



MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

PALM SUNDAY – 10th April 2022



THIS SATURDAY MORNING 9th April 11.30 am to 12.30 pm at St. Mary's Church, Manly Fr John would like to invite you to a talk on **"The LAST DAYS OF JESUS"** in connection with the Holy Week Reflection. Please join us for morning tea from 11am in the Parish Room. An outline on the talk ... **Why did they crucify Jesus?**

A brief history of Israel – Under the Roman Empire, we find the divided groups within the Israel people

- A team of Tax collectors
- Sadducees
- Pharisees and finally
- Zealots

Jesus' response to these groups, thus leading to His Crucifixion.
We look forward to seeing you there as we begin our journey to Easter.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER LITURGIES

St Mary's Church, Manly

- 14th April Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm
Followed by Night Prayer
- 15th April Good Friday
Stations of the Cross at 10am
The Lord's Passion at 3pm
- 16th April Easter Vigil at 6pm followed by supper
- 17th April Easter Sunday at 8:30am, 10:30am & 6pm



St John the Baptist Church, Freshwater

- 14th April Mass of the Lord's Supper at St Mary's Manly **only**, at 7pm
- 15th April Good Friday
Stations of the Cross at 10am
The Lord's Passion at 3pm
- 16th April Easter Vigil at 6pm (not 5pm)
- 17th April Easter Sunday at 9am



FRESH PALMS OR OLIVE BRANCHES NEEDED for Palm Sunday. Please bring your Palms to the parish centre on Friday 8th April between 9am - 2pm.
If you can assist please contact the Parish Office 9977 5822.



Washing of the Feet on Holy Thursday We would like to invite 12 parishioners to participate in the Washing of the Feet on Holy Thursday. If you would like to volunteer, please call the Parish Office on 9977 5822



Easter Vigil Supper We invite you to join us for our EASTER VIGIL SUPPER at Manly following the 6pm Vigil Mass. All Welcome
If you are available to assist with setup & serving please contact the parish office.

COVID REQUIREMENTS

Please remember it is strongly recommended that you...

- Wear a mask for Mass
- Cleanse your hands
- Observe social distancing



Many of you have not been able to come back to Mass on Sunday for different reasons. If you would like one of the Priest to visit you at home, please ring the parish office on 9977 5822.

Livestreaming on Facebook Sunday 8:30am Mass
[manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos)

Manly Freshwater Parish promotes SAFEGUARDING which involves the implementation of proactive, common sense and practical ideas that ensure the safety of children and vulnerable adults in our community

Recently Deceased:**Anniversary:** Anne-Louise O'Reilly**Prayers for the sick in our parish: "Lord, grant them and their carers strength and courage"** Meg and Wayne Storey,

Gavin Greenwood, Mark Taylor; Kay Flenady; Leon Cochrane; Prionsias Kearney; Debbie Vernon; Lauren Hannahan; Rosalba Galuis; Judith McKenzie; Jonathan Keil; Wayne Smedley; Margaret Burrige; Stephen Robertson; Richard & Cynthia Connolly; Maureen Williams; Gerry Wybrandt; Amy Farrow; Patricia Duffy; Florencia Lira; Ken Waller; Mary Helen Fogarty; Sheila Lee;; Belinda Nicholls; Jacqui Dawson; Gerry Ring; Zacchaeus Ratnam; Joe & Pat Smith; John Connors

April

Mon 11/4 – Holy Week Is 42:1-7; Ps 26:1-3; 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tue 12/4 – Holy Week Is 49:1-6; Ps 70:1-6,15,17; Jn 13:21-33,36-38

Wed 13/4 – Holy Week Is 50:4-9; Ps 68:8-10,21-22,31,33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thurs 14/4 – Holy Thursday Is 61:1-3,6,8-9; Ps 88:21-22,25,27; Rev 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

Fri 15/4 – Good Friday Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 30:2,6,12-13,15-17,25;

Heb 4:14-16,5L7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

Sat 16/4 – Holy Saturday

Sun 17/4 – Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34,37-43; Ps 117:1-2,16-17,22-23; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

Year C**PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA****Parish facebook:** facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish**Parish website:** bbcatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater**PIETY STORE MANLY****Movie of the month** Love & Mercy: Faustina (2020) An excellent docudrama on the incredible true story of St Faustina and the message of Divine Mercy, \$20 @ the piety store.**CD of the month** Did Jesus rise from the dead? Raymond de Souza. This talk proves the resurrection is built not just on "faith" but on logic and reason as well. Only \$5 @ the piety.**LIVING FAITH BOOKS NOW AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE & PIETY STORE****WORD OF GOD 2022** Daily Reading and Reflection. Special Price \$15.00

Now available at the Piety Store or to purchase

**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.

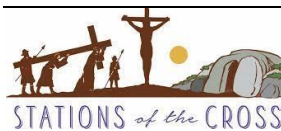
Parishioners are warmly invited to join together in this celebration. Please contact the parish office before Monday 4 April should you wish to attend.

Dates to remember...

- **Bible Study** (Zoom) Tues 12th April 7pm
- **Chrism Mass** Tues 12th April 7:30pm
- **Holy Thursday Mass** 14th April 7pm
- **Craft Group** Tues 10am – 12noon
- **Lectio Divina** Tues 7:30pm and Wed 10am
- **Eucharistic Adoration in Manly** Wednesdays 6pm – 7:30pm



If you are a new parishioner to Manly Freshwater Parish, we invite you to complete a Parish census form. This will assist us in updating our records to include you and your family in our parish community activities. The census form can be found on the back wall of the Church or at the side door entrance and may be left in the collection plate.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN MANLY ON WEDNESDAYS****Quiet Prayer & Adoration**
6:00pm – 7pm**Scripture Reflection on the Eucharist & Benediction** 7pm – 7:30pm**Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said starting at 6pm****LENT 2022****Stations of the Cross** each Friday during Lent

- St Mary's Church Manly 7pm
- St John the Baptist Church, Freshwater following the 9.15am Mass

Young Adults Lenten Discussion Group will meet Thursdays at 7pm in the Parish Centre

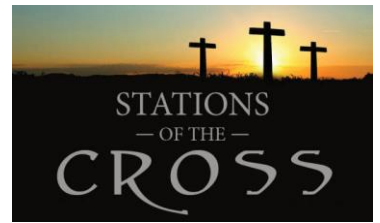
Let us not forget the children who have had to flee and come to a foreign land: this is one of the fruits of war. Let us not forget them, and let us not forget the Ukrainian people.

There will be no Morning Mass on Holy Thursday**Reconciliation** will be available at Manly and Freshwater Churches following the **Mass of the Lords Supper on Thursday Evening** and on **Good Friday following the Stations of the Cross and the Passion.**



Good Friday – Veneration of the Cross

Due to Covid restrictions we are unable to touch or kiss the cross, but we are able to bow or genuflect



GOOD FRIDAY - the youth and young adults from St Mary's will again be performing Stations of the Cross this year on Good Friday.

We are currently seeking several actors and narrators for our re-enactment of the Passion of Our Lord. If any of the youth (high school students) or young adults (18-35 years old) would like to join us in acting or narrating please feel free to contact us (details below)

Email:

manlyfreshwatercatholicyouth@gmail.com

Facebook: Manly Freshwater Catholic Youth

Instagram: manlyfreshwater_catholicyouth

Rehearsal for Easter Services

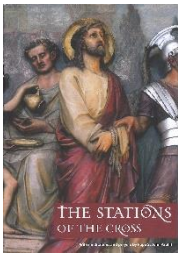
Fr David & Fr John will be holding a rehearsal for all Senior Servers who will be assisting at the Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil

Manly this Sunday 4pm in the Church with Fr David

Freshwater this Sunday 10am in the Church with Fr John

FREE COPIES OF

The Stations of the Cross with Meditations and prayers by Pope St John Paul II are available at both Churches



Project Compassion 2022



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.

With your generosity, Caritas Australia has been able to help millions of vulnerable people around the world, through Project Compassion appeal.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world lift themselves and their communities out of poverty.

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, or visit lent.caritas.org.au or phone 1800 024 413.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

will be celebrated at St Mary's Church, Manly Sunday 24th April 2pm – 4pm



The Novena Chaplet begins on Good Friday – leaflets can be found under the Divine Mercy image in the Church at Manly or on the table at Freshwater. **ALL WELCOME**

CONFIRMATION 2022



The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in the Parish on Saturday 4th June. If your child is in Year 3 or above and you would like them to be part of this program please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822. Registration forms can also be found at the back of the Church.



YOUTH CAMP
Annual
Archdiocesan
Youth Camp
Open to high schoolers in
Yrs 9 -12

For more information please contact Kieran on 0449 870 247





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 at Manly. You are also welcome to create an automatic debit to help out our parish. Thank you for your generosity

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION?

2nd collection Parish Bank Account

Funds the running of the Parish
 Account Name: Manly Freshwater Parish
 Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank
 Account # 100002025 BSB: 062 784

1st collection Parish Bank Account

Supports our Priests
 Account: Manly Freshwater Parish Pastoral
 Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank
 Account# 13958002 BSB: 062 784

Thank you for your ongoing support



Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you. Protect them in this time of mortal peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom. You are Father of all; we are brothers and sisters. Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Caritas Ukraine urgently needs your support

Caritas Australia is currently raising funds to support communities impacted by the conflict in Ukraine Visit [caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/ukraine/](https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/ukraine/) or call 1800 024 413 toll free to provide much needed support.



POSITION VACANT - The regular HSC presiding officer at St Paul's Catholic College is unable to fulfil the role this year due to members of her family sitting the HSC. As a result, we are looking for a presiding officer for this year's HSC.

The HSC runs from 12 October – 7 November and the presiding officer must be available for this time, and preparation time prior to the HSC.

Please contact Trish McGregor on trish.mcgregor@dbb.catholic.edu.au if you would like further details.

PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

- Bible Study via Zoom: 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7pm
- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am in the Parish Centre
- Eucharistic Adoration: Manly Church Weds 6:00pm – 7:30pm
- Lectio Divina: Tues 7.30pm & Weds 10am in the Parish Centre
- Piety Store: open on weekends or call the Parish Office
- Reconciliation: Manly: Sat 10am – 11am
- RCIA: Contact the Parish Office 9977 5822
- Rosary via Zoom: 1st Thurs 6pm, every other Thurs 7pm
- Rosary – Freshwater Tues – Fri 8.45am in Church.

PARISH MONTHLY EVENTS

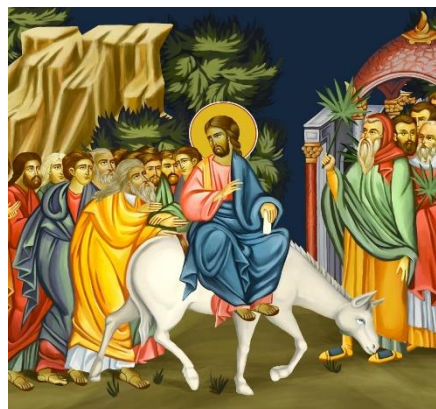
- Anointing Mass: Manly & Freshwater on 1st Friday each month at 9:15am Mass
- Baptisms: By appointment enquires to Parish Office
- Parish Pastoral Council: contact Parish Office
- St Joseph's Men's Group: 1st Thurs of the month 7pm
- St Vincent de Paul: Manly & Freshwater Conferences 2nd Mon each month 5:30pm

Humming song Women's A Cappella group at St Mary's Church in Manly.

This Sunday 10 April at 2:30pm there is a concert by three local choirs from the Humming song Women's A Cappella group at St Mary's Church in Manly. The concert is to raise funds for Women's Community Shelters as well as give the choirs a chance to perform to a live audience!! There will also be professional Jazz musicians performing the concert and later during afternoon tea in the Hall. The cost is \$15 for the concert and afternoon tea, with all profit going to the Women's Community Shelters <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=877427>

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

As we approach the Holy Season of Easter consider offering up a Mass for your loved ones. These Mass stipends support priests in the poorest parts of the world who have no other means of support and are offered for the intentions of the benefactor. You can also send your loved ones a Mass card. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/masses





St Mary's Catholic Primary School Manly



OPEN DAY 2022

**Where your child will be seen,
be heard and truly shine**

St Mary's works alongside our supportive community to develop and nurture each child to achieve their full potential. Students are engaged by a dedicated and passionate teaching team who foster a love of learning. We embrace personalised academic focus while preparing students so they are confident at each stage of their education and into the world beyond.

**Tuesday 10 May
Open Day and Night**

**Open Day 9am
Open Night 7pm**

- Meet with our Principal
- Take a first hand look at our learning environment
- Discover how each and every child has a unique learning experience

Enrolments for 2023
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availability across most grades

For more information and bookings

St Mary's Catholic Primary School
Denison St, Manly 2095

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St Mary's School News...

Thank you to Bishop Anthony, Danny Casey and all staff and students involved in the Year 6 Leadership Day on 31 March.

Danny Casey provided a special welcome message about the theme '**The Light of your Leadership**'. All year 6 students engaged in a liturgy via Zoom and then watched a student interview with Bishop Anthony. For the remainder of the day, students were guided by their teachers to explore the theme further through a variety of activities in their school context. We were very lucky to have some of our Year 6 Mission leaders feature in the liturgy.

Next term we are very excited to welcome the children back to the church for class and family Masses. It has been a long time since we were able to gather together! From all of us at St Mary's Primary School, we wish you a happy, healthy and Holy Easter and holiday break

Kind regards Alexis Conn (REC)



Stella Maris

COLLEGE MANLY
Education

Stella Maris College is a girls' college founded by the Sisters of the Good Samaritan in 1931. The school operates as part of *Good Samaritan Education* and our sister schools include St Scholastica's, Rosebank and Mount St Benedict. The College offers an outstanding secondary education with a diverse and flexible curriculum. Our educational philosophy draws on our Benedictine spirituality and the story of the Good Samaritan, guiding our girls to find balance and stability in their lives.

The College is seeking people who wish to contribute to the ongoing development of Catholic education in the Benedictine tradition through the position of:

BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBERS The College Board is looking for individuals who have demonstrated skills and experience relevant to the following Board Committees:

- Finance and Audit Committee
- Governance & Nominations Committee
- Property and Infrastructure Committee

The position of Board Committee Member is not remunerated and is not available to current parents. The Board values the diversity of members of the Board and Committees. To obtain a copy of the relevant Board Committee's Terms of Reference and for an Expression of Interest Form, please email: company_secretary@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Expressions of Interest should be submitted to:

The Board c/- Company Secretary

company_secretary@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au

Stella Maris College | 52 Eurobin Ave | Manly

St John's School News...



Year 5 have embraced their new roles this term as SJB's Environmental Leaders. These eco warriors have shown great passion for our environment by initiating a variety of events. These have included Schools Clean Up Day, Schools Earth Hour, Waste-Free Wednesday and planting a herb garden.

They have shown their amazing leadership skills by speaking to the school every Friday at Assembly about different environmental issues. We are so lucky to have such a dedicated and enthusiastic environment team at SJB! Congratulations Year 5!

Wishing everyone a safe and happy Easter with their families and loved ones.

Kind regards Frances Harrison (Acting REC)



HOW TO MAKE A PALM CROSS



Every year on Palm Sunday in our Catholic churches, we receive palm fronds which have been ritually blessed as a wonderful part of our Palm Sunday liturgy. You can create a tradition of your own by incorporating these blessed palms into Palm Crosses.

Reflection

The Blessing and Procession of Palms:

Luke 19: 28-40

Typical of his Gospel, Luke's account of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem portrays the coming of a Messiah of peace. The kings of antiquity rode horses when they came in war, but entering Jerusalem on an ass indicates the "kingship" of peace and service that Jesus has come to exercise. The crowds who welcome Jesus into the city greet him with words similar to the song of the angels in Luke's nativity narrative: "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

Another uniquely Lucan detail is the fact that the people do not wave palm branches as Jesus enters Jerusalem. Luke's crowds place their single most valuable piece of clothing – their cloaks – on the ground to honor Jesus. The holy poor of Luke's narrative place all that they have at the disposal of their Messiah-king.

The Passion Luke 22: 14 – 23: 56

Throughout his Gospel, Luke's Jesus has preached the joy of humble servanthood. In his final hours, Jesus exhibits that same great generosity, forgiving spirit and abandonment for the sake of others. Only in Luke's account of the Passion does Jesus heal the severed ear of the high priest's servant. He does not rebuke his disciples for falling asleep during the garden watch. He urges the women of Jerusalem not to be concerned for him but for themselves: if such injustice can befall the innocent Jesus (the "green wood"), what horrors await an unrepentant ("dry") Jerusalem? At the Place of the Skull, Jesus' crucifixion becomes an occasion for divine forgiveness: he prays that God will forgive his executioners and promises paradise to the penitent thief crucified with him. Even Jesus' final words on the cross are not words of abandonment but of hope: Luke's Crucified does not cry out Psalm 22 (as he does in Matthew and Mark's narrative) but prays Psalm 31: 5-6: "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Luke's Jesus is the Suffering Servant whose death for the sake of humanity will be exalted in the Resurrection three days hence.

To Make the Knot in the middle

1. Hold the palm horizontally.
2. At about the half waypoint fold the palm up towards the ceiling to create a ninety-degree angle.
3. Take this piece and fold it tightly down towards the floor. (Do not try to make the cross. At this point you are making the square in the middle).
4. Still using the same piece of palm, fold it back up toward the ceiling.
5. Take the other piece of the palm and fold it across the square you have been creating.
6. You will now take this same piece of palm and thread it through the small square you have created. This square is at the back of the cross and you will see the right angle you originally created in this square – thread the palm under this right angle piece.
7. Pull tightly and you should have a completed knot that does not need to be held.

To Form the Cross

1. Take the palm that points towards the ceiling and fold it down toward the floor and thread it through the square you have created at the front of the cross. This will be the top of your cross. Still using the same piece of palm thread up back up through the same square you used in the previous step to create the bottom of the cross.
 2. Turn the half made cross around so that the remaining horizontal piece of palm is to the right. You should have a vertical square in front of you and a horizontal piece of palm to your right. Take the unwoven piece of palm and thread it through this square to create one side of the cross.
 3. Take the same piece of palm and thread it through the same square you used in the previous step making certain to thread it behind where you had previously threaded. You should have a cross that still has some palm pieces hanging out either on top and sometimes in the sides of the cross.
 4. Cut the strands that do not belong in your cross.
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EASTER ROSTER 2022

THE EASTER TRIDUUM – Manly

HOLY THURSDAY Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7.00pm		GOOD FRIDAY Solemnity of the Lord's Passion – 3pm	EASTER VIGIL 6pm
Acolytes & Servers	Ivica Covic Kieran Wan Gabriel Wan Martino Hoang Iona Hearn Teresa Hearn	Ken Thompson Ivica Covic Louise Wareham Martino Hoang	Martino Hoang Ivica Covic Louise Wareham
Readers	Reader 1: Rita Bruzzese Reader 2: Freya Zemek	Reader 1: Patty Thomas Reader 2: Sandie Cornish Gospel Passion Reading Narrator: Rita Bruzzese Other Voices: Bill Tango Intercessions: Rita Bruzzese	Reader 1: Rita Bruzzese Reader 2: Sandie Cornish Reader 3: Freya Zemek Epistle: Bill Tango
Music	Gina and Bianca	Parish Choir	Parish Choir
Welcomers	Paul Pervan	Paul Pervan	Paul Pervan

THE EASTER TRIDUUM – Freshwater

		GOOD FRIDAY Solemnity of the Lord's Passion – 3pm	EASTER VIGIL 6pm
Acolytes & Snr Servers		Joanne Druery Mick O'Farrell	Mick O'Farrell Ian Press
Readers		Reader 1: Vincent Bokanovic Reader 2: Toni Walsh Gospel Passion Reading Narrator: Amanda Whitfield Other Voices: Toni Walsh Intercessions: Amanda Whitfield	Reader 1: Pam Brown Reader 2: Toni Walsh Reader 3: Vincent Bokanovic Epistle: Amanda Whitfield
Music		Pat Brown	Pat Brown
Welcomer		Amanda Whitfield Shirley Abbott	Amanda Whitfield Shirley Abbott

EASTER SUNDAY

	Freshwater 9am	Manly 8.30am	Manly 10.30am	Manly 6pm
Acolyte/ Server	Amorina Wright Francis Raymond	Ken Thompson Martino Hoang	Louise Wareham Iona Hearn Teresa Hearn	Assistance Required
Readers	Joshua Wright Jasmine Wright Joleena Wright	Patty Thomas Mary Prager	Ron Gravolin Janie Fonua	Assistance Required
Music	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Bianca Zatz	Simon Hyland
Welcomers		Mary Prager	Paul & Nicola Pervan	

PALM SUNDAY – Year C

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. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24*

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' R.

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. R.

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! R.

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.' R.

Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

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. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Philippians 2:8-9

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

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

N When the hour came Jesus took his place at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them,

J I have longed to eat this passover with you before I suffer; because, I tell you, I shall not eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

N Then, taking a cup, he gave thanks and said,

J Take this and share it among you, because from now on, I tell you, I shall not drink wine until the kingdom of God comes.

N Then he took some bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it and gave it to them, saying,

J This is my body which will be given for you; do this as a memorial of me.

N He did the same with the cup after supper, and said,

J This cup is the new covenant in my blood which will be poured out for you.

And yet, here with me on the table is the hand of the man who betrays me. The Son of Man does indeed go to his fate even as it has been decreed, but alas for that man by whom he is betrayed!

N And, they began to ask one another which of them it could be who was to do this thing.

A dispute arose also between them about which should be reckoned the greatest, but he said to them,

J Among pagans it is the kings who lord it over them, and those who have authority over them are given the title Benefactor. This

must not happen with you. No; the greatest among you must behave as if he were the youngest, the leader as if he were the one who serves. For who is the greater: the one at table or the one who serves? The one at table, surely? Yet here I am among you as one who serves!

You are the men who have stood by me faithfully in my trials; and now I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father conferred one on me: you will eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones to judge the twelve tribes of Israel.

Simon, Simon! Satan, you must know, has got his wish to sift you all like wheat; but I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail, and once you have recovered, you in your turn must strengthen your brothers.

N He answered,

O Lord, I would be ready to go to prison with you, and to death.

N Jesus replied,

J I tell you, Peter, by the time the cock crows today you will have denied three times that you know me.

N He said to them,

J When I sent you out without purse or haversack or sandals, were you short of anything?

N They answered,

C No.

N He said to them,

J But now if you have a purse, take it: if you have a haversack, do the same; if you have no sword, sell your cloak and buy one, because I tell you these words of scripture have to be fulfilled in me: He let himself be taken for a criminal. Yes, what scripture says about me is even now reaching its fulfilment.

N They said,

C Lord, there are two swords here now.

N He said to them,

J That is enough!

N He then left the upper room to make his way as usual to the Mount of Olives, with the disciples following. When they reached the place he said to them,

J Pray not to be put to the test.

N Then he withdrew from them, about a stone's throw away, and knelt down and prayed, saying,

J Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Nevertheless, let your will be done, not mine.

N Then an angel appeared to him coming from heaven to give him strength. In his anguish he prayed even more earnestly, and his sweat fell to the ground like great drops of blood.

When he rose from prayer he went to the disciples and found them sleeping for sheer grief. He said to them,

J Why are you asleep? Get up and pray not to be put to the test.

N He was still speaking when a number of men appeared, and at the head of them the man called Judas, one of the Twelve, who went up to Jesus to kiss him. Jesus said,

J Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?

N His followers, seeing what was happening, said,

C Lord, shall we use our swords?

N And one of them struck out at the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. But at this Jesus spoke,

J Leave off! That will do!

N And touching the man's ear he healed him.

Then Jesus spoke to the chief priests and captains of the Temple guard and elders who had come for him. He said.

J Am I a brigand that you had to set out with swords and clubs? When I was among you in the Temple day after day you never moved to lay hands on me. But this is your hour; this is the reign of darkness.

N They seized him then and led him away, and they took him to the high priest's house. Peter followed at a distance. They had lit a fire in the middle of the courtyard and Peter sat down among them, and as he was sitting there by the blaze a servant-girl saw him, peered at him and said,

O This person was with him too.

N But he denied it, saying,

O Woman, I do not know him.

N Shortly afterwards, someone else saw him and said,

O You are another of them.

N But Peter replied,

O I am not, my friend.

N About an hour later another man insisted, saying,

O This fellow was certainly with him. Why, he is a Galilean.

N Peter said,

O My friend, I do not know what you are talking about.

N At that instant, while he was still speaking, the cock crew, and the Lord turned and looked straight at Peter, and Peter remembered what the Lord had said to him, 'Before the cock crows today, you will have disowned me three times'. And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Meanwhile the men who guarded Jesus were mocking and beating him. They blindfolded him and questioned him, saying,

C Play the prophet. Who hit you then?

N And they continued heaping insults on him.

When day broke there was a meeting of the elders of the people, attended by the chief priests and scribes. He was brought before their council, and they said to him,

C If you are the Christ, tell us.

N He replied,

J If I tell you, you will not believe me, and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the Power of God.

N Then they all said,

C So you are the Son of God then?

N He answered,

J It is you who say I am.

N They said,

C What need of witnesses have we now? We have heard it for ourselves from his own lips.

N The whole assembly then rose, and they brought him before Pilate. They began their accusation by saying,

C We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of tribute to Caesar, and claiming to be Christ, a king.

N Pilate put to him this question,

O Are you the king of the Jews?

N He replied,

J It is you who say it.

N Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd,

O I find no case against this man.

N But they persisted,

C He is inflaming the people with his teaching all over Judaea; it has come all the way from Galilee, where he started, down to here.

N When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man were a Galilean; and finding that he came under Herod's jurisdiction he passed him over to Herod who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

Herod was delighted to see Jesus; he had heard about him and had been wanting for a long time to set eyes on him; moreover, he was hoping to see some miracle worked by him. So he questioned him at some length; but without getting any reply. Meanwhile the chief priests and the scribes were there, violently pressing their accusations. Then Herod, together with his guards, treated him with contempt and made fun of him; he put a rich cloak on him and sent him back to Pilate. And though Herod and Pilate had been enemies before, they were reconciled that same day.

Pilate then summoned the chief priests and the leading men and the people. He said,

O You brought this man before me as a political agitator. Now I have gone into the matter myself in your presence and found no case against him. Nor has Herod either, since he has sent him back to us. As you can see, the man has done nothing that deserves death, so I shall have him flogged and then let him go.

N But as one man they howled,

C Away with him! Give us Barabbas!

N This man had been thrown into prison for causing a riot in the city and for murder.

Pilate was anxious to set Jesus free and addressed them again, but they shouted back.

C Crucify him! Crucify him!

N And for the third time he spoke to them,

O Why? What harm has this man done? I have found no case against him that deserves death, so I shall have him punished and let him go.

N But they kept on shouting at the top of their voices, demanding that he should be crucified, and their shouts were growing louder.

Pilate then gave his verdict: their demand was to be granted. He released the man they

asked for, who had been imprisoned for rioting and murder, and handed Jesus over to them to deal with as they pleased.

As they were leading him away they seized on a man, Simon from Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and made him shoulder the cross and carry it behind Jesus. Large numbers of people followed him, and of women too who mourned and lamented for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

J Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep rather for yourselves and for your children. For the days will surely come when people will say, 'Happy are those who are barren, the wombs that have never borne, the breasts that have never suckled!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!'; to the hills, 'Cover us!' For if men use the green wood like this, what will happen when it is dry?

N Now with him they were also leading out two other criminals to be executed.

When they reached the place called The Skull, they crucified him there and the criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left. Jesus said,

J Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.

N Then they cast lots to share out his clothing. The people stayed there watching him. As for the leaders, they jeered at him, saying,

C He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.

N The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said,

C If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.

N Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there abused him, saying,

O Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us as well.

N But the other spoke up and rebuked him,

O Have you no fear of God at all? You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

N He replied

J Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.

N It was now about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed, a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle; and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said,

J Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.

N With these words he breathed his last. All kneel and pause a moment.

N When the centurion saw what had taken place, he gave praise to God and said,

O This was a great and good man.

N And when all the people who had gathered for the spectacle saw what had happened, they went home beating their breasts.

All his friends stood at a distance; so also did the women who had accompanied him from Galilee, and they saw all this happen.

Then a member of the council arrived, an upright and virtuous man named Joseph. He had not consented to what the others had planned and carried out. He came from Arimathaea, a Jewish town, and he lived in the hope of seeing the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. He then took it down, wrapped it in a shroud and put him in a tomb which was hewn in stone in which no one had yet been laid. It was Preparation Day and the sabbath was imminent.


Meanwhile the women who had come from Galilee with Jesus were following behind. They took note of the tomb and of the position of the body.

Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments. And on the sabbath day they rested, as the law required.

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