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# NEWSLETTER

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## Second Sunday of Lent



One of the foundations of the season of Lent and a way in which directly impacts the lives of others is to give alms. It can sound a little novel and yet this call for human compassion to be expressed in very practical ways

is a tenet of all great religious practice and is at the heart of Christianity.

In sharing what we have, we make tangible God's call for us to be in the right relationship with all of humanity and indeed with all of creation.

This call is not merely to reach out to those we know or with whom we have something in common. Nor is the responsibility to care for others left to those whom we consider to have plenty. No, to give alms is the responsibility of everyone and is an expression of the genuine faith, belief and spirituality of everyone.

Project Compassion is the means by which our communal almsgiving is directed to the truly poor.

See this week's story of Biru on the inside of the newsletter.

Envelopes are available during Lent at the church doors.

God bless  
Fr Kevin

We acknowledge the Jagera and Turrbal people, the traditional owners and custodians, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationships of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.



Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially Beryl Allam, Erin Ann Gallagher, Ella Lewis, Filomena Grethyl A Talco, Darryl Rapp and Monsignor James Reynolds **recently deceased** and also for Irene Moss, Karen Baker, Mike West, Patricia Vieyra, Stan Grzegorzolka, James and Margurite McAlister, Norman, Katie, Patricia and Daniel Timmins, Patrick and Pat Boyle, Keith White, Colin McMahan, Bill Hanley, Robyn Illett, Ross Saffioti, Francesca and Guiseppe Saffioti, George and Lucy Jarrett and deceased members of the Jarrett family.



Please remember the sick in your prayers – Margaret Linnett, Noah Riley, Harold O'Connell, Imelda Lewis, Beppo Pagliaro and Farideh Ghanei.

### Liturgy and Prayers this Week 14 March – 20 March 2022

Monday	-		-
Tuesday	-		-
Wednesday	7:00pm		Mass
Thursday	9:00am	St. Patrick	Mass
Friday	8:00am 10:00am		Mass + Adoration+ Benediction Funeral Mass for Beryl Allam
Saturday	9:00am	St. Joseph	Mass
Sunday	6:00pm, 8:00am and 5:30pm		<b>Mass: Third Sunday of Lent</b> <i>Children's Liturgy during 8am Mass</i>
Readings – Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 Luke 13:1-9			

### DIARY DATE CLAIMERS 2022

#### Monday 14 March

Communion Ministers Workshop 7pm

#### Thursday 17 March

Playgroup meet at 9am

Finance Council meet at 7pm

#### Friday 18 March

Stations of the Cross at 7pm

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

**CHANGES TO ATTENDING SUNDAY MASS – COVID RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS.** Requirements to collect contact information using the Check in QLD app have changed. At venues where unvaccinated people are permitted to attend, *ie churches*, the parish will no longer need to collect contact information from attendees via the Check in app. *Masks are no longer required.* We ask you to PLEASE continue with routine precautions minimising the risk of transmission -

- *Maintain good hand hygiene*
- *Stay home when you are sick*
- *Maintain social distancing (1.5m) particularly when queuing for Holy Communion and when entering/exiting the Church.*

## PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

- **Collection Boxes at the church doors** - cash donations
- **Tap and Go device** – pre-set to \$10 donation at the door
- **Give via direct debit or your Credit Card** - *please call the parish office or find the form on the website (Quick Links)*
- **Direct deposit donation to our bank account** - **BSB 064 786 A/C 100016732 (Ref: surname)**

Another easy way to support the Parish is by using the Parish Giving App: <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>



## COMMUNION MINISTERS WORKSHOPS

The first of three sessions for lay ministers of Communion was held last Monday evening in the parish hall. This excellent course, designed and produced by Liturgy Brisbane, consists of three sessions – *An Introduction to Lay Ministry, Lay Ministers and the Mass, and Lay Ministers of Holy Communion.* Participants in the first session reflected on the significance of the 'priestly, prophetic and royal' imperatives of ministry flowing from our baptism, and explored Vatican II's desire that 'all the faithful be led to full, conscious and active participation in the liturgical celebrations'. We were left to reflect on the question: Did my ministry help the community to pray well today? The second session to be held **next Monday (14 March) at 7pm** in the parish hall focusses specifically on the Mass itself and explores the role of lay ministry within it. Even if you were unable to attend the first session, think about coming along to the next two. Please contact the parish office to indicate your attendance.



**PROJECT COMPASSION** - Biru 30, lives in a rural village in India's east. He lost mobility in one of his legs, after contracting polio as a child, which makes it difficult for him to walk. With your generous support, Biru was able to access an entrepreneurship and livelihoods development program, run by Caritas India. He gained the skills, support and encouragement he needed to establish his own bicycle repair business. Now, Biru is able to provide a good life for his family – and an essential service to his community. He has discovered a sense of pride, confidence and hope which has inspired others living with a disability and paved the way *For All Future Generations.* **Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future for all.**

**THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be celebrated each Friday during Lent at 7pm. Please join us in the church as part of your Lenten discipline. All parishioners are very welcome to attend.



## LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS

Our parish's Lenten Reflection Groups have commenced in earnest! The Azure Blue group is fairly full, but there is room at the Sunday afternoon session (4pm) which is held in the front room at the Good Samaritan Convent in Hawthorn Rd (limited parking available on the property). The reflection booklet, *The Spirit and the Cross* which the groups use, costs a mere \$5. Hope to see you there!

**INSPIRATIONAL STORY:** The Catholic Leader this week contains the extraordinary story of Manar Abajabal, College Captain of St James College in the city, one of Qld's oldest Catholic schools; she is the first Muslim to be elected to this school leadership position at the College. Manar was addressing an International Women's Day event at the College. Her inspirational story can be accessed at <https://bit.ly/35YcAf0>

**PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2022**  
*Please mark these important dates in your diary for next year.*

**PENANCE** (Year 5 children)  
**Celebration of Penance from 19 March**

**FIRST COMMUNION** (Year 4 children)  
**Parent workshop sessions**  
12 May 7:30pm OR 13 May 9:30am  
**Celebration of First Holy Communion 18-19 June**

**CONFIRMATION** (Year 3 children)  
**Parent workshop sessions**  
21 July 7:30pm OR 22 July 9:30am  
**Celebration of Confirmation 30 August and 1 September**



*A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us.*



## IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

**VOCATION VIEW:** After the transfiguration, Peter, John and James wanted to stay up the mountain. But Jesus said, 'Move', with the knowledge that ships are safe in harbours but not meant to stay in harbours. Please pray for Vocations. To speak to someone about your vocation please contact Vocation Brisbane on Ph- 1300 133 544 or [vocation@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:vocation@bne.catholic.net.au)



**TWO MINUTE HOMILY** by priests from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane. You are able to watch this week's homily [here](#).



**A MORNING'S PRAYER:** Evangelisation Brisbane is conducting a series of Saturday morning mini-retreats. Entitled *A Morning's Prayer*, these are opportunities to engage with our faith at a deeper level. They involve time for input, prayer, reflection and faith-sharing. The first of these is on Saturday, 9 April, 9am-12pm, at the Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre at Ormiston. Cost is \$20 per person (includes morning tea). Booking and payment essential 7 days prior to the day. For enquiries please contact Mary-Anne at: [santateresa@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:santateresa@bne.catholic.net.au) or phone 3286 4011.

# MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Today's Readings: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28-36

## GATHERING HYMN

### RETURN TO GOD

#### REFRAIN

*Return to God with all your heart,  
The source of grace and mercy;  
Come seek the tender faithfulness of God.*

Now the time of grace has come,  
The day of salvation;  
Come and learn now the way of our God.

I will take your heart of stone  
And place a heart within you,  
A heart of compassion and love.

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## PENITENTIAL ACT

I 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.

*May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.*

Amen

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is my light and salvation.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!  
From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard:  
'This is my beloved Son, hear him'.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

## APOSTLES CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the  
third day in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of  
the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life  
of the world to come.  
Amen.

## SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
In the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

## LAMB OF GOD

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.

## COMMUNION HYMN

### EAT THIS BREAD

*CHORUS Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
Come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
Trust in me and you will not thirst.*

I am the bread of life,  
the true bread sent from the Father.

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert but  
this is the bread come down from heaven.

Eat my flesh and drink my blood, and  
I will raise you up on the last day.

Any one who eats this bread, will live for ever.

If you believe and eat this bread,  
you will have eternal life.

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## RECESSIONAL HYMN

### BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM

You are a light on the hill, O people:  
Light for the City of God:  
Shine so holy and bright, O people,  
Shine for the Kingdom of God.

*CHORUS Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,  
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace:  
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,  
Bring forth the City of God.*

You are a seed of the Word, O people:  
Bring forth the Kingdom of God:  
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,  
Grow in the Kingdom of God.

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