

LITURGY RUN SHEET
4th Sunday in Lent, Year B
10th March 2024

NOTES:

SC 9am – Children's Liturgy

SK 6pm – Youth Mass – Laura Kelly received into the Church

ROSTER:

	SAT 5.30	SUN 7.30	SUN 9AM	SUN 9.30	SUN 6PM
Presider	Myk	Senan	Paul	John	Jojo
Mass Intention	Patricia Jewell (A)		Kevin McGrath (R)	Guy Griffiths (R)	
Coordinator			Gabrielle Maria		
Senior Server	Louise	Michael	Ilde	Catherine	Claire-Louise
Readers	Bob Val Margaret	Judith Jenny	Maria, Francesca	Terry Brian C	Youth Readers
Music	TBA	None	TBA	Anushka	Simon

NO BAPTISMS DURING LENT

	NAME OF CHILD	PARENTS
St Cecilia's, 10.30		
St Kieran's, 11.30		

BAPTISM PRESENTATIONS

St Cecilia's, 9am	Olivia Rose Seaegg	Joel & Karen
St Kieran's, 9.30am		

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WELCOME TO THE ASSEMBLY

My name is _____ and I wish you all a good evening/morning.

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land and their ongoing connection to the lands and waterways. We pay our respect to their elders past and present, and to all First Nations people in our community.

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Lent. The spirit of Lent invites us to recall our sins and failings, moving us to be sorry for them. However, our sorrow over our dark past should lead not to pessimism but to hope. Because we have been gifted with the immeasurable riches of God's grace, we have come to the light and are called to bring Christ's light to our world.

Please stand together with us now as we greet one another and begin our Mass.
(PAUSE)

Thank you.

The priest presiding at this Mass is Fr. _____

9am SC

PRESIDER – Please call forward the children for Children's Liturgy.

Sat 5.30pm	Fr Myk
Sun 7.30am	Fr Senan
Sun 9am	Fr Paul
Sun 9.30am	Fr John
Sun 6pm	Fr Jojo

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

4th SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR B

PRESIDER God's constant love for us is the source of hope for our salvation. Trusting in His merciful love, we present our petitions to him and our community.

RESPONSE Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Universal Church and all people of goodwill: May they always respond promptly to God's call to conversion.
Let us pray! **R.**

For the Holy Father and all our spiritual leaders, the prophets of God in our midst: May all Christians hear their call to an ever-greater faithfulness. Let us pray! **R.**

For all parents and teachers: May they succeed in leading their children and students to appreciate God's love and respond to it with constant fidelity. Let us pray! **R.**

For all those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world: May inflame the Church with the courage and missionary enthusiasm. Let us pray! **R.**

For the youth and young adults in our community: may they be empowered to a life of virtue and holiness; find strength and guidance in the teachings of Jesus and be supported and surrounded by mentors, role models, and opportunities for spiritual growth and formation. Let us pray! **R.**

For our Alpha group, its participants, and all those who are seeking to deepen their Christian faith: may they be filled with a spirit of openness and receptivity to God's word and guidance, and we keep them in our prayers over the days ahead.
Let us pray. **R.**

May those who have died in the present wars and through captivity find life in God. We remember those who have died recently: **Sue Walker, Guy Griffiths, Kevin McGrath, Fr Alberto Esmeralda OSA, Harry Cave** and those whose anniversaries occur: **Patricia Jewell** Let us pray to the Lord. **R.**

PRESIDER God of holiness and compassion, we thank You for Your merciful love. Keep us faithful to our commitments and make us instruments of Your saving love for our neighbour, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a **change in Sunday evening Mass time** at St Kieran's from 6pm to 5pm commencing Sunday 7th April.

Stations of the Cross are on Fridays during Lent at 7.30pm in St Kieran's Church. All ages are welcome and prayer guides are provided.

Palm Sunday is on 24th March. If you have palm branches or fronds that you can donate, please bring to the parish office on Friday 22nd. If they are pre-cut it will be a great help.

If you would like to donate some **sweet or savoury biscuits or chips for the Alpha course**, boxes are in the church foyer –or if you'd like to donate a dessert or meal please contact Maria Dunn – details in bulletin.

The **Alpha course is currently running at 6.45pm on Friday evenings** in the parish centre – you're welcome to come and give it a try in a friendly and informal environment.

You're invited to join us for **Holy Thursday Passover Meal** of lamb, salad and bread in the parish centre commencing at 6pm prior to Holy Thursday Mass at 7.30pm. Lamb and bread will be provided – feel free to bring red wine and green salad to share.

Easter Triduum Mass times are advertised in the bulletin and on the church notice boards. There will be no evening Mass on Easter Sunday.

You can now donate to the parish, clergy and Pastoral Works fund on the Parish Giving Broken Bay app. You can also donate directly to the parish by scanning the QR code on the back of the bulletin.

Our **next Youth Mass will be on Sunday 12 May** at St Kieran's **at the new time of 5pm** followed by sausage sizzle in the parish centre.

Sign up forms are in the Church entrance for Readers over the Easter Triduum. Please add your name to the list if you'd like to assist.

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT, Year B

First Reading

2 Chronicles 36:14-16. 19-23

A reading from the second book of Chronicles

The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.'

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: "Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 136. R. v.6

(R.) Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

1. By the rivers of Babylon
there we sat and wept,
remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there
we hung our harps. **(R.)**
2. For it was there that they asked us,
our captors, for songs,
our oppressors, for joy.

'Sing to us,' they said,
'one of Zion's songs.' (R.)

3. O how could we sing
the song of the Lord
on alien soil?
If I forget you, Jerusalem,
let my right hand wither! (R.)

4. O let my tongue
cleave to my mouth
if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem
above all my joys! (R.)

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:4-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 3:16

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 have eternal life.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

John 3:14-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

God sent his Son into the world that we might be saved through him.

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

‘The Son of Man must be lifted up
as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,
so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.
Yes, God loved the world so much
that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost
but may have eternal life.
For God sent his Son into the world
not to condemn the world,
but so that through him the world might be saved.
No one who believes in him will be condemned;
but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already,
because he has refused to believe
in the name of God’s only Son.
On these grounds is sentence pronounced:
that though the light has come into the world
men have shown they prefer
darkness to the light
because their deeds were evil.
And indeed, everybody who does wrong
hates the light and avoids it,
for fear his actions should be exposed;
but the man who lives by the truth
comes out into the light,
so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 17 March

	SAT 5.30	SUN 7.30	SUN 9AM	SUN 9.30	SUN 6PM
Coordinator					
Senior Server	Stephen	Michael	Ian	Catherine	Claire-Louise
Readers	Rick Elizabeth-Anne	Andrew Elsie	Kerry Sandra	Cathie Dale	Jo Rodney
Musician	Filipino Choir	No music	Conmen	Joshua 24:15	Sam
Welcomer	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed