



BRISBANE ORATORY IN FORMATION PARISH OF ANNERLEY EKIBIN

Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year A [OF] & [EF]

25th/26th March, 2017

Readings for next Sunday
1st/2nd April, 2017

1st: Ezekiel 37: 12-14

2nd: Romans 8: 8-11

Gospel: John 11: 1-45

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From the Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

The Holy Week Timetable for 2017 is printed on Page 2 of this Newsletter. I pray that everyone will make every effort to be present at our Holy Week ceremonies. This special liturgical season is an extraordinary time of grace for us, as we prayerfully participate in the celebration of the Lord's Paschal mystery with devotion and love and seek to live this mystery out in our lives each day.

The Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00pm on Good Friday is in the traditional (Extraordinary) form once again this year. The ceremony is very beautiful but also very long at about two-and-a-half hours in length. If you wish to attend a shorter liturgy on Good Friday, the Stations of the Cross at Mary Immaculate church at 10:00am will also include other Good Friday prayers and a veneration of the Cross for those who won't be attending the 3:00pm Solemn Commemoration. Good Friday Stations of the Cross will also take place at St John Fisher church at 9:00am.

I would like to mention a couple of other points if you are coming into the sacristy at any time, please enter via the side door nearest the lectern, rather than through the sanctuary— Thank you.

Also please note that the Thursday night adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St Elizabeth's chapel will commence at 10:00pm on April 6th due to the annual clergy convocation and Chrism Mass which all the Oratory fathers will be attending.

We now continue with Part 2 of our reflection on confession, the sacrament of the Lord's great mercy and forgiveness.

Fr Andrew Wise



Many psychologists have marvelled at the power of this sacrament. It is not primarily a psychological exercise, but there is a psychological element. We are told that strong emotions need to be expressed in some healthy way. If we keep them in we may develop a neurosis. Guilt can be a strong, and helpful emotion, if we allow it to move us to apologize. If we hold it in however, it will pop out in other ways, as toothpaste used to come out from the side of the tube when we squeezed the tube without taking the cap off. Guilt will come out as criticism, especially of the Church. Or, it may come out as anger, anger over any little thing that happens. Unexpressed guilt can make us very sour people.

"But, I thought guilt was a bad thing," you say? Some guilt is good, some bad. The guilt that moves us to contrition and apology is good. The guilt that we keep after that is bad. Once you go to confession and are absolved, get rid of the guilt. Prolonged guilt is often the result of pride. The person thinks, in effect, "How could someone like me do something as terrible as that?" The fact of the matter is we are all weaklings in the eyes of God, and it is only when we say with St. Paul, "I will boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me" (2 Cor. 12:9), that we get strength.

Once Fulton Sheen was instructing an airline stewardess in the faith. When he taught her about confession, and the need to go, in order to be forgiven serious sins, she blurted out, "Now I know I'll never become a Catholic." Sheen said, "Come back for one more hour, and if you still feel the same, we'll end the lessons." She agreed. The following week she came again and the hour ended the same way, only this time she was angry and screaming. He said, "There is nothing I have said which should bring such a reaction... Did you ever have an abortion?" She said "Yes," and began to weep. It was out, and she was no longer angry or reluctant to continue. She finished her lessons, went to confession and joined the Church. And, she found peace. She feared the pain of confessing, but was glad when it was over.

Sometimes by avoiding a painful thing today we bring on twice the pain tomorrow.

But, what if the priest gets angry with me? That seldom happens anymore, but if it does, simply ask the priest, "Father, did you die on the cross for me?"

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PARISH DATE CLAIMERS

Monday 3rd April	Elizabethan Social Club Bus Trip to Mt Tamborine. Cost \$25.00, all inclusive. Limit of 30 people. For bookings, please phone Joan on 3848 3251 or Philomena on 3349 2809.
Saturday 8th April	Baptism Preparation for Parents at 9:00am in the Music Room (under MI church). Please contact the Parish Office to book.
Saturday 29th April/ Sunday 30th April	Mary Immaculate Primary School Centenary Celebrations. Please contact the school for details on 3848 8965 or go to https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=268305 to buy tickets for weekend events. Watch this Newsletter!
Monday 8th May	Josephites Associates Meeting at 10:00am at Majellan House, Yeerongpilly. Please phone Jay on 3848 8923 or Claire on 3848 3998 for further information.
Saturday 22nd July	Brisbane Oratory Winter Ball from 6:30pm at Portside Wharf. Watch this Newsletter!

From Page 1: There is another thing to remember about the discomfort of this sacrament: the more we go, the easier it is to go. Everyone should attempt to go to confession at least once a month, but ideally every two weeks. The more often we go to confession, the more sensitive we are to our sins, even our small sins, and the less discomfort we feel. To be sure, if a person has a serious psychological problem with confession, he should discuss it with a priest and see about the possibility of being excused, at least for a time.

"I'M EMBARRASSED TO TELL MY SINS TO ANOTHER HUMAN BEING!"

True, it can be embarrassing, but that should not keep us from so great a source of grace. How often we go to a friend to tell them some wrong we have committed against our spouse. Do we believe it is Jesus in the confessional, or don't we? Who could be a more understanding friend? I have received more understanding and comfort from the priests in the confessional than in any good friend. What will he think of you? He will see you as Jesus sees you: one who has been wiped clean. But won't he look down on me? Let the priest without sin be the first to throw a stone. We priests have to go to confession too. Do you think we are without sin? Think again. Priests know also, that some of the greatest saints - St. Augustine, St. Mary Magdalene, St. Margaret of Cortona - had been great sinners. Who is to say you are not the next? Priests try to look at the "new you," not the old one.

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2017 HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

Day	Time/Ceremony	Venue	Notes
Tuesday 11 th April	7:30pm – 8:00pm Stations of the Cross & confessions	MI	
Wednesday 12 th April	7:30pm Tenebrae, including confessions (approx. 2 hours)	MI	Chanting of psalms from the Divine Office with an ancient candle ritual
Holy Thursday 13 th April	7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper [OF] Watching with the Lord until 9:00pm	SJF	
	7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper [EF] Watching with the Lord until midnight	MI	[EF] Sung Compline at 9:30pm
Good Friday 14 th April	9:00am Stations of the Cross & Prayers [OF]	SJF	Followed by confessions Veneration of the Cross for those not attending at 3:00pm
	10:00am Stations of the Cross & Prayers [OF]	MI	Followed by confessions Veneration of the Cross for those not attending at 3:00pm
	3:00pm Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion [EF] (approx. 2 1/2 hours)	MI	Including confessions
Holy Saturday 15 th April	5:30pm Easter Vigil [OF]	MI	Followed by Supper in Marymac Centre
	Please note there will be no Easter Vigil Mass at St John Fisher Church		
Easter Sunday 16 th April	7:30am Mass [OF]	MI	
	9:00am Mass [EF]	MI	<i>Missa cantata</i>
	8.30am Mass [OF]	SJF	
Please note there will be no evening Mass on Easter Sunday			

Jeff Cavins exciting Timeline Bible Study continues at the Little King's Movement for the Disabled, 31/33 O'Keefe Street, Woolloongabba. Jeff makes the Old Testament come alive and shows how the Old Testament dovetails perfectly into the New Testament. Bible Study begins after prayers in the Chapel: 7 pm for 7:15 start. For more details phone Mystical Rose Praesidium 0473 208 086

**COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND: \$2,576.
ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS AVERAGE FOR WEEK: \$2,077.40. Thank you from a grateful Parish.**

WE PRAY FOR: Those who are recently deceased:
Beverley HASSON, Noel TENNISON (Castlemaine, Victoria),
 Fr Dan MOORE (Ireland) Tiernan McCANN (Ireland), Mary BERRY,
 Helen O'NEILL, Margaret (Joan) DRUERY, Sean McCANN (Ireland),
 Mary Ann VAN DER WEIDE and Neil BETTS.
Those who are sick: Luke ADENEY, Helen BAILEY, Ksenia BORODIN,
 Rex BOWEN, Joan BRAMMER, Peter BROPHY, John BROPHY,
 Shannon EMSLIE, Jane FARRELL, Tereza FERENC, Joan FLEW,
 Anne FRANETTOVICH, Gwen GAIR, Bronte GREER, Judy HARRIS,
 Marlene JOHNSTON, Brian McMAHON, Marie MITCHELL, Valerie &
 Kevin ORTON, Ron ROFE, Joan ROONEY, Rosa Maria SANTOS,
 Nick SHANAHAN (Jnr), Peter THORNTHWAITE, Matt VASIL
 Charlie WINTER, Josephine & Bill WRIGHT and Matthew ZEMEK.
All the faithful departed, especially Francis & Anne NGUYEN

Rosters for next week

Parish Diary & Mass Times: 27th March - 2nd April

Rosters for next week

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sat (SJF) 5:30pm Kay Holmes

Sun (MI) 7.30am Michael Cooper, Sol Dobinson

Sun (SJF) 8:30am Deidre Vokes, Dianne Shanahan

Sun (MI) 5.00pm Maggie Soares, Ken Meissner

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sat (SJF) 5:30pm: Bert Jacobs, John Lesina, Prem Nair, Kevin Rowen, Valmai Winter

Sun (MI) 7:30am: Bertha Clark, Joan Coghlan, Paul Coghlan, Ester Evangelista, Charles Grugan, Kathleen Grugan

Sun (SJF) 8:30am: Peter Menagh

Sun (MI) 5:00pm: Liam Herbert (also available as a reserve. Please phone 0417 727 480)

COUNTERS

Monday, 27th March, 2017

Nick Jabore, Bernie O'Hara

CHURCH CARE

Sacristy (SEC) Maria Monro

Sanctuary & Sacristy (MI) Mabel Saah

Laundry (MI) Mabel Saah

EASTER CEREMONIES: Volunteer sign-up sheets for the upcoming Holy Week Ceremonies are now in both churches. If you would like to participate in the ministry of this year's Easter celebrations please provide your details. *Thank you.*

St Elizabeth's School, Tarragindi, Prep 2018

Enrolments: Enrolments are closing soon for Prep in 2018 with Prep Enrolment interviews being conducted from 18th April. Children born between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2013 are eligible to begin Prep in 2018. Please visit the school website for further information at www.stelizabeths.qld.edu.au or telephone the school office to discuss. Enrolment Application Forms can be downloaded from the website for submission to the school.

The Parish Statue of Our Lady has been circulating within the Parish in recent months. If you would like the Statue in your home for one or two weeks, please contact the Mystical Rose Legion of Mary Praesidium on 0412 938 596.

St Gregory's Latin Mass Community:
Fourth Sunday of Lent: Wilston 7:30am

PLEASE NOTE:

No weekday Masses are omitted for this week

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 25th March, Private:

For the Intentions of the Donor

5:30pm Vigil at SJF: For the People of the Parish: *Pro populo*

Sunday, 26th March, 7:30am Mass at MI:

For the repose of the soul of L.M. (Jim) Childs

8:30am Mass at SJF: For Pat Boyle, Patrick Boyle, Katie & Norm Timmins, Norman Timmins, Daniel Timmins, Karen Baker and Mike West

5:00pm Mass at MI: For a Special Intention

Monday, 27th March, 6:00am Mass at SE:

For the Intentions of the Donor

Tuesday, 28th March, 6:00am Mass at SE:

For a Special Intention

Monday 27th March

6:00am Mass [OF+] SE

7:00pm Mass [EF] MI

Tuesday 28th March

6:00am Mass [OF+] SE

7:00am Mass [EF] MI

9:00am Mass [OF+] MI Years 4 & 5

Wednesday 29th March

6:30am Mass [OF] SJF

9:00am Mass [EF] MI

Thursday 30th March

6:00am Mass [OF+] SE

7:00am Mass [OF+] MI

9:00am Mass [EF] MI

Friday 31st March

6:30am Mass [OF] SE

9:00am Mass [EF] MI

7:30pm Stations of the Cross, MI

followed by Holy Hour until 8:45pm

Saturday 1st April

8:15am Mass [EF] MI

Fifth Sunday of Lent

5:30pm Vigil [OF] SJF

5:30pm Vigil [OF+] MI

Sunday 2nd April

7:30am Mass [OF] MI

8:30am Mass [OF] SJF

9:00am Mass [EF] MI

5:00pm Mass [OF+] MI

OF = Ordinary Form | OF+ = *Ad orientem* | EF = Extraordinary Form]

MI = Mary Immaculate SE = St Elizabeth's SJF = St John Fisher

CONFESSION TIMES:

Mon 6:45pm (MI)

Wed 9:40am - 10:00am (MI)

Thu 9:40am - 10:00am (MI)

Fri 9:40am - 10:00am (MI)

Fri 7:30pm - 8:30pm (During Holy Hour)

Sat 7:15am - 8:00am (MI)

Sat 4:45pm - 5:15pm (MI)

Sat 5:15pm by request (SJF)

Sun During 9:00am Mass where possible (MI)

The Angelus and the Rosary are prayed half an hour before the early Masses, Monday to Friday, at SE & SJF.

* All night Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Thursday at St Elizabeth's Chapel beginning at 6:00pm and ending at 6:45am on Fridays.

* Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Saturdays from 7:15am - 8:00am at Mary Immaculate Church.

Wednesday, 29th March, 6:30am Mass at SJF:

For Jesus Youth

9:00am Mass at MI:

For Alan Leane, RIP & for an 87-year-old gentleman

Thursday, 30th March, 6:00am Mass at SE:

For a Special Intention

9:00am Mass at MI:

For Shannon Emslie, ill health

Friday, 31st March, 6:30am Mass at SE:

For a Special Intention

Saturday, 1st April, Private: For the Intentions of the Donor

5:30pm Vigil at MI: For the Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of the Reverend & Mrs J.W. Hunwicke, Golden Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, 2nd April, 7:30am Mass at MI:

For Margaret Deed, anniversary. From the De Luca Family

8:30am Mass at SJF:

For the Repose of the Soul of Bill Kelly, recently deceased

9:00am Mass at MI: For the People of the Parish: *Pro populo*

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go, I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed one stands there before him', but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height for I have rejected him; God does not see as man sees; man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart'. Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these'. He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep'. Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes'. Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one'. At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm 22

(Said by all)

The Lord is my shepherd;
There is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I shall walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5: 8-14

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said: Wake up from your sleep, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

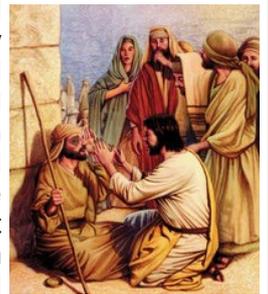
Gospel Acclamation:

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: John 9: 1-41

As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him. 'The man himself said, 'I am the man.'

They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a Sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the Sabbath.' Others said, 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet' replied the man. 'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied' and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away. Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir', the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe,' and worshipped him.



The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Memorial Acclamation: Number One

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

**ARE YOU A NEW PARISHIONER?
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REGULARLY ATTEND MASS HERE AND WOULD LIKE
TO BE REGISTERED AS A FRIEND OF THE BRISBANE
ORATORY? If so, please fill in the form below and place it
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P.O. Box 3131, Tarragindi. 4121.

- I am a new parishioner**
- I am from elsewhere but would like to be registered as a friend of the Brisbane Oratory**

Name.....

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