

THE SAVING WORD

EASTER SUNDAY / A

16 APRIL 2017



MASS OF EASTER NIGHT

EPISTLE

Rom 6:3-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again.

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection. We must realise that our former selves have been crucified with him to destroy this sinful body and to free us from the slavery of sin. When a man dies, of course, he has finished with sin.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised

from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM

Ps 117

R. Alleluia. Alleluia. 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 cornerstone. / This is the work of the Lord, / a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

GOSPEL

Mt 28:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee.

After the sabbath, and towards dawn on the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala and the other Mary went to visit the sepulchre. And all at once there was a violent earthquake, for the angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled away the stone and sat on it. His face was like lightning, his robe white

as snow. The guards were so shaken, so frightened of him, that they were like dead men. But the angel spoke; and he said to the women, 'There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would. Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him." Now I have told you.' Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples.

And there, coming to meet them, was Jesus. 'Greetings' he said. And the women came up to him and, falling down before him, clasped his feet. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers that they must leave for Galilee; they will see me there.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

MASS DURING THE DAY

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34, 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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



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PRAY FOR US

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Tue, Wed, Thur, Frid

Mass Times

Sat: 5:30pm (Vigil)
Sun: 8am & 10am
Tue - Sat: 9am

Family Mass with

Children's Liturgy:
3rd Sunday of the
Month 10am Mass

Filipino Mass:

1st Sun 11:30am

Indian Mass:

4th Sun 5pm

Il Gruppo di Rosario

Italiano: Il gruppo di preghiera Italiano, si raduna ogni giovedì alle ore 10 nella sala parrocchiale.

Sacraments

Confession

Sat 4:45pm or any time by appointment

Baptism

4th Sun 11.15am
(by appointment)

Marriage

At least 6 months notice required

Anointing of the Sick

By appointment

Devotions

Every Friday Adoration
3-4pm

Rosary & Benediction

Sat after 9am Mass

Elsa George Rosary Group

Second Saturday of every month at 2.30pm
9716 6676 All welcome

Novena to Our Lady of

Perpetual Help
Wednesday 7pm

UPDATE - SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2017

Information for the 2017 Sacramental Programme can be found at the rear of the Church OR by accessing the Sacramental Weebly site at: <https://sacramentsatsaintpaul.weebly.com/> OR by email to Kathryn at: sacramentsspcdh@gmail.com

Due to the length and timing of the Programme it is important that Candidates attend all class lessons and Masses. Make up classes are not able to be provided.

OVERVIEW - CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

INFORMATION AND ENROLMENT- WED 3 MAY, 6pm in the Parish Hall

CLASSES at 9am SUNDAYS- MAY 7, 14, 21, 28, JUN 4 & Jun 11 in the Parish Hall and in the Parish Church Mass (compulsory) of your choice- Sunday 8am or 10am

CONFIRMATION MASS WITH BISHOP UMBERS, SUNDAY JUN 18 AT 2PM

OVERVIEW - FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

INFORMATION AND ENROLMENT- WED 2 AUG, 6pm in the Parish Hall

CLASSES at 9am SUNDAYS- AUG 6, 13, 20, 27, SEP 3 & SAT SEP 9 (Rehearsal) in the Parish Hall and in the Parish Church

Mass (compulsory) of your choice- Sunday 8am or 10am

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

MASS 1 - 10TH SEPTEMBER - 10am - SUNDAY

MASS 2 - 17TH SEPTEMBER - 10am - SUNDAY

Fr Kim has graciously agreed to celebrate **TWO Masses** for our Candidate numbers. Mass dates have now been allocated. Please check your emails and contact Kathryn if any further queries.

Information will be updated progressively. Please direct all enquiries to Kathryn at: sacramentsspcdh@gmail.com or access the Weebly link provided above.

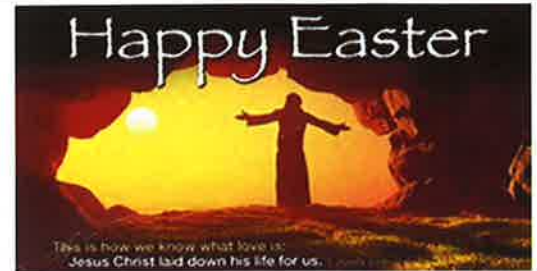
***** CONGRATULATIONS to our 39 Candidates who recently celebrated their Sacrament of First Reconciliation.*****

PARISH/SCHOOL HALL HIRE

The Hall is for hire. Please ring the office during office hours 9558 3257.

YOUTH GROUP

Contact Rian on 0402 135 637.



The Lord came to earth with a life to give, so that each one of us can continue to live. From the Parish of St Paul of the Cross, blessings to you and all your loved ones for a safe and Happy Easter.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Assistance provided by SVDP Conference in March: Homes visited 11, food cards \$950, other assistance fridge, washing machine, furniture. Electricity \$100, Storage \$600. Our next meeting will be 11/04/17 & 2/05/2017 at 7pm. If you are considering becoming a member /volunteer of SVDP Society please contact Filomena on 0413 844 943 or just come along and meet us for our meetings.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

This three day festival will be held in Sydney 7-9 December 2017. The event will attract 15,000 young people and is for those aged Year 9 to 30 years. It's a Catholic Festival a bit like World Youth Day! We look forward to the whole Parish Community being involved. For more information, please go to www.acyf.org.au.

LISMORE FLOOD APPEAL

Archbishop Fisher is supporting the Diocese of Lismore Flood Appeal that was launched by Bishop Gregory Homeming to help those who have suffered in the recent floods on the North Coast of NSW. To donate to the Appeal see www.dioceseoflismorefloodappeal.org

DE LA SALLE ASHFIELD

Enrolling now for Year 7 2018-2019. Please contact the school enrolment officer at 24 Bland Street ASHFIELD Ph: 9797 3200.

CATHOLICARE POSITIONS VACANT

Have employment opportunities to work with our ageing clients and those with a disability. To find out more call **13 18 19**, email connect@catholiccare.org or visit www.catholiccare.org.

ROOM TO RENT Lady Flatmate to share 2BR unit with Christian lady, Marrickville. \$300 p/w + bills. Phone Christina 0416 065 764.



ST PAUL OF THE CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLLING NOW FOR 2018

Enrolment packs are still available to collect from the School Office or you can download from School website – www.stpcdulwichhill.catholic.edu.au. If you have a child who will be turning 5 years old before 31 July 2018 please contact the office to set up an enrolment appointment.

School Principal Ms Frances Stewart

With St Paul of the Cross
we pray ...

For the sick

Sonia

Rodolfo Estrada
Domenic Capello
Marlowe Jacutin
Sonny Martinez
Annette Rodriguez
Onofrio Ferraro
Salvatore Ferraro
Lolita A Japtan,
Felisa C Hao
Antonio Pizzinga
Betty Jackson
Nolene Conn
Anna Pezzuto
Lucia Ferraro
Lee Tilliam

For the Souls of

Maria dos Anjos
Nobrega Semerim
Alberto Nobrega
Virgilio Lino de Maura
Manuel Maura
Nora Keating
Gino Barrillaro
Vincenzo Stillittano
Giovanni Stillittano
Domencia Pugliese
Antonio Zerbi
Vincenza Pugliese
Gaetano Bernardi
Mary Irene Brennan
Thomas Joseph Ziernan
Allen Neale Barry
Urban Lynch
Marie Heydon
Joseph Baratta
Michael Brown
Souls of the unborn children
All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Special Intentions

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Christos anesti! Alithos anesti!

A man who claimed to be greater than the Temple, able to forgive sins, in short, to have seen the birth of Abraham almost 1,800 years earlier was charged with blasphemy and put to death by the Romans for sedition. After three days his tomb was found to be empty and his closest followers claimed to have not only seen him but to have spoken, touched and eaten with him. In some cases they gave their lives for this message, for all of them, however, the sacred day of the Lord was shifted from Saturday to Sunday in commemoration of this great work of God - the resurrection. He sent these followers to proclaim the good news of our baptism into God's own family as sons in the Son. This is what we are continuing to celebrate thousands of years later, and our future generations will continue to do so until the end of the world. This is the day that the Lord has made, let us be glad and rejoice in it! Let us give thanks to God, it is right and just.

To celebrate this Good News we will be hosting the Australian Catholic Youth Festival at Homebush from the 7 to 9 of December, finishing with a large mass for all families in the Domain on the Saturday vigil. As the chair of this festival I would be happy to speak with you in more detail about the mini world youth day experience that will inaugurate the Year of Youth in Sydney. It will be like a Catholic Royal Easter Show for 15,000 teenagers and young adults. Alternatively you can click on youthfestival.catholic.org.au <<http://youthfestival.catholic.org.au>> to learn more.

Here at St Paul of the Cross I hope that we will be able to provide an engaging experience for youth in the Parish in the lead up to the festival - art, music, film, adoration, catechesis ... please think about young people who could benefit and give them a guiding hand to get involved.
Happy Easter!

Bishop Richard Umbers DD VG



PARISH WEEKEND MASS ROSTER 23 APRIL 2017

Acolyte: 5:30pm Ricardo
8am Andre
10am Philip

Readers: 5:30pm I & P Pinto
8am B Devine & C Phillips
10am R Sergi & M Portell

Music: 8am Sri & Choir
10am Beauti & Choir

Cleaning: Joseph & Chinne Duru
Laundry: D Cremona
Environment: Gilda
Counters: E George, C Corpus, I Pinto

SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT'S EASTER PRAYER

It is only right, with all the powers of our heart and mind, to praise You Father and Your Only-begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Dear Father, by Your wondrous condescension of loving-kindness toward us, Your servants, You gave up Your Son. Dear Jesus You paid the debt of Adam for us to the Eternal Father by Your Blood poured forth in loving-kindness. You cleared away the darkness of sin by Your magnificent and radiant Resurrection, You broke the bonds of death and rose from the grave as a Conqueror. You reconciled heaven and earth. Our life had no hope of eternal happiness before You redeemed us. Your Resurrection has washed away our sins, restored our innocence and brought us joy. How inestimable is the tenderness of Your Love.



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.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(see front page)

SECOND READING Col 3:1-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

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.

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SEQUENCE

The sequence may be said or sung.

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. / The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; / and Christ, the undefiled, / hath sinners to his Father reconciled. / Death with life contended; combat strangely ended! / Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. / Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. / The tomb the Living did enclose; / I saw Christ's glory as he rose! / The angels there attesting, / shroud with grave-clothes resting. / Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. / That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. / Victorious king, thy mercy show!

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

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.

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