

# Pope Francis: Easter Triduum speaks of God's love and mercy

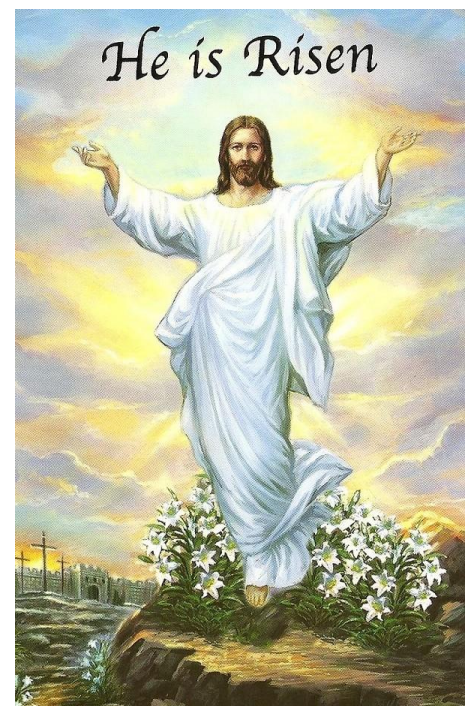


Pope Francis at his Weekly General Audience. - ANSA  
23/03/2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters: As we prepare to celebrate the Paschal Triduum in this Holy Year of Mercy, we are invited in a special way to contemplate the revelation of God's infinite mercy in the events of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. On, Holy Thursday, Jesus gives himself to us as food and, in the washing of feet, teaches us the need to serve others. On Good Friday, in the mystery of Christ's death on the cross, we contemplate that undying divine love which embraces all mankind and summons us in turn to love one another in the power of the Spirit. Holy Saturday, the day of God's silence, invites us not only to solidarity with all who are abandoned and alone, but also to trust in that faithful love which turns death into life. These, then, are days which speak to us powerfully of God's love and mercy. In one of her visions, Julian of Norwich hears the Lord say that he rejoices eternally because he was able to suffer for our sake out of love. Let us prepare then to celebrate the coming days with gratitude for this great mystery of God's mercy, poured out for us on the cross of our salvation.



## THIS WEEK



### EASTER SUNDAY 27 MARCH

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

### MONDAY 28 MARCH

9:00am Mass

### WEDNESDAY 30 MARCH

9:00am Mass

### FRIDAY 1 APRIL

9:00am Mass – Year 3

### SATURDAY 2 APRIL

6:00pm Mass

### SUNDAY 3 APRIL

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea  
11:00am Baptisms  
3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass  
6:00pm Mass



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Fr Aloysius Lamere msc

## PARISH SECRETARY

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

## MASS TIMES

Sat - 6pm (Vigil)

Sun - 9:30am (Family), 6pm

Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am

Indonesian Mass Sun - 3:30pm

French Mass Third Sun - 11am

## RECONCILIATION

Mon 9:30am or by appointment

## INDONESIAN COMMUNITY

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## BAPTISMS

First Sunday - 11am, bookings required

## WEDDINGS

By Appointment

## SACRAMENTS

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# 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

Maria Luca, Margaret & Gerhard Stocker, Jack Smith (Castellorizian Nursing Home), Br Raymond Concannon, Laura (Rose's friend), Lianne Cross, Lil Siely, Kate Lingard, Kath Neale, Will Coady, Ghassan Serhan, Leo O'Sullivan, Tonia Pastorelli, Manuel Mouco, Baby Alessio, Ashika Nandan, Vivien Christie, Lucienne Radzaminski, Neville Dunn, Derek Chick, Tony (Dulwich Hill), Francesco Alessi, Lucia Simeone, Assunta Ciaglia, Natalina Beghetto, Llewellyn Samuel, Antonio Laquian, Joe Di Blasio, Anton's mum, Rina Vecchief, Nella Custorella, Marie LaBrooy, Patty Ingram, Dee Piper, Rosaria Ciaglia, Frank George, Colleen Corcoran, Zanita Banzon, Angela Breen Ortega

## BELOVED DECEASED

Joao Caetano

## ANNIVERSARIES

Giuseppe Ciaglia, Simone Armstrong, Pierre Langy, Armino Leal, John Michael Stinson, Giuseppe Sidoti

# ROSTERS

MARCH 26/27	EASTER VIGIL	EASTER SUNDAY	
Acolyte	SPECIAL ROSTER	SPECIAL ROSTER	
Readers	SPECIAL ROSTER	SPECIAL ROSTER	
E. Ministers	SPECIAL ROSTER	SPECIAL ROSTER	
KidsChurch	Christina Halim, Herlina Halim		
Counting	James Lynch, Helen Liew		
Comm to Sick	Roel Castillo, Thomas Chia		
2/3 APRIL	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Sal Barone	Gus Alimhamzah	Terry Gormley
Readers	Selvi Ung Sr Helen Hearne	Stephen Chiew Jeff Kildea	Tony King Liz Thorp
E. Ministers	Jan Nicholas Alice Mouco	Margaret Rigotti Roy Rigotti James dela Cruz Trish Veness Stephen Gatt Henny Ramali	Virginia Black Grace Pandiangan
KidsChurch	Aubrey Curley, Holley Curley		
Counting	Terry & Val Gormley, Ratna Santoso, Rob Payten		
Comm to Sick	Trish Veness, James dela Cruz		



Easter Sunday

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF  
PROJECT  
COMPASSION

### HAPPY EASTER FROM ALL AT CARITAS AUSTRALIA!

Thank you for supporting us this year as we celebrate 50 years of Project Compassion. You are helping to empower the world's poorest children, women and men with vital learning and renewed hope.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2016 Lenten appeal. [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) | 1800 024 413.

### THE ANNUAL DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD

The annual Day of the Unborn Child procession is on this year on **Divine Mercy Sunday 3rd April**. Starts at 12:00 midday after the 10:30am Mass at St Mary's Cathedral and ends at 1:30pm with Benediction back at the Cathedral. This year it will be led by the Maronite Rite Bishop, His Excellency Antoine-Charbel Tarabay. We seek mercy for the unborn child, his mother and father and all who participate in the evil of abortion. Call Family Life International for more: (02) 9518 8111 | [www.fli.org.au](http://www.fli.org.au).

### PILGRIMAGE OF MERCY – ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL HOLY DOOR

*"The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us makes in this life".* Pope Francis. Throughout this Year of Mercy, you are invited to come to St Mary's Cathedral and make a Pilgrimage of Mercy. Walk through the Holy Door and make a pilgrimage along the Way of Mercy - six different Mercy Stations throughout the Cathedral where you can stop, reflect and pray. For more information see [www.sydneycatholic.org/yearofmercy](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/yearofmercy).

### BOOK LAUNCH: SUNDAY, 3 APRIL 2016 11AM - STRATHFIELD

*Faith, Hospitality and Service*. Bishop Terry Brady, DD will officially launch *Faith, Hospitality and Service*, a history of St Martha's Catholic Parish, at St Martha's Parish, 70 Homebush Road, Strathfield (following the 10am Mass). The book has been commissioned as part of the parish's centenary celebrations (1916-2016). The book details the families, religious and clergy of one of the most significant parishes in the Archdiocese of Sydney, from the 1880s up until today drawing heavily on research undertaken in archives in Ireland and across Australia.

### ACU SYDNEY THEOLOGY SHORT COURSE

Abrahamic Perspectives on Mercy. The Faculty of Theology and Philosophy at the Australian Catholic University (Strathfield Campus) is organising a Theology Short Course in the month of May on the theme of Mercy. 6.30-8.00pm with refreshments from 6pm in Room C2.01, The Edward Clancy Building. Topics and Speakers:

**Wednesday, 4 May:** "Mercy in Judaism", Dr Avril Alba (University of Sydney).

**Wednesday, 11 May:** "Mercy in Christianity", Dr Maeve Heaney, VDMF (Australian Catholic University). **Wednesday, 18 May:** "Mercy in Islam", Dr Mahsheed Ansari (Charles Sturt University). **Wednesday, 25 May:** "Mercy in Religious Life",

Sr Ann-Maree O'Beirne, rsm (Australian Catholic University).

To register visit: <http://www.acu.edu.au/817796>.

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### PARISH CELEBRATION

**1 MAY 2016**

Plans are now in place for a wonderful celebration at Masses on **Saturday 30 April and Sunday 1 May** in recognition of our church turning 90! After Mass on Saturday and Sunday night we will be serving cheese and wine at the back of the church along with a cake in honour of the occasion. All food and beverages will be provided by the parish.

After Mass on Sunday everyone is invited to morning tea in the hall. If anyone would like to bring a small plate of food to share it will be much appreciated. A special cake in honour of the 90 years will be provided by the parish.

### VOLUNTEERS

Could we please have about 10 volunteers to help set up the hall on Saturday 30 April from 5pm. If you can help us please contact either Robyn Kildea on 0411 469 518 or Jan Nicholas on 0407 218 072. Men with muscles will be very welcome!

### SACRAMENTS

#### First Reconciliation

Enrolments for First Reconciliation are being taken and will close on Friday the 1st of April. Please refer to the parish website for online enrolments. You can contact the coordinator Sarina [sarinam@live.com.au](mailto:sarinam@live.com.au) for more information.

#### First Eucharist

Enrolments for First Eucharist are being taken and will close on Friday the 20th of May. Please refer to the parish website for online enrolments. You can contact the coordinator Sarina [sarinam@live.com.au](mailto:sarinam@live.com.au) for more information.

# WE'RE CELEBRATING...

## NOTICES

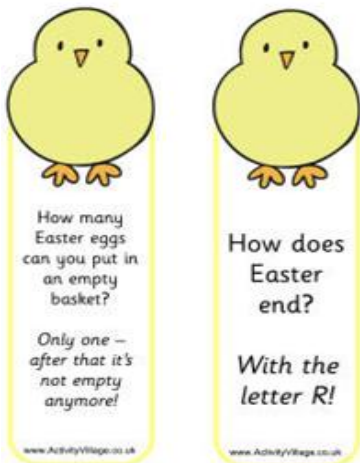
### THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS 3 APRIL 2016

Next week on *The Journey* Bishop Bill Wright reflects on the Gospel of John for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Easter; Sr Hilda Scott OSB gives us more *Wisdom from the Abbey*; Bruce Downes *The Catholic Guy* asks us "What makes someone great?" Sam Clear reminds us to "Hold on to what is Important" and Byron and Francine Pirola give us more great tips for Marriage. Go to [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

### IS IT I, LORD? MGL VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT WEEKEND 15-17 APRIL

Friday 7pm to Sunday 2pm 6 Boake Place, Garran ACT. For men seeking to know God's will for their life. Come join the Missionaries of God's Love priests and brothers for a weekend of prayer, reflection and brotherhood to help you discern your vocation. \$20 donation, Accommodation and meals provided. Enquiries: [frkenmgl@gmail.com](mailto:frkenmgl@gmail.com) or [davemgl@yahoo.com.au](mailto:davemgl@yahoo.com.au) [www.mglpriestsandbrothers.org](http://www.mglpriestsandbrothers.org)

## JOKE CORNER



### WYD REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 16 APRIL

**Calling Young Adults aged 18-35.** There are less than 4 weeks until registrations close for World Youth Day. The Sydney pilgrimages are filling up and there are only limited places so encourage your young adults to think about this opportunity. Help and support any young people (aged 18-35) to be a part of this life changing event. To lock in a place young people need to register and put down their \$500 deposit as soon as possible. To register go to, [www.wyd2016.com.au](http://www.wyd2016.com.au). For all other information about the Sydney pilgrimages visit, [www.catholicyouthservices.org](http://www.catholicyouthservices.org) or email [wyd@catholicyouthservices.org](mailto:wyd@catholicyouthservices.org).

### APRIL 18-21: Y-FACTOR: SHINE

Join us for Y-FACTOR "SHINE" 2016! The CYS Staff and Youth Ministers from all over the Sydney Archdiocese have been working for months to make this year's camp even better, so if you are currently in yrs 7-12, then come have the time of your life these Easter school holidays! There'll be heaps of time for games, activities, talks, discussion, prayer and a chance to grow in your faith and relationship with God. Registrations close on **Friday 1, April 2016**.

Cost \$220 | Location: Youthworks, Rathane National Park, Port Hacking | More info: [www.catholicyouthservices.org/yfactor](http://www.catholicyouthservices.org/yfactor).

### APRIL 9, 2016 DATING & DEGUSTATION

Catholic Youth Services would like to welcome all single men to Dating & Degustation. This is an event for men and women between 25-45 to meet new people whilst sharing an exquisite five course degustation menu provided by our friends at the Raddison Blu Plaza Hotel Sydney. Each course will be enjoyed with a different person of a similar age. While the women's tickets have sold out we still have tickets available for men.

Tickets are \$110 and can be purchased via the website [www.trybooking.com/KSFD](http://www.trybooking.com/KSFD). This covers a five course degustation menu and drinks on arrival. RSVP's are due by April 1, 2016. For more information email: [dandd@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:dandd@sydneycatholic.org) | call: 9764 4357.

### APRIL 12, 2016 CATHOLICISM 101 "MERCY SERIES"

In 2015, Pope Francis called a Jubilee Year of Mercy, in response, Catholic Youth Services will host the "Mercy Series" which aims to breakdown the spiritual and corporal works of Mercy and provide a basic theoretical understanding of them and then to show by the example of others in our community how we can practically live these works out in our lives.

WEEK THREE we are excited to welcome Fr Richard Leonard SJ who will speak practically on both "Visiting the sick and comforting the afflicted " TUESDAY 12, April 2016, supper from 7:30pm (straight after City Silence) with the talk beginning at 8pm.