

First Reading from the book of Samuel [Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13](#)

The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed one stands there before him,' but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height for I have rejected him; God does not see as man sees; man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.' Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these.' He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.' Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one.' At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

Responsorial Psalm [Ps 22 R. v.1](#)

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading [Ephesians 5:8-14](#)

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said:

Wake up from your sleep,
rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.

Gospel Acclamation [Jn 8:12](#)

Glory to you Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

I am the light of the world,
says the Lord;
Whoever follows me will have
the light of life.

Glory to you Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel—See insert

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EASTER MASS TIMES 2022

Palm Sunday

Sunday, 10th April
8.30am Mass, St. Monica's
10.00am Mass, St. John's

Tuesday, 12th April

Chrism Mass 7.00pm—Cathedral

Thursday of Holy Week

Thursday, 14th April
7.00pm St. John's (Thursday of the Lord's Supper)
(Please note: No 9am-12pm Adoration or Mass at 12.00 noon)

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Friday, 15th April
10.00am Stations of the Cross at St. John's
3.00pm Passion of the Lord at St. John's

Holy Saturday

Saturday, 16th April
7.00pm The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night, St. John's

Sunday of the Resurrection

Sunday, 17th April
8.30am Mass, St Monica's
10.00am Mass, St John's

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St. John the Baptist

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St. Monica

26-27 March 2022, 4th Sunday in Lent - Year A Readings

Dear Friends,

Today's Gospel from the writings of St John, records the story of the healing of the man blind from birth. As we read about this healing we are invited to consider the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light: the opening of eyes and mind to the reality of who Jesus is.

In the first part of this Gospel we hear Jesus' response to a belief that misfortune and disability are a result of sin, either that of the parents or the sufferer. When asked about this belief, Jesus gives the question a different dimension, namely that it is through this disability that his power will be made manifest. He heals the man using a human element. The crowd gathering around the Pool of Siloam witness this miracle and voice further questions.

The Pharisees, seeing this act performed on the Sabbath raise issues concerning the Law of Moses which forbade work, including healing, on the Sabbath. They question the man and his parents about the truth of the blindness. The man in turn challenges the leaders about their assessment of

the good Jesus has done. These leaders then expel the man from the town.

The final moment of enlightenment comes when Jesus later meets the man again. Jesus reveals himself as being The Son of Man. The man blind, then healed, announces himself as a man of faith.

Like the story of the Samaritan woman at the well, this reading has allusions to Baptism. The washing in the Pool of Siloam is a prototype for Christian Baptism. Through the encounter with Jesus the man is no longer blind to the Truth. His blindness is healed, his sight restored, and thus begins his conversion to discipleship. The Pharisees, those who should now see, are the ones who remain blind.

Sr Pamela Davis OP



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Coming up

31 Mar 12.00pm Mass and Anointing within Mass
 4 Apr 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council
 6 Apr 7.00pm Parents Information mtg—Confirmation
 10 Apr Vigil/Sunday Masses—Palm Sunday
 14 Apr 7.00pm St John's—Mass of the Lord's Supper (no 9-12pm Adoration, no 12 noon Mass)
 15 Apr 10.00am Stations of the Cross—St John's 3.00pm Passion of the Lord—St John's
 16 Apr 7.00pm The Easter Vigil—St John's
 17 Apr Sunday of the Resurrection—usual Mass times

Project Compassion

Rosalie 44, is an ex-combatant who lives with her husband and seven children in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Forced to join the army when she was just 15 years old, Rosalie experienced significant trauma and hardship during her years in the military. After she was demobilised from the army, Rosalie, like other ex-combatants, was left to fend for herself in the community. With your generous support, and through our local partners, Rosalie was able to connect with other members of her community and participate in business skills training to help her to reintegrate into society. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help women like Rosalie to succeed in the future, providing hope For All Future Generations.**

Footy Points Margins

The winner of Round 1 (17 points) was Judy O'Brien

The Scrutinies

On the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent we will be celebrating what the Church calls the 'Scrutinies' with Yeni. These are some of the rites of Christian Initiation. Although the word 'scrutiny' sounds intimidating the Scrutinies are intended to give healing and strength. Christian initiation is all about conversion, about changing, about becoming more Christ-like. As Christians we strive at all times to 'put on Christ', especially during Lent. The Church recognises that this is not always easy and so gives us rites to help and strengthen people preparing for initiation. When we celebrate the Scrutinies we will be praying for healing and strength for Yeni and for ourselves as we accompany each other on our journeys of conversion to Christ.

Ministers of the Word:

Please indicate your availability to read at the Easter ceremonies on the yellow sheets at the back of the church. Jo 0419 510 014.

A prayer for Ukraine

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those who are suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world, that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for the world.

Parish Secretary on Leave

Sheila Gonzales, our Parish Secretary, has taken leave for family reasons. She and Arnold and son Alonzo have flown to the Philippines because of death and serious illness in the extended family. She will be away until Easter. The office will be open from 9am-2pm Thursdays and Fridays.

Rosemary Mann is our temporary secretary while Sheila is away. She is well known to some parishioners as she was temporary secretary a few years ago when Sheila was on holidays.

We thank her for her willingness and assistance. Fr. Guy

Please remember in your prayers our sick

Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Fr Bob Curmi, Mary Dowd, Monique Matzner, Amy Matzner, June Webb, Vince & Maria Mele, Barbara Campbell, Judy Kingston, Les Williams, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Joanna Colli, Marj Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, Cecile Valenzuela.

Prayers for the Deceased

Bill Oakley, Gwen Lincoln, Betty Direen, Frances Direen, Peter Crane, Sr Carmel Hall, Minka Busch, Ron Nilsson, Stan Brach, Kerris Direen, Michael Percy, Luigi Valdarchi, Georgette Thomas, PK Varghese, Esterina D'Onofrio, Dino Di Benedetto, Luis Escobar, Doreen Street, Fr Peter Rankin, Gavin Direen, Gloria Valenzuela, Linda Gonzales. Palmerino di Santo. Margaret Gough, Patricia Leamey, Pauline Fitzallen, Lucy Williams. *Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace.*

St John the Baptist Catholic Parish: Glenorchy/Chigwell Covid-19 Safety Action Plan

The parish Covid-19 Action Plan is in place to meet government regulations. A copy of this plan is available on the churches'

WEEKEND MASSES St John's, Glenorchy

- 6.00pm Saturday
- 10.00am Sunday

St. Monica's, Chigwell

- 8.30am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
- 12.00pm Thursday

ROSARY

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.30am every Wednesday and Saturday

RECONCILIATION

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.30am-10.00am & 5.15pm-5.45pm Saturday

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.00am - 8.50am Wednesday
- 9:00am - 11.50pm Thursday

LEGION OF MARY at St. John's, Glenorchy

- 6.45 pm Every Tuesday

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUP at St. John's, Glenorchy

- 1st Wednesday of the month at 9.30am

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP at St. John's, Glenorchy

- Every Friday at 3.00pm

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

This Week:	28 March
CHRIS FOALE Team	
Next Week :	4 April
MARY PARISSONS Team	

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$590
Quest Tap & Go	\$160
Loose Plate:	\$820
Direct Deposit:	\$315
TOTAL:	\$1885
Weekly Budget: \$2500.00	
Difference: -	-\$615

PARISH DIARY March/April 2022

- 26 Saturday**
 9.00am Mass-St John's
 • 6.00pm Mass-St John's
- 27 Sunday, Fourth Sunday of Lent**
 • 8.30am Mass-St Monica's
 • 10.00am Mass-St John's
- 28 Monday**
 • 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 29 Tuesday**
 • 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 30 Wednesday**
 • 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 31 Thursday**
 • 12.00pm Mass-St John's
- 1 April Friday**
 • 9.00am Mass-St John's
 • 7.00pm Stations
- 2 Saturday St Francis of Paola**
 9.00am Mass-St John's
 • 6.00pm Mass-St John's
- 3 Sunday, Fifth Sunday of Lent**
 • 8.30am Mass-St Monica's
 • 10.00am Mass-St John's