MASS IN CELEBRATION OF THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OPENING AND BLESSING OF THE CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN

FRIDAY 17 MAY 2024 | 12:30PM

Principal Celebrant

The Most Reverend Mark Coleridge Archbishop of Brisbane

Concelebrants

The Most Reverend Charles Balvo Apostolic Nuncio to Australia Archbishops and Bishops of Australia Clergy of the Archdiocese of Brisbane and visiting Clergy

Deacon The Reverend Deacon Michael Tran

Master of Ceremonies

Matthew Siveter

Servers

Cathedral Altar Serving Team Seminarians from Holy Spirit Seminary

Musicians

Schola of the Cathedral of St Stephen Christopher Trikilis *Director of Music* Dominic Perissinotto *Cathedral Organist* Talia Garrett-Benson *Cantor*

NOTE

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THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE STICK

A message stick is an ancient form of indigenous communication used by the Aboriginal people of this land. Message sticks would be carried across long distances to bear messages to neighbouring tribes and clans. For this anniversary of the Cathedral of St. Stephen, we too have traced this ancient pattern and followed in the footsteps of those who have shared stories and issued invitations through message sticks.

On Pentecost Sunday last year, we blessed and sent forth a message stick, calling the people of the Archdiocese to gather together to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Cathedral of St. Stephen. Since then, this message stick has been travelling the length and breadth of the Archdiocese, and all points north, south, east and west. Today, it makes one last journey back to the Cathedral.

This morning, it has been processed from Holy Spirit Parish, New Farm, and has travelled via the City Cat and the Riverwalk to the entrance of the Cathedral. It will be received by Birra Gubba Elder, Cynthia Rowan, from St Joseph's and St Anthony's Parish, Bracken Ridge, and carried into the Cathedral, accompanied by children and parishioners who have been part of its journey. The message stick returns home, bearing the marks of the journey, the prints of the hands that have held it and carried it, still singing its resounding call to gather in the heart of the city and the mother church of the Archdiocese.

This is a message of welcome, a message of thanksgiving, and a message of Easter hope.

Welcome to all who have responded to the call to gather and celebrate this anniversary and, more importantly, our communion as daughters and sons of the Living God.

We give thanks for the generations who have worked to build our communities as places of prayer, service, hospitality and witness to the gospel. In particular, we are thankful for those whose hard work and dedication have built and grown this Cathedral into a thriving community of faith. With grateful hearts, we recognise the "living stones" who have carried the promise of the gospel beyond these walls and into the heart of a hungry world, by bearing witness to the Foundation Stone, Jesus Christ, without whom we labour and build in vain.

Finally, we wait for the power of Pentecost to strengthen our faith and release a new missionary impulse upon our Church. Our prayer remains the prayer of Christians in every age: Come Holy Spirit and renew the face of the earth. With this prayer on our lips and Easter hope in our heart, this message stick speaks these words of welcome, thanksgiving and anticipation. We have responded to its summon, through which and more deeply the invitation of the Spirit of God has spoken to us. This Spirit who unities us now lifts our hearts in praise.

Fr Anthony Mellor (Dean)



INTROIT

Deus in loco sancto suo: Deus, qui inhabitare facit unanimes in domo, ipse dabit virtutem et fortitudinem plebe suae. God is in his holy dwelling place: the God who causes us to dwell together, one at heart, in his house; he himself will give power and strength to his people.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All sing

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him for he is your health and salvation. All you who hear, now to his altar draw near, join in profound adoration.

Praise to the Lord, let us offer our gifts at the altar. Let not our sins and transgressions now cause us to falter. Christ the high priest bids us all join in his feast, victims with him on the altar.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper our work and defend us; surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend us; ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love will befriend us.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in us adore him! All that has life and breath, come now in praises before him! Let the Amen sound from his people again, now as we worship before him.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GREETING AND INTRODUCTION

- Archbishop In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.All Amen.
- ArchbishopPeace be with you.AllAnd with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

- Archbishop Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
- AllI confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.ArchbishopMay almighty God have mercy on us,
- All Amen. forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

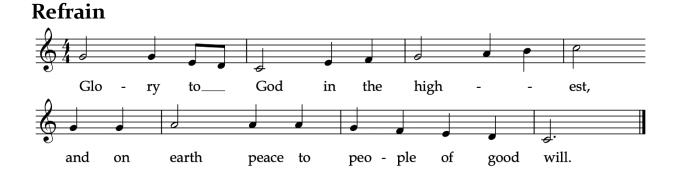
KYRIE ELEISON

The Choir sings the Kyrie Eleison from Messe Es-dur Op.109 "Cantus Missae" – *Josef Gabriel Rheinberger* (1839-1901)

Kyrie Eleison. Christe Eleison. Kyrie Eleison. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Please sing the Gloria from Mass Shalom – Colin D. Smith cfc (1928-2005) Adaptation to revised texts: Paul Mason (b.1954)



We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you. We give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God Almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One. You alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT

Archbishop Let us pray.
 O God, who year by year renew for us the day when this your holy temple was consecrated, hear the prayers of your people and grant that in this place for you there may always be pure worship and for us, fullness of redemption.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
 All
 Amen.

Please be seated

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 Bob Elliot

A reading from the prophet Isaiah My house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity will appear.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

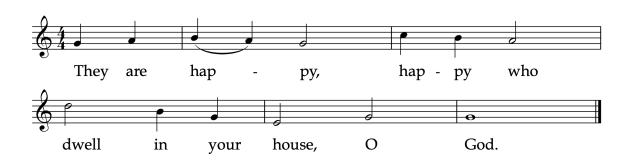
The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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- 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.

SECOND READING

1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17 Genevieve Cavanagh

R.

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians *You are the temple of God*.

Brothers and sisters: you are God's building. By the grace God gave me, I succeeded as an architect and laid the foundations, on which someone else is doing the building. Everyone doing the building must work carefully. For the foundation, nobody can lay other than the one that has already been laid, that is Jesus Christ. Did you not realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anyone should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy them, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Isaiah 56:1

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



v. Heaven is my throne and earth is my footstool, says the Lord; what is the house that you would build for me?

GOSPEL

John 4:19-24 Dcn Michael Tran

Deacon	The Lord be with you.
All	And with your Spirit.
Deacon	A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.
All	Glory to you, O Lord.

True worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth.

The Samaritan woman said to Jesus, 'I see you are a prophet, sir. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said:

'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know; for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come - in fact it is here already when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth: that is the kind of worshipper the Father wants. God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and truth.'

The Gospel of the Lord. All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated

The Archbishop

Please stand

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Students from All Hallows School & St Joseph's College

- Archbishop Sisters and brothers, we come to this sacred place to worship in spirit and in truth. In union with all those who have gathered here over the past 150 years, let us now place our prayers before God our Father.
- Reader For Pope Francis, bishops, priests, deacons and ministers of the Church, that their leadership, inspired by the Spirit, will lead all in the way of truth and love.
- Cantor Let us pray to the Lord.
- All Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

For leaders of nations held in the grip of turmoil and war, that God will inspire them to use their power and influence to establish peace, bring about justice and uphold the dignity of all.

Cantor Let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

For all in the Archdiocese of Brisbane that as we celebrate the 150th Anniversary of this sacred place, we will remain strong in faith and built on love, and come to know the hope to which we are called.

Cantor Let us pray to the Lord.

Cantor All	For ourselves, that we may realise that Christ's presence in the Eucharist that we celebrate today is a constant call for us to be the face of Christ to the world. Let us pray to the Lord. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
	For all who live in the Great South Land of the Holy Spirit, especially our First Nations people, that together we will walk the path of reconciliation and peace towards a better future for all.
Cantor	Let us pray to the Lord.
All	Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
	For all who over the years have shared in the life of this Cathedral and have since passed away, that God will welcome them into his embrace as 'good and faithful servants'.
Cantor	Let us pray to the Lord.
All	Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
Archbishop	Father of life, hear our prayers that we may be faithful in your service and true witnesses to your presence and power in the world. Through Christ our Lord.
All	Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please be seated

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Mary Macuga & Peter Selwood

OFFERTORY MOTET

During the Preparation of the Offerings, the Choir sings 'Sanctificavit Moyses' – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

Sanctificavit Moyses altareMoses cDomino, offerens super illudLord, arholocausta et immolanson it, arvictimas; fecit sacrificiumHe madvespertinum in odoremsacrificesuavitatis Domino Deo insight ofconspectu filiorum Israel.Sacrifice

Moses consecrated an altar to the Lord, and offered burnt-offerings on it, and sacrificial victims. He made a sweet-smelling evening sacrifice to the Lord God in the sight of the children of Israel.

Please stand for the incensing of the Faithful

Archbishop	Pray, brothers and sisters,
_	that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable
	to God, the almighty Father.
A11	May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
	for the praise and glory of his name,
	for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

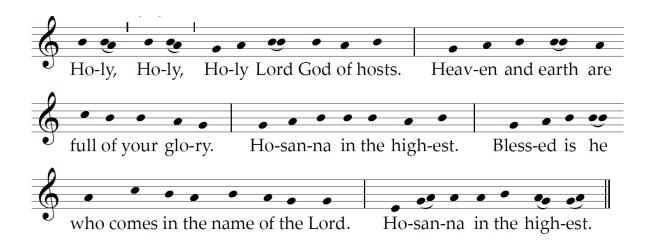
PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

 Archbishop Accept, O Lord, the gifts of a rejoicing Church. May your people, who are gathered in this sacred place, come to eternal salvation through the mysteries in which they now share. Through Christ our Lord.
 All Amen.

PREFACE

Archbishop	The Lord be with you.
All	And with your Spirit.
Archbishop	Lift up your hearts.
All	We lift them up to the Lord.
Archbishop	Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
All	It is right and just.

SANCTUS

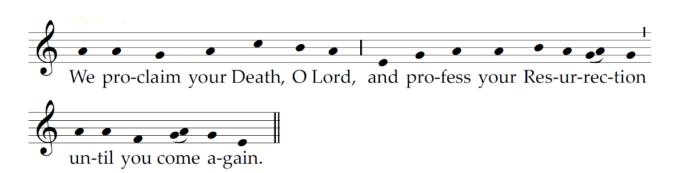


EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Please kneel or be seated

Mystery of Faith





GREAT AMEN

Please stand

THE COMMUNION RITE

Archbishop	At the Saviour's command, and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
All (sung)	Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Archbishop All	Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.
Archbishop	Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.
Archbishop All	The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.
Deacon	Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

AGNUS DEI

The Choir sings the Agnus Dei from Messe Es-dur Op.109 "Cantus Missae" – *Josef Gabriel Rheinberger* (1839-1901)

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Please kneel or be seated

FRACTION RITE

Archbishop Behold the Lamb of God.
Behold him to takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the Supper of the Lamb.
All Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word, and my soul shall be healed.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Choir sings 'Ave, verum corpus' – *Javier Busto (b.1949) Text: att. Pope Innocent IV (13th Century)*

COMMUNION MOTET

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine: vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: cuius latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum, in mortis examine. O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie, O Jesu Fili Mariae. Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, and from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste of the Heavenly banquet in the trial of death! O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, Son of Mary.

COMMUNION HYMN

All sing

For the fruits of all creation, thanks be to God; for the gifts of every nation, thanks be to God; for the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour, God's will is done; in the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done; in our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God; for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God; for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Archbishop Let us pray. Through these gifts, O Lord, enlarge the vision of your truth in our minds and hearts. Grant that we may always worship you in your holy temple, and rejoice in your presence with all your saints. Through Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

Prayer for The Sesquicentenary of the Cathedral of St Stephen

Down by the river, heavenly Father, on this earth our mother, where children of the Dreaming long made a home before us, our forebears in faith have built this mother church of St Stephen, a family home for you and us.

Stone by stone and prayer by prayer they have raised this holy house, familiar forms on foreign land, a place where Brisbane could know Christ's sacrifice and feast, where you could speak and we could listen, where the tide of your mercy could flow.

Here saints and sinners have come, bringing their young and their dead, all their hopes and their dreams. Through times of sorrow and joy the stones have spoken of Easter, of a life that is bigger than death, of a love that has the last word. Through one hundred and fifty years, we have made the building and the building has made us, a temple of living stones.

Now we tell the story of your grace, thankful as we remember. By that same unfailing grace may this cathedral never cease to be a home for all at the heart of the city and a house for you, God-with-us, on this earth down by the river. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen. + Mark Coloridge Archbishop of Brisbane

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FINAL BLESSING

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.
Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.
The Lord of earth and heaven has gathered you before him this day on the anniversary of this house of prayer. May he fill you with all the blessings of heaven.
Amen.
God the Father wills that all his children scattered through the world become one family in his Son. May God make you his temple, the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.
May God free you from every bond of sin, dwell within you and give you joy. May you live with him for ever in the company of St Stephen and all the saints.
Amen.
And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ♣ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.
Amen.
Go in peace glorifying the Lord by your life. Alleluia, alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy God, we praise thy Name! Lord of all, we bow before thee; All on earth thy scepter claim, All in heav'n above adore thee; Infinite thy vast domain, Everlasting is thy reign. Hark! the loud celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising; Cherubim and Seraphim

In unceasing chorus praising, Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord! Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name thee,

While in essence only One, Undivided God we claim thee,

And adoring bend the knee, While we own the mystery.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

"Sinfonia" from Cantata 29 – Johann Sebastian Bach (1585-1750) arr Marcel Dupré (1886 – 1971)

Thank you for joining us in celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the Opening and Blessing of St Stephen's Cathedral.

Please join us for refreshments in the Hanly Room.

150 YEARS OF ST STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL

- 1843 Visit of John Bede Polding OSB, Archbishop of Sydney.
 An aboriginal mission is established at Dunwich, Stradbroke Island.
- 1843 James Hanly, first parish priest, arrives in December.
- **1845** Land granted for a *Roman Catholic Church, School and Parsonage*.
- 1848 St Stephen's Church work begins.
 Work began on this little stone church in November 1848, using a design of Gothic revival architecture attributed to Augustus Welby Northmore Pugin.
- 1850 St Stephen's Church first Mass.
 Fr James Hanly celebrates the first Mass in the church on 12 May 1850 when there were just sixty Catholic families in town.

Brisbane becomes a Diocese. In 1859, with the appointment of Bishop James Quinn, Brisbane becomes a diocese and the church a cathedral.

- 1863 St Stephen's Cathedral foundation stone. Bishop Quinn, the first bishop of the diocese, lays the foundation stone of the new cathedral on the feast of St Stephen. A larger and more ornate church was envisaged than the present one but the economic depression of the mid-1860s resulted in only part of the original foundations being laid.
- **1869** St Mary MacKillop arrives to work in Brisbane.
- St Stephen's Cathedral is solemnly blessed and opened.
 On Sunday, 17 May 1874, the still incomplete cathedral was solemnly blessed and opened. It covered about a third of the area of the one first planned.
- **1882** Bishop Robert Dunne is appointed second Bishop of Brisbane.
- 1884 St Stephen's Cathedral facade is completed. During the time of Bishop Dunne, the top of the gable and the spires are added to the Elizabeth Street facade in 1884. Next the cathedral is enriched with stained glass and marble.

1887	Brisbane is elevated to a Metropolitan See. Bishop Dunne is appointed the first Archbishop of Brisbane.
1912	Bishop James Duhig of Rockhampton appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Brisbane.
1917	Archbishop Duhig is appointed the second Archbishop of Brisbane following death of Archbishop Dunne on 13 January 1917.
1920	St Stephen's Cathedral transepts. On 3 October 1920, Archbishop Duhig lays the foundation stone of new transepts.
1922	St Stephen's Cathedral transepts are completed. On 2 April 1922, the transepts are blessed and opened.
1948	Fr Patrick O'Donnell is appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Brisbane on 8 November 1948.
1965	Archbishop Duhig dies and Archbishop O'Donnell becomes the third Archbishop of Brisbane on 10 April 1965.
1973	Archbishop O'Donnell resigns after turning 75 years.
	Archbishop Francis Rush is appointed the fifth bishop and fourth Archbishop of Brisbane and installed on 29 May 1973.
1980	St Stephen's Cathedral Renovation. Archbishop Francis Rush undertakes the complete renovation and extension of the Cathedral during the 1980s.
1989	Dedication of the Cathedral. On 4 December 1989, Archbishop Rush dedicates the Cathedral of St Stephen.
1991	Archbishop Rush resigns after turning 75 years and Bishop John Bathersby of Cairns is appointed fifth Archbishop of Brisbane on the 3 December 1991 and installed on 30 January 1992.
1999	St Stephen's Chapel is restored. Archbishop Bathersby solemnly dedicates the restored St Stephen's Chapel on 5 February 1999.
2000	Cathedral of St Stephen Organ. Archbishop Bathersby blesses the Jubilee Pipe Organ on 29 October 2000.

- **2010** Mary MacKillop is proclaimed Saint by Pope John Paul II in Rome on 17 October.
- **2011** Archbishop Bathersby resigns after turning 75 years.
- **2012** Archbishop Mark Coleridge is appointed sixth Archbishop of Brisbane on 2 April 2012 and installed on 11 May 2012.

2017 Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Following the installation of a new tabernacle and artwork, Archbishop Coleridge blesses the refurbished Blessed Sacrament Chapel

- 2018 Shrine to St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. On 21 October, Archbishop Coleridge blesses the shrine to St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and entrustes all victims and survivors of sexual abuse to her intercession.
- **2024** On 17 May, the 150th Anniversary of the Opening and Blessing of the Cathedral is celebrated.

And the story continues....

26 May 2024 (Sorry Day). The Reconciliation Garden will be blessed and opened by Archbishop Coleridge.



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