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Fifth Sunday of Easter

9th / 10th May, 2020

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Each morning I go out for a walk, usually as the sun rises. As I venture out I listen to a reflection on God's Word from the Pray as you Go app. This sets me up for the day. As I continue to walk I usually listen to other words, often enough from an ABC program, God Forbid, Soul Search or Conversations. A couple of days ago Conversations was presented by Sarah Kanowski and was with Naomi Shihab Nye, an American Poet. The Conversation was titled Kindness and coincidence. I thought that Naomi's poem dovetailed nicely into the circumstances of our world today, and as we celebrate Mother's Day this weekend. I hope you find these words fulfilling in the light of the one who is the Word, and who brings to life the kind, compassionate, loving words of a God who mothers us into Life.

Blessings, Fr David

Kindness

Before you know what kindness really is you must lose things,
feel the future dissolve in a moment like salt in a weakened broth.
What you held in your hand, what you counted and carefully saved,
all this must go so you know how desolate the landscape can be
between the regions of kindness.
How you ride and ride thinking the bus will never stop,
the passengers eating maize and chicken will stare out the window forever.
Before you learn the tender gravity of kindness
you must travel where the Indian in a white poncho lies dead by the side of the
road.
You must see how this could be you, how he too was someone
who journeyed through the night with plans
and the simple breath that kept him alive.
Before you know kindness as the deepest thing inside,
you must know sorrow as the other deepest thing.
You must wake up with sorrow. You must speak to it till your voice
catches the thread of all sorrows and you see the size of the cloth.
Then it is only kindness that makes sense anymore,
only kindness that ties your shoes and sends you out into the day to gaze at
bread,
only kindness that raises its head from the crowd of the world to say
It is I you have been looking for, and then goes with you everywhere
like a shadow or a friend.

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Happy Mother's Day to all our Mum's

A woman who is at rest
with herself has nothing
to prove to others.

She embraces her strengths
and cheers others on with a pure heart.

Her light shines brightly.

Her words are seasoned with
kindness, goodness and grace.

She is peaceful and edifies others.

She is secure in her Heavenly Father.



Pope Francis on Prayer

Faith, Pope Francis said, "is having two hands raised (and) a voice that cries out to implore the gift of salvation."

Humility, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church says, is essential for authentic prayer, the pope added, because prayer arises from knowing "our state of precariousness, our continual thirst for God."

"Faith is a cry," he said, while "nonfaith is suffocating that cry, a kind of 'omerta,'" he said, using the word for the mafia code of silence.

"Faith is protesting against a painful situation we do not understand," he said, while "nonfaith is limiting ourselves to enduring a situation we have become accustomed to. Faith is the hope of being saved; nonfaith is getting used to the evil that oppresses us."

Obviously, the pope said, Christians are not the only ones who pray because every man and woman has within themselves the desire for mercy and aid.

"As we continue on our pilgrimage of faith, may we, like Bartimaeus, always persevere in prayer, especially in our darkest moments, and ask the Lord with confidence: 'Jesus have mercy on me. Jesus, have mercy on us!'"

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SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

This Sunday - Fifth Sunday of Easter

(Yr A)

Acts 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12

Weekday Readings During Easter Time

Monday Acts 14:5-18; John 14: 21-26

Tuesday Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31

Wednesday Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8

Thursday St Matthias Acts 1:15-17,20-26; John 15:9-17

Friday Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17

Saturday Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21

Next Sunday - Sixth Sunday of Easter

(Yr A)

Acts 8:5-8,14-17; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Terence Gearing, Carol Casey O'Brien,
Mick Novotny, June Walton, John Gleeson,
Stan Janas, Marilynne Morris, Edward Merritt MSC,
Desley Connolly, Betty Sproker,
Colleen Ryan, Kay Maher, Bob Bowra,
Agnes Brennan, Leslie Chapman, Unika Beibly
& Patricia Harvey who have recently gone to their
eternal reward.

Also our family & friends whose anniversaries occur
at this time and our sick, especially our
Parishioners, family members and friends.

Parish Facebook Page

@livingwatersparish

Our Facebook page is doing so much better than we first anticipated when we set it up 5 weeks ago.

Thanks to all those who have liked/followed us.

In this current climate Social Media has fast become a way of life for people of all ages. We try to keep our content both social and personal while trying to keep you informed all at the same time. We were wondering - is there anything that you would like us to include that we may not have covered in the website or are you happy with the way we are travelling? Please let us know & if we can, we'll accommodate. PS if you haven't liked/followed yet please do so as it pushes our visibility up. Cheers!

Mass Times This Weekend

Our Priests will celebrate Mass at the following Mass Centres this Sunday. We will upload to our Facebook page at approximately 9.30am for you to view.

8.00 am at St Michael's with Fr David

8.00 am at St Peter's with Fr Lucius

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The Good News

from the Archdiocese of Brisbane



A note from Archbishop Mark

It looks as if we're heading for a relaxation of some of the COVID-19 restrictions, and that's a good thing. Our churches may soon be reopened for private prayer, as long as all the required precautions are taken. But the journey ahead will be long, and it will have to move in stages. Perhaps things will never be the same again. The crisis has focused more dramatically than ever the scourge of domestic violence, and as a Church and as a society we'll have to address this more directly than we have until now. On the other side of the coin, there's the extraordinary tenderness that has been shown through these dark days; and we remember that when we celebrate Mother's Day. In the love of a mother, a child first learns that life is good and beautiful; and that's something we all need to learn over and over again when things are tough and gloomy. We need to commit to what Pope Francis calls "the revolution of tenderness". That love is our anchor when things are falling apart. It's that tender love which shows the truth of God's kingdom when darker powers seem to hold sway. So as the restrictions begin to ease, we remember what it is that will take us into the future.