

As we come and worship, we remember the wurundjeri people, the original custodians of this land

FIRST READING *Isaiah 50:4-7*

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Dio mio, Dio mio, perche' mi hai abbandonato?

SECOND READING *Philippians 2:6-11*

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

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.

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CANTO AL VANGELO

Lode e onore a te, Signore Gesu'! Per noi Cristo si e' fatto obbediente fino alla morte e a una morte di croce. Per questo Dio lo esalto' e gli dono' il nome che e' al di sopra ogni nome. Lode e onore a te, Signore Gesu'!

GOSPEL *Luke 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$812.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$339.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery.....	\$366.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 28/3/2010

6.00pm (SAT) – D Pullicino
9.00am (SUN) – P Sparano & C Agostinelli
10.30am (SUN) – J & J Kearney

SPECIAL MINISTERS

N Ziino
P Leggiero, A Sonza & M Piscioneri
P Nguyen, M Mizzi & J Tanti

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 04/04/2010

6.00pm (SAT) – EASTER VIGIL (Selected)
9.00am (SUN) – R Pino & L Cavedon
10.30am (SUN) - M Sernia & S Miano

SPECIAL MINISTERS

EASTER VIGIL (Selected)
T Forte, A De Cata & L Calafiore
T Nguyen, A Filippone & S Dakin

CHURCH CLEANERS

03/4/2010 L Catena, A Sirianni, F Agugiars & R Nyouer

MONEY COUNTERS

29/03/2010 D Herbert, C McMahon, J Galea & R Comito
05/04/2010 R & E Cornelious, R & G Silvio & J Galea

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED Fr John MULLALLY, Fr Hugo DE MARIA, Mario BONACCI (d. Rec. Italy), Rosa SULTANA (d. Rec. In Gozo Malta)

ANNIVERSARIES Cicily JOSE, Franco & Giovanna VITELLONE, Gina DI DONATO, Giuseppe TARANTO
Ercole DI RICO, Rocco FERRARO, Michele PUGLIESE, Salvatore ROSANO, Cecilia NATALI,
Giuseppe TODARO, Maria & Mario GIROLAMO, Ida & Nadir BOSCOLO, Antonio MASCARO (1yr)
Mansueto, Adele, Santina, Raffaele, Gina & Giuseppe ZANINI, Aldo ZANINI, Arcangelo CELLILLI
Bambina DI PASQUO, Rocco LONGO, Alessandro & Carmelo PANNUNZIO, Giuseppe CONTI,
Grazia GELIZIA, Giuseppe & Laura D'AMARIO, Giorgio BENETTI, Carmelo & Santo RENNA, Reno GRECH
Vincezo CILAURO, Margherita BEDE, Johnny FORTE, Antonio & Rosetta TRALLI, Sam GALEA
Domenico & Rosina SOLEA, Caterina & Rosina SALATINO, Nazareno GRECH, Susan MIFSUD

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Sat 6.00pm - English
Sun. 9.00am - Italian
Sun. 10.30am - English

Fr Emmanuel Bonello–Parish Priest
Sr Doreen Bentley–Pastoral Associate
Mr Peter Chowne -School Principal
Mrs Liz Pistoni – Parish Secretary

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Mon. 9.10am Comm. Service
Tue. 10.00am Italian
Wed. 9.10am - English
Thur. 9.10am - English
Fri. 9.10am - English
Sat. 8.30am - English

Maltese Mass
1st Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm
Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

Passion Sunday, Year C

28 March, 2010

Open 24/7

If the Wednesday before Thanksgiving is the busiest in Australia. It is a sure sign that for Australians Easter is a favourite holiday time. And around the country everyone has their favourite Easter pastimes – shows, festivals, sport, family gatherings and picnics. The Easter break was originally prompted by the celebration of the Christian feast of the Three Sacred Days culminating in the celebration of our Lord's rising from the dead. Society has largely forgotten these origins. But for the followers of Christ in 2010, the Easter break challenges them to plot a course taking in both the holy days and the holidays.

Passion Sunday: Christians set out today on the final leg of the journey to Easter, and they start by remembering Jesus' acclaimed entry into Jerusalem. They note the irony of it. He who preached a kingdom of God in mercy and justice is about to be struck down. In understanding the openness of Jesus' life, they better understand what brought him his death.

In his life Jesus was open to every person, not least the outsiders and the poor. So dear to them did he become, he was considered one of them, "He eats and drinks with sinners". Jesus' openness to each person was the trigger for the enemies of openness to close him down. They killed him.

Holy Thursday: Today Christians contemplate betrayal. Usually, it is only those people we love and trust who can betray us, and so it was with Jesus. Betrayal most often breaks a person open-either inviting them to deeper compassion or driving them into rigid paranoia. Jesus faced his betrayal and betrayer with the same openness with which he approached every person, every setting. "No one takes my life from me, I lay it down of my own free will".

Good Friday: Openness to others finally caught up with Jesus. Abandoned by his friends and seemingly by his God, he had to dig deep. He did, and he found a more radical openness in a new and shocking moment. From his frightful isolation he cried out. "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do". And later, "Father into your hands I commend my spirit".

The Great Easter Vigil: Holy Saturday is born in the cold stillness of the closed tomb. Jesus is dead, buried. Christians are left wondering whether openness, both human and divine, prished with him. It then dawns on them that waiting cannot be buried for it is the stuff of life. And so, as the sun goes down they gather again – a fragile church waiting in a darkened edifice, entombed but hopeful. As happened with the disciples in the upper room, Jesus comes as the light of truth. He has conquered death and is now among them as the risen Christ. Still he is open to them, still too, open to God, but gloriously so. It is a time for lights, bells, music, song, baptisms and Eucharist. Easter Sunday: Today, Christians having gone down into the grave with Jesus now rise with him into a new life of complete openness.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER TIMETABLE 2010

THIS WEEKEND WE BEGIN THE HOLY WEEK WITH PALM SUNDAY

Blessing of Palms or other branches during each Mass this Weekend.

TUESDAY 30TH MARCH

11.00am Chrism Mass (Mass of the Holy Oils)
at St Patrick's Cathedral

Celebrated by the Archbishop and priests of Melbourne.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

THURSDAY 1ST APRIL: HOLY THURSDAY

7.30pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by the transfer of the Blessed Sacrament
to the altar of reposition which will be set up in the chapel.

FRIDAY 2ND APRIL: GOOD FRIDAY

3.00pm - Good Friday Ceremonies: Celebration of the Lord's Passion
7.30pm - Via Crucis (Station of the Cross) in Italian

SATURDAY 3RD APRIL: HOLY SATURDAY

8.00pm Easter Vigil Celebration of Mass

SUNDAY 4TH APRIL: EASTER SUNDAY

9.00am - Mass In Italian,
10.30am - Mass in English.

MONDAY 5TH APRIL: EASTER MONDAY (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)
THERE WILL NOT BE ANY COMMUNION SERVICE CELEBRATED
THE CHURCH WILL REMAIN CLOSED.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS (CONFESSIONI INDIVIDUALI)

TUESDAY 30TH MARCH - 9.00am

WEDNESDAY 31ST MARCH - 10.00am

THURSDAY 1ST APRIL - 10.00am and 7.00pm

FRIDAY 2ND APRIL - 10.00am

SATURDAY 3RD APRIL - 10.00am and 7.30pm

BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING

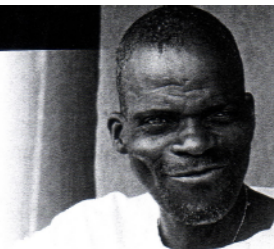
The Baptism Preparation meeting will be held on Wednesday 31 March at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

The Maintenance Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday 30 March at 8.15pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

Sixth Sunday of Lent 28 March

In a world of inequality we are called to hunger and thirst for what is right. In this week's Project Compassion story we meet Bule from Malawi. Malawi is one of the poorest countries in the world and its people have continued to suffer a food crisis, food shortages, poor health and environmental degradation. Bule is participating in a Caritas Australia-supported project that is addressing this food insecurity and malnutrition. It provides training in sustainable agriculture practices that enables families like Bule to have access to enough food, safe water and a small but regular income. Your donation to Project Compassion empowers vulnerable communities to become self sufficient.



PASSION SUNDAY *Isaiah 50:4-7; Philipians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23:56*

Jesus, the faithful suffering servant of God, draws strength from God in the face of oppression and injustice. The passion story illuminates the authority of Jesus as different to that of worldly power. We need the spirit of Christ who "humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on the cross". Jesus' experience becomes real when we reflect on the extreme poverty, injustices and violence suffered by so many in our world today. We are called to open our hearts and eyes to the injustices in the world, offering our prayer and acts of penance for those who like Christ suffer at the hands of injustice. This week's Project Compassion story focuses on Malawi where more than half the population, live below the poverty line. Caritas Australia supports the Catholic Development Commission's Community Development Program which improves access to food, safe water and sanitation for the poorest families in Mzuzu Diocese in the north of the country. As we journey to Easter and the message of hope that it brings to all of humanity, we can bring the spirit of Christ and this gift of hope to those who suffer through our generous support of Project Compassion.

ITALIAN LADIES

Adorazione Eucaristica Martedì 30 Marzo ore 9.00am in capella. Seguita Santa Messa alle 10.00am. Vi aspettiamo numerosi.

Dopo il Rito Liturgico in sala ci sarà il solito incontro di fraterna condivisione dei simboli della pasqua, sarà con noi Suor Anna Genovese superiore delle Pastorelle.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to Rebecca Ruffino and Cristian Misiti who were married at St Joseph the Worker Church on Saturday.

Congratulations to Tania Bonello and Adrian Tkatchyk who were married at St Mary's Star of the Sea, West Melbourne on Saturday. We ask God's blessing on them and their families on this special occasion.

ECUMENICAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Ecumenical Stations of the Cross, which is conducted on Good Friday 2nd April, will commence from St Francis' Church (Lonsdale St) at 10.00am.

MEMORIAL MASS

Tuesday 30 March 7.00pm - Susan Mifsud (1yr)

FUNERAL NOTICE

Il funerale di Suor Mercedes Torcaso sarà Mercoledì 31 Marzo ore 10.00am nella chiesa di San Marco, 9 Lee Street Fawkner.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

Thank you to all volunteers who distributed the Thanksgiving Envelopes.