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Over 18,000 people have already registered to get access to The Virtual Catholic Conference.

There is a women's event as well, so please forward this email along to any man or woman that may be interested.

Church income has been severely effected by the closures. As a non profit organisation the funds donated through the collections keep the parish running. Our Insurance and Maintenance unfortunately don't stop. Please consider continuing your giving to the collections during this time You can do so online with an internet transfer, or contact our parish secretary to set up a Direct Debit or credit card payment.

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Children's Mass
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Catholic Collective—For Youth
Ignite Youth Ignite High
 Ignite High online brings together a crew of high schoolers from across Brisbane for speedy games, an online check in with the fam, and a talk via live video.
Time: 7pm
Day: Friday 24th April
Who for: High schoolers
Where: [Email Tiqi](https://www.facebook.com/ignitehigh) (High Point Leader) to join the closed group

Alpha is now being used as an online platform. Being Creative with prayer ministry with Alpha Online Catholic Context. Wednesday April 15 at 7:30pm https://zoom.us/join/register/uZlud-mvaDMpK2QdvhBQI_BVw-aYRAqKVa Catholic Alpha has successfully been transferring to the online platform around the world and I would love for you to come along and investigate how this works. Please contact me with any queries phone 0406708784. In these difficult times, people are looking for connection, Alpha is a great way to provide this.



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Easter Sunday—Sunday of the Resurrection
12 April 2020 - Year A

Dear Parishioners—Christ is Risen—Alleluia!!!

We invite you to join us in this very holy week to celebrate your faith with your parish community from home. Fr Joshy will be livestreaming during this Easter Triduum from St Mary's Church. Visit any of the below sites to view <https://www.facebook.com/stmaryssouthbrisbane/> or <https://www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au/> or <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCu-xfG5a5Y5Ia19Qanz2wsA>

Days and times:
Holy Thursday 7pm
Good Friday 10am Stations of the Cross
Good Friday 3pm Passion of the Lord
Easter Vigil 7pm.
Easter Sunday 9am.

Easter Prayer

The veil of darkness
 Transformed to the brightest light.
 The most dreadful end
 Became the most beautiful beginning.
 The depths of despair
 Fade to reveal hope everlasting.
 The curse of death
 Defeated by eternal life.
 Thank you Lord, for the wonder of Easter.

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Pastoral Care Update

Thank you to the many who have donated food supplies and joined our Pastoral Care Team, by working together you are making it happen. This past week has seen the team do shopping support, delivery of Crosswords, Word searches, jigsaw puzzles and mandalas colouring books, helped to cook meals and deliver these to together with basic needs to vulnerable elderly. Many telephone calls of support are also going out. The team are currently supporting 30 elderly in the surrounding parishes. The photo below shows some of the packs ready to go together with blessed palms from Fr Joshy. The message on the bag was truly appropriate for this time and it certainly brings courage and comfort to them

"With God Nothing Is Impossible"

The people who received support were so happy and felt special to have received such love and care. They said it certainly gives them hope and joy knowing that someone is looking after them in this time of lockdown. Thank you everyone for your amazing support.

Sr Salvacion
 Pastoral Coordinator

MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church (20 Merivale St. South Brisbane)
 Mon-Fri: 7am; Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
 Sunday: 9am and 5pm

St Francis' Church (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)
 Sunday: 9am

St Ita's Church (Pope St., Dutton Park)
 Saturday (Vigil): 5pm; Sunday: 8.00am

Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
 (Victoria St., Fairfield)
 Sunday: 7am (Anointing: 1st Sunday)

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READINGS AT MASS

Entrance Antiphon **cf. Ps 138:18, 5-6**

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

First reading **Acts 10:34, 37-43**

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm **Ps 117:1-2; 16-17; 22-23**

Response: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second reading **Colossians 3: 1-4**

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim, offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;

and Christ, the undefiled,

hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;

I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;

shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen:

he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show!

Gospel Acclamation **1Cor 5:7-8**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;

let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel **John 20: 1-9**

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Communion Antiphon **1Cor 5:7-8**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Acts 5:12-16; 2nd reading: Apoc 1:9-13, 17-19; Gospel: Jn 20:19-31

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This Week's (within the Octave of Easter) Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 13th:

R/ Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

Tuesday 14th:

R/ The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Wednesday 15th:

R/ Let all seek the Lord rejoice.

Thursday 16th:

R/ O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

Friday 17th:

R/ The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

Saturday 18th:

R/ I praise you, Lord, for you have answered me.

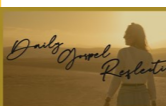


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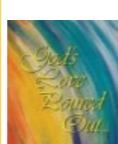
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This resource is designed for families with young children and has been a joint endeavour of Liturgy Brisbane and Evangelisation Brisbane. An extract from the Sunday gospel is provided, along with some reflection questions, family activities and a worksheet for children. This will be updated each week. <http://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/parishes/children-and-families/>



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prayers and reflections to deepen our appreciation of the Holy Spirit's action in our lives. ... visit <http://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/product-category/free-downloads/>

Sunday Readings at Home In these unique times where our Sunday Masses have been suspended, you may wish to read the Sunday readings and associated commentaries at home. <https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/prepare/sunday-readings-and-family-prayer/> These resources will be updated each week

as the next Sunday approaches. We invite you to share these resources widely and to pass them on to anyone who may find them useful.



The Time is Now: A Call to Uncommon Courage

Sr Joan Chittister OSB. In her latest book, Chittister returns to the theme of prophets. While drawing on the wisdom of biblical prophets Chittister challenges each of us to take up the call to be prophetic witnesses in our own time. <https://www.amazon.com.au/Time-Now-Call-Uncommon-Courage->

The Experience of Being Isolated

To be sequestered away from our usual round of duties and recreation is what is being asked of us at the moment and for the foreseeable future. If you have been a busy, mobile person, that is a testing experience. Is there anything in our Catholic history of two millennia that might add something to what is for many a frustrating time? Here are two examples: the first is an instance of Catholics choosing 'isolation' for God's glory. The second is an example of one of many Catholics who have had 'isolation' imposed on them over the centuries.

Cloister – choosing separation for God's glory

I am sure that you can recall people speaking about a man who 'entered' the seminary or a woman who 'entered' a Religious Order, such as the Josephites. It meant they began a time of discernment to see if God is calling them to that vocation. Less often perhaps, you may have heard of the term, "cloister".

Cloister in one sense is an architectural term for an enclosed courtyard. But perhaps you have known of someone who has entered the 'cloister'. This refers to those places where men or women live in monasteries whose whole existence is to praise God on behalf of all people and praying for God's mercy, returning thanks for all God's blessings and glorifying God's Holy Name. They pray together several times of the day and night as well as times of personal prayer and spiritual reading and study. Manual work and times of rest and recreation make a balanced life wholly focused on God. 'Cloistered' communities do not serve in external works of the Church, like parishes or schools, and only leave the place for necessary reasons eg medical. The Church has always treasured this vocation of keeping watch in prayer for us all. The Church, you and I, depend on their prayer and sacrifices.

Pope Paul VI once addressed the cloistered religious saying: "Your prayer is for the entire world and every segment of society. It is not a selfish and self-centred prayer, far from it. It is a vital and important (work) within the whole Church". In a real sense, are we ourselves not experiencing a period of being cloistered for a time? If we can say that, then let's not waste this time stuck in front of the TV or computer screen, nor let time be swallowed up online, or oversleeping or overeating. This can be a rare chance to unite with our cloistered brothers and sisters. Establishing a balanced and thoughtful daily routine with the same elements of life as they live, will help us make the time of isolation a fruitful time. Over the ages, the Cloisters have often kept the flame of faith alive, even in times like the Dark Ages or during world wars.

Saint Therese of Lisieux was a cloistered Nun. Thomas Merton was a cloistered Cistercian and we can see the fruitful lives they lived for God. Your home 'cloister' can be a place of grace and light in this time of dislocation and uncertainty.

In Brisbane Archdiocese, we are fortunate to have a 'cloister' at the Monastery of Carmelite Sisters in Ormiston (Cleveland). They have been a praying community for us since 1927. You can get a glimpse of their life at www.carmeliteormiston.com.

There is another cloister in NSW at www.jamboeroabbey.org.au at which you can see the beautiful 'cloister' of the Benedictine Nuns. Or a men's cloister at www.cistercian.org.au.

Isolation Imposed without Choice but lived for God's Glory and our closeness to God

From an early age, Thuan was brought up in a Catholic environment with deep faith, owing much to his exemplary holy mother, Elizabeth. Every evening she told her son stories from the Bible and those of the martyrs of Vietnam, especially of his ancestors. She introduced him to the example of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, taught him to love and forgive, and also taught him to cherish his homeland of Vietnam.

Thuan grew up to become a Priest and then Bishop of Ho Chi Minh City at the time of the Communist victory in South Vietnam in 1975, the entire country now communist.

The new bishop was arrested on the Solemnity of the Assumption, 15 August 1975, and incarcerated for thirteen years, nine of which were endured in solitary confinement in Vinh Phu prison in Hanoi. He survived after fashioning a tiny Bible out of scraps of paper.

During his years of imprisonment he wrote 'The Road of Hope', the Spiritual Testimony (Will) to all the Catholic Vietnamese in Vietnam and abroad. He secretly and covertly offered the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass behind bars. If he had been discovered, he would have been punished severely. The Cardinal described his clandestine Masses:

"Every day, with three drops of wine and a drop of water in the palm of my hand, I would celebrate Mass. This was my Altar, and this was my Cathedral!

Each day in reciting the words of Consecration, I confirmed with all my heart and soul a new pact, an eternal pact between Jesus and me through His Blood mixed with mine.

Those were the most beautiful Masses of my life!", the Cardinal wrote.

We can show the same faith even when making a spiritual communion.

In his spiritual autobiography, The Way Of Hope: Thoughts Of Light From A Prison Cell, he explained his resilience.

"In our country there is a saying: A day in prison is worth a thousand autumns of freedom. I, myself, experienced this.

While in prison, everyone waits for freedom, every day, every minute.

We must live each day, each minute of our life ..."

Let's make that our way of isolation, too. It will lead us to freedom.

Before Cardinal Van Thuan died in 2002, he led a Lenten Retreat for Pope John Paul II in 2001 and at the end of the retreat, the Pope said:

"With simplicity and the breath of divine inspiration ... (he is) a witness of the cross in the long years of imprisonment in Vietnam, he has frequently recounted the realities and episodes from his sufferings in prison, thus reinforcing us in the consoling certainty that when everything crumbles around us, and perhaps even within us, Christ remains our unfailing support."

by Fr Robert OLA Parish West Chermide

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