

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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28 March 2021 - Palm Sunday

Parish Mass Times: Monday to Friday: 9am Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil) Sunday: 8am, 10am, 6pm Public Holidays: 9am Rock Mass: Once a term

Baptism: Fourth Sunday of each month by appointment Wedding: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday: 8:30am Anointing of Sick: 2nd Thursday of the month at 9am or by request Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 9:30 - 10am concluding with Benediction Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am Rosary: Immediately after weekday Mass and Saturday (8:35am)



Maundy Thursday 1 April (no morning Mass) 7pm Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper—followed by prayer and

adoration.

Good Friday 2 April

10am Stations of the Cross 3pm Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion.

Holy Saturday 3 April 9am Morning Prayer

7pm Solemn Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday 4 April 8 & 10am Mass. No 6pm Mass

February 2021 **Choir rehearsal for Easter**

Sunday 28 March @ 11am 1 hour prior to mass on 1, 2& 3 April

Every Friday (during term time)

Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg 10am Parish Hall

Second Thursday of Every Month

Anointing of the Sick —9am

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PARISH OFFICE TEAM Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest

Belinda Camilleri, Office Manager Michelle Miles, Office Secretary Ed Wales, Parish Finance Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator

Today's first reading speaks of another faithful servant of God who endured immense suffering. And we know that there are many good people in our world today who are enduring great suffering at the hands of evil people. We remember them during this Holy Week and pray that they also may be saved from their torment. Let us promise to thank God in the assembly once they too are

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

has been saved by God from the ordeal.

Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners,

The early Christian community saw in this psalm an expression of the turmoil and suffering Jesus must have experienced on the cross, and his trust in the rescue of God. It is well worth praying in its entirety as we begin Holy Week. It will enable us to enter intimately into the feelings of Jesus as he endured his passion.

Notable for its intensity of feeling, Psalm 22 (21) is the lament of a

good person who trusted in the Lord and yet endured immense

graphically but the sacred writer never loses hope in God. The

psalm ends with a promise to thank God publicly once the person

suffering. The psalmist's situation of distress is described

released from their distress.

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PARISH HALL TRESTLE TABLES – POSSIBLE REPLACEMENT

Anyone who has had to move, assemble or store the trestle tables in the Church Hall will know that these tables are heavy (27kgs to 32kgs) and require some physical effort to set up and put-away.

The Parish Finance Committee is currently looking into the replacement of these trestle tables with more modern products that fold and are much lighter (just over 12kgs). They will also be easier to store. We estimate the replacement cost to be approximately \$1,065.

A sample trestle table has been provided for use in the Church Hall. Anyone using the Church Hall is encouraged to use this new table whenever possible and to let us know if they see any reason why it is not suitable or if there is a better alternative.

There is a sign attached to the table with contact details for any communication regarding problems or alternatives.

What happens to the old trestle tables if they are replaced?

If the current trestle tables are replaced, the Parish Finance Committee will be looking to find another home for the old trestle tables (we will try facilities such as Gumtree/eBay etc to hopefully get some value for them to help pay for the new ones).

If you know of anyone, or any entity, that may be interested in taking ownership of our old trestles, could you please let Parish Finance Committee member, Ian Gibson, know via one of the following communication channels:

Voice/TXT: 0417 670 150

Email: ian.gibson51@gmail.com

Details for the trestle tables looking for a new home are: (Measurements are in millimetres)

	Length	Depth	Height
3 trestles (Laminex)	2100	900	710
7 trestles (Laminex)	1810	750	760
7 trestles (wood)	1810	750	760

Parish Finance Committee

PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP:

A happy group for a relaxing morning every fortnight - bring your own craft or handiwork if you wish.

Next get together **Thursday 1 April 2021** @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall. Enq.: Angela 9144 6553.

WELCOME ERIC LEAHY MARRIED DIACONATE FORMATION

Eric has been appointed to Corpus Christi Parish for a period of 12 months. You will be seeing Eric at some of the masses each weekend. Eric will be ministering to and with us. Eric is married to Annette (wife of 24 years) and has three children, Patrick (20), Elliot (17) and Alana (14). Eric is in the third year of diaconate formation and he is also in the third year of study for a bachelor of theology at the Catholic Institute of Sydney. Eric lives in Turramurra and works at Catholic Schools Broken Bay in Human Resource Services. Eric was a parishioner at Sacred Heart Pymble before joining us at Corpus Christi and he is looking forward to being involved in our Parish.

Please join me in welcoming Eric, Annette, Patrick, Elliot and Alana to Corpus Christi.





menALIVE is a National Catholic Ministry to Men which was founded out of a response to a great need in the hearts and lives of men, and a great need in the life of the Catholic Church.

The purpose of menALIVE is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force within the Church.

We would like to consider this possibility at Corpus Christi Parish and are after a small group to attend the menALIVE weekend at the Pymble Parish on the first weekend of May to experience what is involved. Please see the Parish Priest after mass if you are interested in becoming involved.



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Call to Prayer for Justice and Peace in Myanmar

On Palm Sunday we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on a donkey. Jesus accepts death on a cross rather than engaging in violence. The contrast between the Prince of Peace and the powers and dominions of his day could not be starker. This is the basis of the Palm Sunday tradition of protest in favour of peace and non-violent alternatives for addressing social, ecological and economic and political issues. The Office of Social Justice is inviting parishes to pray today for justice and peace in Myanmar.

Prayer for Peace

Jesus, Prince of Peace, banish from our souls whatever might endanger peace. Transform us into witnesses of truth, justice and love. Enlighten the minds of rulers that they may care for their peoples and guarantee them the gift of peace. Inflame our desires to break through the barriers that divide us. to strengthen the bonds of mutual love, to learn to understand one another, to pardon those who have done us wrong. Jesus, Prince of Peace, through your power and inspiration, may all peoples welcome each other to their hearts as sisters and brothers. And may the peace they long for ever flower and ever reign among them. Amen

An Advent Prayer for Peace, by Sandie Cornish, adapted from Pacem in Terris n 171

Cut a small branch from a shrub and place it in a vase in your home

for this Holy Week, to remind you to pray.

And every day, when your heart especially feels the loneliness of life,

Pray.

St. Padre Pio



2021 LENTEN REFLECTION ON ZOOM

Please use this meeting ID and Passcode to access the Zoom meeting on Wednesday nights.

Time: 07:30 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney
Every week on Wed, until Mar 31, 2021.

Mar 31, 2021 07:30 PM

Meeting ID: 871 1843 1187 Passcode: LENTEN





Anniversary: Jackie Bonderski;

Please pray for the ill:

Maria Martin; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Denise Carmody; Steve Swain; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Gina Jaksetic, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone

If you know of anyone who can no longer attend mass due to illness; or if you have noticed one of our parishioners is no longer attending mass, could you please let the office know.

Holy Land Collection - Good Friday 2 April 2021

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday 2 April 2021. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing.

This year, the Holy Land will continue to face extreme hardship due to the ongoing effects of the pandemic and your contribution is gratefully received. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday and please keep them in your prayers. Thank you.

Seeking Hall Coordinator

John Huggett did a great job in looking after our Hall and Hall bookings. Sadly, John has gone to God and we miss him greatly.

We are looking for someone to take over this important service for the Church. If you see your way clear and would like to volunteer for this position, could you please contact Belinda or Michelle in the office on 9144 6998.

MT CARMEL RETREAT PROGRAM:

Day Retreat—Cost: \$30 per person (BYO Lunch) Are You the One Who is to Come?

May 1 Presenter: Dr. Robert Gascoigne

The challenge and the blessing of responding to Jesus as the Messiah.

Weekend Retreat-Cost: \$300 per person **Praying with Saint Teresa of Jesus**

April 16-18. Presenter: Fr. Ferdinand de la Cruz, OCD

St Teresa guides us towards a state of sublime surrender to God, where

in silence we will be taught in an interior way.

The retreats are held at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville NSW 2566. For information of any of the retreats. please call 8795 3400 or email: bookings@mtcarmel.com.au

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Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and show our respect to the Elders past and present . We also wish to pay our respects to all Aboriginal people.



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- Preparation for sale or rent
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POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION **FOR MARCH**

> Sacrament of Reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

The Word

Sunday 28 March 2021: Palm Sunday

Procession of Palms Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark 11:1-10

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord" When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives,

Jesus sent two of his disciples, and said to them, 'Go into the village opposite you,

and immediately as you enter it

you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat:

untie it and bring it.

If anyone says to you,

"Why are you doing this?" say,

"The Lord has need of it

and will send it back here immediately".

And they went away,

and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street;

and they untied it.

And those who stood there said to them,

'What are you doing, untying the colt?'

And they told them what Jesus had said;

and they let them go.

And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments on it:

and he sat upon it.

And many spread their garments on the road,

and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields.

And those who went before and those who followed cried out,

'Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is

coming!

Hosanna in the highest!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

First Reading

From the prohet Isaiah Is 50:4-7

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.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:8-9.17-20. 23-24.R. v.2 (R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

- 1. 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.)
- 2. 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.)
- 3. 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.)
- 4. 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

From the letter of St Paul to the Philippians Phil 2:6-11

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.

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!