

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** (or a hymn) Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Ps 136)

**ANTIPHON:** Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

**RESPONSE:** Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

**LECTOR:** By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion; on the poplars that grew there we hung up our harps. **R.**

**LECTOR:** For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. "Sing to us," they said, "one of Zion's songs." **R.**

**LECTOR:** O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! **R.**

**LECTOR:** O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys! **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** (or a hymn) Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

**TODAY'S READINGS** 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

**NEXT WEEK** (5th Sunday of Lent, Year B) Jeremiah 31:31-34; Ps 50; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

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### The inestimable size of God



14 March 2021 4th Sunday Lent Year B

In today's gospel, Jesus uses one of the well-known biblical incidents from the Old Testament to make just one point, with something of a 'Gospel in a nutshell' approach: "God so loved the world that He gave His only son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

So, a boy asks his father: "What's the size of God?"

The father looks up to the sky and seeing an airplane asks his son: "What's the size of that airplane?"

The boy answers: "It's very small. I can barely see it."

The father then takes him to the airport and as they approach an airplane he asks: "And now, what is the size of this one?"

The boy answers: "Wow, daddy, this is huge!"

Then the father tells him: "God is like this. The size depends on the distance between you and God. The closer you are, the greater will God be in your life!"

Lent is a special season for contemplating the love of God. The drama of Jesus suffering and death on the cross is the drama of God's ultimate closeness to us; it shows us how compassionate and loving the Father is.

As we heard in the first reading today, it was not only the people alone, but the heads of the priesthood who added their infidelity to infidelity. Time and again the messengers sent by God were ridiculed, and prophets were killed. The Temple was built to remind

people of God's love and that their God is still living in their midst.

St Paul in the second reading then makes it very clear that we are saved by faith, not because of our works, not by anything we have done or deserved, but through Jesus' death on the cross. Contemplation of Jesus' death of the Cross surely enlightens us on the true meaning of the Love of God.

In Fratelli Tutti, Pope Francis says, "By acknowledging the dignity of each human person, we can contribute to the rebirth of a universal aspiration of fraternity." The pope reminds us of God's plan in sending His only Son into the world, to bring humanity out of its experience of sin. The cross restores human dignity and repairs the broken relationship between God and the people of God. It is an invitation to reconciliation.

Jesus in today's gospel invites us, as he invited Nicodemus, to faith in Him. He was sent to us so that we might all live through Him.

A quote from an unknown writer, displayed in my house, inspires me, especially when it is hard for me to forgive someone: "I asked Jesus, 'How much do you love me?' And Jesus said, 'This much.' Then He stretched out His arms and died." May it inspire you too.

Jesus' love did not cease with his death on the cross. It continues every day, every moment, especially at every Eucharist.

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### Parenting Sessions

In this series of Majellan podcasts we talk to Dr Rosina McAlpine, who's an author, parenting expert and CEO of Win Win Parenting which supports parents on how best to navigate through the ups and downs of everyday family life. Her podcasts cover such topics as Emotional Intelligence and Understanding the Teenage Brain. Further details from [www.majellan.media](http://www.majellan.media)

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**CURRENT PARISH NEWS**  
**WEEK START SUN MARCH 14, 2021**  
**4 LENT**



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**YEAR B**

**PARISH OFFICE: TUES, WED, THURS, 9.30AM - 2.30PM**  
**JEANNE SCHNEIDER M: 0414 836 071**  
**ALL ENQUIRIES RE BOOKING BAPTISMS,**



**WEDDINGS, FUNERALS & SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**  
**PLEASE CONTACT PARISH OFFICE.**  
**NEXT BAPTISM ENROLMENT TALK SUN MAY 4**  
**AT 4PM IN PARISH HALL. NO APPT NECESSARY!**  
Sat ~ 9am, 6pm;  
Sun ~ 6.30am & 8.30am  
Mon & Wed ~ 6.30am;  
Tues & Fri ~ 9am



**MASS TIMES**

**MASS ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS ~ 9AM**

**Thank You** ...to all who support Regina Caeli in any way, be it practically or financially. All assistance is valued & important. For new practical helpers contact p/office. For financial support facilities please contact office or you may also deposit online: BSB 064 786 A/c 100013354

**Please note New account details above!!**

(Please incl ref) 'Passing the plate' is prohibited at the moment, hence, "gifting" boxes are located at all doors if you are wishing to support parish.

Spare envelopes available.

Parish Giving app available.



<http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/>

Click on links for resources & articles:



Archdiocese of Brisbane:

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/>

For online mass: Live web cast visit archdiocesan website or [www.archbne.org/bzw](http://www.archbne.org/bzw)

**Regina Caeli** Parish will deliver newsletters to those who may find themselves isolated



and/or unable to visit parish itself. Contact us for an email copy or hardcopy delivery to home.



ON THE BACK OF OUR RECENT FINANCIAL REPORT & NOTING THAT WE HAVE LESS & LESS CASH IN OUR WALLETS THESE DAYS, (WE SEEM TO PAY BY CARD A LOT MORE) IF PARISHIONERS WISH TO DONATE ON LINE FOR CONVENIENCE, PLEASE CONTACT PARISH OFFICE & WE WILL CONVEY ALL POSSIBILITIES.

Coming up in 2021... **March**

**13/14 Reconciliation Prep 1:**

14 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

17 St Patrick (Feast)

19 St Joseph (Feast)

21 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

**20/21 Reconciliation Prep 2:**

22 Memorial Mass for Cletus Obi, St Thomas 6pm

25 Annunciation of the Lord

25 Chrism Mass – Cathedral of St Stephen, 7pm

**27/28 Reconciliation Prep 3:**

**29 Candidate Sacrament Reconciliation Ceremony**

**30 Parish Mass of Reconciliation** in Holy Week 7pm

28 Palm Sunday – The Passion of the Lord



**Children's Church**  
**8.30am hall!**



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We are looking to spruce up gardens and grounds before Easter at Regina Caeli: **THURS or FRI MARCH 18 OR 19, 7AM.** All willing helpers encouraged.

Gardens are getting out of control.

We need your mowers, mattocks, rakes, digging forks and muscle to do a garden makeover. Weeds are thriving, unfortunately! Please give a hand or maybe adopt a garden. Bring any garden tools you think might help!!

**Sacrament Enrolment Prayer...**

Father in heaven,  
I thank you for my life,  
my family, our community,  
our church and all its people.

A relationship with God is the best relationship you can have.

I thank you for the love,  
you share with us.

I make a commitment to know  
and love you more.

I want to learn what you want us to do,  
and help us make good choices  
in our lives.

Help us understand your messages  
for us. We make our prayer,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Sacrament families Ceremony of Reconciliation**

Monday March 29 @ 5pm & 6.30pm

**Parish Mass of Reconciliation**

prior to Easter



RECONCILIATION

Tuesday March 30 @ 7pm

**The 'Norm from Jan 22, 2021'**

♦ Stay home if unwell; Masks optional

♦ Sign In & Sanitise your hands

♦ Social Distancing (1person or family / 2m<sup>2</sup>)

♦ Sanitise your space with wipes on exit

♦ Only Priests to distribute Communion

♦ Sign of Peace spoken greeting only

♦ Gifting boxes available at all doors for donations

♦ Take newsletter home with you. No Hymn books



**RECENTLY DECEASED: FRs PAT DOWD & PETER**

**GILLAM, ANNA LEUTE FRUEAN, CLETUS OBI,**  
**EDWARD BRIGGS, NEIL FALLON, BART GAFFNEY,**

**LUCY HOUGHTON, FAY THOMAS, DOMINIC VU**

**ANNIVERSARIES:** A'bishop John Bathersby, Les Heathwood,  
Josie Stermfeldt, George Lee, Laura Gleadhill, Trevor Smith,  
Ennio & Antoinette Morlacci, Villelmo Calvisi,

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** Joshua Chester, Pat Cochrane,  
Veronica & Cathy Comiskey, Neil Cremin, Pat Dugger,

George D'Allura, Loye Gardiner, Ray Garrigan, Paul Heathwood,  
Allaura Hows, Kath Keogh, Nicky Logan Paddy Logan, Katie Loveday,  
Trish McConnell, Fr Ron Mollison, Marie-Louise O'Brien, Pam O'Reilly, Peter Owen, Peter Reid, Wal & Joyce Smith, Lester Steen,  
Nathaniel Williams, Zelina & family



**WEEK 4:** Arsad, an Indonesian farmer, had no toilet at home & was often sick due to the practice of open defecation. Through Caritas Australia's support, Arsad & his community improved hygiene & sanitation, & funded their own toilets. Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help improve health and wellbeing of communities in Indonesia so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a better future for all.



You can donate through  
Parish boxes & envelopes,  
ph 1800024413; or

[www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion)

It's 2 Weeks to Palm Sunday, 3 weeks until Easter! Consider giving us a hand on Palm Sunday & at Easter with all the extra readings. Volunteer reader sheet in foyer.



**SERVICE TIMES:**

**Holy Thursday 'Mass of the Last Supper' 7pm**

**Good Friday**

10am 'Stations of the Cross'

3pm 'Celebration of the Lord's Passion'

**Saturday Easter Vigil 6pm**

**Sunday of the Resurrection 6.30am & 8.30am**

**PROCESSIONAL @M HAUGEN SHEPHERD ME O GOD**

**REFRAIN: Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears from death into life.**

**V1** God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want. I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love.

I walk by the quiet waters of peace. R/-

**V4** You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold. R/-

**OFFERTORY @ JESSE MANIBUSAN OPEN MY EYES**

**V1** Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face. Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.

**V3** Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you. Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love.

**V4** I live within you. Deep in your heart, O Love. I live within you. Rest now in me.

**COMMUNION @ JOHN FOLEY FOR YOU ARE MY GOD**

**REFRAIN: For you are my God: You alone are my joy. Defend me, O Lord.**

**V1** You give marvellous comrades to me, the faithful who dwell in your land. Those who choose alien gods have chosen an alien band. R/-

**V2** You are my portion and cup. It is you that I claim for my prize. Your heritage is my delight,

the lot you have given to me. R/-

**V4** You show me the path for my life, in your presence the fullness of joy.

To be at your right hand for ever for me would be happiness always. R/-

**REFLECTION @ G NORBERT WESTON PRIORY HOSEA**

**V1** Come back to me with all your heart. Don't let fear keep us apart.

Trees do bend, though straight and tall.

So must we to others call.

**REFRAIN: Long have I waited for your coming home to me and living deeply our new life.**

**V2** The wilderness will lead you to your heart where I will speak. Integrity and justice with tenderness, you shall know. R/-

**V3** Long have I waited for your coming home to me and living deeply our new life. You shall sleep secure with peace; faithfulness will be your joy. R/-

**RECESSIONAL @ B FARRELL GOD HAS CHOSEN ME**

**V1** God has chosen me, God has chosen me to bring good news to the poor. God has chosen me,

God has chosen me to bring new sight to those searching for light. God has chosen me, chosen me.

**REFRAIN: And to tell the world that God's kingdom is near, to remove oppression and break down fear,**

**yes, God's time is near, God's time is near,**

**God's time is near, God's time is near.**