LENTEN REFLECTION FROM "THE SPIRIT AND THE CROSS"

Questions For Reflection : What have I learnt or experienced this Lenten journey that has given me new understanding? What meaningful way will I spend this holy week? What does the Mass mean to me? How has the Eucharist changed my life?

Prayer For The Day: We give thanks O Lord, for calling us to your table and for the gift of Christ's body and blood, which nourishes us. Enlighten us that we may know your Son, learn from his example and share this with all we encounter. **Amen**.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Parish office will be closed on 15th and 19th April. Reopen on 29th April.

CHOIR PRACTICE FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER MASS: There will be Choir Practice for all the Choirs and parishioners who wish to join on **Tuesday 12th April at 4pm**.

HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION: As the Covid restrictions have eased, starting from Palm Sunday, each weekend, Holy Communion will be distributed by Fr. Lucius and 2 ministers. Two of them will be at the steps of the sanctuary and one will distribute in the transept and then come across to assist at the front. The congregation will walk forward in two lines to receive the Holy Communion.

THANK YOU to all who helped to fill the list with duties needed during Holy Week and Easter.

PRAYER BOOKLETS: Booklets will be available at the entrances for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil. Prayers in the Newsletter is for Sunday Mass.

GOOD FRIDAY - Stations of the Cross: If the weather is good enough to allow it , the Stations of the Cross will be out of doors of the Church. We will need some help that morning.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: The proceeds from this collection is to support the shrines and holy places in the Holy Land. All are encouraged to "show their support for the ministry offered within the holy sites of our salvation through their donations on Good Friday."

REQUEST FOR HELP: Wolfgang Waerner, who is also one of the coordinators of the Community Kitchen at St. Paul's need some help with soup/ dessert makers for the 1st and 4th Monday of the month. He also require some Anzac Biscuits for the upcoming Anzac day. Those who are interested to help please contact Wolfgang Waerner0408968284.

HOLY WEEK & TRIDUUM: We together enter into the Holy Week (7days) from Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday. Triduum, the three days from sundown Holy Thursday to sundown Easter Sunday. A continuous celebration that observes the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus.

ENTRANCE: LET HEAVEN REJOICE

R.Dufford

Refrain:

Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad;
let all creation sing.
Let children proclaim through ev'ry land:
"Hosanna to our king."

Sound the trumpet into the night;
The day of the Lord is near.
Wake his people, lift your voice,
Proclaim it to the world.

Rise in splendour; shake off your sleep;
Put on your robes of joy.
And in the morning you shall see
The glory of the Lord.

Raise your voices, be not afraid.
Proclaim it in ev'ry land.
Christ has died, but he has risen;
He will come again

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise and honour to you Lord Jesus.
Praise and honour Lord Jesus Christ!

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 and honour to you Lord Jesus.
Praise and honour Lord Jesus Christ!

COMMUNION:

AN UPPER ROOM DID OUR LORD PREPARE

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An upper room did our Lord prepare
For those He loved until the end:
And His disciples still gather there
To celebrate their risen friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave His own:
To share His bread, His loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down,
He by His cross shall lift us up.

And after supper He washed their feet,
For service, too, is sacrament.
In Him our joy shall be made complete—
Sent out to serve, as He was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace.
he loves beyond our uttermost:
In ev'ry room in our Father's house
he will be there, as Lord and host.

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THANKSGIVING: JESUS REMEMBER ME

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Jesus, remember me
When You come into Your Kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
When you come into Your Kingdom.
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RECESSIONAL: TREE OF LIFE

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Tree of Life and awesome myst'ry,
In Your death we are reborn,
Though You die in all of hist'ry,
Still You rise with er'ry morn,
Still You rise with ev'ry morn.

Seed that dies to rise in glory,
May we see ourselves in You,
If we learn to live Your story
We may die to rise anew,
We may die to rise anew.

We remember truth once spoken,
Love passed on through act and word,
Ev'ry person lost and broken
Wears the Body of our Lord,
Wears the Body of our Lord.

Gentle Jesus, mighty Spirit,
Come inflame our hearts anew,
We may all your joy inherit
If we bear the Cross with You,
If we bear the Cross with You.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those in ill health:
Kevin Hynes, Denis Shield, Moira Hansen, David Brettell, Anna Pecar, Ame Cox and Laurel Dingle.

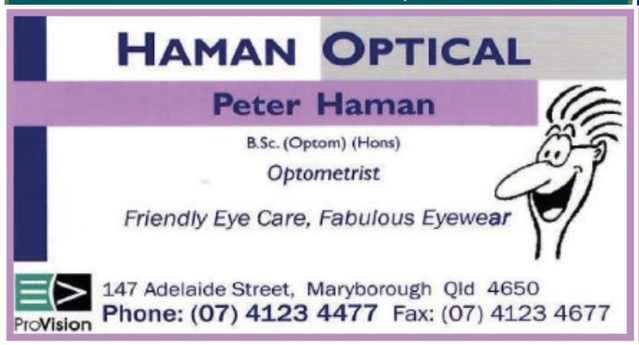
The Recently Deceased:
Tony Maaran, Fay Shield, Joseph Miranda, Brian Lee and Brian Wheatley Jnr.

Anniversary of Death:
Ma. Melba Murillo, Elwyn Baxter, Pacita Perez, Florence Schmidt, Merv Flavel, Richard Hogan, Joseph Nguyen, Peter Pham, Patrick & Sarah Hynes, Tim & Elsie Cream, Rev. Fr. Jim Hynes, Rev. Sr. P. Cream and Con & Jean Deere.

Please note that there will be no Masses for the week after Easter, April 20th Wednesday, 21st Thursday and 22nd Friday.

Fr. Lucius is going on holidays and Fr. Leo will arrive in time to start weekend masses from April 23rd.

Roster	Sat 9th Apr	Sun 10th Apr	Sat 16th Apr	Sun 17th Apr
Welcomer 1st Reader 2nd Reader 3rd Reader 4th Reader	Pat Anne Warren	Frank Susan Christine	Warren Pat Beverley John Christine	Pilar Tyson Gail
Reading of passion	Warren Fr. Lucius Ron	Tom Fr. Lucius Catherine		
Communion	Gerry Wayne	Lita Graham	Sue Marion	
Servers	Thu, Han Stazio	Isaac, Xavier Sophie, Nicholas	Thu, Han, Andres, Stazio, Chet	Sarah, Byron
Musician Singers Mass set up	Rita Choir Gerry	Robyn Men Lita	Rita Combined Choir Janette & Sophie	Robyn Combined Choir Lita



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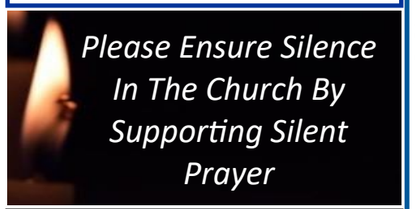
This Week's Mass Schedule

13/04/2022	Wednesday	**8.00am**
14/04/2022	Thursday	**7.00pm**
15/04/2022	Friday	
	Stations of the Cross	**10.00am**
	Solemn Liturgy	**3.00pm**
16/04/2022		
	Holy Saturday Vigil	**6.00pm**
17/04/2022	Easter Sunday	
	Maryborough	**8.00am**
	Tiaro	**10.00am**



1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION
EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

This week's Readings:
Palm Sunday of Lent Year C (p.193)
Entrance: Luke: 19: 28-40
1st - Isaiah 50: 4-7

Psalm Response: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

2nd - Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel Acclamation (sung): (Lyrics in hymns page)

Gospel - Luke: 22: 14 - 23: 56

Next weekend's Readings:
Easter Sunday Year C (p.306)
1st - Acts 10:34, 37-43
Psalm - 117
2nd - Colossians 3: 1-4
Gospel - John 20: 1-9

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Newsletter 10th April 2022
Palm Sunday
of the Passion of the Lord Year C

Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus shows up today (Palm Sunday)

It was Palm Sunday like we celebrate today and, because of a sore throat, five-year-old Johnny stayed home from church with a baby-sitter. When the family returned home, they were all carrying several palm branches. The little Johnny asked what are these palms for? They replied "People held them over Jesus' head as he walked by." "Wouldn't you know it," the boy quickly responded, " Just the only one Sunday I didn't go to Church, and He shows up!"

Today, the Holy Mother Church celebrates the great feast of contradiction. It's Palm Sunday and it's also called Passion Sunday. The day of "Hosanna in the highest", and the day of "Crucify him! Crucify him!" It is a day of acclamation – "blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord", and also a day of denials – "I do not know him!" It's a day of paying homage – people throwing their cloaks on the road; but also a day of insults: "Play the prophet…who hit you then?"

In all this drama, we see different characters playing specific roles, starting from Peter who for lack of courage denied Jesus three times, to Joseph of Arimathaea who for his strength of courage took the body of Jesus for burial. What about us? What role are we playing today towards this ultimate sacrifice?

We play the role of the crowd and become like Peter when we neglect our prayer and depend on our personal strength. We play Judas when we live a life of hypocrisy – saying one thing and doing the other. We play Judas when we exploit the things of God for personal gain. We also play Judas when we make unfounded attacks on the Church of Christ and its leadership just because we have issues with certain teachings. Let us remember that we are like the chief priests and scribes when we persist in our sins and refuse to utilize God's offer of forgiveness.

Finally, dear brothers and sisters, as we battle against the pandemic of Coronavirus, the floods, and all other human and natural disasters in our world which has forced us into closing the doors of some of our Churches, let us not forget that we are the Church not the building-- it's time for us to be more open in our commitment to God's work. As a church, this is the time for us to reach out like never before as the face of Christ to our troubled world. But as Pope Francis assures us that through the suffering and death of Christ we have been called to a full spiritual communion each time we pray to God for strength. So, as we mark Jesus' triumph in defeat, let us thank God for the privilege to be present and open as He shows-up in triumph over death. We pray for the grace to become more like him, to love and pray for those who do not treat us well.

Peace be with you!
Fr Lucius