve. An opportunity farewell Fr Leonard will be advised later.

Thursday 16 March—As a Mass will be celebrated in St Stephen’s Chapel at **11.30am** on Thursday, Adoration and Benediction will be celebrated in the Cathedral.

Friday 17 March—Everyone is invited to celebrated **St Patrick’s Day** at 10.00am Mass in the **Cathedral of St Stephen**. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr Gerard McMorro and the music will be led by the Irish choirs. Adoration and Benediction will not be held.

Lenten Appeal: Sr Cristina’s clinic in Timor needs our help to provide poor families with basic pain relief medication (ie. Paracetamol/Panadol & Ibuprofen/Nurofen). Collection containers are available in the Sacristy & Cathedral Office. Medicine needs to be New/Unopened, Expiry Date of 2019, Stored as indicated on packet. We also welcome generous support & advice from kind Pharmacists. Thank you for your support. For more info Joe 0488 234 904 #MedicineForTimor

Project Compassion Please take home a box and/or a set of Lenten donation envelopes & support Caritas Australia . Envelopes can be returned each week via the collection.

Lent—Stations of the Cross & Morning Prayer. Stations of the Cross will be held at 10.30am each Wednesday and Morning Prayer, Monday to Friday in the Chapel at 8.30am.

Could you be an Altar Server? We are looking to recruit any willing men, women, boys and girls from across all Masses. Training will be provided. Serving Our Lord at the Altar draws people closer to the whole Cathedral family. If you are just a little bit interested, please call Len Hannah on 0417 762 789 or see him at the Sacristy after Masses.

3rd Sunday of the month - Cuppa after Mass next weekend 18/19 March at the Cathedral following 6.00pm, 8.00am & 10.00am Masses. Parishioners, visitors, friends, new families are welcome. A gold coin donation supports the *Vinnies Winter Appeal*.

Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care –Volunteers to be trained –Mature committed Catholics with an ability to relate pastorally to those who suffer a mental illness. Training each Wednesday 3 May to 22 November, 9am-3.30pm. A voluntary commitment of 8 hours per week on complete of the course. Applications close Friday 21 April to Fr Jim Smith, CPPC, 58 Morgan St, Fortitude Valley, 3252 5461 or cppc@bne.catholic.net.au

MUSIC

The music is drawn from the Catholic Worship Book II for all Masses, available from our Welcomers at the entrances or on the pew seats. The Vigil, 8.00am, 12 noon and 7.30pm Masses will be led by a Cantor.

A separate handout will be provided for the 10:00am Solemn Mass led by the Cathedral Choir . The 12:00pm Mass will be led by the Cathedral Schola. The Mass setting is Missa Ave Regina Caelorum. (Victoria)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN God of mercy and compassion **CWB 290**

KYRIE Mass of Our Lady, Help of Christians **CWB 23a**
The Gloria is omitted during Lent.

FIRST READING *Genesis 12:1-4*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



℟ May your love be up-on us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

SECOND READING *2 Timothy 1:8-10*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



℟ Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, King of end-less glo-ry.

GOSPEL *Matthew 17:1-9*

SANCTUS ICEL Chant Mass **CWB 11a**

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION **CWB 12a**

DOXOLOGY **CWB 13**

OUR FATHER **CWB 14a**

AGNUS DEI ICEL Chant Mass **CWB 17a**

COMMUNION Forty days and forty nights **CWB 288**

Following the Dismissal, all depart in silence.