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## Mass Times

**Sat Evening:** Mass: 6pm

**Sunday:** Mass: 7am, 9am

**Tues - Sat:** Morning Prayer & Rosary: 6:45am  
Mass 7:30am

**Confessions :** 30 minutes before Mass

**Confessions, Baptism & Marriage by appointment**

**31ST MARCH 2024**

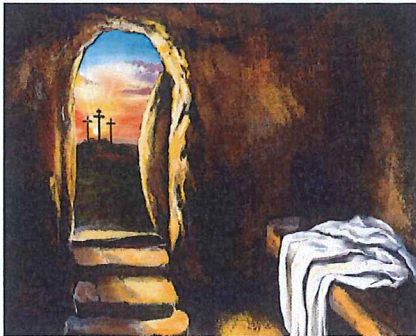
**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

## *Jesus is raised from the dead*

<https://oblates.ie/>

Empty tomb with three crosses on a hill side.

Our Lenten journey and pilgrimage are over. Our fasting is complete; now we can feast and celebrate. We have travelled with Jesus from the harshness of the desert to the new life coming from the empty tomb. Having walked with Jesus as we carried our cross, we now share in and experience the joy and power of his resurrection.



When we look at the news on our televisions or read it our newspapers we are all very well aware of all the hardship and pain that exists in our world today. There isn't a day that goes by were we don't read the story of a random act of terrorism or a shooting of one kind or another. There are painful scenes of war, feminine and terrorism of our televisions, most if not every evening. Even in our own country and communities there are senseless acts of violence that leave families grieving for the death of a loved one. How are we meant to celebrate Easter in such difficult circumstances?

Even at the time of Jesus there was inequality, injustice, and poverty. He would have seen it, experience it and been very familiar with it. But it is into that world that he came with the good news of the Kingdom of God. It is into our world today that Jesus comes with the same good news. It is in and through our world today that we experience and share in his resurrection.

The trial and crucifixion of Jesus must have been such a painful and even disappointing experience for his friends, followers and family. They had placed such hope in Jesus; in his preaching, his teaching and in his miracles. Then they had to stand and watch as he was betrayed, condemned, beaten and then crucified. They stood and watched him die.

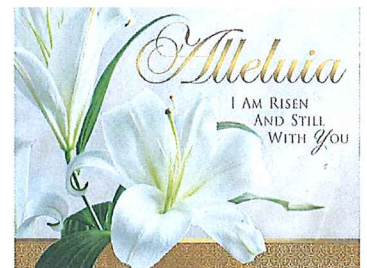
In it is in and through our ordinary daily lives and our world today that Jesus comes risen from the tomb. The resurrected Jesus comes to us as we are. But he also comes as he is; through the power of God he is resurrected and comes to us with the gift of new and everlasting life. Death has not had the final say. Where there was despair, God brings us hope. Where there was darkness, God has bright light. Where there was death, God bring us not just life, but new and everlasting life. These are the gifts that God offers each of through the resurrection of Jesus.

In world where there is often the reality of suffering, violence and injustice, we are called to be people of hope. This is not ordinary human hope. This is the hope that comes to us through the resurrection of Jesus. In the face of sadness, difficulty and pain, we are called to look to and rely on the resurrected Jesus and not just on our strength and resources.

The call, invitation and even challenge of Easter is that I experience it personally deep within myself. I am called to be an Easter person, a person of the resurrection. I am called and asked to be person who is filled with the new life and hope of the resurrected Jesus.

We may be tempted to give in and give up the world as it is today. However, because we now share in the powerful resurrection of Jesus, we are to live our daily

lives full of Easter hope. As Pope Francis says to us, as Christians, we must never look like people who have just come back from a funeral! This Easter Sunday and for the rest of the Easter Season, may we be people who are filled with the Light Joy, Life, and Hope of the Resurrection of Jesus. The Lord is risen, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!



# Hallelujah

March/ April

Sun 31st March Easter egg hunt after 9am Mass  
Tue 2nd April Legion of Mary @ 9:00am  
Wed 3rd April Meeting @ 7pm  
Fri 5th April Anointing of the sick@7:30 am Mass  
Sat 6th April Confessions/Reconciliation @ 5:30pm

## Liturgy Roster for 7th April 2024

**MASS: 6:00PM 7:00AM 9:00AM**  
**ACOLYTES:** N.De Lucaews I. Darch J Calleja; C Anello  
**READERS:** Stefanelli fam A.Greenfield T.Pavy  
**COMMS:** Stefanelli fam I.Kendall J.Lim  
**SERVERS:** Stefanelli fam H.Louise, A.Roberts  
**COUNTERS (TEAM 5 )** F Netto; I Darch  
**CLEANERS:** T.Loc

## Mass Remembrances/Anniversaries/Sp. Int.

*RS=repose of the soul /TG=thanksgiving / SP=special intention*

SAT 30-Mar 6:00 PM Pro-populo (pray for people)  
SUN 31-Mar 7:00 AM Pro-populo (pray for people)  
9:00 AM Pro-populo (pray for people)  
TUE 2-Apr 7:30 AM Sp-Simon Foo-healing  
WED 3-Apr 7:30 AM RS-Margaret Vincent  
THU 4-Apr 7:30 AM TG-Jenni Braham & fam  
RS-Ivy & William Fernandez  
FRI 5-Apr 7:30 AM RS-Rosario Trfiletti,  
SP -Angelica & Mike Fernandes  
TG- Olive Carvalho  
SAT 6-Apr 7:30 AM  
6:00 PMRS-Flory Fernandez, Alice Simon,  
RS- Nickles Eugin  
TG-Olive Carvalho  
SP-Margaret Mc Neill  
SUN 7-Apr 7:00 AM Sp-Simon Foo-healing  
9:00 AM RS-Frank Lombardi and dec fam  
RS-Geoff Gordon, Dominic Lai Cheung,  
Jane Leung Chin Chun,  
RS- Dec fam mbs of Lai & Gordon

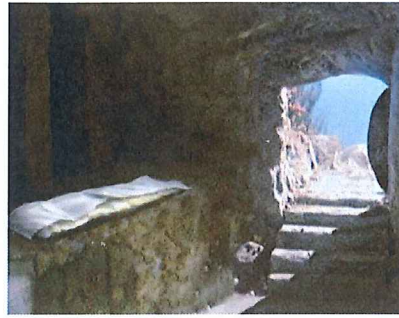


### Pray for :-

Those who are suffering in wars, in natural diasters, in religious persecutions and the sick, Anka Erceg, Graziela Carbone, Rosa Zonato, Simon Foo, Francisco

Paterniti, Ventura Ramos-Nunez, Maria Pacca, Geraldine O Sullivan, Ermelina Vescovo and Clara Pound.

**5 Beautiful scriptures to remind you what Easter is all about** <https://www.catholic.org/news/hf/faith>



This is the true reason we celebrate Easter. We celebrate life, sacrifice and new beginnings.

**"Jesus said: I am the Way; I am Truth and Life. No one can come to**

**the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him."** - John 14:6-7

Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. He is the way to eternity with our Heavenly Father.

**"After Jesus had taken the wine he said, 'It is fulfilled'; and bowing his head he gave up his spirit."** - John 19:30

The words "It is finished" have since become amazing words that ripple through the Christian community. With Christ's death, everything was changed forever. Jesus died for the sins we are all guilty of and allowed us to find redemption, though none of us are truly worthy.

**"The veil of the Sanctuary was torn right down the middle."** - Luke 23:45

The veil of the temple was an enormous curtain representing the divide between man and God. When Christ gave his life for us, the veil was torn and now nothing separates us from the Lord!

**"He is not here; he has risen..."** - Luke 24:6

Jesus is alive! God is, and never will be, dead. No one can ever kill Jesus Christ, our Lord God, or the Holy Spirit. They will always live on to encourage us, commune with us, help us and stay by our sides for the rest of our days.

**"Jesus said: I am the resurrection. Anyone who believes in me, even though that person dies, will live,"** - John 11:25

The Easter celebration is much more than a memorial to Christ, who died for our sins. It's a celebration of thanks for the greatest gift ever bestowed upon mankind.

We have the gift of eternal life with our Heavenly Father and benefit from a loving God who doesn't just tell us about his love - he shows us.

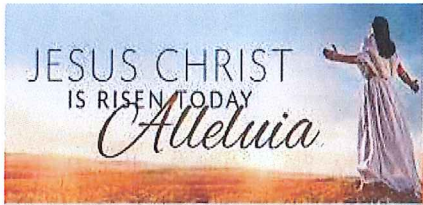


# OUR PARISH FAMILY...

**Alleluia!**

**Christ is risen and we are called to rise with him into a new life!**

*Fr. Suresh would like to wish you and your family a very joyous and grace filled Easter!!*



*Easter Message from Bishop Robert P. Desley*

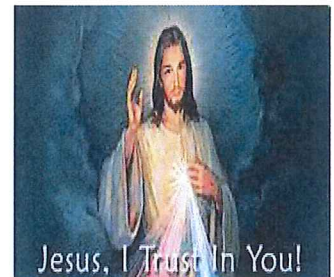
*We would like to THANK and APPRECIATE all you wonderful volunteers who have helped and prepared for the Holy Week celebrations. And we thank especially each and every one of you who had come and pray with us during the Holy Week. We thank for your continual love and support for the St. Joseph community. May God bless you and family graciously.*

## Divine Mercy Sunday -Next Sunday April 7th

St. Joseph's Parish will publicly displayed the image of the Divine Mercy for all the faithful to pray and venerate on Divine Mercy next Sunday . Please come, venerate and worship the King of Mercy.

**To obtain the plenary indulgence, the faithful must:**

1. have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin;
2. have sacramentally confessed their sins;
3. receive the Holy Eucharist
4. pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff.



*I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open... The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. (Saint Faustina Diary 699)*



**\*\* Easter Egg Hunt Sun March 31** after 9:00am Mass, please bring your children for the Easter egg hunt and enjoy the family fun time together..

**\*\* Easter Donation :** If you wish to give Easter donation to the parish , you can **Direct Debit** to Name : St. Joseph Parish , Bank : ANZ, Bassendean, Bank A/C No. 4247-67029, BSB no. 016-255. The parish needs your continual loving and generous support. May God bless you graciously!!

**\*\* Renting a room** - One of our parishioner Josianne Laurent, her friend needed to rent a room urgently, if you have a renting room to offer, please call/text Josianne 0425 438 567 for details.

## Easter Sunday 31 March

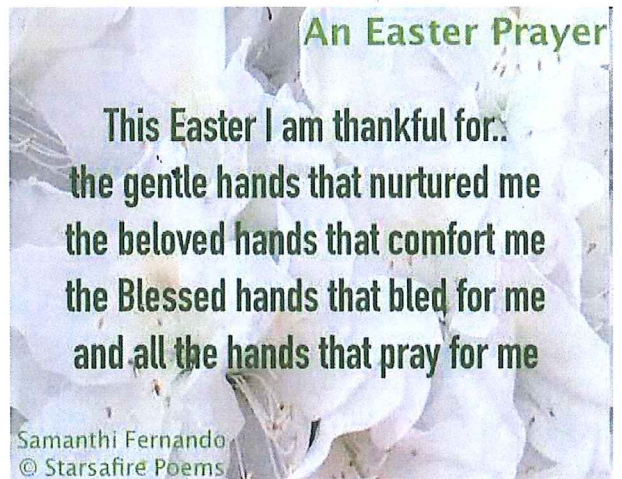
Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!



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Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2024 Lenten appeal.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.



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# The Living Word

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

31 March 2024

## First Reading Acts 10:34, 37-43

*We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.*  
Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself; and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23. R. v.24**

**(R.) This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad.**

or

**(R.) Alleluia.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.  
Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.' (R.)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds. (R.)
3. The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

## Second Reading Col 3:1-4

*Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.*

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

**or: 1 Cor 5:6-8**

*Throw away the old yeast, that you may be new dough.*

You must know how even a small amount of yeast is enough to leaven all the dough, so get rid of all the old yeast, and make yourselves into a completely new batch of bread, unleavened as you are meant to be. Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast, then, by getting rid of all the old yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

## Gospel Acclamation 1 Cor 5:7-8

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;  
let us feast with joy in the Lord.**

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel Jn 20:1-9

*The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.*

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the

linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

**or: Mk 16:1-7**

*Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has risen.*

When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices with which to go and anoint him. And very early in the morning on the first day of the week they went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising.

They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' But when they looked they could see that the stone – which was very big – had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right hand side, and they were struck with amazement. But he said to them, 'There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here. See, here is the place where they laid him. But you must go and tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you."'

**or at Evening Mass: Lk 24:13-35**

*They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.*

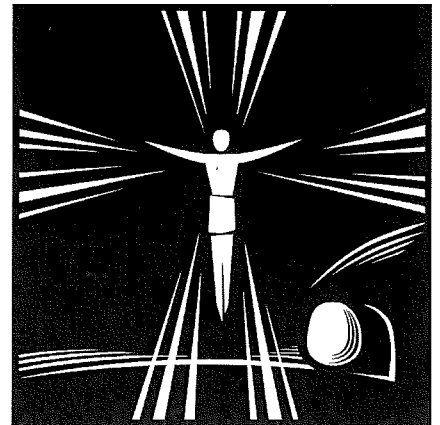
Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us; they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.



## Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Easter is the season of mystagogical catechesis, that instruction that unpacks the hidden mystery of the experience of the sacraments of initiation received or renewed at Easter. The readings of each Sunday concentrate on some aspect of this mystery. The central theme of this Sunday is newness of life in Christ. This newness is not without its historical context. It burst forth first in the resurrection of Christ, and then through the preaching of the first Christians.

The readings testify that if we die with Christ, we will appear with him in glory; if we cast out the old yeast, we will be fresh dough. And when this wondrous transformation takes place, everything is new; everything is fresh. To what newness are we called? To what must we die in order to rise transformed? What old yeast of corruption must be cast out in order that we might be fresh dough? At Easter we renew our baptismal vows. What is it that we really renounce? Ours is a world of violence, of prejudice, of indifference. Too often we harbour feelings of anger and resentment, of selfishness and disdain. Easter proclaims that Christ has died and has risen; with him we die to all of the wickedness in our lives and in our world, and we set our hearts on higher things, on sincerity and on truth.

## 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.