



16TH MARCH 2014
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A

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Reflection

Each year on the second Sunday of Lent, the liturgy's gospel reading tells of the Transfiguration. This year we hear Matthew's account. Throughout our long Lenten observance, we are encouraged to keep in mind the triumphant glory of the Saviour that we are preparing to celebrate, and the challenge it brings to us. All three gospels link the Transfiguration with the warning of Jesus, that he was 'destined to suffer' in Jerusalem, and that those who are his true followers must 'take up their cross and follow him'.

What is the basis of this mysterious narrative, that is not easy to relate to the later attitudes displayed by the apostles as the story of the gospels unfolds? It had obvious importance for the Church of the beginnings, because it is given in all three synoptic gospels. Luke associates this experience of the three apostles - who were to witness the agony of Jesus in the garden - with a moment in which Jesus led them in prayer. Perhaps the narrative has its basis in an ecstatic prayer experience. Perhaps the more restrained presentation of Luke, the gentile convert, is significant. Luke avoids reference to a metamorphosis ('transfiguration'), a phenomenon associated with the gods of the pagan mythology. He merely states that 'the aspect of Jesus' face was changed'. No doubt, the early Church saw this narrative as an important expression of their faith in the Saviour - as sharing in the Father's greatness and glory, even in the obscurity of his earthly life.

Matthew's recounting of this tradition, with its many references to biblical themes familiar to the Jewish converts of his community, presents the Jesus of the Transfiguration as fulfilling what was prefigured in the history of old Israel: the 'mountain' reminds us of the defining moment of the Sinai covenant; 'Moses and Elijah', representing the Law

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*The name of Jesus is the glory of preachers,
 because the shining splendour of that name
 causes God's word to be proclaimed and heard.*

Gathering Hymn	GA304 Return to God
Psalm Response	Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.
Recessional Hymn	GA303 Grant to Us O Lord a Heart Renewed (refrain only)

MASS TIMES



ST. BERNARDINE'S CHURCH

25 Vergulde Road, Regents Park

- Mon 17th Mar** 7.30am
- Wed 19th Mar** 9.00am
- Sat 22nd Mar** 5.15pm *Reconciliation*
6.00pm
- Sun 23rd Mar** 7.30am, 9.00am

ST. CATHERINE'S CHURCH

74-76 East Street, Jimboomba

- Thurs 20th Mar** 8.00am
- Sun 23rd Mar** 5.30pm

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Corner of Stoney Camp Road and
Mt. Lindesay Highway, Park Ridge

- Sun 23rd Mar** 7.30am

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12-16 Fedrick Street, Boronia Heights

- Mon 17th Mar** 8.00am
- Tues 18th Mar** 9.00am
- Wed 19th Mar** 9.00am
- Thurs 20th Mar** 8.00am
- Fri 21st Mar** 9.00am
(Friday only— Hostel Community Hall)

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday 16th March

Second Sunday of Lent

Monday 17th March

9.30am Prayer Group ~ St Bernardine's Church

Tuesday 18th March

7.00pm Stations of the Cross
~ St Bernardine's Church

Thursday 20th March

9.30am Craft Group ~ Logan West Library

Friday 21st March

9.30am Stations of the Cross
~ St Catherine's Church

Sunday 23rd March

Third Sunday of Lent
10.30am Baptisms ~ St Bernardine's Church

Today's Readings:	Next Week's Readings:
Gen 12:1-4	Ex 17:3-7
Tim 1:8-10	Rom 5:1-2, 5-8
Mat 17:1-9	Mat 3:1-12

The mystery of Faith (3)

Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.

and the Prophets, both have close links with Sinai; the 'cloud' recalls the 'shekinah' cloud that was an expression of Yahweh's presence during the Exodus; the shining face of Jesus reminds us of the face of Moses when he came down from the mountain; Peter's reference to the 'three tents', or booths, recalls the Jewish feast of Tabernacles, when the people lived in booths celebrating their arrival in the promised land – a celebration of the kingship of Yahweh that came to be filled with messianic expectations. Matthew adds to the words of the Father from the cloud a reference to one of the songs of the Suffering Servant (Is 42:1), bringing us back to the association of the Transfiguration with the warning of Jesus - of the ordeal that lay ahead of him in Jerusalem, and the challenge of discipleship.....

Fr John Thornhill



This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him.

PARISH NOTICES

Parish Sacramental Program

On Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th April, families with children preparing for Reconciliation will attend a short interview to discuss how their child/children have progressed with the workbook over the previous weeks.

10 volunteers are needed to assist with this process, so that the interviews can be completed in a reasonable time. Parishioners who are willing to assist are invited to contact the parish office for more information.

Multicultural Day 2014

St Bernardine's Parish is planning a Multicultural Day later this year. To ensure its success, many hands will be needed, so parishioners are invited at this stage to consider being part of the celebration.

There are many aspects to this event, starting with the Liturgy through to the entertainment and cultural food sharing after Mass. Everyone is welcome to participate. Forms are available at the end of Mass to collect your expressions of interest and assistance. Cecilia Iannuzzi - mobile 0438 002 150.

OTHER NOTICES

St. Stephen's Cathedral Concert Series presents its first concert for 2014 in a program entitled *Music for His Majesty's Pleasure*, presented by Australian Baroque Brass on Sunday March 30 at 4.00 pm. The associate artist is QCM Trumpet Ensemble. Admission is \$25 (adults) and \$20 (concession). The Cathedral is located at 249 Elizabeth St,

Brisbane, and concert goers may use the Cathedral car park from 3.00 (entrance from Charlotte Street). For further information call 07 3876 6812 or visit the Cathedral music website www.ststephensmusic.com

Ignite Launch - a day at MovieWorld

Saturday 3 May

All young people invited to the newest Catholic youth event in Brisbane - a day of Movie World rides and attractions followed by dance party and concert after the park closes.

Cost is \$90 - same as normal day entry, but includes dinner and night event. Families and adults also welcome.

Full details and registration at www.igniteyouth.com/launch. or contact Scotty McDonald on (07) 3217 5199.

Assistant Chaplain

The Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplaincy Committee is seeking suitable applicants for the position of Assistant Chaplain to work at the Gold Coast campus of Griffith University for 6 hours per week throughout the 2014 teaching semesters. This position will begin as soon as possible following the interview and appointment process. For further information, please contact The Chair: Scott Frame, 28 Semillon Street, Thornlands Q 4164. (0404) 080 004 scott.frame@ave.salvationarmy.org Applications close Friday 21st March 2014.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Second Sunday of Lent



Your donation to Project Compassion helps Caritas Australia pursue justice and assist those who are the most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice.

This week we meet Deng who is blind and had to flee his village during the civil war, returning to his home village in 2005.

Thanks to Caritas Australia partner, *Hope Agency for Relief and Development*, Deng and his family have received goats, chickens, fishing nets and a selection of seeds to plant.

With your support, families like Deng's can be confident of a more secure future and can rebuild their lives.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord, we give thanks for our food and those who grow it and prepare it.

We ask you to bless Deng's harvest with abundance. We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord.

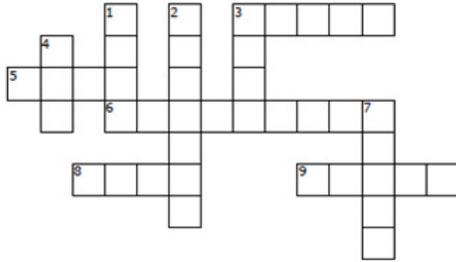
Amen.

Kids Corner

Born Again!

In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again."
John 3:3 (NIV)

*New Life in
Christ*



ACROSS

3. A clear, colorless liquid; H₂O
5. To receive sounds with your ears
6. A Pharisee who went to Jesus at night
8. The period from birth until death
9. The real facts about something; not false

DOWN

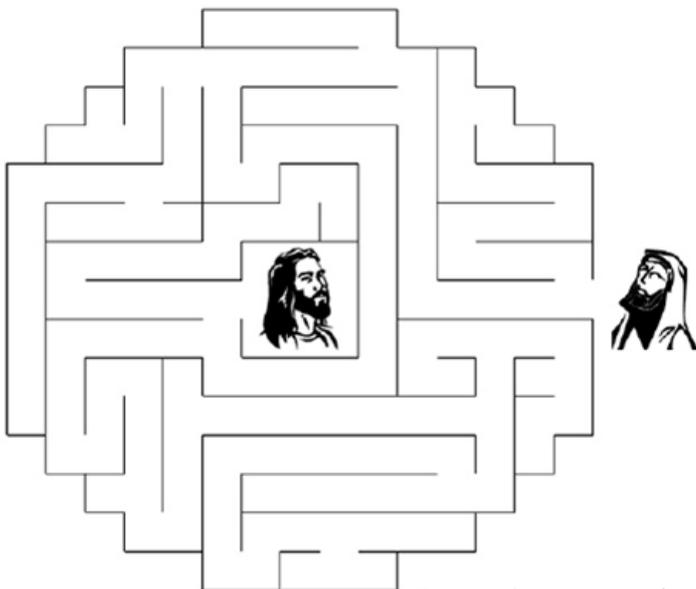
1. To be brought into life by birth
2. A person who instructs or trains others
3. The movement of air outside
4. To observe by using your eyes
7. Something that can be heard

HEAR	TRUTH	NICODEMUS	WIND	TEACHER
WATER	SOUND	SEE	LIFE	BORN

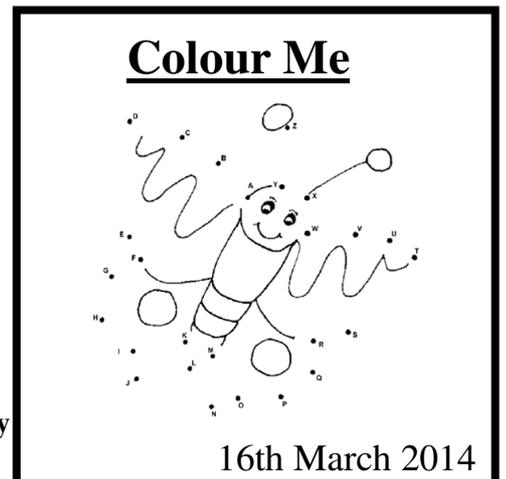
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BIRTH	TRUTH	SPIRIT	NIGHT	JEWISH
PHARISEE	AGAIN	ETERNAL	MAN	RABBI
BORN	WORLD	KINGDOM	NICODEMUS	FLESH
JESUS	LOVED	TEACHER	LIFE	WATER

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