

# First Sunday of Advent – Year B



THE CATHEDRAL OF  
**ST. STEPHEN**

*Incorporating the worshipping community  
of St Patrick's Fortitude Valley*

**Weekend of December 2nd/3rd, 2017**

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

**Presider:** As we celebrate the season of Advent we think again of the love of God for us, endless and ever new, symbolised in this circle of greenery. The candles of the wreath signify the way how this eternal and all-embracing love has been manifested in time, and will be manifest forever when the Lord appears in glory. Today we light the first of the candles, looking forward to the Day of the Lord.

*The wreath is sprinkled with holy water. As the Advent candle is lit, all sing:*

1. *The coming of our Lord  
with eager minds we greet,  
and joyful hasten on our way  
his glorious reign to meet.*

2. *The everlasting God,  
a virgin's son we see;  
he takes a humble, servile form  
to bring us liberty.*

**Presider:** Christ we sit in darkness, but you are our light.

**All:** *We long for Christ's coming into our hearts and into our world.*

**Presider:** Our lives have been shaken by fire and drought and storm; our security has been shaken by bombings and wars and uncertainty.

**All:** *We wait in hope for God's light to penetrate our darkness and radiate within us.*

**Presider:** In the midst of our doubts and our insecurities we are reminded that God's faithfulness reaches to the ends of the earth.

**All:** *We watch for new light to shine as the season of joy approaches.*

**Presider:** Christ is our rock and our refuge, an ever present help in trouble.

**All:** *We wait in hope, attentive to all the signs of Christ's coming.*

**Most Reverend Mark Coleridge, DD**

Archbishop of Brisbane

**Fr Peter Brannelly; Fr Odinka Nwadike; Fr Thomas Ismoyo**

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### Mass Times this week

|                  |   |
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| Monday to Friday | 8.00am Chapel; 10.00am Chapel; 12.30pm Cathedral ; 5.10pm Chapel                                  |
| Saturday         | 11.30am; 6.00pm (Vigil Mass)  |
| Sunday           | 8.00am; 10.00am (Solemn Mass); 12 noon; 7.30pm<br>9.00am; 12 noon (St Patrick's Fortitude Valley) |

### Reconciliation

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| Monday to Friday | 10.30-11.30am; 1.00-1.30pm; 4.30-5.00pm |
| Saturday         | 10.00-11.00am; 4.30-5.30pm              |

**Exposition** (NB: there will be no Exposition on Wednesday)

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 10.30am – 12.15pm (Chapel)

**Benediction** (NB: there will be no Benediction on Wednesday)

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 12.15pm (Chapel)

**Morning Prayer**

Friday 8.30am (Chapel)

The **purple of the vestments and the banners** quickly alerts our mind and our senses that something different has begun. The first week of Advent heralds the beginning of a new liturgical year. Today we begin using the **readings for Cycle B** and our weekday readings are from **Year 1**.

Punctuating this short, four-week season of Advent, we use the Advent wreath to help centre our anticipation of the Christmas celebration. This weekend the **Advent wreath is blessed and the first candle is lit**. Over the course of the next three weekends the lighting of the additional candles should raise our expectation as we await the birth of the Christ Child. You will notice that there is **no Gloria sung at Mass during Advent**, so that it can be sung with renewed joy at Christmas. The lighting of the Advent wreath ritual incorporates the **Penitential Act** and during these weeks of anticipating we are encouraged to reflect upon and celebrate God's forgiveness and the chance to start again. Slowly, over the next week our **Nativity Scene** will be constructed allowing our imagination to connect with the reality of the Incarnation and what happened in a stable in a nondescript town in a far corner of our world. Advent is a time of anticipation so let us not get overwhelmed by the commercial and superficial but rather let us grasp hold of all the possibilities the God presents to us during these next four weeks.

Last weekend across our Cathedral parish we held the annual Peter's Pence collection. Thank you for your generosity. This appeal of the Universal Church allows our Holy Father to respond immediately on our behalf and help alleviate the pain of those affected by natural disasters or conflicts. It also allows Pope Francis to support the church in some of the poorest parts of the world. This year we raised \$1,280 which will be added to the collections taken up in other parishes of the Archdiocese and forwarded to the Holy Father.

#### THIS WEEKEND

Our annual **Advent Fair** is on this weekend and everyone is invited to enjoy the stalls of homemade cakes and sweets and multicultural cuisine. Perhaps support our local Vinnies conference and their sausage sizzle or do some Christmas shopping! All the proceeds go to support the St Stephen's Cathedral Choir. Thanks for your support.

#### DEDICATION FEAST

The Solemnity of the Dedication of St Stephen's Cathedral will be celebrated at all cathedral masses tomorrow Monday 4th December. This feast recalls the dedication of the Cathedral in 1989. It recognises the significance of the Cathedral to the local Church of Brisbane, as the place of the chair of the bishop. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will celebrate the 12.30pm Mass as it is here that he gathers his faithful for the celebration of the Eucharist.

#### YOUNG ADULTS

Keep our Young Adults Ministry in your prayers this weekend as they are on retreat at the Marian Valley. The final *Vine Talk* and Young Adults Mass for 2017, will be celebrated next weekend, **Sunday 10th December**. You are also invited to join the Young Adults for the end of year Supper following the Mass.

#### READERS WORKSHOP

On **Saturday 16 December, commencing at 9.00am** all readers are invited to the Cathedral for a short, 45 minute session conducted by James Robinson of Liturgy Brisbane. The Cathedral car park will be available. Please RSVP to Carmel Devery by email [deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au) or 3324 3006

#### PROGRESS REPORT

A substantial amount of work was completed last week in the refurbishment of the Blessed Sacrament chapel. The plaster ceiling is now ready to be painted and this coming week the new lighting will be installed. Naturally, the finishing touches always takes longer to complete and over the next two weeks we have to be patient as the crucifix, sanctuary lights and tabernacle are installed. Coinciding with this work will be the refurbishment of the two confessionals which will mean that at times over the next two weeks the sacrament of reconciliation will be relocated to the Chapel to allow this work to be completed.

#### CHRISTMAS ROSTER

This year Christmas Day falls on Monday and Christmas Eve is on Sunday evening. A lot of preparation and planning goes into our Christmas Masses as we welcome parishioners and visitors alike to the cathedral. That everything flows so smoothly is a credit to so many who quietly, behind the scenes, generously give of their time and energy, to ensure that our Christmas Masses are joyous, faith filled celebrations. Acknowledging that there are a lot of parishioners away at this time of the year, we are trying to organize our rosters for the Christmas Masses. All liturgical ministers who will be attending one of the Christmas Masses are invited to stop by the sacristy after mass and put your name next to a ministry. Thank you for your generosity and ministry - it is appreciated.

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Next weekend across our Cathedral Parish we will have a leaving collection in support of our local St Vincent de Paul conference. For many in our community the men and women of our St Vincent de Paul conference represent the human face of the church and their practical ministry of compassion and non-judgemental assistance makes a real difference to those they minister to. Your financial support either through the poor box or through next week's **Vinnies Christmas Appeal** enables our local conference to continue their work - thank you for your support.

#### "CHRISTMAS IMPOSSIBILITIES"

A Power Point presentation showing us that the Christmas story is intended to be *our* story will be presented after the 10am mass on Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. The presentation is being coordinated by the Spirit of Hope prayer group and all are welcome to attend. The theme of the presentation is that God *can* do something in and through you that is as much beyond anything we could do - as having a child was beyond Mary's ability. God our Father is ever ready to break into the ordinary and invade the impossibilities in our lives - He's the God of "Impossibilities!" For further enquiries please contact Maureen 0403002199 or Helena 0405321901

#### NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

The Cathedral's annual Service of Nine Lessons and Carols will take place on **Wednesday 20 December, starting at 7:00pm**. All welcome. The Cathedral car park will be open.

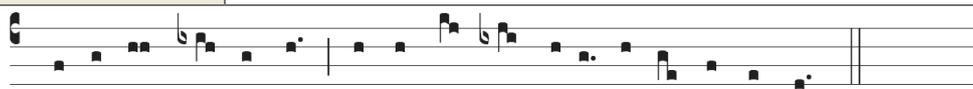
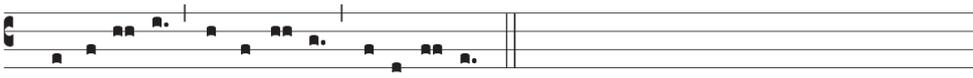
#### CATHEDRAL CONCERT SERIES

Struggling to come up with a good Christmas present for friends or family? Look no further! For this month only, you can get a Season Subscription to the Cathedral's 2018 Concert Series (six concerts from April to October) for the discounted price of \$150 adults or \$125 concession.

Visit [www.ststephensmusic.com](http://www.ststephensmusic.com), email [cathedral.music@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral.music@bne.catholic.net.au), or ask at Cathedral Reception for more information or to purchase a subscription.

# MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL

*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, and 7.30pm Masses will be led by a Cantor; the Solemn Mass (10am) is sung by the Cathedral Choir; the Noon Mass is sung by the Cathedral Chorale.*

|   | 6:00PM (Sat)<br>8:00AM (Sun)              | 12:00PM  | 7:30PM  |
|---|---|--|---------|
| <b>Processional</b>   | CWB 252                                   | CWB 252  | CWB 632 |
| <b>Kyrie</b>  | CWB 23a                                   | CWB 23 a   | CWB 23a |
| <b>Gloria</b>   |   | <i>The GLORIA is omitted in Advent.</i>          |         |
| <b>First Reading</b>  | <i>Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8</i>         |  |         |
| <b>Responsorial Psalm</b>   | <i>Ps. 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 R/. v. 4.</i> |  |         |
|  <p style="text-align: center;">℟ God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.</p> |   |  |         |
| <b>Second Reading</b>   | <i>1 Corinthians 1:3-9</i>                |  |         |
| <b>Gospel Acclamation</b>   | <i>Ps. 84:8</i>                           |  |         |
|  <p style="text-align: center;">℟ Al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia.</p>                                       |   |  |         |
| <b>Gospel</b>   | <i>Mark 13:33-37</i>                      |  |         |
| <b>Offertory</b>  |   | <i>Wachet auf</i><br>J.S. Bach                   | CWB 252 |
| <b>Sanctus</b>  | CWB 23c                                   | CWB 23c  | CWB 23c |
| <b>Memorial Acclamation</b>   | CWB 12a                                   |  |         |
| <b>Agnus Dei</b>  | CWB 23f                                   | CWB 23f  | CWB 23f |
| <b>Communion</b>  | CWB 246                                   | <i>Christ, the Glory - Lallouette</i><br>CWB 246 | CWB 253 |
| <b>Recessional</b>  | CWB 254 v.1                               | CWB 254 v.1                                      | CWB 232 |

## OFFERTORY MOTET, 12pm Mass

Wake, O wake! The night is dying, The herald of the light is crying; Awake, Jerusalem, awake! Night's long watch at last is ending. Behold the morning star ascending, and soon a new day's dawn shall break: Come quickly, set us free! Lord Jesus, David's Key! Hallelujah! All glory be eternally to Christ who comes in majesty.

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 – 1750)

## COMMUNION MOTET, 12pm Mass

Christ, the glory of the holy angels, thou who made us and loveth us.  
Send us thy counsel, Guide all to thy throne.  
The heavens declare the glory of the Lord and forever doth the earth sing his praises.

Jean Francois Lallouette (1651 – 1728)

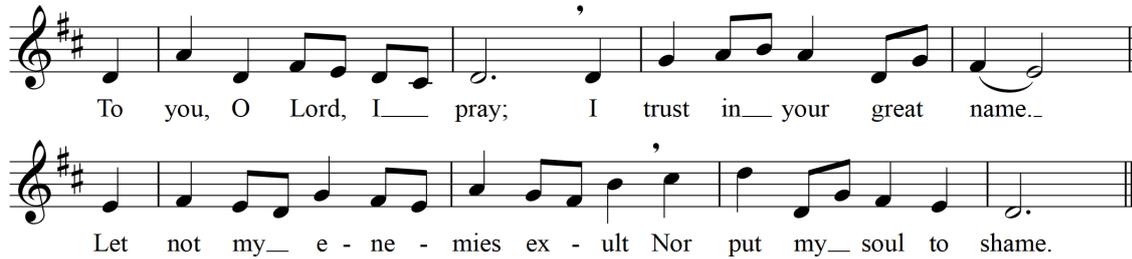
# MUSIC at the 10.00am Solemn Mass

*Celebrant: Fr Peter Brannelly*

## ENTRANCE SONG

Ps 24: 1-4

At the sound of the bell, the Cathedral Choir processes from the Sacristy singing the Introit. The assembly **responds** as the Choir and Ministers process towards the altar with the following translation of the Introit text. The first verse (which is the Antiphon) is repeated after the third verse.



To you, O Lord, I pray; I trust in your great name...

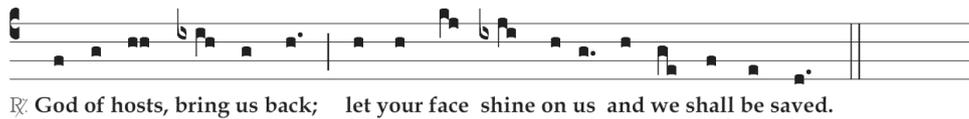
Let not my enemies exult Nor put my soul to shame.

**2. Reveal your ways to me  
And guide me in right paths.  
That you may teach me in your truth,  
O Lord is, is all I ask.**

**3. Give glory to our God,  
The Father, and the Son,  
And also to the Paraclete,  
Eternal Three-in-One.**

KYRIE Missa Feriale Domenico Bartolucci  
GLORIA *The GLORIA is omitted* (1917-2013)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 R/. v. 4



R/ God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Ps. 84:8



R/ Al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia.

## OFFERTORY MOTET

I look from afar: and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.  
Go ye out to meet him and say: Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign o'er thy people Israel?  
High and low, rich and poor, one with another, Go ye out to meet him and say:  
Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.  
Tell us, art thou he that should come?  
Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

SANCTUS Missa Feriale CWB 11b  
MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION CWB 12a  
AGNUS DEI Missa Feriale CWB 17b

COMMUNION ANTIPHON & PSALM Ps 84: 13

Dominus dabit benignitatem:  
et terra nostra dabit fructum suum.

The Lord will shower his gifts,  
and our land will yield its fruit.

COMMUNION HYMN Saviour of the nations, come CWB 246  
ORGAN VOLUNTARY Nun komm der Heiden Heiland BWV 661 J.S. Bach  
(1685-1750)

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