

FR ALO WRITES . . .

Mirroring Our Life through the Sacred Triduum

Easter celebrations remind me of the ministry as priest to those who are dying and the families who have lost their loved ones. Sacred Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter) can become a mirror to our life till we reach the resurrection.

- Dying:** Facing someone who is dying is like the experience of **“Holy Thursday”**. People gathered around the dying person giving him or her assurance of their love, support and prayer. At the same time the family would like to attend to the needs of the dying person. Remember what Peter said to Jesus at the last supper when Jesus spoke about his betrayal? Peter said: *“Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will”* (Matt 26:33). We know that Peter wouldn’t do anything to protect Jesus, like we who are powerless in facing the fact of our loved one dying. Like Jesus and his disciples there was a service among them: giving food and washing of the feet.
- Death:** The powerlessness would become worsen at the death of our loved one. Some people find it hard to accept the fact and even question God for the loss. Even Jesus himself was expressing his sadness by saying: *“My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?”* (Matt 27:46). This is the experience of **“Good Friday”**. The disciples went away to where they came from before following Jesus. They were sad and did not see their bright future as they had imagined when they came to follow Jesus.
- Words of Remembrance:** Every time during a funeral and a member of the family of the deceased person gives “words of remembrance” people feel sad but at the same time make the person alive and people feel alive too with funny and touching stories of the deceased. This is the **“Easter: resurrection”**. The same thing happened to the disciples when they talked about Jesus on their way to Emmaus. They asked each other, *“Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”* (Luke 24:32).

The message for us today is that there are times of “Holy Thursdays, Good Fridays and Easter” in our lives. We ask Jesus of the Thursday to wash our feet and feed us with his body and blood. We ask Jesus of the Friday to fill our emptiness, calm our fear and sadness through his passion. We also ask Jesus of the Resurrection to give us light, life and hope of endless joy. Keep telling the stories of Jesus which will make him and us alive at the same time.



THIS WEEK

Celebrate the resurrection of our Lord!

Happy
EASTER



SATURDAY 31 MAR

7:00pm Easter Vigil Mass
9:30pm CIC

SUNDAY 1 APR

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea
11:00am Baptisms
3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass
NO EVENING MASS

MONDAY 2 APR

9:00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 4 APR

9:00am Mass

THURSDAY 5 APR

5:30pm Reconciliation
6:00pm Mass

FRIDAY 6 APR

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 7 APR

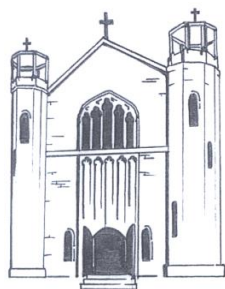
6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 8 APR

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea
3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass
6:00pm Mass

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome! Let us know how we can support you in your faith journey. Please introduce yourself to the parish priest and/or one of the hospitality team at morning tea.



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PARISH PRIEST

Fr Aloysius Lamere msc

DEACON

Rev Khoi Nguyen msc

PARISH SECRETARY

Maria Caetano (Mon-Fri, 9am-1pm)

MASS TIMES

Sat 6pm (Vigil),

Sun 9:30am (Family), 6pm

Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am, Thurs 6pm

Indonesian Mass Sun 3:30pm

French Mass Third Sun 11am

RECONCILIATION

Mon 9:30am & Thurs 5:30pm
or by appointment

ROSARY

First Saturday at 3.00pm Rosary Room

INDONESIAN COMMUNITY

Fr Aloysius Tamnge msc – 0426 042 624

BAPTISMS

First Sunday - 11am, bookings required

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

SACRAMENTS

Contact parish office

OLR PRIMARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Marie Nilon - 9663 3346

OLSH COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

Jenny Fowler - 9662 4088

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Roy Rigotti - 9313 8334

John Hill - 9663 3222

Sr Pauline Richards - 9663 2447

RESPONSES

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

SECOND READING

Colossians 3: 1-4

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
Let us feast with joy in the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20: 1-9

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.

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK

John & Olga Nasser, Robyn Greenwell,
Lynne Chaundhuri, baby John (in America)

PARISHIONERS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE/HOMEBOUND

Desleigh Carlton, Colleen Corcoran,
Nella Custorella, May Kaveney,
Elaine Love, Sr Margaret McKay rscj,
Miriam McKoy, Frances McLaughlin,
Angela Miranda, Maria Pockaj,
Lucienne Radzysinski, Gerhard Stocker,
Margaret Stocker, Gwen Smith

BELOVED DECEASED

Maria Taranto, Mercia McGregor,
Robertus Rudy Widjaja

ANNIVERSARIES

Glen Kilmurray, Macolino & Ciaglia Families,
Giuseppe Sidoti, Simone Armstrong,
Pierre Lang, Guessipina Rando,
Carmela Miceli, Marilyn Dorahy,
John Michael Stinson, Imelda Agnes Pyne,
John Sutton

ROSTERS

31 MAR/1 APR	EASTER VIGIL	EASTER SUNDAY	
Acolyte	Sal Barone, John Allen Handojo Widjaja	Roel Castillo	
Readers	Easter Roster, please see notice board		
E. Ministers			
KidsChurch	Holley Curley, Sherly Handjojo, Nubia Rodriguez		
Counting	Terry & Val Gormley, Ratna Santoso, Rob Payten		
Comm to Sick	Thomas Chia, Margaret Rigotti		
7/8 APR	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Dennis Fenech	Sal Barone	Terry Gormley
Readers	James Lynch Judith Lynch	Nani Widarto Jeff Kildea	Patricia Reyes Isabelle Reyes
E. Ministers	Vien Suhadi	Nani Widarto George Bedirian Robyn Kildea Grace Pandiangan Amelia Iovanella	Marieann Duncan
KidsChurch	James Marmotta, Eka Andriani		
Counting	John Moore, Ray Delohery, Selvi Ung		
Comm to Sick	George Bedirian, Robyn Kildea		

MISSION & OUTREACH

Have you ever considered supporting a seminarian as they prepare for their priestly ministry? The MSC Mission Office actively seeks to provide assistance to students in **Vietnam, PNG, Fiji, Indonesia, Philippines**, and many parts of **Africa**.

As our reliance on overseas-born Priests increases (currently 1 in 4 across Australian parishes), we can do our part in ensuring that their formation and education is of the highest standard. Help us support the young men who have answered the call and chosen the path of priestly and religious life. They are the lifeline in maintaining the gift that is the Eucharist in our lives. **For more information please contact mscmisio@mscmisio.org, Tel: 9697 0983 or place gifts in MSC Mission Office envelopes at the entrance to the Church.** Thank you.



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OUR PARISH IS GROWING, AND SO IS OUR BATHROOM!

Renovation on the new bathroom will commence immediately after Easter at a cost of \$25-\$30k and take about 6 weeks. The bathroom will be completely renovated for the first time since the Church was built in 1906 and include:

- doubling capacity of toilets (two toilets)
- large wash basin
- floor to ceiling tiles
- new lights
- new plumbing
- new entrance door
- new window
- external awning
- external rail support

You can still donate through the weekly collections in an envelope marked 'OLR Church Bathroom Renovation'.

Special thanks so far to all parishioners that have donated materials, time or money towards the renovation, in particular:

Parishioner donations \$1,680

Indonesian Community donation \$2,000

Eka Adriani - Architect design

Classic Ceramic Tiles (Michael Scardilli)



ROSARY IN THE ROSARY ROOM

Join us on **Saturday 7 April at 3pm** in the Rosary Room for the Rosary followed by afternoon tea. Children welcome.



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

We are inviting new children from year 4 and up who have made their First Communion to join as altar servers. This is a wonderful learning experience for our young members to learn about their faith and take on responsibility. Training will take place in the church on Saturday at 7pm (after Saturday evening mass). The training dates will be on **7th and 14th April 2018** (new children need to attend both sessions). If you are interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Caroline on 0433 186 125.

PERMANENT PART-TIME COOK

The De La Salle Brothers in Kensington are seeking to employ a cook **Mondays to Fridays, 11am to 2pm**. It is a permanent part-time position. Salary and conditions are according to industry standards. If you are interested, please submit an application to The Director, PO BOX 802, Kensington NSW 1454.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB

Wed. 4th April 2018. 7.30 - 9pm at the PADDINGTON RSL CLUB 220-232 Oxford St, Paddington, opposite the Town Hall.

Topic: **"Wounds and Vulnerability"**

Speakers: **Fr Jamie Calder sj**, Associate Professor, Australian Catholic University - a registered and practicing psychologist whose clinical specialisation is with men recovering their lives from practices of violence and abuse; and **Barry & Fay Dalton**, who are active in Prison Ministry; **Moderator: Sr Anne Jordan pbvm** from CANA. Donation entry. Info Marea: 0414 873 910.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Weekend 24/25 March 2018

First Collection	\$1,673
Second Collection	\$774
Envelope Collection	\$670
Project Compassion	\$465

WE'RE CELEBRATING...

BAPTISMS – EASTER SUNDAY

Archer John Cassidy
Jeremy George Gulyas

Congratulations to our RCIA group who received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil. They are:

- Hui Xu (Grace)
- Queenie Chan
- Hongmei Zhang (Erin)
- Hei Lam Wong (Elise)
- Tze Yin Wong (Joshua)
- Yan Cai
- Holly Sheung Man Lee
- Chloe Chu Kit Lee
- Nicholas Jit Chang Yaw
- Arifiana Koeshendro
- Bryan Jin Hao Yaw
- Dani Lestari
- Elise Angelia
- Lucky Hartanto

JOKE CORNER

THE FUNNY STORY OF THE TAXI DRIVER & ST PETER

One Easter a priest and a taxi driver both died and went to heaven. St Peter was at the Pearly gates waiting for them. 'Come with me,' said St Peter to the taxi driver. The taxi driver did as he was told and followed St Peter to a mansion. 'Oh my word, thank you,' said the taxi driver. Next, St Peter led the priest to a rough old shack with a bunk bed and a little old television set. 'Wait, I think you are a little mixed up,' said the priest. 'Shouldn't I be the one who gets the mansion? After all I was a priest, went to church every day, and preached God's word.' 'Yes, that's true.' St Peter rejoined, 'But during your Easter sermons people slept. When the taxi driver drove, everyone prayed.'

PROJECT COMPASSION

FOR A JUST FUTURE



HAPPY EASTER FROM ALL AT CARITAS AUSTRALIA!

Thank you for supporting us this year as we demonstrate how A Just Future is possible for all generations, backgrounds, cultures and communities, who are part of one human family. You are empowering young people to build a just future for themselves, their families and their communities. A Just Future has started with your support!

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2018 Lenten appeal.

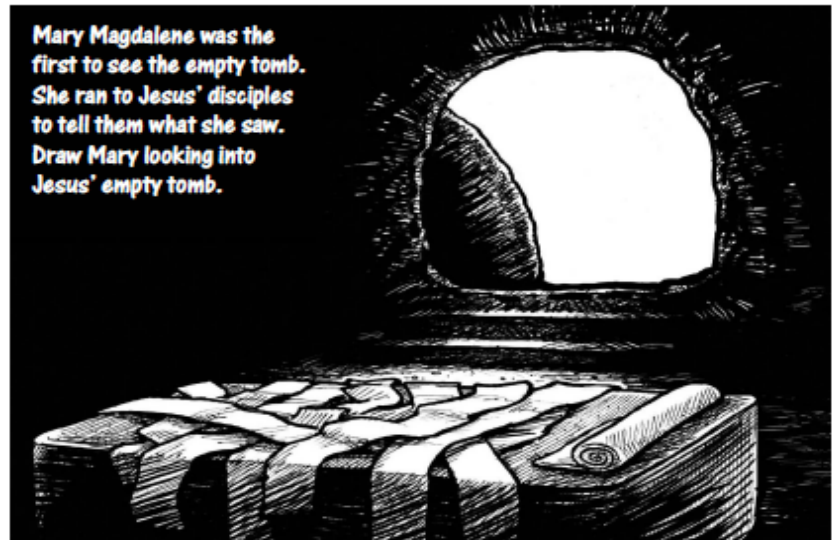
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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

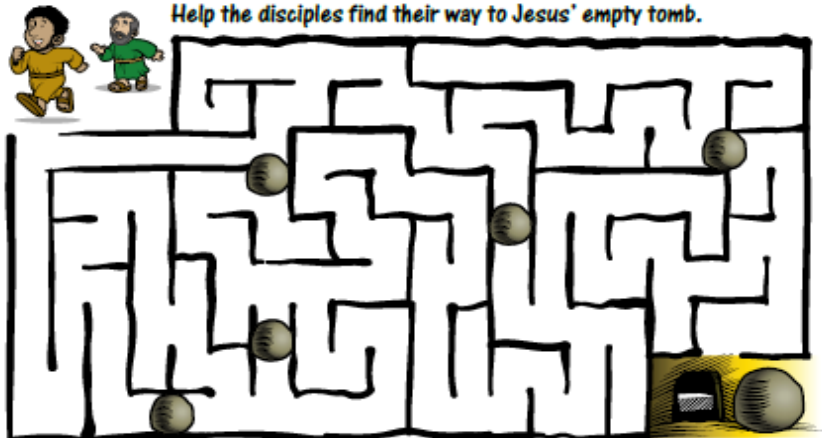
Jn 20:1-9
My name is

He is risen! Alleluia!

Mary Magdalene was the first to see the empty tomb. She ran to Jesus' disciples to tell them what she saw. Draw Mary looking into Jesus' empty tomb.



Help the disciples find their way to Jesus' empty tomb.



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