

CATHEDRAL LITURGIES THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 6.00pm (Vigil Mass)
SUNDAY 8.00am, 10.00am (Solemn Mass), 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

MORNING PRAYER

FRIDAY Included in the 8.00am Mass on Friday

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

MONDAY – FRIDAY 10.30am – 12.15pm

BENEDICTION

MONDAY – FRIDAY 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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this experience. The memories of these experiences linger in our hearts and it is precisely these memories that we can't let go of. We believe, and that is God's gift to us.

So, when we hear today Jesus commending those who have not seen and yet believe, remember he does not stipulate how strongly you have to believe but simply that you believe. *We remain Christian because we believe.* We remain Christian because we hang onto those glimpses of God we have experienced in our lives. What matters is not how much or how strongly we believe but that we do believe.

Perhaps we are more like the apostle Thomas than we realise! Perhaps it is sometimes through our doubt that we also gain faith!

*Fr Peter Brannelly
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PS: I didn't win the Lotto first prize!



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

WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET

9 – 14 APRIL 2018
SECOND WEEK OF EASTER
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Last week's Gold Lotto payout was 4.25 million. If I were to tell you I won the first prize payout I am sure you would be happy for my good luck. But would you believe me? Would you want some sort of evidence of my good luck? Perhaps to see the winning tickets? After all, the odds of me winning are pretty remote; would it not be reasonable to ask to see my bank statement? *"Unless I see the winning ticket"* you might say to me, *"and hold the jackpot cheque in my hand, I don't believe you"*.

It's only logical to be sceptical at my claim to be the newest millionaire in Brisbane. Sure, every day we have to make decisions about what we believe. But our decisions are usually made based on some sort of concrete evidence. We are rational people – that is, after all, how God made us!

Each year, on the following weekend after Easter we hear from John's Gospel and his well-known story of doubting Thomas. There is something very appropriate in hearing about this all too rational disciple.

'Have you believed,' Jesus asks Thomas, *'because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.'* This famous verse can make us feel very good about ourselves as we sit in our pews. After all, we have not seen Jesus, and yet we believe; how much more blessed are we than Thomas, one of the twelve, who didn't believe until he saw the risen Christ in the flesh. **Thank God we're not like Doubting Thomas!**

But we should not write Thomas off too quickly. Faith is such a notoriously slippery customer. Belief is difficult to understand and even more difficult to grasp because it seems to come and go. For this reason, people are either afraid of faith or of not having faith. We spend a lifetime asking ourselves what we should do to gain it or make it grow in strength. Why does it seem to come easily to some people and not to others?

Most of us hang onto our faith because we have seen a glimpse of the risen Lord. In our daily lives we occasionally experience something that speaks of God. Words are never adequate in describing

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MONDAY 9 APRIL 2018

The Annunciation of the Lord

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Lord said, as he entered the world:
Behold, I come to do your will, O God.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 7:10-14, 8:10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 39:7-11

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.

You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I. R.

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart. R.

Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord. R.

I have not hidden your justice in my heart
but declared your faithful help.
I have not hidden your love and your truth
from the great assembly. R.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:4-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The word of God became flesh and dwelt
among us;
and we saw his glory.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 1:26-38

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a
son;
and his name will be called Emmanuel.

TUESDAY 10 APRIL 2018

Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Let us rejoice and be glad and give glory to
God,
for the Lord our God the Almighty reigns,
alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 4:32-37

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 91:1-2, 5

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power.

The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are.

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man must be lifted up
so that all who believe in him
may have eternal life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 3:7-15

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Christ had to suffer and rise from the
dead,
and so enter into his glory, alleluia.

APPRECIATION

A **big thank you** for all those involved in preparing for and helping to coordinate the Easter ceremonies. The number of faithful who walked through our doors and participated in the sacred liturgies was truly staggering! To the many parishioners who, quietly behind the scenes, generously gave of your time and energy to ensure everything ran smoothly and prayerfully, thank you from a grateful parish.

CATHEDRAL HIGH TEA

This coming weekend, **14/15 April** following Mass on **Saturday evening**, join our 6pm Mass crew in the Hanly Room for a cuppa and nibbles. On **Sunday** our Cathedral High Tea will be held following the 8.00am & 10.00am masses. Join us outside the Francis Rush Centre for coffee and donuts and enjoy fellowship with your fellow parishioners. Those parishioners attending the 12 noon Mass are invited to come early and join the 10am parishioners.

SOCIAL COHESION OR SOCIAL DIVISION

Where next in Australia's Brave New World?

Join the Australian Catholic University at their 6th Annual Dinner and Panel Discussion event providing fresh insight into the hot issues and moral dilemmas of our time. The panel includes Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Professor Greg Craven AO GCSG, Fr Frank Brennan SJ AO, Dr Lee-Anne Perry AM, Peta Credlin; and the evening will be moderated by Professor Hayden Ramsay. The dinner is on **Thursday 24 May, 6.30pm**, at the **Hilton Grand Ball Room**. Tickets cost \$185 before 26 April (\$195 from 27 April) and for further information please email Susan Dann at Susan.Dann@acu.edu.au All profits from the dinner support ACU Scholarships.

CATHOLIC PSYCHIATRIC PASTORAL CARE

CPPC is seeking Catholics with the ability to relate personally and spiritually to those suffering from mental illness. A volunteer training course runs each Wednesday 9am-3.30pm from 2 May to 21 November 2018. Upon graduating volunteers commit to eight hours ministry per week across day centres, hospitals and hostels. Applications close Friday, 20 April 2018. Written applications to: Fr Jim Smith, 58 Morgan Street, Fortitude Valley 4006. Email: cppc@bne.catholic.net.au. Phone 3252 5461.

IN TRANSITION

Congratulations to Alana Curran & Dario Prasnikar and Jackie McKay & Alessandro Alesi who were married in the Cathedral over the weekend.

YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY – MEDICINE FOR TIMOR WINTER APPEAL

Everyday medicines are needed for rural communities in Timor and YAM is holding a **Medicine for Timor Winter Appeal**, collecting basic Panadol and Nurofen with Expiry dates of 2019. All donations are welcome and can be left at the Cathedral Office or YAM team.

PENTECOST RETREAT

A Pentecost Retreat will be held on Sunday, May 20th from 11.00am–10.00pm. Parishioners are invited to attend "**Moved by the Spirit – Led by the Spirit**" which will be led by Fr Lam Vu & Steffanie Le, at St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End. Cost is \$50 which includes food & refreshments. Register by May 8th to lana.cheng@optusnet.com.au

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.

SOUL OF MY SAVIOUR

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast;
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,
Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be;
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;
Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;
So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign;
In death's dread moments make me only thine.
Call me and bid me come to thee on high,
When I may praise thee with thy saints for aye.

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 11 APRIL 2018

St Stanislaus

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Perpetual light will shine on your Saints, O
Lord,
and life without end for ever, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 5:17-26

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 33:2-9

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.

Together let us praise his name.

I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;

let your faces not be abashed.

This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress.

The angel of the Lord is encamped

around those who revere him, to rescue them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his
only Son,
that all who believe in him might have
eternal life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 3:16-21

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny
himself,
take up his cross, and follow me, says the
Lord.

THURSDAY 12 APRIL 2018

Thursday of the Second Week of Easter

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O God, when you went forth before your
people,
marching with them and living among them,
the earth trembled, heavens poured down
rain, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 5:27-33

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 33:2, 9, 17-20

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

The Lord turns his eyes to the just
and his ears to their appeal.

They call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their distress.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.
Many are the trials of the just man
but from them all the Lord will rescue him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you
have seen me;
happy are those who have not seen me, but
still believe!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 3:31-36

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Behold, I am with you always,
even to the end of the age, alleluia.

FRIDAY 13 APRIL 2018

Friday of the Second Week of Easter

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

You have redeemed us, Lord, by your Blood,
from every tribe and tongue and people and
nation,
and have made us into a kingdom, priests for
our God, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 5:34-42

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 26:1,4, 13-14
The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink?

There is one thing I ask of the Lord;
for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord,
all the days of my life,
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,
to behold his temple.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

GOSPEL: John 6:1-15

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Christ our Lord was handed over for our
transgressions
and was raised again for our justification,
alleluia.

SATURDAY 14 APRIL 2018

Saturday of the Second Week of Easter

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O chosen people, proclaim the mighty works
of him
who called you out of darkness into his
wonderful light, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 6:1-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 32:1-2, 4-5, 18-19
**R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we
place our trust in you.**
Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. R.

For the word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. R.

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. R.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 6:16-21

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Father, I wish that, where I am,
those you gave me may also be with me,
that they may see the glory that you gave me,
alleluia.

SATURDAY MORNING

Marian Prayer

Mary, Mother of God,
We acclaim your grandeur.
Hail, Mother of the God-Man.
Hail, Mother most holy.
Hail, Mother of love and mercy.
Hail, Mother filled with kindness.
Hail, Mother of unending life.
We have a Father in God
and a Mother in you
Most loving Mother,
watch over me every day
and at every moment.

Amen

FOR YOUR DIARY

Parents who would like to enrol their children in the **Cathedral Sacramental Programme** are invited to attend the information and registration meeting on Sunday morning, April 22nd at 9am. The meeting will take place at the Hanly Room (in the Francis Rush Centre adjacent to the Cathedral) where details of the programme will be explained and resources distributed.

ANZAC Day this year falls on Wednesday, April 25th and the Archbishop will celebrate the **ANZAC Day Mass** at the Cathedral at 8am. Parishioners and visitors are invited to join dignitaries at this mass which will conclude in time for the start of the ANZAC Day Parade.