

St Benedict's Parish Arcadia



PARISH Masses

Weekend:

Saturday 7:00pm Vigil
Sunday 9:00am
Sunday 10:30am

Weekday:

Mondays to Thursdays 9:30am
Fridays 6.30pm Adoration
7:00pm Mass & Confession
(Reconciliation)
Saturdays 10am to 11am
Adoration & Confession
(Reconciliation)

MONASTERY CHAPEL Masses

Sundays 7:00am
Daily 7:00am

Please contact Father Hilarion for the following:

BAPTISMS
RECONCILIATION
FOR THE SICK
MARRIAGES
FUNERALS

Fr Hilarion: 0478 909 541

PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD
Year C
9 & 10 April 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The children of the Hebrews, carrying olive branches,
went to meet the Lord, crying out and saying:
Hosanna in the highest.

SUNDAY HOLY MASS PRAYER

Let us pray:

Almighty ever-living God,
who as an example of humility for the human race to follow
caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross,
graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering
and so merit a share in his Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

PALM SUNDAY

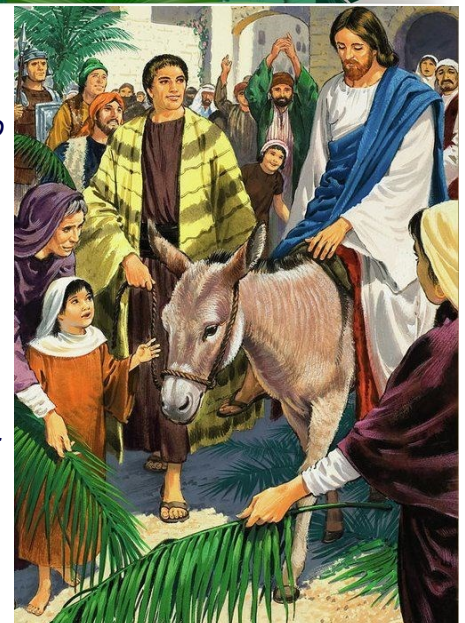
Jesus,

*This Easter
I have no palm leaves to
wave to honour You as
King.*

*All I have,
Are the empty palms
Of my outstretched
hands.*

*Take my hands today,
And use them to honour
You.*

Amen.



First Reading*Isaiah 50:4-7 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue.

So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults.

So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord.***Thanks be to God.*****Responsorial Psalm:****R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?****Second Reading***Philippians 2:6-11 (JB)*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.***Thanks be to God.*****Gospel Acclamation**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death,
dying on the cross.

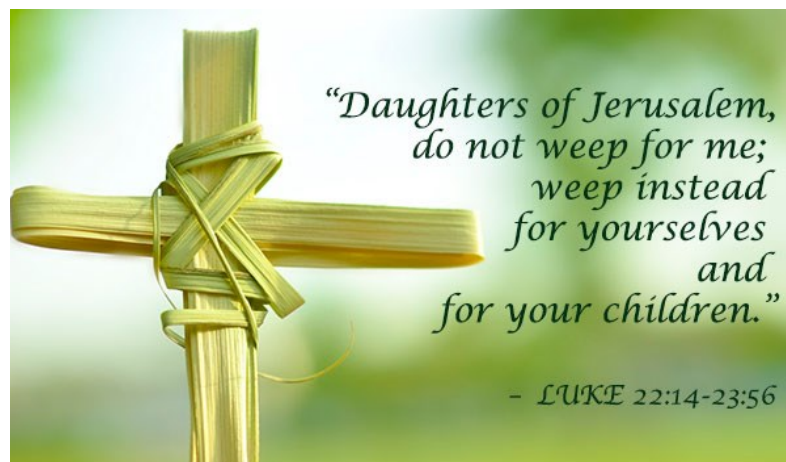
Therefore God raised him on high

and gave him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL*Luke 22:14 - 23:56 (JB)*

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

***The Gospel of the Lord.******Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion - Year C

Luke 22:14-23:56

Today begins the most important week of the Church's year. What are we meant to receive from it? How can we best participate in it? We are accustomed to celebrating the Church's year spread over 12 months: Advent to Christmas, Christmas to Lent, Easter to Pentecost, Pentecost to the Feast of Christ the King.

At the dawn of the Church's life, however, the celebration of this whole cycle was focused on one event: Easter. It was not until the fourth century that the annual liturgical cycle began to take shape it has today. Ask yourself: what's the purpose of these liturgical celebrations, especially that of Palm Sunday? Certainly, the Church makes a memorial of the events of our salvation, but it's so much more than an anniversary or a re-enactment. In the liturgy the once and for all events of our salvation, especially Jesus' death and resurrection, are celebrated and by the power of the Holy Spirit they're made real and present in our midst.

Jesus' coming into Jerusalem on a donkey is made sacramentally present to us today. Zechariah prophesied that the Lord would enter Jerusalem to establish his dominion, 'from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.' (Zech. 9:10). By entering Jerusalem in this way Jesus acted out his prophecy: 'Lo, your king comes to you: triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on an ass, on a colt the foal of an ass.' (Zech.9:9). Jesus revealed his destiny to establish God's kingdom on earth, but this could only be established through his cross, death and resurrection. The same crowd who hailed him as he entered Jerusalem are the same crowd who clamoured for his execution.

Contemplate, if you will, the following words of St Andrew of Crete:

'It is ourselves that we must spread under Christ's feet, not coats or lifeless branches or shoots of trees, matters which waste away and delight the eye only for a few hours. No, we have clothed ourselves with Christ's grace..."for as many of you as were baptised into Christ have put on Christ" - so let us spread ourselves like coats under his feet.'

(Source: Bible Alive—UK—Daily Gospel Reflections p. 55)



Holy Week

HOLY WEEK REMINDERS

Thursday April 14, 2022: HOLY THURSDAY—Mass of the Lord's Supper (gift of the Holy Eucharist & Priesthood).

Friday April 15, 2022: GOOD FRIDAY of the PASSION of the LORD (Day of fasting and abstinence).

Saturday April 16, 2022: HOLY SATURDAY—Easter Vigil in the Holy Night.

Sunday April 17, 2022: EASTER SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION of the LORD.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION

FOR APRIL 2022

Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



THE RULE OF ST BENEDICT

Chapter 4

Daily in one's prayer, with tears and sighs, to confess one's past sins to God.

PARISH FUNDS

Your support as always is much appreciated. For those wanting to make payments directly to our bank account here are the details:

PLEASE NOTE NEW BANK DETAILS

Bank Details for **ONLINE** only donations:

BSB: 062 784

Acct: 100002141

Name: Catholic Parish of Arcadia Bank:

CBA—Catholic Development Fund

As we are slowly becoming a cashless society we would like to remind you that we have a Tap N Go facility available. All you have to do is wave your credit or debit card on the scanner which are located close by to both entry doors. You are also welcome to create an automatic debit to help out our parish. Thank you for your generosity.

CHRISM MASS 2022

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm on **Tuesday, 12 April** at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.

The priests of our Diocese gather for this celebration with Most Rev Bishop Anthony Randazzo to renew their priestly commitment.

During Mass, the oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the Chrism is consecrated and then taken back to each parish for use in various Sacramental liturgies throughout the year.

Parishioners are warmly invited to join together in this celebration. Please contact the parish office before Monday 4 April should you wish to attend.



UKRAINE APPEAL

The people of Ukraine are still desperate for our support. While many remained in the country, millions have fled to shelter and safety in neighbouring countries. They all need food, water, clothing (especially for women and children) and medical supplies. Many aid organisations have responded. If you can contribute below are some contacts:

<https://ukrainecrisisappeal.org>

<https://www.caritas.org.au/ukraine>

<https://aidtochurch.org/ukraine>

<https://jesuitmission.org.au/ukraine/>



PROJECT COMPASSION

Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water. In recent years, COVID-19 has also devastated vulnerable communities already living in poverty, with the health and economic impacts to reverberate for years to come.

It's through the generous support of people like you, even amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, that we are able to continue to help lift vulnerable communities out of poverty – support that is needed now more than ever. Thousands of schools and Parishes in Australia have supported Project Compassion over the past year alone.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help women like Rosalie to succeed in the future, providing hope For All Future Generations.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.



In Our Parish

We welcome into God's family, all who were recently baptised.

We pray for the sick of our Parish, especially *Lyla Abood and Brother Mario*.

We remember in our prayers all our dearly beloved who have died, especially *Greg Lucas*.



NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

16/4/2022 to 17/4/2022

EASTER ROSTERS
SEE SEPARATE ROSTERS FOR:

- HOLY THURSDAY
- GOOD FRIDAY
- STASTIONS OF THE CROSS
- EASTER VIGIL
- EASTER SUNDAY

PIETY STALL

We are selling Easter candles, and platters of sweets. Selling at Easter vigil mass and 9am Easter Sunday if stock available.

Please ring Lila Bacha:

Ph: 9652 1113 or 0418 360 024



HOLY LAND COLLECTION GOOD FRIDAY

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday 15 April 2022.

This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, and housing. It is also used to maintain Churches and Holy Places associated with the life of Jesus.

This year, the Holy Land will continue to face extreme hardship due to the effects of the global pandemic, persecution, conflict and reduction in pilgrims. Your contribution is gratefully received. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land and keep them in your prayers. Thank you.

ENVELOPES FOR HOLY LAND PROVIDED IN CHURCH.

CCC PRAYER GROUP

Prayer meeting held every

Friday nights:

after 7pm Mass

Wednesday mornings:

after 9.30am Mass.

Everyone welcome. **Come and meet new people.**

For more details call Mary Camilleri on 0403 116 987.



CATECHIST NEWS

A big thanks to Natalie for coordinating the Children's Mass last weekend and thanks to all those who participated!

Thanks to those who were able to attend the Catechist meeting this week. Could Catechists please check their emails regarding training being organised, thanks.

Wishing all Catechists and families an enjoyable and restful holiday time as term finished this week and wishing everyone a very holy and blessed Easter! Second term will recommence on Tuesday 26th April with SRE (Scripture) classes starting back the first week.

God bless,
Miriam Brown srearcadia@gmail.com
Parish Catechist Co-ordinator

GALSTON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (GCEA)

TRIVIA NIGHT

The GCEA Executive would love to invite you all to the **GCEA Fundraiser Trivia Night**. It's a wonderful opportunity to support the work being done in Galston High School to support the scripture teacher and have a fun night to boot.

Here are the important details:

What: GCEA Fundraiser Trivia Night
When: **Saturday June 4th - 7pm to 9.30pm**
How much: \$20 / head or \$160 for a table of eight
RSVP: Sunday 29th May

Registration:
Click [here](#) to register and pay for the event.

PLEASE SUPPORT THIS EVENT AS IT HELPS PAY FOR THE ONLY SCRIPTURE TEACHER AT GALSTON HIGH SCHOOL.

GRAB YOUR FRIENDS AND ORGANISE A TABLE, OTHERWISE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO GET ADDED TO A TABLE WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS! GREAT WAY TO MEET NEW PEOPLE.

LENTEN GROUP

Lenten Prayer Group are held at Benigna Cascun's home. The group leader will be Gebran Azzi.



Location: 726A Old Northern Rd, Dural 2158
Day/Time: **LAST SESSION THIS WEDNESDAY, 7:00pm**
Contact: Benigna (phone or text) 0450 311 951
Everyone welcome.

ITALIAN ROSARY GROUP

Every Monday 2.00pm. Everyone welcome.
For more details call Angela Egiziano.
Ph: 9653 2312.



ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Engaged Encounter are holding a retreat on the 30th April – 1 May 2022 for all couples preparing for marriage.



GOT YOUR WEDDING PLANS UNDER CONTROL?

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. For further information visit our web site: www.engagedencounter.org.au Choose any of the coming Weekends: **Apr 30 - May 01; Aug 06-07, Nov 12-13**

If covid-19 restrictions prevent a face-to-face seminar, the CEE weekend will be held via Zoom.

WE NEED FOSTER CARERS

CatholicCare
Diocese of Broken Bay



(02) 4320 7777

www.catholiccareddb.org.au/can-you-help

FOSTER CARERS NEEDED

Tragically, there are many children and young people in our community who are unable to live with their families through no fault of their own.

CatholicCare are looking for foster carers right across the Diocese. We are seeking families to provide essential support, care and stability for children and young people affected by family breakdown, to enable them to recover and thrive. Through our suite of services, and the dedication of our specialist support teams and foster carers, we are transforming the lives of children and young people to create positive futures.

Our priority is to ensure these children and young people have a safe, stable home. If you are interested in knowing more about fostering a child or young person,

please contact us on (02) 4320 7777

or visit www.catholiccareddb.org.au/can-you-help/.

OPPORTUNITY - EXECUTIVE OFFICER, EVANGELISATION BROKEN BAY

We have a wonderful opportunity within the Diocese for an Executive Officer, Evangelisation Broken Bay. This is a newly created permanent, full-time position providing executive and project management support to the Director Evangelisation Broken Bay, implementing the pastoral priorities of the Bishop. The role will also provide support to the Parish Renewal and Discipleship team in implementing strategies for the renewal of parish culture and support for special projects to the Chancellor & Executive Officer.

You'll need to:

- Have relevant tertiary qualifications or equivalent experience in business administration and/or project management.
- Have a sound understanding of the Diocese of Broken Bay and the capacity to quickly understand the contextual differences within each of its geographical locations and faith communities.
- Demonstrate prior experience in a similar role providing executive level support and project management services and managing effective relationships with a range of complex internal and external stakeholders.
- Be able to act independently with sound judgement when to take issues to the next level and when to make decisions and take actions without guidance.
- Have highly developed written and verbal communication skills (especially in business writing and in conversations) including the ability to draft and format briefing papers, reports, executive level correspondence and other communications.
- Demonstrate previous experience managing a team to achieve successful outcomes on time and on budget.

To obtain a copy of the position description or for further details, please contact recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au.

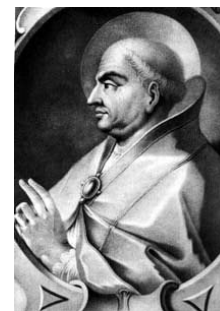
If you are interested in applying for this position, please apply submit your CV and a brief cover letter addressing the skillsets required via email to recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au. Applications close **Thursday 14 April 2022**.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Martin I, Pope and Martyr

Feast Day: April 13

C. 590 - 655



Exiled, alone, abandoned, and starving, a Pope dies for sound theology

After being elected the Bishop of Rome in 649, today's saint called a local Council which established the correct theology of the Church regarding the two wills of Christ. For this teaching and its broad dissemination, Martin was abducted in Rome by emissaries of the Byzantine Emperor Constans II, brought to Constantinople, and humiliated. Martin refused to retract or bend to the Emperor's incorrect theology, which denied that Christ had a human will. Martin was imprisoned, publicly flogged, maltreated, condemned for treason, and exiled from Constantinople to the Crimean Peninsula on the Black Sea. And there the Pope died—naked, starving, forgotten, and alone—far from Rome, in the year 655, a victim of bad theology and the last pope, so far, venerated as a martyr.

The Council of Chalcedon in 451 had synthesized centuries of theological debate by teaching, authoritatively, that the divine nature of the Second Person of the Trinity and the human nature of Jesus were distinct but united in the one person of Jesus Christ. This merging of divine natures in one person is called the hypostatic union. The Son of God, then, truly took flesh and experienced all things, save sin, that a man experiences. So when Jesus said, "I thirst" (Jn 19:28), He didn't mean to say, "Just my human nature is thirsty." And when His majestic voice echoed off the stone walls of Bethany calling, "Lazarus, Come Out!" (Jn 11:43), He didn't mean to say, "The divine nature inside of me, and only the divine nature, says 'Lazarus, Come Out!'"

Yet Eastern Christians, primarily in Egypt and Syria, clung to a Monophysite, or one nature, theology of Jesus Christ long after Chalcedon had settled the matter. The Second Council of Constantinople in 553 attempted, unsuccessfully, to pull the Monophysites back into the orbit of Chalcedon. By the 600s, tensions between Chalcedonians and Monophysites were a political problem for the Byzantine empire. So some Eastern theologians, supported by the Emperor, looked for common ground and proposed a one-willed Christ, instead of a one-natured Christ. This one-will heresy is called Monothelitism (monos = one; thelos = will). The issue of Christ's will(s) had never been formally resolved, so the Emperor hoped a one-willed, instead of a one-natured, Christ would placate the Monophysites and unite his theologically diverse subjects.

Chalcedon's teaching on Christ's two natures was ontological, or just logical, and did not explain how a person operates with dual intellects and wills. Monothelitists argued that if Christ's two natures could seamlessly unite in one person, then so could His two wills. There was no human will in Christ, the argument went, because it was totally subsumed into the mightier divine will. But Pope Martin and others knew that this was theologically impossible, since a Christ without a functioning human will would have been a zombie, a ghost of a man. Nor could one argue that Jesus had one will divided into a divine and a human sphere, as Jesus was not a schizophrenic with a split identity.

Martin's theology of the two wills was vindicated when it was explicitly defined by the Third Council of Constantinople in 681. This Council taught Christ's human will was "in subjection to his divine and all-powerful will." That is, Christ's two wills were separate in their natures but freely united in their object. How do two wills inside of one person enter into communion? In the same way that two wills in two different persons enter into communion. Each will gives free and independent assent to a principle, idea, or truth shared with the other will. The two wills retain their independence but freely unite in their assent to a common value. Thus Jesus' human will, in total freedom, submitted to the will of the Son of God.

During his captivity, Martin was hurt by the indifference which the Church of Saint Peter in Rome paid to one of their own. Martin was also deeply pained when a new Pope was elected though he was still alive. It is every pope's duty to preserve the unity and integrity of the Church by preserving the unity and integrity of Christ. Martin did just that. The fruits of Martin's martyrdom advanced theology toward its correct conclusion on Christ's two wills in the decades after he died, even though poor Martin himself has been largely forgotten. His remains were returned to the Eternal City after his death and he now rests in peace somewhere under the marble floor of Saint Peter's Basilica.

Pope Saint Martin I, through your intercession before the Father in Heaven, fortify all teachers and leaders of the Church to remain steadfast in the truth, to advocate for the truth, and to suffer for the truth, no matter the personal cost. AMEN.



Vinnies Flood Appeals

In response to the devastating floods impacting across NSW the St Vincent de Paul Society has launched an emergency flood appeal to assist residents with their immediate needs as well as longer-term recovery. Donate at <https://www.vinnies.org.au/nswfloodappeal>

Catastrophic floods in particular have impacted Lismore and many towns across north-eastern NSW. To help those affected in the Diocese of Lismore from the unprecedented disaster, Bishop Greg Homering OCD has launched a fundraising appeal for support.

More information and to donate at <https://www.lismorediocese.org/>



Palm Sunday



Palm Sunday	April 9th 2022 7pm - Vigil Mass
	April 10th 2022 7am - Monastery
	9am & 10.30am - Parish Church
Holy Thursday	April 14th 2022 7.30pm Parish Church
Good Friday	April 15th 2022 10.30am - Stations of the Cross
	3pm - Passion of the Lord
Holy Saturday	April 16th 2022 7.30pm - Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday	April 17th 2022 7am - Monastery
	9am & 10.30am (Latin) - Parish Church

SAFEGUARDING MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St Benedict's Parish are committed to fostering a community of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our commitment is underscored by our faith in Jesus Christ.

If you have a concern for the safety and wellbeing of a child, young person or vulnerable adult, tell someone who can help. These people in our parish can help: Fr Hilarion 0478 909 541, Lorraine Dailey 0416 081 882, Office for Safeguarding 83791605.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

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For all parish Occupational Health & Safety and Safeguarding Children matters Contact: Lorraine Dailey on 0416 081 882.

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