

The Catholic Community of North Harbour



Cnr White & Wanganelia Sts

IN THE CARE OF THE AUGUSTINIANS



2 King Street



Palm Sunday Yr A
2 April 2023

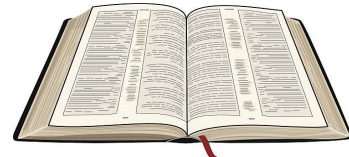
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**Crumbs from the Table of the Word:
to sustain us for the week to come.**



On Palm Sunday we are presented with two Gospels. The chief one is the Passion according to Matthew but before that we have the Gospel of the *Entry into Jerusalem*. This Gospel of the *Entry* is an invitation to each one of us to make once again, our entry into the events of Holy Week.

These events have been familiar to us all our lives — each element, each character, each anecdote is known to us. At the same time, the story is also always *new* simply because we are different with the passing of another year. We listen to the whole retelling of the last week of Jesus' life not as some dutiful way of remembering, but as a vital and effective *bringing into the present* the great events that give us new life in Christ.

All the world religions are asked the same central question – what is the meaning of suffering? How are human beings meant to cope with suffering, and its ultimate expression, death? The identity of Jesus being revealed in Matthew's Gospel is that of the Messiah and the Son of God, not with a display of human power, but as one who was prepared to suffer unto death to show us how our God loves us. In a sense He learned how to do this by undergoing these realities himself. Jesus gives us an example of patient endurance and faithfulness in suffering that models the way we must greet our own Good Fridays and so follow Him into the wonder of Easter Dawn.

This is our moment of Redemption – a transformation and a change from defeat to triumph, from fear to courage, from self-pity to generosity, from terror to love, from death to life. Jesus models this for us and enables each one, by God's grace, to grow in love, even in the face of inevitable suffering and death.

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES

St Kieran's

Holy Thursday	7.30pm
Good Friday	
* Stations of the Cross	10am
* Reconciliation	11am
* The Lord's Passion	3pm
Easter Saturday	
* Reconciliation 1st Rite	5pm
* Vigil	7pm
Easter Sunday	7.30am 9.30am

NO EVENING MASS

St Cecilia's

Good Friday

* Stations of the Cross	10.30am
* Reconciliation	11.30am
* The Lord's Passion	3pm

Easter Sunday

9am





Thanks to all who have volunteered so far—still a couple of gaps to fill so if you can help please add your name—thanks

Run Sheets will be sent out by Thursday.



NEWS FROM THE VATICAN

On Wednesday afternoon, Pope Francis went to Rome's Gemelli hospital for some scheduled check-ups that have revealed a respiratory infection that requires a couple of days of treatment

He says he is touched by the many messages received and expresses his gratitude for the closeness and prayers reaching him.

We keep Pope Francis in our prayers for a full recovery and return to health



Sacramental Program News

The 2023/2024 Children's Sacramental Program

information is available at the back of both Churches and can be downloaded from the parish website <https://bbcatholic.org.au/northharbour>

Please note the **Sacramental Program Overview Meeting for Parents new to the program** on Tuesday 9 May at 9.30am OR Wednesday 10 May at 7.00pm in St Kieran's Church.

Our Baptism of Young Children Program (for children aged 7 – 11 years) will commence on Sunday 14 May 2023 after the 9.30am Mass at St Kieran's. The meeting will be held in the parish centre.

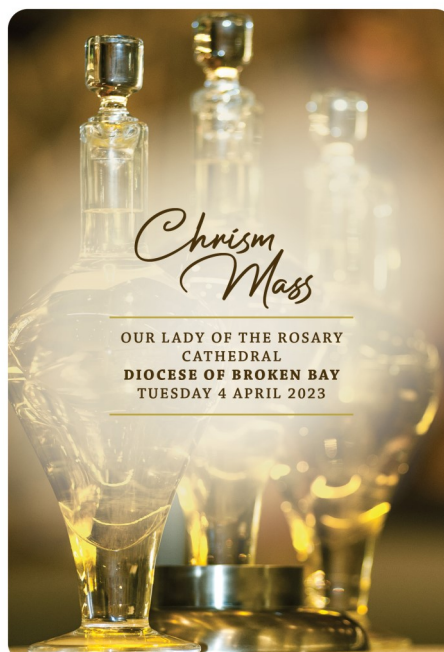
Please contact Janette on 0408 866 521 or at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au for program details, dates, and further information.



All are welcome to attend this year's Chrism Mass which will be celebrated at 7.30pm on **Tuesday, 4 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.

Please join us for this significant liturgical occasion.



MATER MARIA, WARRIEWOOD

There is a waiting list for Year 7, 2024. **Please note that applications for Year 7, 2025 close soon on Thursday 6 April 2023.** We are taking applications for 2026 and beyond.

Please visit the College website www.matermaria.nsw.edu.au/ enrolments for a prospectus, Enrolment Application form or for more information.



Readings for this week: Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Matthew 27:11-54

Responsorial Psalm: *My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?*

Readings for next Sunday: Acts 10:34, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

Readers rostered for next week 2nd Sunday—Easter Sunday—7.30AM AND 9.30AM ONLY

SK 7.30am Judith/Jenny **9.30am** Terry, Help Needed

SC 9.00am Isabella, Stephanie, Maria Res: Sam

NO EVENING MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY

FROM THE BISHOP'S OFFICE:

This Sunday is Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion when we mark the 5th day of Lent with the procession of palm branches and the reading of the Passion narrative.

This commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, when the crowd had palm branches (John 12:12).

On Sunday in our parishes the palm branches will be blessed and carried in the procession.

We will hear of Jesus presented as a humble and peaceful king, riding on a donkey instead of a horse, which was a symbol of war, and the joyous crowd which greeted him.

But then we will hear of the stark contrast between the love for Jesus and then their act of abandonment followed by the narrative of Jesus' crucifixion and his willing sacrifice for us.

Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week when we are encouraged to reflect on our own commitment to following Jesus' example of love, humility, and selflessness. We are called to prepare ourselves for the celebration of Easter by considering our own response to Jesus' sacrifice and our own willingness to follow his teachings.

Bishop Anthony Randazzo encourages each one of us to enter wholeheartedly into the final days of Lent and engage with the celebration of the Sacred Paschal Triduum, which begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, through to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil and ends after evening prayers at sunset on Easter Sunday.

The Triduum is in fact one continuous liturgy that commemorates the passion, death, and resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our clergy will be particularly engaged and busy this coming week and Bishop Anthony has asked to please keep them especially in your prayers.



AFA SAVE THE DATES

AFA have set some fundraising dates for this year which are listed below. More information to follow closer to the dates.

- **Sunday, 30 April**
The AFA Sue Colwell Fun Walk & Talk Fundraiser at Manly
- **Saturday, 29 July**
Christmas in July in the Parish Centre, Manly Vale
- **Saturday, 4 November**
End of Year Dinner. Venue still to be confirmed



FROM ST AUGUSTINE

Because of our sins we are in darkness; but You, my God, will illuminate my darkness.

Commentary on Psalm 17, 29





Rest in Peace

ANNIVERSARIES

Joyce Bourke	
RECENTLY DECEASED	
Reg Treston	Anne Woodbury
Michael Coleman	Peter Goodall
Pauline Caulfield	

For those with ILLNESS

Zara Sapounas	Michael Lennon	Daniella Takchi	Mark Moscrop
Yvonne Taylor	Jenny B	Muireann Casey	Bridie Lennon
Ed Burchard	Joan Killick	Mary Hulme	Shirley Barker
Christopher Newman	Maria Kogovsek	Yvonne Hickey	Henryk Gawecki
Richard Paul Reynolds	Margaret Appleby	Angie Olic	Peter Van de Velde
Chloe Zarb	Andrew Scotland	Jan Van de Velde	Trevor Austin



Visiting sick at home

If you, or if you know of anyone who is unable to attend Mass and would like a home visit please contact the parish office to organise for Communion or Anointing.

PROJECT COMPASSION DONATION BOXES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH FOYERS.
Please remember to return your Project Compassion donation box by Easter Sunday next week.
Thank you for your generosity.

SICK CALLS AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS
IF YOU NEED A PRIEST URGENTLY, PLEASE CALL THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER:
Business hours – Parish Office – 9949 4455 After hours (Evenings and weekends) – 0490 898 464

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF NORTH HARBOUR

<p>REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES St Cecilia's, Balgowlah SUNDAY 9.00AM WEDNESDAY 9.00AM St Kieran's, Manly Vale SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30pm SUNDAY 7.30am, 9.30am & 6.00pm Weekdays 8.30am except Wednesdays St Augustine's Chapel, Brookvale Wednesdays 8.10am during term time RECONCILIATION St Kieran 5 – 5.45pm Saturday or by appointment.</p>		<p>BAPTISMS St Cecilia 10.30am Sun. by appointment 9.00am Mass on 1st Sundays of the month St Kieran 11.30am Sun. by appointment 9.30am Mass on 1st Sundays of the month Baptism preparation is required for 1st baptisms. Contact parish office 9949 4455</p> <p>MARRIAGES Require 6 months notice and include Pre-marriage Course as part of the preparation</p>
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NORTH HARBOUR PARISH TEAM		
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We acknowledge the Gayamagal and Canalgal people, the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to the elders past, present and emerging.