



St Matthew's Catholic Parish



(Established 1831)

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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 - 12.30pm

Tuesday, Wednesday and 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:

Next Weekend:

Sat. Vigil 6.00pm

Sun. 7.30am, 9.00am and 5.00pm

Next Week:

Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am

Adoration

Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am

Baptisms:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays monthly

Marriages:

By appointment

Easter Sunday Year C

17th April, 2022



Can you imagine the conversation between these women returning from the tomb? Words and memories would have tumbled over each other as they shared their excitement. Yet surely there was a voice amongst them bringing them back to the reality of their situation, stating the obvious, 'But they won't listen to us – we are only women!' All four Gospel accounts have their differences but one thing they agree on: the Resurrection of Jesus was first revealed to women! Women, whose testimony was discounted in both Jewish law and society. What was God thinking? Maybe that the last had become first, maybe that the lowly had been raised up, maybe that the hungry had been filled. When we look back to the beginning of Luke's Gospel we see that it is the slip of a village girl who believes the extraordinary message of the angel, while the elderly devout priest struggles to believe and that God must go to the further lengths than the message of an angel to bring him to faith. The same thing happens with the disciples. The practical woman who stated her fears was right: the men didn't listen to them and Jesus had to come himself before they could come to faith.

If we have problems understanding what Resurrection faith means we need to look to where there is weakness, to the rejected, to the ignored. The people who are deemed least in our society are the ones who can lead us into the mighty ways of God. This is why the poor, the sick, the weak are treasured- not because they are people upon whom we can exercise our good works, or philanthropy. No, we do good to them so that we may enter into the richness of grace and faith that God will offer us through them.


REST IN THE LOVE OF YOUR GOD

Consider the people or situations that have taught you about the Resurrection. What was the weakness of sense of failure that God had overcome in these people? What was the sense of weakness or sense of failure that God worked through in your life? As you dwell on what happened can you see how God's ways of dealing with those situations were different to how we would have dealt with them?

Sr Kym Harris OSB www.prayasyoucan.com.au

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

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:	I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.	
FIRST READING:	Acts 10 : 34, 37-43 <i>We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.</i>	
RESPONSE:	This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.	
SECOND READING:	Colossians 3 : 1-4 <i>Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.</i>	
ACCLAMATION:	Alleluia, Alleluia ! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; Let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!	
GOSPEL:	John 20 : 1-9 <i>The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.</i>	
COMMUNION ANTIPHON:	Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.	

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Deceased:
Please pray for the recently deceased Ione Mackie, John Della Libera as well as John Mifsud, Charles and Mary Stella Bonanno, Francis Bonanno, Frank De Bono, Bernard Axiak, Rita and Christino Teuma, Sam, Jane and Simon Vassallo, Chris, John, Maryanne Sultana and family.

Sick: Please pray for Jessica Moloney and Sid Kelly.

HAPPY EASTER
The Parish Team would like to thank everyone who assisted in making our Easter liturgies such meaningful experiences. We would also like to take this opportunity to wish all parishioners and their families a happy and peaceful Easter.



BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL
We would like to thank parishioners for their generosity. Our parish raised just under \$1500 to support Catholic Care's community drop-in centres.

BISHOP VINCENT'S EASTER MESSAGE 2022
Bishop Vincent has released his video message for Easter 2022 to the people of the Diocese of Parramatta. The letter can be watched on YouTube on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6j2ONDyCH1c> or read via <https://catholicoutlook.org/bishop-vincent-s-easter-message-for-2022/>

PROJECT COMPASSION
Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia! Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2022 Lenten appeal. Please return all Project Compassion boxes and envelopes as soon as possible.



ROSTERS		23RD/24TH APRIL 2022		2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C	
Church Cleaning: K.Moffitt and C.Conolly			Sacristy: M.Roth and C.Vella		
MASSES	6PM	7.30AM	9AM	5PM	
Commentator	K. Apap	S. Mackenzie	M.Grosvenor	S. Naylor	
Reader	J. Newland	J. Wein	F. Watkins	M. Claravall	
Acolyte/Adult Server			T. Victorino		
Altar Servers	I. Spiteri	S. Tierney	E. El Hindy	C. Adam	
	D. Spiteri		A. El Hindy		