



THE CATHEDRAL OF  
**ST. STEPHEN**  
*Embracing Villa Maria and  
St Patrick's Fortitude Valley*

# TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B

## Weekend of October 6/7, 2018

Marriage, family and relationships are important themes in this weekend's scripture. It is timely to remember that we should never underestimate or take for granted how unique our families are - *no matter what they look like at the moment!*

**There is a story of a father of a teenage son.** One day he is confronted by his wife who challenges him to spend more time with their teenage son. *"He needs you,"* she said, *"and you are neglecting him!"* *"He doesn't need me!"* the father protested. *"He's at an age where he should be cutting the family strings somewhat more."*

**So more out of guilt than conviction** the father goes to the TV room and asks the teenager to accompany him to the supermarket. The son, **more out of boredom than interest**, agrees.

In the car on the way to the supermarket there is silence - so the father tries to make conversation.

*"How's school?"* *"Okay,"* came the reply.  
*"How's football?"* *"It's okay."*  
*"What were you watching on TV?"* *"Nothing!"*

After that exchange, things went silent. At the supermarket, still in silence, they loaded the items they wanted into the trolley and waited in line while a very slow and disinterested check-out operator dealt with the customers ahead of them.

Finally, their turn came. Half way through scanning the items, the father, pulls out a \$50 note which the check-out operator sees, and very uninterested, continues to scan the items. But the father realizes

that it is not going to cost that much so he puts back the \$50 note and replaces it with a \$20 note - but the check-out operator does not notice this.

The price for their groceries comes to \$19 and the check-out operator gave the father \$31 change - on a \$20 note. But, instead of walking out of the store \$30 richer, the father instead calmly pointed out to the check-out operator his mistake and returned to him the \$30 that he had, in his inattention, incorrectly given.

**The teenage son was quietly impressed.** When they were in the car, his son said as much - *that was neat - a good thing to do!* Then, without any prodding from his father, the son began to talk and to share with him a lot of things about his life, including how school was going, how football was going, and what he had been watching on TV.

The father, for his part, said little and, in fact, heard little for he was thinking: **"If my son had not been with me, I would have kept the \$30! Moreover, my wife is wrong, my son doesn't need me ... I need him!"**

Perhaps it is a gentle reminder that - **Our children raise us, not vice versa.** It is they who put a rope around us and take us where we would rather not go, namely, into adulthood. We become adult by having and raising and looking after children. This, perhaps more than anything else, moves us beyond being children ourselves.

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**Mass Times this week**

Monday to Friday 8.00am Chapel; 10.00am Cathedral; 12.30pm Cathedral; 5.10pm Chapel  
Saturday 9.30am Villa Maria; 11.30am Cathedral

**Sunday**

<b>Cathedral of St Stephen</b>	Saturday	6.00pm (Vigil Mass)
	Sunday	8.00am; 10.00am (Solemn Mass); 12 noon; 7.30pm
<b>St Patrick's, Fortitude Valley</b>	Sunday	9.00am; 12 noon
<b>Villa Maria, Spring Hill</b>	Sunday	9.30am

**Reconciliation**

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** Monday to Friday 10.30am - 12.15pm **Benediction** Monday to Friday 12.15pm



A **Plenary Council** is the highest formal gathering of all local churches in a country. Our Plenary Council 2020 is being held so that we can dialogue about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.

The last time the Catholic Church in Australia held a Plenary Council was in 1937. It has been more than 80 years since we gathered all of the Church together and much has changed. From the obvious reality that the contemporary society of Australia has changed significantly to responding to the Royal Commission into Institutional Response to Child Sexual Abuse to many other challenges that we have to face in the years to come, as an Australian Church we need to reflect, reimagine and contemplate our response.

When the Australian Catholic Bishops announced the decision to hold a Plenary Council Archbishop Mark Coleridge said that "the Church is not the presence in our society it once was. We need to take a measure of that and make decisions accordingly. The culture in which we have to proclaim the Gospel is very different to what it was even 20 or 30 years ago."

The journey toward the Plenary Council in 2020 will help us to prepare to listen to God by listening to one another. Next weekend, as a Cathedral Parish, we will begin our journey of participation in the Plenary Council process. The theme of the Plenary Council is **Listen to what the Spirit is saying...** and that is what we hope to do. Fr Orm Rush will join us at our masses next weekend and help us as we begin our journey towards the Plenary Council in 2020. In the meantime you are invited to get acquainted with some of the dynamics of the Plenary Council by visiting the webpage <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au> and during the week perhaps spend a few moments to **Listen to what the Spirit is saying.**

#### PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.*

*Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.*

*O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.*

*Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.*

*Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.*

*Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.*

*Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.*

*Amen.*

*Our Lady Help of Christians, **pray for us.***

*St Mary MacKillop, **pray for us.***

#### GROUPS VISITING THIS WEEK

On **Friday 12 October** we welcome the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Year 12 Graduation. The Liturgy will be held in the Cathedral at 11.am.

#### BRISBANE OPEN HOUSE

Next weekend, **13/14 October** the Cathedral of St Stephen and St Stephen's Chapel will participate in Brisbane Open House (BoH). BoH celebrates the city's architecture, giving visitors a rare insight into contemporary, historic and environmentally significant buildings in the heart of the city. The Cathedral precinct has participated in Brisbane Open House for a number of years and it is a pleasure to welcome visitors.

#### INVITATIONS

- **Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care** invites you to a Mass to celebrate **Queensland Mental Health Week** on **Friday 12 October at 1.00pm** at St Patrick's Church, Fortitude Valley (corner of McLachlan and Morgan Streets). Light refreshments will follow Mass and parking is available in the church grounds.
- You are also invited to the **Centacare Carers Week Mass** which recognises the significant contribution carers make in our community on **Wednesday 17 October @ 11.00am** at St Patrick's Church, Fortitude Valley. This Mass will be celebrated by Fr John Chalmers.

#### ROSARY PROCESSION

**Rosary Procession** in honour of Our Lady of Fatima **Saturday 20 October 2018** 10.30am Recitation of the Rosary; 11.30am Mass with Archbishop Coleridge and Fr Adrian Sharp. At the conclusion of Mass, the street procession to *Villa Maria* will commence where Benediction will be celebrated. Afternoon tea will be provided following Benediction.

#### A MINISTRY FOR YOU?

An important ministry here at the Cathedral is that of serving at the Altar. Each Sunday we are blessed with many dedicated servers who assist to ensure that all our masses not only run smoothly but are occasions of true prayer and reflection. As a community we are grateful. If you would like to discover more about joining the Altar Servers Team here at the Cathedral please contact Fr Odinaka or the coordinator, Len Hannah, 0417 762 789.

#### FINAL PUSH TO OPPOSE ABORTION LEGISLATION

The process for the passage or striking down of the Decriminalisation of Abortion Legislation now moves into its final phases. Many parishioners have made their thoughts known to their local MPs. (Please go to a website set up by the Archdiocese: [www.community.actonit.com.au/aob](http://www.community.actonit.com.au/aob)). The support from parishes, clergy and parishioners across the Archdiocese has been superb. If you have not signed the **Both Lives Matter** petition and would like to add your name to the petition it is located near the priest's sacristy.

#### IN TRANSITION

We congratulate **Evans Kwasi Acheampong & Akua Afriyie Ahenkorah** and **Fiona Marie McMahon & Nicholas Park** who were married at the Cathedral.

#### DONATE YOUR OLD READING GLASSES!

**Have you got old reading glasses lying around your home?** Our Cathedral YAM (Young Adult Ministry) is coordinating the collection of no longer used reading glasses which will be sent to Papua New Guinea. Drop them off to the box outside the sacristy - to give someone clear vision is a great gift to give!

# BOTH LIVES MATTER



At the 10am Solemn Mass this Sunday we celebrate the centenary of the founding of the Columban Mission Society and we welcome local Columban priests and friends to the Cathedral.

The Columban Society was formally founded in 1918 and takes its name from Saint Columban, Ireland's 6th century missionary to Europe. The co-founders, the young Fathers Edward Galvin and John Blowick, found others who embraced their vision and the first Columbans went to China in 1920. Within a couple of years they had widened to the United Kingdom, United States, Australia and New Zealand, following Irish emigrants to the new world to seek support for the new missionary movement.

The initial vision has evolved in a number of ways. The Society originally drew its members from the English-speaking world, but now it invites young men from the Churches to whom they had been sent to join them. The Columban Lay Mission Program has also grown steadily and 67 missionaries from a variety of countries are presently working in 10 countries.

The Columban missionary vision has continued to grow. There are presently 391 Columban priests ministering in 16 countries around the world including: Australia, New Zealand, Britain, Ireland, Fiji, China, Japan, Korea, Myanmar (former Burma), Philippines, Taiwan, Pakistan, Chile, Peru, Brazil, Mexico and the United States.

As the Columbans begin their next century of ministry we pray that they will continue to be witnesses of the Good News in our midst and beyond our shores. You are warmly invited to morning tea in the Hanly Room, adjacent to the Cathedral, at the conclusion of Mass.

## ST PATRICK'S ORGAN

Last week the Parish retained John Maidment OAM, from Melbourne, to prepare a report on the condition and future restoration of the historic organ at St Patrick's, Fortitude Valley. Mr Maidment is one of Australia's foremost pipe organ advisors and his opinion on how to move forward will ensure that we have considered all options as we move forward with any future restoration.

According to contemporary accounts, the organ was built by Thomas Clarke Christmas, Brisbane, before 1882. Most likely in the preceding year for the residence of The Hon Walter Horatio Wilson. Wilson's initial "W" is carved on the pediment of the organ case.

While Christmas is cited as the "builder" it appears on stylistic evidence that it is almost entirely the work of the eminent Sydney organ builder William Davidson. Christmas may have assembled the organ and been responsible for the manufacture of the carved upper front case (possibly designed by the local architect Andrea Stombuco) and the drawstop labels are probably the work of Christmas. The metal pipework and action construction, together with the three-manual oak keysets, strongly resemble the work of Davidson.

As Christmas is not known to have built any other pipe organs, and this could be claimed as his first effort in organ building, it seems impossible that he could have constructed the majority of the organ to such a considerable degree of sophistication, skill and overall quality.

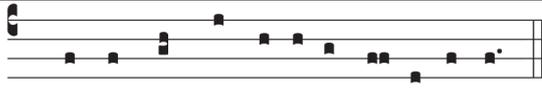
### **The St Patrick's organ is very significant for the following reasons:**

- It is a rare example of a three-manual mechanical action organ built for residential use and only one of two three-manual mechanical action organs of the period to survive in Queensland.
- It has been built from excellent materials, with spotted metal used for all speaking metal pipes and the use of timber of superlative quality.
- The mechanical action is complex and skilfully executed, with a rare Choir to Great coupler (typical of Davidson's work).
- The upper front casework is of extraordinary design, with elaborate carving and detailing, using classical and botanical motifs, clearly the work of an accomplished architect or designer and wood carver.
- The provision of two enclosed divisions (in a common divided swell box) is very rare at the time, probably unique in the local context.
- It is a rare example of an early organ in Queensland of Australian manufacture.
- The construction of several ranks of pipes shows the influence of Hill & Son, the leading English organbuilders, in the use of arched mouths and the employment of a metal stopped flute (Lieblich Gedact).
- The retention of cone tuning for almost all of the original metal pipework.
- The instrument remains very substantially in original condition and the changes that have been made are easily reversible.

Amazingly, the St Patrick's organ still works and we do use it on occasion. Our dream is to fully restore it and to provide a tax deductible account to help fund what will surely be an expensive project. If you would like to find out more information about the organ and its restoration please contact the Director of Music, Dr Andrew Cichy or Fr Brannelly.

## 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 10am Mass will be led by a cantor as the Cathedral Choir is in recess. The 12 noon Mass will be led by the Cathedral Chorale. Choral services will resume on October 14th.*

	6:00PM; 8:00AM 12:00PM	10:00AM Solemn Mass	7:30PM
Processional	CWB 553	CWB 553	CWB 647
Kyrie	CWB 4b	CWB 4b	
Gloria	CWB 5	CWB 5	CWB 25b
First Reading	Genesis 2:18-24		
Responsorial Psalm			Ps 127
	℟: May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.		
Second Reading	Hebrews 2:9-11		
Gospel Acclamation			1 John 4:12
	℟: Al-le- lu- ia, al-le- lu- ia, al-le-lu- ia.		
Gospel	Mark 10:2-16		
Offertory			CWB 641
Sanctus	CWB 11a	CWB 11a	CWB 25e
Memorial Acclamation	CWB 12a		
Agnus Dei	CWB 17a	CWB 17a	CWB 25k
Communion Hymn	CWB 487	CWB 487	CWB 459 & 516
Recessional	CWB 394	Organ Improvisation	CWB 601

**Offertory Motet: If ye love me - Philip Wilby**

*If ye love me, keep my commandments, And I will pray the Father, And he shall give you another comforter, That he may abide with you for ever: Even the spirit of truth. And ye know him, for he dwelleth with you, And shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you. - John 14 vv.15-18*

**Communion Motet: Set me as a seal - David Childs**

*Set me as a seal upon your heart Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm. For love is as strong, for love is as strong as death, as strong as death. Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it. Many waters cannot quench love, floods cannot drown it. Waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm. For love, is as strong, for love is as strong as death. as strong as death, as strong as death, as strong as death. David N. Childs © 1997 by Santa Barbara Publishing (adm. Smallstonemediasongs.com)*



To celebrate our **10th Anniversary**, St Stephen's Cathedral Young Adult Ministry invites you to share a special, social Cocktail Gala from 6:30pm on **Saturday, 17th November** at the Cathedral Precinct.

We welcome everyone to enjoy a formal yet relaxed evening, mingle with old and new friends, delight in delicious canapés and hors d'oeuvres, drinks and live music. With a **special Keynote Speaker** to be revealed!

In this **Year of Youth 2018**, YAM welcomes you to celebrate with our diverse "Multicultural Youth—United in Faith".

**#StStephensYAM** invites all young adults to share Prayer, Formation, Fellowship and Good Works, centred in Christ. We look forward to seeing you at this milestone celebration.

- Date:** 17th November 2018
- Time:** Doors open 6:30pm
- Dress Code:** Formal; Multicultural; Floral;
- Venue:** St Stephen's Cathedral Precinct
- Price:** One ticket: \$50; Two tickets: \$90

**Tickets now available at: <https://yamat10gala.eventbrite.com.au/>**