



In the third verse of the rousing hymn, *How Great Thou Art*, we sing,

'And when I think that God his Son not sparing sent him to die I scarce can take it in. That on the cross my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin.'

This verse enshrines a long-held tradition that Jesus died as a necessary atonement to God for our sins. From this perspective Jesus' suffering and death was the price of the ransom paid to evil so that we might share in God's life. Alternatively, the death of Jesus is seen as the only thing that satisfied God's anger at our sins, and caused God to love us again.

We should be very careful about what we sing! On the one hand this theology rightly shows us the extraordinary love Jesus has for us. On the other hand it says some very difficult things about God. What loving creator, for example, would say that the torture and death of his beloved son is the only way he can be happy about his creatures? What just judge, no matter how angry he or she might be at the crimes laid out in the courtroom, would allow an innocent man to die for the guilty? And how powerful is God over evil if the only way to keep it in check is through human sacrifice? These are serious questions and they have an impact on our everyday life of faith, and can sometimes alienate us from believing that God is our all-loving Father in heaven.

Today, we rightly hear a lot about victims – people, who through no choice or fault of their own, have been dealt with wrongly by others who are free to act otherwise and who know better. In some of the ways we think about the passion, Jesus becomes God's victim. Through no fault of his own, and seemingly powerless in the face of his Father's will, Jesus becomes a victim of God's need for a sacrifice, a ransom or atonement.

As a result, many of us can feel that sometimes we are God's victims too, because if God wanted Jesus to suffer and die, why should we be surprised or complain when we receive large crosses to carry as well?

Mark's account of the passion tends to reinforce Jesus as victim. Mark has Jesus eating with the outcasts, his friends betraying, denying or deserting him. He tells us that Jesus is terrified at the prospect of death and calls on his 'Abba' or 'daddy' to help him out. In the end he accepts 'the will of God' but even then feels abandoned by God on the Cross.

I often think we misread what Jesus is referring to when he accepts God's will in the Garden. Rather than refer to the particular will of the Father to see Jesus suffer and die on Good Friday, I think it's more helpful and consoling to understand it as referring to God's will that Jesus remains faithful to the way he lived. If by doing that Jesus threatened the religious and political authorities of his day so much that they have to murder him, then his death is the ultimate sacrifice which reveals how far God was prepared to go in love for us. This reveals to us that Jesus came 'to live', and that by faithfully living this life he was put to death by the powers of sin. Through the cross we see the price to be paid in confronting sin in our day and obediently living out the demands of God's kingdom of justice and peace.

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St. Joseph the Worker Church
44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Sunday Masses

7:00am & 8:30am

(Please book on line)

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday
7:00am

**(No need to book for weekday
Mass)**

Gold Coast University Hospital
Friday Mass at 10.30am
Rosary 10.00am

Guardian Angels' Church
99 Scarborough St., Southport

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Reconciliation : 4.30pm

Saturday (Vigil) 5.30 pm
Sunday 7:00am & 9:00am

(Please book on line)

Prayers & Adoration

Wednesday 12.00noon –1.00pm

Weekday Mass

Friday 12:30pm

Mary Immaculate Church

31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4.30pm
Sunday 9:00am & 5.30pm, including
the Korean Mass
(Please book on line)

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 9:00am
Thursday 9:00am

No need to book for weekday Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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This Holy Week let's celebrate that God spared nothing in showing us how to live. As we commemorate Jesus' life, death and resurrection may we move from being victims of a bloodthirsty God to choosing again to follow Jesus' example and live lives which are faithful, loving and obedient. May we also appreciate that this life continues to, literally, threaten 'the hell out of' those opposed to the reign of God in our world, but that as Jesus was faithful to God and God to Jesus, so they will remain faithful to us as well, no matter what.

HELP is Needed to Set up - Holy Thursday Night, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday approaching we are looking for teams of people to assist at Guardian Angels, and Mary Immaculate, to help with the Liturgies for this Weekend there are many roles available, this is a great opportunity to get involved in one of the Church's beautiful Liturgies.

PLEASE NOTE

There are clip boards on the table at the entrance of each church. Please sign your name next to the position that you are interested in helping with. Thank you

ANGELS KITCHEN DONATIONS

Anyone wishing to make donations to Angels Kitchens can do so by using the Angels Kitchen Money Donations Tins at the back of our churches. Or by contacting the Parish Office, Tony and Janice Ludington at the 4.30 PM Mass on Saturday and George Bent at the 9 AM Mass on Sundays. Also phone contacts are Tony on 0418 189 492 and George on 0412 961 447.

THANK YOU

A sincere thank you to my parishioner friends for your prayers, good wishes, love and support during my recent hospitalisation and illness.

I am slowly recovering. Please keep praying.

Special thanks to Fr Vince for Masses offered and for his love and support.

I will see you in my prayers as "I thank my God each time I think of you....(St Paul)

Your sincere and loving friend in Christ Sheilah O'Neill

THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT THE GOLD COAST UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL ON GOOD FRIDAY BUT WE WILL HAVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT 10:30 A.M. IN THE CHAPEL.

ALL ARE WELCOME. THANK YOU.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON A FRIDAY.

Registrations for Mass will close on the Thursday at 12.30pm

EASTER MASS TIMES

HOLY THURSDAY - 1st April 2021

Guardian Angels Church - 6pm
Mary Immaculate Church - 6pm

GOOD FRIDAY - 2nd April 2021
STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Guardian Angels Church - 10am
Mary Immaculate Church - 10am

Good Friday - Passion of Christ

Guardian Angels Church - 3pm
Mary Immaculate Church - 3pm

Easter Vigil - Saturday 3rd April 2021

Guardian Angels Church - 6pm
Mary Immaculate - 6pm

Easter Sunday - 4th April 2021

St Joseph the Worker - 7am & 8.30am
Guardian Angels - 7am & 9am
Mary Immaculate - 9am
No 5.30pm Mass at Mary Immaculate Church

Easter Monday

St Joseph the Worker Church- 9am

Please note it is essential to register on line
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Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday Year B/1
1st Reading - Acts 10:34,37-43- 2nd Reading - Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel - John 20:1-9

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Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR)

Guardian Angels Church
Rebecca - 0414 994 928

Mary Immaculate Church
Raphaelle - 0414 915 047

St Joseph the Worker Church
Cathy - 0414 982 749 (Chinese)

*Our Parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy.
We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all our employees and volunteers
and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.*



Recently Deceased:

Terence Rossal

*The names of our sick and
deceased family & friends
Will be recorded in these books*



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN 2021

The online registration for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion is now available and will close on Friday, 23rd of April.

The First Holy Communion Mass will be held at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore on Saturday, 5th June 2021. This Mass will be an additional Mass.

This First Holy Communion programme is for children who have already celebrated **the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2019 & 2020.**

The Candidates for First Holy Communion must be a Baptised Catholic. Those candidates who are unsure if they qualify, please contact Maria Blanca on 5510 2222.



A VOCATION VIEW: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is she who gives her life in the name of the Lord. Blessed are they who live their united life in the name of the Lord.

DATE CLAIMER

**LITURGICAL MUSICIANS
TRAINING DAY**

**15 MAY 2021
9:00AM – 3:30PM
ST LAURENCE'S COLLEGE, SOUTH BRISBANE**

A series of workshops will be offered in the following streams with a focus on formation in practical musical skills for liturgical musicians:

Vocals
Organ
Keyboard
Guitar
Composition
Orchestral
Leading Congregational Singing

Workshops will be conducted by experts in the field who are not only church musicians, but also professional working musicians. The registration form containing the specifics of each workshop, presenters, and the timetable for the day will be made available by the beginning of April. Participants will be asked to pre-select the workshops they wish to attend at the time of registration.

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON !



WEDNESDAY HOLY HOUR AT GUARDIAN ANGELS

Special Lenten program 12noon – 1pm every Wednesday. During Lent we will be praying the Way of the Cross with meditations by 'Venerable Fulton J Sheen and Saint John Henry Newman' and sung Stabat Mater commencing at 12 Noon. Confession available during this time. Immediately following the Way of the Cross, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed followed by time for silent prayer and Benediction concluding at 1pm.

Please join us for an hour with Our Lord in preparation for Easter. No bookings required.



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PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hail Redeemer

Hail Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine,
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of ever lasting peace.

Refrain:

**Angels, saints, and nations, sing,
"Praised be Jesus Christ, our King,
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary."**

King, whose name creation thrills,
rule our minds, our hearts, our wills
till in peace each nation rings
with thy praises, King of kings. **R**

King most holy, King of truth,
Guide the lowly, guide the youth.
Christ, thou king of glory bright
be to us eternal light. **R**

Shepherd King,
from mountains steep,
homeward bring
the wandering sheep.
Shelter in one royal fold,
states and nations new and old. **R**

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM- SUNG

Be With Me, Lord

Refrain:

**Be with me, Lord,
when I am in trouble.
Be with me, Lord, I pray.**

You who dwell in the shelter
of the Lord Most High,
who abide in the shadow of our God,
say to the Lord,
"My refuge and fortress,
the God in whom I trust." **R**

No evil shall befall you,
no pain come near,
for the angels
stand close by your side,
guarding you always
and bearing you gently,
watching over your life. **R**

Those who cling to the Lord
live secure in God's love, lifted high
those who trust in God's name.
Call on the Lord,
who will never forsake you,
God will bring you salvation
and joy. **R**

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Praise and honour to you,
Lord Jesus, praise and honour Lord
Jesus Christ**

Christ became obedient for us
even to death, dying on the cross.
Therefore God raised Him on high and
gave him a name
above all other names.

**Praise and honour to you,
Lord Jesus, praise and honour Lord
Jesus Christ.**

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GIFTS PROCESSION

We Remember

Refrain

**We remember how you loved us
to your death,
and still we celebrate,
for you are with us here,
and we believe
that we will see you
when you come
in your glory, Lord.
We remember,
we celebrate, we believe.**

Here, a million wounded souls
are yearning just to touch you
and be healed.

Gather all your people,
and hold them to your heart. **R**

Now we recreate your love,
we bring the bread and wine
to share a meal.

Sign of grace and mercy,
the presence of the Lord. **R**

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

COMMUNION PROCESSION

Will You Love Me

Will you give me your life for ever?
Will you carry my cross every day?
Will you walk in the light of
my presence?
Will you follow
the truth of my ways? **R**

Refrain:

**Will you love me
as I have loved you?
Will you live with me
the darkness as I die?
For the moon and the stars
will be gone like the night
and the sun
will be shining on you.**

Like the purest of gold
in the furnace,
Is your love strong enough
to endure?

Does your faith carry on
through the shadows?
Does it shine in the night
for the world? **R**

Can you walk
in the footprints of silence?
Through the wilderness sands
in the sun,
from the desert
of doubt and temptation,
to the glorious mountain of fire? **R**

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus Remember Me

Jesus, remember me
when you come into your Kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come into your Kingdom.

**Repeat until the priest leaves the
church.**

Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994 ©1981, Ateliers et
Presses de Taizé

APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit,
(all bow)**

**born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from
the dead;**

**He ascended into heaven;
and is seated at the right hand of
God the Father almighty;
From there he shall come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And life everlasting.**

Amen

