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This Week's Mass Schedule

01/04/2025 **Wednesday** **8:00am**

02/04/2026 **Thursday**
Lord's Supper **7:00pm**

03/04/2026 **Friday**
Stations of the Cross **10:00am**
Solemn Liturgy **3:00pm**

04/04/2026 **Saturday**
Easter Vigil **6:00pm**

05/04/2026 **Easter Sunday**
Maryborough **8:00am**
Tiaro **10:00am**

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

READINGS

Palm Sunday - Year A **(p.189 - in St Pauls Missal)**
- **1st** - Isaiah 50:4-7
- **Psalm** - Ps 21 Resp. hymns page
- **2nd** - Philippians 2:6-11
- **Gospel Accl.** hymns page
- **Gospel** - Matthew 26:14 — 27:66

Next weekend: Easter Sunday - Year A **(p.306).**
- **1st** - Acts 10:34, 37-43
- **Psalm** - 117
- **2nd** - 1 Corinthians 5:6-8
- **Gospel** - Matthew 28:1-10

OUR PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, Maryborough's St Mary's Parish and School Family are Earnestly in need of Your Loving Care more than ever before. Through Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Grant that Your Holy Spirit may Enlighten the Eyes of our Minds. To guide us all to believe more and to Deepen our Faith, Hope and Trust in you. ***Amen***

ST MARY'S MARYBOROUGH

NEWSLETTER 29TH MARCH 2026
PALM SUNDAY - YEAR A

HOSANNA TO THE SON OF DAVID;
BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.

JESUS SHOWS UP AGAIN TODAY!

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 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 sisters and brothers, as we begin our countdown into the most Holy week in our Christian faith, and as Pope Leo assures us that through the suffering and death of Christ we have been called to a full spiritual communion with the body and blood of Christ each time we pray to God for strength and forgiveness. So, as we mark Jesus' triumph over death, let us thank God and ask Him for the strength to be strong and open till the end, as He shows-up again today in triumph over death.

Happy Palm Sunday!
Fr Lucius

Holy Week and Triduum

We collectively observe Holy Week, a seven-day period beginning with Palm Sunday and concluding on Holy Saturday.

The Triduum encompasses the three days from sunset on Holy Thursday to sunset on Easter Sunday. It is a continuous liturgical celebration commemorating the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: The proceeds from this collection is to support the shrines and holy places in the Holy Land. *Your donation helps to preserve the sacred places and supports Christians who live in the Holy Land.*

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Unite Against Poverty this Lent

Envelopes will be available at the church entrances during the Lenten season if you would like to support the work of Caritas Australia during this Lenten season. Envelopes may be placed on the collection plate.

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AED Familiarisation Event

We are currently undertaking the vital task of equipping both the Church and Parish Hall with Automated External Defibrillators (AED) along with First Aid kits, aiming to enhance the safety and well-being of our community.

An AED familiarisation and education session will be held on Sunday, 19th April, following Mass.

We invite interested parishioners to consider attending this session. Your involvement is greatly valued, whether you wish to learn for the first time or refresh your skills. Together, we can ensure that our community is prepared to respond confidently and compassionately in times of need. Thank you for considering this important opportunity.

EUCHARIST28 Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you
for the gift of your real presence
in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

Grant us the grace
to receive you reverently, worship you truly
and serve you with hearts renewed.

By the power of the Holy Spirit strengthen us,
so that as you gave yourself to the Father
and to us, we too may offer our lives to God
and to others.

Inspire and help us to serve you in those
who are in need, especially
the defenceless and homeless,
the lonely and lost.

Unite us with your sacrifice of the Mass,
so that we may truly become
what we have received, the Body of Christ.

Amen.

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Schedule - please follow the below links.

- **- Lent and Holy Week 2026**: stmarysparishmaryborough.com/lent-2026-schedule
- **- Sacrament of Confirmation 2026**: stmarysparishmaryborough.com/confirmation-2025
- **- Sacrament of First Holy Communion:** stmarysparishmaryborough.com/sacrament-of-holy-communion
- **Parish Events Calendar 2026**: stmarysparishmaryborough.com/parish_events_calendar_2026

St Marys Memorial Garden & Columbarium

If you are interested in ordering a niche or plaque for yourself or for your dear ones, please contact the parish office.
Brochure is available at the Parish Website - https://www.stmarysparishmaryborough.com/uploads/1/3/8/6/138621922/columbarium_brochure.pdf

Entrance:
All glory, Praise, and Honour

Refrain:
All glory, praise, and honour
To you, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.
You are the King of Israel,
And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's Name coming,
Our King and Blessed One. R/.

The company of angels
Are praising you on high;
And mortals, joined with all things
Created, make reply. R/.

The people of the Hebrews
With palms before you went:
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before you we present. R/.

To you before your passion
They sang their hymns of praise:
To you now high exalted,
Our melody we raise. R/.

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Psalm Response:

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

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:
Jesus You are Bread for Us

Refrain:
Jesus, You are bread for us.
Jesus, You are life for us.
In Your gift of Eucharist
We find love.

When we feel we need a friend
You are there with us, Jesus.
Thank you for the friend You are.
Thank you for the love we share. R./

When we feel that we need love
You are there with us, Jesus.
Thank you for the friend You are.
Thank you for the love we share. R./

When we feel that things aren't fair
You are there with us, Jesus.
Thank you for the friend You are.
Thank you for the love we share. R./

In communion we believe
You are there with us, Jesus.
Thank you for the friend You are.
Thank you for the love we share. R./

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Thanksgiving: Jesus Remember Me

Jesus, remember me
When You come into Your Kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
When you come into Your Kingdom. (repeat)

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Recessional: Tree of Life

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.

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.

Christ, You lead and we shall follow,
Stumbling though our steps may be,
One with You in joy and sorrow,
We the river, You the sea,
We the river, You the sea.
We the river, You the sea.

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Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Maria Lucia Foz Lopez, Andrew Ready, Michael Dessousa, Trevor Spencer, Josephine Toriaga, Chona Hall, Ewa Danda, Christine Waerner, Agnes Martel, Christine Chu, Vince Dollisson, Leo G. Amar, Alfonso Diaz, Jenny Camilleri, Bohdan Pastuch, Joan Lucas, Betty Hove, Evelyn Keys and Ame Cox.

The Recently Deceased: Ian Rattray, Dawn Candida, Janet Jackson, John Grabbe.

Anniversary of Death: Hope Russell, Florence Schmidt, Richard Hogan, Con & Jean Deere, Brian Deere, Peter Pham, Joseph Nguyen, Anna Pecar, Patricia Murray and Joseph Tran Phu Lu.