BRISBANE ORATORY IN FORMATION
PARISH OF ANNERLEY EKIBIN

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A [OF] &
Sexagesima Sunday [EF]
18th/19th February, 2017

Readings for next Sunday
25th/26thFebruary, 2017

1st: *Isaiah 49: 14-15*
2nd: *1 Corinthians 4: 1-5*
Gospel: *Matthew 6: 24-34*

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From the Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

It is good to be back with you after my recent holidays. It was great to arrive back in Brisbane last Tuesday along with a cool change after Brisbane's preceding days of very hot weather!

In the traditional Catholic liturgical calendar (i.e. for 9:00am Mass) we are in a 'pre-Lent' phase that leads up to Ash Wednesday on March 1st. This is a way of easing into Lent in a gently penitential way and forming the right spiritual attitude and intentions before Lent actually begins. I think this is a good spiritual aim for all of us to prayerfully consider as Lent approaches for another year as our preparation for Easter grace.

Ash Wednesday Masses this year on March 1st will be at 6:30am [OF] and 7:30pm [OF] at St John Fisher church; 9:00am [OF] and 7:30pm [EF, Sung] at Mary Immaculate church.

Finally, please note that the later **Mass for this Tuesday, 21st February only will be at 9:30am** at Mary Immaculate church instead of 9:00am. This is because it will be an opening of the school year Mass for St Elizabeth's school.

A brief reflection from Archbishop Fulton Sheen, on political power, appears on Page 2.

We now have a further written message from Archbishop Mark Coleridge, addressing the Royal Commission's final hearings.

Fr Andrew Wise

MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE
RE: ROYAL COMMISSION'S FINAL HEARINGS INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Dear sisters and brothers,

We've come to the second week of the Royal Commission's Catholic wrap-up where the focus has been on seminary training, the ongoing formation and support of clergy and the culture and practices of our agencies – education and social welfare in particular. The week had its ups and downs, but on balance it was positive. It offered a picture of the Church in action today, with the presence of some strong lay leaders who impressed with their command of the issues and their commitment to the Church. They and many like them are a source of real hope for the future.

It became clear that efforts have been made to strengthen and improve seminary training, including the screening of candidates. But it was also clear that we still have a long way to go in that area and that there are real inconsistencies between seminaries around the county. Perhaps we have too many seminaries, perhaps the seminary is no longer the privileged place for training that it has been. We also have a long way to go in the area of clergy support and supervision and lifelong training, and here we may need to learn from other walks of life where professional supervision and lifelong training are required and where sanctions apply if the requirements are not met. We have talked about this for a long time, but this week suggests we now need to act. They Royal Commission may help us work how best to act.

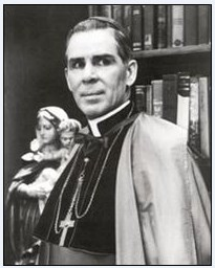
We look now to the third and final week when we will consider again what's happening now and what needs to happen in the future. Important questions of Church culture that have emerged in the first two weeks will be explored further, and the Royal Commission will seek to hone the more practical proposals that are likely to come from its long and complex work. Many of you have said that you are praying for me and all involved in the final hearing. That's a crucial part of the mix that will never be found in a Royal Commission transcript but without which our full story cannot be told. The Royal Commission doesn't do God but we do. Grace and peace to you all in Jesus Christ.

+Mark Coleridge

PARISH DATE CLAIMERS

Wednesday 22nd February	**Parish Pastoral Council** meets at the Parish Office at 7:30pm.
Wednesday 8th March	**Parish Finance Council** meets at the Parish Office at 7:30pm.
Tuesday 14th March	**Anointing Mass** at 10:00am at Mary Immaculate Church. Morning tea follows.

Pilate: A Lesson on Political Power



Those who have their finger on the pulse of contemporary civilization have probably noted that there are two contradictory charges against religions today. The first is that religion is not political enough; the other is that religion is too political. On the one hand, the Church is blamed for being too divine, and on the other, for not being divine enough. It is hated because it is too heavenly and hated because it is too earthly.

"And so throughout history, these two contradictory charges have been levelled against the Person of Christ in His Body the Church. His Church was accused of not being political enough when it condemned Nazism and Fascism; it is accused of being too political when it condemns Communism. It is the second charge that needs specific consideration, namely, that the Church is interfering in politics. Is this true? It all depends upon what you mean by politics. If by interference in politics is meant using influence to favour a particular regime, party, or system that respects the basic God–given rights and freedom of persons, the answer is emphatically No! The Church does not interfere in politics. If by interference in politics is meant judging or condemning a philosophy of life that makes the party or state, or the class, or the race, the source of all rights, and that usurps the soul and enthrones party over conscience and denies those basic rights for which the war was fought, then answer is emphatically Yes!

The Church does judge such a philosophy. But when it does this, it is not interfering with politics, for such politics is no longer politics but theology. When a state sets itself up as absolute as God, when it claims sovereignty over the soul, when it destroys freedom of conscience and freedom of religion, then the state has ceased to be political and has begun to be a counter-Church.

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Mary Immaculate School Centenary

Mary Immaculate School, Annerley is about to turn 100! On April 30th, 2017, the school will officially commemorate its 100th birthday, and we will also remember the centenary of Annerley Parish as well. We are inviting all past students, parents, and staff to join with us in celebrating this momentous event. Save the dates of **Saturday, April 29th and Sunday 30th April, 2017.**

We would love for as many as possible to join us in celebrating on this weekend with an "Under the Stars" late afternoon/evening event on **Saturday 29th April** with guest of honour, Mr Hugh Lunn. On **Sunday 30th April,** Archbishop Mark Coleridge will celebrate a Thanksgiving Mass in honour of our Centenary.

We are also asking if you have any memorabilia: photos, newsletters, etc., please email me, Leanne Delaney at ldelaney@bne.catholic.edu.au or call the school on 07 3848 8965.

Sacramental Program

There will be a parent information session on Tuesday, February 28th at 7:30pm in the Christi Centre at St Elizabeth's Primary School for recently-submitted new enrolments in the Sacramental Program. Children's sessions for new enrolments will be as follows: 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd March at 4:00pm, also in the Christi Centre.

CATHOLIC BEQUEST PROGRAM

Leave Your Legacy. Are you wondering how you can make a lasting gift to our community? By leaving a charitable gift in your Will to **The Brisbane Oratory in Formation** or the **Annerley Ekibin Parish** you can make a meaningful and profound gift to our future church. To find out how to support the mission of the Catholic Church, your local parish and/or the Brisbane Oratory in Formation well into the future please contact the parish office or go to: https**://catholicfoundation.org.au/articles/donate-perpetual-fund/**, choose 'designation' and select Annerley Ekibin Parish and/or Brisbane Oratory in Formation.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND: $2,321.05
ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS
AVERAGE FOR WEEK
$1,524.50
Thank you from a grateful Parish

WE PRAY FOR

Those who are recently deceased: Maryann VAN DER WEIDE,

Neil BETTS, Gail TWEMLOW, Jocelyn HELLSTROM, Terry PHILLIPS, Vincent FERRY (Roma), Catherine MILLER Joan FINCH, Tony DRUERY, Vincent BLISS, Corazon SALAO and Rina COOK.

Those who are sick: Luke ADENEY, Theresa BAGLEY, Matt BASIL, Gabrielle BENTLEY, Monique BENTLEY, Ksenia BORODIN, Rex BOWEN, Stewart BOYD, Joan BRAMMER, Peter BROPHY, John BROPHY, Noelene BURGESS, Jeremy CARROLL, Robyn CLEMENTS, Jim CLIFFORD, Hilary COLLINS, Rochelle COWARD, Marietta CRUZADO, Diane ELLIS, Rowena ENNIS, David FARRELL, Jane FARRELL, Madge FARRELL, Tereza FERENC, Joan FLEW, Mary FORRESTER, Anne FRANETTOVICH, John FRANK, Gwen GAIR, Helen GIAQUINTA, **Bronte GREER**, Dulcey HARVEY (Ingham), Jan HEGARTY, Peter HEGARTY, Keith HOGG, Marlene JOHNSTON, Dominic KENNEDY, Robyn KINNES, Ryan MacGARY-WALSH, Cherril MALONEY, Bernard McALARY, **Brian McMAHON**, Marie MITCHELL, Harry MOHR, Kathryn MORRIS, Robyn O'DWYER, Valerie & Kevin ORTON, Brian QUARRY, Ron ROFE, Joan ROONEY, Dorothy RYAN, **Rosa Maria SANTOS**, Nick SHANAHAN (Jnr), Mary STUART, Heather TERRILL, Charlie WINTER, Fr John WORTHINGTON SM, Gary WYLIE, Josephine & Bill WRIGHT and Matthew ZEMEK.

All the faithful departed, especially **Colin BASSETT.**

For our Sick List: From February 1st we are leaving names on the prayer list for the sick for a month, unless the Parish Office is advised to keep a person on the list. Please help keep our sick list up-to-date and be assured that names can always be added again, whenever you wish. *Thank you!*

***Flores Teresianes* Dinner for young women over 18: Thursday 23rd February** at 6:30pm. Please phone Elise on 0400 204 995.

Rosters for next week

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sat (SJF) 5:30pm Kevin Rowen, Barbara Nicolaides
Sun (MI) 7.30am Judy Harris, Marie Melski
Sun (SJF)9.00am Vince Kartelo
Sun (MI) 5.00pm John Butterworth

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sat (SJF) 6:00pm: 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) 9:00am: Peter Menagh
Sun (MI) 5:00pm: Liam Herbert (also available as a reserve. Please phone 0417 727 480)

COUNTERS

Monday, 20th February, 2017
Pat Brophy, Bernie O'Hara

CHURCH CARE

Sacristy (SEC) Maria Monro
Sanctuary & Sacristy (MI) Mabel Saah
Laundry (MI) Mabel Saah

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 Stephanie McClarty Mobile: 0432 618 648.

The Oratory Winter Ball, Saturday 22 July 2017, from 6:30pm, Portside Wharf, Hamilton.

Early-bird prices now available at trybooking.com/258077. Sponsorship opportunities available. Please contact Fr Adrian on 0427 109 054.

St Gregory's Latin Mass Community:
Sexagesima Sunday : Wilston 7:30am

PLEASE NOTE:
Weekday Masses omitted for this week
Thursday, 23rd February, 6:00am Mass at SE

Church Flowers

Mary Immaculate Church Flowers for February 25th and 26h are courtesy of the Vu Family, for Ethan & Enlia

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 18th February, Private:
For a Special Intention
5:30pm Vigil at MI: For the People of the Parish: *Pro populo*
Sunday, 19th February, 7:30am Mass at MI:
For the good health and well being of Archbishop Mark Coleridge
8:30am Mass at SJF: For the Intentions of the Donor
9:00am Mass at MI: For Colin Bassett, Memorial
5:00pm Mass at MI: For the Benefactors of the Brisbane Oratory in Formation, living and deceased
Monday, 20th February, 6:00am Mass at SE:
For the Holy Souls

Parish Diary & Mass Times: 20th - 26th February

Monday 20th February			
6:00am	**Mass** [OF+]	SE	
7:00pm	**Mass** [EF]	MI	
Tuesday 21st February			
6:00am	**Mass** [OF+]	SE	
7:00am	**Mass** [EF]	MI	
9:30am	**Mass** [OF+]	MI	*Whole School Mass*
Wednesday 22nd February			
6:30am	**Mass** [OF]	SJF	
9:00am	**Mass** [EF]	MI	
Thursday 23rd February			
6:00am	**NO MASS**	SE	
7:00am	**Mass** [OF+]	MI	
9:00am	**Mass** [EF]	MI	
Friday 24th February			
6:30am	**Mass** [OF]	SE	
9:00am	**Mass** [EF]	MI	
7:30pm	**Holy Hour**	MI	
Saturday 25th February			
8:15am	**Mass** [EF]	MI	
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
5:30pm	**Vigil** [OF]	SJF	
5:30pm	**Vigil** [OF+]	MI	
Sunday 26th February			
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.

Tuesday, 21st February, 6:00am Mass at SE:
For the Repose of the Soul of
Marie Kathleen Carpenter, Anniversary
Wednesday, 22nd February, 6:30am Mass at SJF:
For the Intentions of the Donor
Thursday, 23rd February, 7:00am Mass at MI:
For the Pope and the Bishops
9:00am Mass at MI: For all souls in purgatory, especially deceased members of F.O.S.S.
Friday, 24th February, 6:30am Mass at SE:
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8:15am Mass at MI: For all souls in purgatory, especially deceased members of F.O.S.S.
Sunday, 26th February, 7:30am Mass at MI: For the People of the Parish: *Pro populo*
8:30am Mass at SJF:
For the Holy Souls

MASS READINGS

First Reading*: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 17-18*

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: 'Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: 'Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy.'

You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence, this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord.'

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm *102*

(Said by all)

My soul, give thanks to the Lord
All my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
And never forget all his blessings.

It is the Lord who forgives all your guilt,
Who heals every one of your ills,
Who redeems your life from the grave,
Who crowns you with love and compassion.

The Lord is compassion and love,
Slow to anger and rich in mercy.
He does not treat us according to our sins
Nor repay us according to our faults.

As far as the east is from the west
So far does he remove our sins.
As a father has compassion for his sons,
The Lord has pity on those who fear him.

Second Reading: *Corinthians 3: 16-23*

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Make no mistake about it: if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are, or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Whoever keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of God. Alleluia!

Gospel: *Matthew 5: 38-48*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'you have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man take you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your father in heaven for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Memorial Acclamation: *Number Two*

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

SUNG VESPERS on SUNDAYS: Every second and fourth Sunday of the month Vespers, the evening portion of the Divine Office, is sung in MI church at 4pm in the Extraordinary Form.

ARE YOU A NEW PARISHIONER?
OR ARE YOU FROM ELSEWHERE IN BRISBANE BUT 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 on the collection plate or mail to our Parish Office:
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……

Address……

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Phone……..Mobile……

E-mail……