REFLECTION FROM "THE SPIRIT AND THE CROSS" - SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

Questions For Reflection : We are Easter people and the last word is not death but resurrected life. How does this change my life?

Prayer For The Day: Risen Jesus, May the truth of your resurrection inspire us with new hope and fill us with joy. May this joy fill our souls, and bear fruit that will last so that all people will know you by the way we live. **Amen**.

NO MASS FOR THE WEEK AFTER EASTER: 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.

(CORRECTION), **PARISH OFFICE** will be closed on 15th and 19th April. Reopen on ~~29th~~ **20th** April.

PRAYER BOOKLET: Prayer booklet will be available for Easter Vigil Mass. Prayers in the Newsletter is for Sunday Mass

PASCHAL CANDLE with words A FLAME BURNS WITHIN OUR HEARTS. JESUS CHRIST ABIDE WITH US. "The candle is usually decorated with a cross, the numerals of the year, and the Alpha-Omega monogram. These additions make the candle a kind of consecration of time, a reminder of the timelessness of the paschal mystery. At the Easter Vigil, the celebrant traces them on the candle with the words: Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, Alpha and Omega. All time belongs to him and all the ages. To him be glory and power and through every age and for ever. Amen." Grains of incense are traditionally inserted into the extremities of the cross to represent the wounds of Christ: "By his holy and glorious wounds may Christ our Lord guard us and keep us. Amen." The priest lights the candle from the new fire, saying: "May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds." The people process into the darkened church following the deacon or priest who carries the candle high. The Easter candle is thus a pillar of fire leading us into the promised land. It is also a powerful sign of our unity as the Body of Christ. As we light our small candle from its flame, we are reminded that in "Christ our Light" we become the light of the world ourselves." (Source: Liturgy Brisbane)

PUMPKIN SALE: Pamella will be selling beautiful Kent pumpkins which were grown locally and kindly donated by one of our generous parishioners. Proceeds go to the Parish. Look for the Pumpkin Stall on Saturday night at the Grotto side of the Church.

ENTRANCE: JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

Surrexit Christus hodie; 4th st. Charles Wesley

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Al-le-lu-ia!
Our triumphant holy day, Al-le-lu-ia!
Who did once upon the cross, Al-le-lu-ia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Al-le-lu-ia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al-le-lu-ia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Al-le-lu-ia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Al-le-lu-ia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Al-le-lu-ia!

But the pains which He endured, Al-le-lu-ia!
Our salvation have procured; Al-le-lu-ia!
Now above the sky He's King, Al-le-lu-ia!
Where the angels ever sing. Al-le-lu-ia!

Sing we to our God above, Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise eternal as His love; Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise Him, now His might confess, Al-le-lu-ia!
Father, Son, and Spirit blest. Al-le-lu-ia!

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ALLELUIA NO. 1

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Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His Name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth,
He is the King of creation.

Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His Name.

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COMMUNION: WE REMEMBER

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REFRAIN:
WE REMEMBER HOW YOU LOVED US TO YOUR DEATH,
AND STILL WE CELEBRATE FOR YOU ARE WITH US HERE;
AND WE BELIEVE THAT WE WILL SEE YOU WHEN YOU COME,
IN YOUR GLORY, LORD,
WE REMEMBER, WE CELEBRATE, WE BELIEVE.

Here a million wounded souls
Are yearning just to touch You and be healed.
Gather all Your people,
And hold them to Your heart. **R.**/

Now we recreate Your love,
We bring the bread and wine to share a meal.
Sign of grace and mercy,
The presence of the Lord. **R.**/

Christ, the Father's great "Amen"
To all the hopes and dreams of ev'ry heart.
Peace beyond all telling
And freedom from all fear. **R.**/

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THANKSGIVING: ALLELUIA NO. 1

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Refrain:
Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His Name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth,
He is the King of creation. **R.**/

Spread the Good News o'er all the earth,
Jesus has died and has risen. **R.**/

We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live forever. **R.**/

Come let us praise the Living God.
Joyfully sing to our Saviour. **R.**/

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RECESSIONAL: THIS DAY WAS MADE BY THE LORD

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Refrain:
This day was made by the Lord,
Let us rejoice, let us be glad!
This day was made by the Lord,
Let us rejoice in salvation.

I thank You, Your love is eternal.
You have given me life.
You have given me life.
I will proclaim the wonders You do. **R./**

Your Hand raised me up in triumph.
You have given me life.
You have given me life.
I will proclaim the wonders You do. **R./**

The stone which the builders rejected
Is the cornerstone.
Is the cornerstone.
I will proclaim the wonders You do. **R.**/

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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.

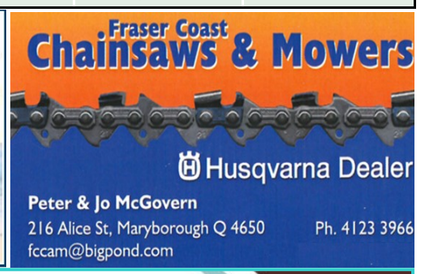
The Recently Deceased:
Josephine Smith-Cameron, Tony Maaran, Fay Shield, Joseph Miranda, Brian Lee and Brian Wheatley Jnr.

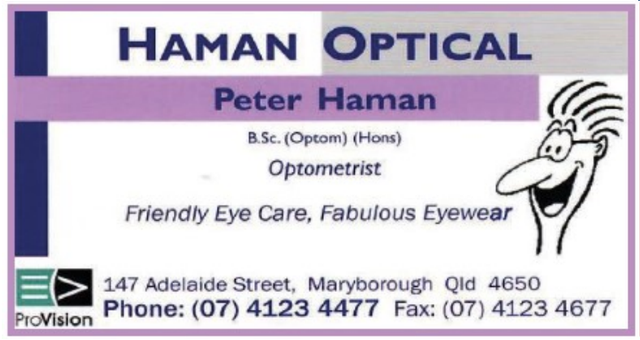
Anniversary of Death:
Ma. Melba Murillo**,** Elwyn Baxter, Pacita Perez, Florence Schmidt, Merv Flavel, Richard Hogan, Joseph Nguyen, Peter Pham and Patrick & Sarah Hynes.

PIETY STALL

Please visit our piety stall if you wish to buy some religious articles. Piety stall is situated on the right side of the church as you enter through the main entrance. One could also check the catalogue and order any specific items.

Roster	Sat 16th Apr	Sun 17th Apr	Sat 23rd Apr	Sun 24th Apr
Welcomer	Warren	Pilar	Gerard	**Need help**
1st Reader	Pat	Tyson	Beverley	Michael
2nd Reader	Beverley	Gail	Pamella	Peter
3rd Reader	John			
4th Reader	Christine			
Communion	Sue	**Need help**	Sue	Graham
	Marion	**Need help**	**Need help**	**Need help**
Servers	Thu, Han, Andrew, Stazio, Chet	Sarah Byron	Thu Han Chet	Sarah Byron Andrew
Musician	Rita	Robyn	Bong, Jearen	Justin
Singers	Combined Choir	Combined Choir	Filipino Choir	Janette
Mass set up	Janette & Sophie	Lita	Beverly , Lou	Lita





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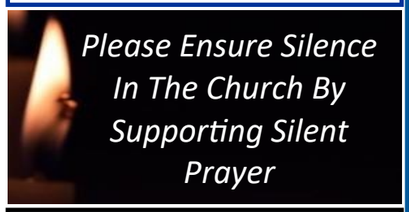
THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

20/04/2022	Wednesday	**No Mass**
21/04/2022	Thursday	**No Mass**
22/04/2022	Friday	**No Mass**
23/04/2022	Saturday	**6.00pm**
24/04/2022	Sunday	
	Maryborough	**8.00am**
	Tiaro	**10.00am**



1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

This week's Readings:
Easter Sunday Year C (p.306)
1st - Acts 10:34, 37-43

Psalm Response: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

2nd - Colossians 3: 1-4

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

Gospel - John 20: 1-9

Next weekend's Readings: Second Sunday of Easter Year C (p.789)
1st - Acts 5: 12-16
Psalm - 117
2nd - Apocalypse 1: 9-13, 17-19
Gospel - John 20: 19-31

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NEWSLETTER 17TH APRIL 2022
EASTER SUNDAY YEAR C

The Lord is truly risen, alleluia
To him be glory and power
for all the ages of eternity,
alleluia, alleluia.

CHRIST IS RISEN HALLELUIA! HALLELUIA!

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118:24).

Why do we rejoice today? We rejoice because our faith in Christ has been vindicated, truth has triumphed over falsity, justice over injustice and tragedy has turned into comedy. The story of the suffering and death of Jesus on Good Friday is the story of the triumph of falsity over truth, of injustice over justice, of evil over goodness. Jesus was falsely charged of crimes he did not commit, and unjustly sentenced to a death he did not deserve. His good friend betrayed him, his trusted companions deserted him and his number one man denied him.

The people he loved demanded his crucifixion and chose to have the bandit Barabbas released in his place. It is a story of betrayal and lies, dishonesty and meanness, unfaithfulness and wicked violence directed against an innocent and apparently helpless victim. All this comes to an end on Good Friday when we see Jesus scourged, mocked, led on the death march, nailed to the cross where he dies after a few hours and hastily buried in a tomb. However, if that was truly the end of the story that would be a bad story, a tragedy. But glory be to God it is not.

Death is not the end of the story. There is one more chapter. This is the most important chapter because, as the saying goes, he who laughs last laugh best. And in the last chapter of the story of Jesus we see him rise from the dead in all glory and majesty. He is vindicated. His enemies are shamed and confused. Jesus regains his eternal glory with the Father. He is the Lord who will prevail over all humankind, his enemies included. For us his embattled followers this is a good news of our salvation and freedom.

It is good news to know that truth is immortal. We can suppress Truth, accuse it of being a lie, condemn it, torture it, kill it, bury it in the grave but on the third day Truth will rise again. Remember this and do not give up on Truth even when everybody seems to give up on it. Do not give up on Truth; do not give up on Justice. Do not give up on doing what is right.

Just will always be just. Right will always be right even when the world around us would have it otherwise. We must learn to believe in the sun even when it is not shining, knowing that by and large it will shine again. It is the end of the story that counts. That is why the church asks us today to rejoice and be glad. Even when we are going through very difficult times: through betrayal, unjust discrimination, lies, misrepresentations; even when the enemy seems to be winning the battle in our lives. Tonight\Today Christ has won. And we know that in Christ we shall overcome. Halleluiah, Praise the Lord!

Happy Easter everyone!
Fr Lucius