# St Joseph's Catholic Parish

Fourth Sunday of Lent Year B, 10 March, 2024 Embracing the communities of Cherbourg, Goomeri, Murgon, Proston and Wondai



Unity in diversity ... being one in Christ Through Baptism!



"Go and fear nothing, I will help you"

# Our Lady Of Champion

When Adele Brise was a young girl, while making soap with her family, some lye burned her eye. She was blind in her right eye for the rest of her life, but she continued to do all the chores required in her family.

Adele, too, learned to pray along with her work, and her devotion as a child was strong. She and her family moved from Belgium to America where Adele had a dream to become a religious sister,

By the time she was 24, Adele and her family had moved to Green Bay, Wisconsin, and they bought more than 200 acres of farmland. Adele still did not understand the desire God had given to her to become a nun, but she continued to trust in God. In 1859, Adele was doing her work, when a lady appeared to her. She was dressed in white and floating between two trees. She told her parents about the lady. When the lady appeared again to Adele, she was with her sister and a neighbour, but they could not see her. Thankfully, her parish priest gave Adele some advice about what to ask the lady if she saw her again.

When she next appeared, the lady told Adele to gather the children in that country and teach them the faith. Believing the lady to be Our Lady, she travelled around the countryside to teach the children. Adele remembered that Our Lady told her: "Go and fear nothing. I will help you." Adele's father built a chapel for Our Lady in the spot where she first appeared to Adele, and Adele started the community of the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi. Her dream to become a religious sister was made possible through Our Lady's instructions. Adele and her community started a school, St. Mary's Academy.

In 1871 a forest fire broke out nearby. People fled to the chapel for protection. While hundreds of surrounding acres were burned, the six acres that had been dedicated to Our Lady were untouched.

In 2010, Bishop Ricken of Green Bay declared the events worthy of belief, and there is a national shrine where Our Lady first appeared to Adele. Patrick O Hearn, NCR

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Sunday Mass Times		
Murgon		
WEEK	DAY	TIME
every	Sunday	8.00am
Wondai		
WEEK	DAY	TIME
every	Saturday	5.00pm
Proston		
every	Saturday	9.00am
Goomeri		
WEEK	DAY	TIME
every	Sunday (except 5th Sunday)	6.00pm
Gayndah		
WEEK	DAY	TIME
every	1st, 3rd, 5th	10.30am
every	2nd, 4th	9.00am
Cherbourg		
WEEK	DAY	TIME
5	Sunday	4.30pm
Weekday Mass Times		
12 noon, Wednesday, Gayndah		
5.00pm, Wednesday, Wondai		
9.00am, Thursday, Murgon		
9.00am, Friday, Castra		
Eucharistic Adoration for Peace		
Wondai, 4.00pm to 5.00pm,		
every Wednesday,		
before Mass		

## Today's readings

Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3: 14-21 *Response:* Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! *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

only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! Next Sunday:

Jeremiah 31: 31-34; Hebrews 5: 7-9; John 12: 20-30



# Christ's 'Seven Last Words'

Father, Forgive Them – "We can choose the way of Jesus. We can choose to forgive. ... That's what Jesus did."

#### With Me in Paradise -

"We hope to one day hear Him say, 'Today you will be with me in Paradise.' ... Until that time, Jesus is with us every single day in the Eucharist."

#### Behold, Your Mother -

"Jesus asks us to look to Mary to learn from her. ... What sorrows can we say 'fiat' with Mary to God for today?"

#### Why Have You Forsaken Me? -

Did you know Jesus recounts the opening of Psalm 22 while on the cross?

#### l Thirst –

"Do you ever think about that? How much the Lord longs for you, waits for you, loves you?"

It Is Accomplished – "He did what the Father had given Him to do."

I Commend My Spirit –

Jesus, in commending his Spirit to the Father, shows us: "The way we live our lives here, especially during our struggles and sufferings, is how we can prove our love, and our trust, and our confidence in God."

#### Lenten blessings!

Father Joseph Mary Wolfe, NCR



### March 2024

For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

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We pray for those who are sick: Annette Duff; Renee Elliott; Glenda Geraghty; David & Trish McIntosh; Gregory Marrinan ; Bob Ricketts.

**Recently deceased:** Janie Baker (The above names will be deleted from the sick list next week. If you would like your loved ones's name to remain please contact the parish office.)

# **Used Postage Stamps**

There is a box at the back of the Wondai church for your used stamps. You can help the 'Mary McKillop International Missions Fund' by collecting used postage stamps that will be sold to raise funds to assist missionaries in helping the people of Peru.

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