

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
NB: 8am & 5:10pm will be held in the Chapel
SATURDAY 11.30am

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

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that we are “salt of the earth” and “light to the world”. To hide our light under a bushel basket serves no one – it does not serve others, it does not serve our God, and it certainly does not serve ourselves. When God gives us a gift, God expects a certain return. To hide our talents, as the parable makes clear, is perilous to self and not very pleasing to the One who gave those gifts.

Sure, no doubt there are times when we

struggle with the reality that each of us is a child of God, fabulous, unique, and talented. Nelson Mandela is right, there is nothing enlightened, or God-serving, in false humility. Moreover, as Jesus’ parable of the talents suggests, hiding one’s talents doesn’t exactly produce happiness either.

So this week, let’s not be shy with the gifts that God has given us.

God bless, **Fr Peter Brannelly**



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WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET

5 – 10 FEBRUARY 2018
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Don't be Shy!

These days you don't have to look very far to discover inspirational words. The internet is a great source for famous people and their famous statements. Some of them are clever, some are even memorable and occasionally you come across some that are profound. During the week I was reading an article about Nelson Mandela and his inauguration. The year was 1994 and South Africa had taken a huge risk. After 27 years in prison, was the newly elected, post-apartheid, president going to be partisan, tribal and vindictive? All South Africa and the world watched on!

Then, in the midst of the colour, movement and noise Nelson Mandela stepped to the microphone and amazed everyone not by being triumphal but by talking about humility.

He suggested that false humility hurts us just as much as false pride. Mandela said: *“Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light not our darkness that frightens*

us. We ask ourselves, ‘Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous?’ Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God. Your playing small doesn't serve the world. There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. We are born to manifest the glory of God that is within us. It's not just in some of us. It's in everyone, and, as we let our light shine, we consciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.”

Nelson Mandela is basically saying that if God has given you gifts and talents they are given to be used. So often we get confused and think that humility is all about non-assertiveness and first waiting to be asked before we step forward to offer our gifts.

But Mandela rightly identified that our God-given gifts and talents are meant to help others, just as their gifts are meant to help us. This is the very message of this weekend's Gospel when we hear

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MONDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2018

St Agatha

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was crucified for us,
powerful in virginity, modesty her offering,
a sacrifice on the altar of chastity.

FIRST READING:

1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 131:6-10

At Ephrata we heard of the ark;
we found it in the plains of Yearim.
'Let us go to the place of his dwelling;
let us go to kneel at his footstool.'

Go up, Lord, to the place of your rest,
you and the ark of your strength.
Your priests shall be clothed with holiness;
your faithful shall ring out their joy.
For the sake of David your servant
do not reject your anointed.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the
kingdom
and healed all who were sick.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Mark 6:53-56

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lamb who is at the centre of the throne
will lead them to the springs of the waters of
life.

TUESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2018

St Paul Miki & Companions

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in
heaven,
the Saints who followed the footsteps of
Christ,
and since for love of him they shed their
blood,
they now exult with Christ for ever.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 83:3-5, 10-11

My soul is longing and yearning,
is yearning for the courts of the Lord.
My heart and my soul ring out their joy
to God, the living God.

The sparrow herself finds a home
and the swallow a nest for her brood;
she lays her young by your altars,
Lord of hosts, my king and my God.

They are happy, who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.
Turn your eyes, O God, our shield,
look on the face of your anointed.

One day within your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.
The threshold of the house of God
I prefer to the dwellings of the wicked.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Turn my heart to do your will:
teach me your law, O God.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Mark 7:1-13

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

It is you who have stood by me in my trials;
and I confer a kingdom on you, says the
Lord,
that you may eat and drink at my table in my
kingdom.

Invitation to be part of the Cathedral Parish Ministry

An invitation is extended to you to play a bigger role in the life of your Cathedral parish. Registration forms are available inside the front cover of the weekend newsletter 3/4 February. To register your interest in one of the many available ministries please complete the registration form and return it to the Cathedral Administration Office.

Familiarisation

Next **Saturday, February 10th** – beginning at 9.00am there will be a short session coordinated by Fr Odinaka and James Robinson (Liturgy Brisbane) to familiarise ourselves with the new sound system and remind ourselves of what is best practice when it comes to ministry. Readers (new and current) at weekday Masses as well as weekend Masses are encouraged to attend this short workshop. The Cathedral car park will be available.

Blessed + Broken – Lenten Program

If you would like to be involved in this year's programme please register your interest on the registration form located at the entrance to the Cathedral. Currently we have one group meeting on a Tuesday morning after the 10am Mass and a Sunday group meeting at 11am. Please take a moment at the conclusion of Mass today and record your contact details.

Curia Mass

Annually the Archbishop celebrates Mass for members of the Archdiocesan Curia. This Mass will be celebrated on **Friday 9th February at 10.00am**. Parishioners are welcome to attend this Mass. 10.30am Reconciliation will be heard, however, there will be no Adoration and Benediction.

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

You are invited to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on **Saturday 10th February 2018** with a Rosary Bouquet commencing at 10.30am. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Ken Howell at 11.30am.

Little King's Movement for the Handicapped

Brochures and envelopes are available at the doors of the church for the annual appeal for the Little King's Movement for the Handicapped. Your generosity is appreciated.

Ash Wednesday

Lent is quickly descending upon us. Ash Wednesday will be celebrated on **Wednesday 14th February**. Masses will be celebrated in the Cathedral Parish as follows:

7.00am at St Patrick's Fortitude Valley
8.00am; 10.00am; 12.30pm & 5.30pm
at the Cathedral.

Ashes will be distributed at all Masses. To allow city workers to attend Mass after work, please note the later starting time for the late afternoon Mass. The Cathedral car park will be available for the 5.30pm Mass only.

Benediction Hymns and Prayer

O SAVING VICTIM

O saving victim opening wide
The gate of heaven to us below.
Our foes press on from every side
Thy strength supply, thine aid bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend
For evermore blest three in one,
O grant us life that shall not end
In our true native land with thee
AMEN.

HYMN OF ADORATION

Down in adoration falling,
This great sacrament we hail;
Ancient types have long departed
Newer rites of grace prevail
Faith for all defects supplying
Where the feeble senses fail.

Glory let us give and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
honour, might and praise addressing
while eternal ages run;
Equal praise to him confessing
who proceeds from both as one.
AMEN

V. You have given them bread from heaven
R. Having in itself all delight.

SWEET SACRAMENT DIVINE

Sweet Sacrament Divine,
hid in thy earthly home,
Lo! Round thy lowly shrine,
with suppliant hearts we come.
Jesus, to thee our voice we raise
in songs of love and heartfelt praise,
Sweet Sacrament Divine.

Sweet Sacrament of Peace,
dear home of every heart,
where restless yearnings cease,
and sorrows all depart.
There in thine ear, all trustfully
We tell our tale of misery
Sweet Sacrament of Peace.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

*Lord Jesus Christ at your last supper
you prayed to the Father
that all should be one.
Send your Holy Spirit
upon all who bear your name
and seek to serve you.*

*Strengthen our faith in you, and make us
love one another in humility.*

*May we, who have been reborn in one
baptism, be united in one faith under one
shepherd.*

Amen



WEDNESDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2018

Wednesday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 10:1-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 36:5-6, 30-31, 39-40
Commit your life to the Lord,
trust in him and he will act,
so that your justice breaks forth like the light,
your cause like the noon-day sun.

The just man's mouth utters wisdom
and his lips speak what is right;
the law of his God is in his heart,
his steps shall be saved from stumbling.

The salvation of the just comes from the
Lord,
their stronghold in time of distress.
The Lord helps them and delivers them
and saves them: for their refuge is in him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word, O Lord, is truth:
make us holy in the truth.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark 7:14-23

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,
his wonders for the children of men,
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,
and the hungry he fills with good things.

THURSDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2018

Thursday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 11:4-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 105:3-4, 35-37, 40
They are happy who do what is right,
who at all times do what is just.
O Lord, remember me
out of the love you have for your people.

But instead they mingled with the nations
and learned to act like them.
They worshipped the idols of the nations
and these became a snare to entrap them.

They even offered their own sons
and their daughters in sacrifice to demons,
till his anger blazed against his people:
he was filled with horror at his chosen ones.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Receive and submit to the word planted in
you;
It can save your souls.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark 7:24-30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall
be consoled.
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness,
for they shall have their fill.

FRIDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2018

Friday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

FIRST READING:

1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 80:10-15

Let there be no foreign god among you,
no worship of an alien god.
I am the Lord your God,
who brought you from the land of Egypt.

But my people did not heed my voice
and Israel would not obey,
so I left them in their stubbornness of heart
to follow their own designs.

O that my people would heed me,
that Israel would walk in my ways!
At once I would subdue their foes,
turn my hand against their enemies.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Mark 7:31-37

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,
his wonders for the children of men,
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,
and the hungry he fills with good things.

SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2018

St Scholastica

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

I despised the kingdom of the world and all
worldly finery for love of my Lord, Jesus
Christ,
whom I have seen, whom I have loved,
in whom I have believed, in whom has been
my delight.

FIRST READING:

1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 105:6-7. 19-22

**R. Lord, remember us,
for the love you bear your people.**

Our sin is the sin of our fathers;
we have done wrong, our deeds have been
evil.

Our fathers when they were in Egypt
paid no heed to your wonderful deeds. R.

They fashioned a calf at Horeb
and worshipped an image of metal,
exchanging the God who was their glory
for the image of a bull that eats grass. R.

They forgot the God who was their saviour,
who had done such great things in Egypt,
such portents in the land of Ham,
such marvels at the Red Sea. R.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the
mouth of God.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Mark 8:1-10

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

One thing is necessary:
she has chosen the better part,
which shall not be taken away from her.

SATURDAY MORNING

Marian Prayer

Remember,
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart,
the great things
the Lord has done for you.

He chose you for his Mother.
He wanted you close to his cross.
He gives you a share in his glory.
He listens to your prayer.

Offer him our prayers
of praise and thanksgiving;
present our petitions to him.
Let us live like you
in the love of your Son
that his Kingdom may come.

Lead all people
to the source of living water
that flows from his heart
spreading over the world
hope and salvation,
justice and peace.

See our trust in you;
answer our prayer.
Show yourself always our Mother.
Amen