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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

"Blessed is the king who comes
in the name of the Lord."
- Lk 19:38

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1ST READING

Isaiah 43:16-21

God has done and will continue to do great things.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 125. R. v.3

*The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.*

2ND READING

Philippians 3:8-14

Paul forfeits all for Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Joel 2:12-13

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!
With all your heart turn to me,
for I am tender and compassionate.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!*

GOSPEL

John 8:1-11

The Pharisees confront Jesus with an adulteress.

MASS & LITURGY TIMES

CHURCH OF ST. CECILIA

Wanganella St and White St, Balgowlah 2093

MASS:

Wednesday, 9am
Sunday, 9am

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 10.30am
1st Sundays of the month (within the 9am Mass)

*Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.
Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.*

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 5.00 to 5.45pm
Church of St. Kieran

YOUTH MASS:

2nd Sundays of the month
during the school term.

WEDDING:

Require six months notice and
include Pre-Marriage Course as
part of the preparation.

CHURCH OF ST. KIERAN

2 King Street, Manly Vale 2093

MASS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday*, Saturday,
8.30am
Saturday (Vigil), 5.30pm
Sunday, 7.30am, 9.30am, 5pm

** Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament after Mass
on Fridays.*

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 11.30am
1st Sundays of the month (within the 9.30am Mass)

*Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.
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In the spirit of reconciliation the Catholic Community of North Harbour acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of these lands on which we gather.
We recognise their continuing connection to the lands and waterways and pay our respect to their elders past and present
and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.



WELCOME TO NORTH HARBOUR

- YOU ARE INVITED
- JOIN US IN OUR VARIED CELEBRATIONS & ACTIVITIES
- CONSIDER SHARING YOUR GIFTS TO US

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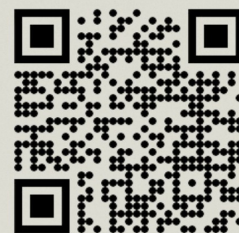


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WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Where do Palm Sunday palms come from and where should they go?

Answer:

The Palm Sunday celebration has ancient origins. Beginning the liturgy "outside" the church, we symbolically reenact Christ's entry into Jerusalem. The crowds in ancient Israel waved palm branches – a symbol of royalty – to welcome Jesus. These days, obtaining palms takes a lot of planning and coordination, as hundreds of thousands of churches worldwide need them on the same day! Many in the United States order palms from Florida, California, Texas, or Central America. Many companies stress the sustainability of their production and the just wages paid to their workers.

The palms used on Palm Sunday are blessed at Mass. This means they shouldn't end up in the bin! Many people weave palms into crosses or families display them in their homes. If you do not plan on displaying your palms throughout the year, they should be burned, buried, or left at the church. In the final case, the palms are burned to provide the ashes for next year's Ash Wednesday service. ©LPI

BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

Every Palm Sunday, I remember the years of being distracted by wiggling children and the shuffling feet of teenagers as the Passion was read. This story of Jesus' last twenty-four hours is a long reading.

It begins with Jesus getting ready to celebrate the Jewish feast of the Passover with his friends. The Jewish Passover is the celebration of Moses bringing the Jews out of Egypt to freedom. Within three days the world would be celebrating a new freedom.

Jesus sends his apostles to find a suitable place to celebrate the great feast. They meet in an upper room where Jesus has his last meal with his friends. At this meal, Jesus gives them (and us) the great gift of himself as he blesses the bread and wine.

After the meal, Jesus goes to pray in the garden, where he is arrested. He then appears before the chief priest and Pharisees and before the Roman official Pilate. At first Pilate orders that Jesus be scourged and beaten, but the crowd (the same crowd that only a week earlier hailed him with palms and cheers) protests: "Crucify him!" Pilate eventually relents. Jesus, condemned to die, carries his own cross through the city to a hillside outside the gates. There he is nailed to the cross, and, after three hours, he dies. And, as prophesied, three days later Jesus rises from the dead. (The latter is not part of the Palm Sunday reading; rather we hear about this next week at Easter.)

In the short span of three days, Jesus brings about a new Passover. Like Moses of that first Passover, Jesus brings us out of slavery, the slavery of fear, greed and prejudice, to freedom. The Passion and death, along with the Resurrection, are the very heart of the gospel.

FAMILY RESPONSE:

Help your children recall the story of the Passion. Read it from a good children's Bible, or tell it in your own words. Put together your own Way of the Cross. As a family, choose six to ten events from the last days of Jesus' life. Draw a picture of each event and hang them all on the walls around your house. As you walk around to each picture, make up a prayer for each station.

PERSONAL RESPONSE:

Often our own problems or crosses are mirrored in the events of Jesus' Passion. (Jesus is rejected. He falls for the second time.) Choose one or two of the events of the Passion and, in the space below, write a brief prayer concerning them.



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WEEKLY SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGES

Jesus Christ, Superstar! Palm Sunday reminds us that it is easy to love someone who is successful, especially when that someone is on our side. What happens when our superstars and heroes fail and disappoint us? We often forget the good they've done, and we join the chorus of critics. The challenge this week is to identify a superstar whom we may have criticised because this celebrity let us down. How can we offer compassionate words when others are engaged in slander?



PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to parishioners who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving the sacraments, contact Parish Office.

CARE FOR CREATION TIPS

"The whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen ... Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'"—Luke 19:37, 39-40

This week, spend some time in nature (whether it's in a forest, in your backyard, or even just contemplating a weed growing through a crack in the sidewalk). Quiet yourself and look and listen for how creation praises the Lord.

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AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS

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Edith Jane
and
Freda Joyce
daughters of
Nicholas & Emma Skulander

PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

SICK:

Odette James, Peter and Jan Van de Velde,
Joyce Arnold, Cecilia Yeung, Erroll Abbott, Greg Hyde

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Argyna Marie Santiago, Laureen Lawler, Rein Huisman (Abel's uncle),
Robyn Hukyns, Allan Hill, Laureen Lawler, Bill O'Donnell

ANNIVERSARIES:

Edmond Maher, Joyce Bourke, John Zeigler, Allan Hill,
Antonio Coniglio, Gina & John Grupelli, Ivo Tracogna, Abigail Connell

Our community would love to pray for you.
If you have an intention you would like to be included in this bulletin please e-mail
office@nhcatholic.org.au



EASTER TRIDUUM AT NORTH HARBOUR PARISH

HOLY THURSDAY (APRIL 17)

7:30PM: MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (ST KIERAN'S CHURCH)
FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, AND NIGHT PRAYER AT 10:00PM.

GOOD FRIDAY (APRIL 18)

9:00AM: STATIONS OF THE CROSS (TANIA PARK, BALGOWLAH HEIGHTS
IN THE EVENT OF WET WEATHER, STATIONS WILL BE HELD AT ST KIERAN'S CHURCH

2:00PM: RECONCILIATION (ST KIERAN'S CHURCH)

3:00PM: PASSION OF THE LORD (ST KIERAN'S CHURCH)
3:00PM: PASSION OF THE LORD (ST CECILIA'S CHURCH)

HOLY SATURDAY (APRIL 19)

8:30AM: MORNING PRAYER (ST KIERAN'S CHURCH)
5:00PM: RECONCILIATION (ST KIERAN'S CHURCH)
7:00PM: EASTER VIGIL (ST KIERAN'S CHURCH)

EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 20)

7:30AM: MASS (ST KIERAN'S CHURCH)
9:00AM: MASS (ST CECILIA'S CHURCH)
9:30AM: MASS (ST KIERAN'S CHURCH)



DID YOU KNOW?

THE CELEBRATION
OF THE PASCHAL
VIGIL ON THE
EVENING OF HOLY
SATURDAY MARKS
THE END OF HOLY
WEEK AND THE
PASCHAL TRIDUUM.



GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

North Harbour Parish
Stations of the Cross will
be held at Tania Park on
Good Friday, starting at
9AM.

Please be aware of the
weather forecast on
Thursday evening. If the
weather conditions are
not favourable by 8AM
on Friday, the Stations
will be held indoors at St
Kieran's Church instead.



GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND COLLECTION

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Lent Reflection Evenings

EVERY MONDAY DURING LENT
7:30PM IN PARISH CENTRE

*Leader: Fr John Zhang
All are welcome!*

PLEASE *pray*

for our RCIA candidates and catechumens who will be welcomed into the Church at Easter.

TUESDAY
APRIL 15
7:30PM

CHRISM MASS

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara

Celebration of the Blessing of the Oils &
Renewal of Priestly Commitment

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION *April*

FOR THE USE OF
THE NEW
TECHNOLOGIES

LET US PRAY THAT THE USE OF THE NEW TECHNOLOGIES WILL NOT REPLACE HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS, WILL RESPECT THE DIGNITY OF THE PERSON, AND WILL HELP US FACE THE CRISES OF OUR TIMES.



Youth MASS

Sun 11 May, 2025
St Kieran's Catholic Church
2 King St., Manly Vale 2093 NSW

All welcome!

followed by a sausage sizzle
& light refreshments



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Poverty with me?

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WORD SEARCH

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

TRY TO FIND THESE WORDS

Barabbas
 criminals
 cross
 forgive
 gambled
 insulted
 paradise
 Pilate
 punishment
 save
 soldiers
 wine

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Sharing the Gospel

One day the people were happy, praising Jesus and waving palm leaves to keep him cool. The next day they were spitting on him. They said, "Crucify him. Crucify him." It hurts when your best friend says he or she likes you one day, and hates you the next day. Jesus will never leave your side. He is a true friend. He will always talk and play with you because he loves you.

Prayer

I want to be a good friend of yours every day, Lord.

Mission

I will say good words about my family and friends each day.

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Promoting a safer *Church*

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the LIFE of the Church.

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is everyone's responsibility



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.





Lord, I went astray, and then I remembered You. I heard Your voice behind me calling me to return. Now I return with excitement and desire to Your fountain.

Confessions 12, 10
- St. Augustine of Hippo

NEXT WEEKEND (20 APRIL 2025): EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, YEAR C

1ST READING

Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43

Peter recounts the deeds of Jesus.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

2ND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

Set your heart on the greater gifts.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:1-9

Mary Magdalene finds the tomb empty, Peter sees and believes.

19 APR, 7.00PM
ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server
David, Michael
Alrik

Readers
Val, Margaret
Fatima, Mehdi
Catherine

Music
Parish Choir

Communion Min
Volunteer needed

Powerpoint
Volunteer needed

20 APR, 7.30AM
ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server
Anna

Readers
Andrew
Elsie

Music
None

Communion Min
Volunteer needed

Powerpoint
Volunteer needed

20 APR, 9AM
ST CECILIA'S

Senior Server
Ian

Readers
Phil
Sandra

Music
Conmen

Communion Min
Volunteer needed

Powerpoint
Volunteer needed

20 APR, 9.30AM
ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server
Louise

Readers
Cathie
Dale

Music
Harvest

Communion Min
Volunteer needed

Powerpoint
Volunteer needed

20 APR, 5PM
ST KIERAN'S

NO MASS

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 13 APRIL

Mon 14 Apr: Monday of Holy Week

Tue 15 Apr: Tuesday of Holy Week

Wed 16 Apr: Wednesday of Holy Week

Thu 17 Apr: Holy Thursday / Mass of the Lord's Supper

Fri 18 Apr: Good Friday / The Passion of the Lord

Sat 19 Apr: Holy Saturday / Easter Vigil

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