

St Matthew's Catholic Parish



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Our Parish Mission Statement:
We believe and live out the mission of Jesus Christ as a community of worship and faith shared in service.

Parish Team:

Parish Priest and Tamil Chaplain:

Fr Robert William

Sacramental Coordinator: Ms Cita Adams

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Office hours next week - 9.30am - 4.30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

Schools:

St Matthew's Primary Phone: 4560 2300

Principal: Mr Tim Vane-Tempest

Chisholm Catholic Primary Phone: 4573 3200

Principal: Mr Michael Mifsud

Bede Polding College Phone: 4560 2900

Principal: Mr Mark Compton

Masses:

Weekend:

Sat. Vigil 6.00pm

Sun. 7.30am, 9.00am

Weekday:

Please see the back of this bulletin

Reconciliation:

Please see the back of this bulletin

Adoration except during Holy Week Tuesday and Thursday

Baptisms:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays monthly

<u>Marriages:</u>

By appointment

PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH IF YOU:

ARE EXPERIENCING COLD OR FLU-LIKE **SYMPTOMS**

HAVE A TEMPERATURE

HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ANYONE THAT IS EITHER A SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19

FACE MASKS ARE RECOMMENDED

Palm (Passion) Sunday Year C 10th April, 2022

'Father, forgive them. They do not know what they are doing!' This prayer, the first words of Jesus on the



cross in the Gospel of Luke, well expresses the mind and heart of Jesus in this Gospel. This is the Gospel of the Prodigal Son, the Lost Coin, the Good Shepherd. Throughout Luke's Passion Narrative, we see the actions of the Good Shepherd ever seeking his lost ones: in his healing touch on the servant of the High Priest, in his look across the courtyard to Peter after his denials a look that does not condemn but invites in love, in the words to the women of Jerusalem, in receiving the help of Simon of Cyrene and then as he is lifted up on the Cross and the wave of agony passes over him, he prays – not for himself but for those tormenting him...and he prays for us, each and every one of us. We, too, are swept up into this prayer for sinners. When we recognise ourselves as sinners, as betrayers, liars, cowards, angry, criminal, in any of the mad variety of ways in which we can sin, we can discover ourselves receiving the power of his prayer. In the force of that prayer, we can be like the dying thief, admitting our sin, begging to be with him in Paradise and receiving the assurance that it will be so – a lost one, sought, saved and loved. Nothing we can do is outside the ambit of that forgiving love.

REST IN THE LOVE OF YOUR GOD

Imagine yourself in the place of the Good Thief. As you are there present in your suffering, recognising the sin and failure of your life, hear him say to you, 'This day you will be with me in my paradise.' Take these words to heart and consider how they would change your life.

Sr Kym Harris OSB www.prayasyoucan.com.au

PLEASE TAKE WITH YOU OR THROW OUT. **DO NOT RETURN TO THE BACK OF THE CHURCH** OR LEAVE ON THE SEAT. THANK YOU.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into

the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him

enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you,

who have come in your abundant mercy!

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50 : 4-7

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

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

SECOND READING: Philippians 2 : 6-11

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

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!

GOSPEL: Luke 22 : 14-23 : 56

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be

done.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Deceased:

Please pray for the recently deceased Ione Mackie, John Della Libera as well as Sam, Jane and Simon Vassallo, John Mifsud, Chris, John, Maryanne Sultana and family.

Sick: Please pray for Jessica Moloney and Sid Kelly.

FUNERAL

Long standing parishioner Ione Mackie passed away this week and her funeral will be on Tuesday, 12th April at 10.30am here in the Church. All parishioners are most welcome to attend.

THANK YOU

FOR SUPPORTING CATHOLIC CARE'S COMMUNITY DROP-IN CENTRES

Bishop Vincent, Parramatta Catholic Foundation and Catholic Care thank you for your kind-hearted generosity and support over the last few weeks. Our Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal raised over \$, which will help Catholic Care to expand their services so that we can reach more of our vulnerable neighbours who may be isolated and in need of support. Thank you for your compassion, for being a Good Samaritan and for loving your neighbours in need. For anyone who hasn't yet had a chance to donate, please visit yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal or scan this QR code on the poster at the back of the Church. Thank you for your heartfelt prayers and support

PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY

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 or by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

GOOD FRIDAY RETREAT

The Chinese Outreach Team from Our Lady of the Angels Parish Rouse Hill, are running a Good Friday Retreat open to all Mandarin speaking persons. It will run from 9.30am to 4pm at the Church. For more details, please see the flyer at the back of the Church.

HOLY WEEK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We are still in need of volunteers for the various ministries during the different services and Masses of Holy week. If you would like to help, please put your name on the sheet at the back of the Church next to where you are able to help. Thank you.



PLANTS NEEDED

We are in need of potted plants for the altar of repose that will be held in the hall after the Mass of the Lords Supper on Thursday night. If you are able to lend any <u>large</u> potted plants for the evening, it would be appreciated. It would be appreciated if you could please bring them to the Parish Hall on Tuesday before 3pm. If you let the parish office know when you are coming, we will make sure the hall is open for you.

NEXT PHASE OF THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS

From April 19 all are invited to *VIEW* the online version of the draft synthesis from the Diocese of Parramatta Writing Committee for the Synod of Bishops 2023. Visit https://parracatholic.org/synod-of-bishops/ and email met@parracatholic.org with your reflections. The Diocese of Parramatta is a 'listening Church' we invite continued dialogue through both the website and direct email address.



- On April 21 all are invited to *RESPOND* to the draft synthesis from the Diocese of Parramatta Writing Committee for the Synod of Bishops 2023. Join us for the Exhibition Night via Zoom at 7pm for reflection and discussion. To register email met@parracatholic.org. . For more information visit https://parracatholic.org/synod-of-bishops/
- On May 1 all are invited to CELEBRATE the final document of the Diocese of Parramatta submissions to the Synod of Bishops 2023. Join Bishop Vincent at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Seven Hills (7 Grantham Rd) for this special gathering at the 9:30am mass. For catering purposes and to RSVP email met@parracatholic.org For more information visit https://parracatholic.org/synod-of-bishops/

MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESE MISSION ENHANCEMENT TEAM

They would like to warmly invite key ministry heads, volunteers and any interested parishioner to attend a special workshop designed for parish people to welcome and engage newcomers to our churches. The workshop: *All are welcome* has been developed as a response to various parishes and pastoral councils who have expressed their need to engage people back to church or ministry. It will be held on Tuesday, 19th April hosted at St John the 23rd Glenwood-Stanhope parish (160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens) in the church building. There are two sessions: 10:00 am (morning session) and 7:00 pm (evening session). To RSVP or for more information, contact met@parracatholic.org.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION—GOOD FRIDAY

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday. 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. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from this collection. Last year, due to the pandemic, it was a difficult time for the Church and people of the Holy Land with much reduced income due to fewer pilgrims and lower church attendance around the world. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday and please keep them in your prayers.

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Altar Servers							

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER MASSES AND SERVICES 2022

Tuesday, 12th April

- 9.00am Mass
- 9.30am Individual Reconciliation
- 6.30pm Individual Reconciliation

Wednesday, 13th April

- 9.00am Mass
- 9.30am Individual Reconciliation
- 7.30pm Chrism Mass (St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta)

Thursday, 14th April

No Morning Mass

- 5.30pm Individual Reconciliation
- 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (in the Church) followed by "Reflecting with Jesus in the Garden" until 10.00pm [Altar of Repose will take place in the Parish Hall]

Good Friday, 15th April

No Morning Mass

10.00am Family Stations of the Cross (School grounds)

3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death

Holy Saturday, 16th April

No Morning Mass

6.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, 17th April

7.30am Mass

9.00am Family Mass

NO 5PM EVENING MASS



The Triumphal Entry

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THESE WORDS:

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PEOPLE	CLOAKS
PEACE	COLT