

First Reading Acts 10:34. 37-43

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.

Second Reading Col 3:1-4

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.

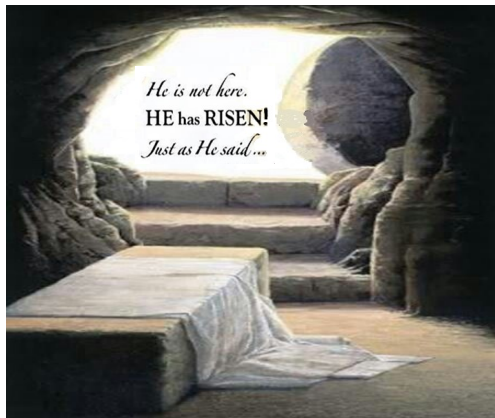
Gospel Acclamation 1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 20:1-9

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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St. John the Baptist

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St. Monica

The Parish has been entrusted to the Salesians of Don Bosco since 2000

8-9 April 2023, Easter Sunday - Year A

Dear Friends,

On this Sunday of the Resurrection, we rejoice with the whole Church because the resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth is the source of the world's salvation. Today, when we celebrate Easter, the greatest feast of them all, Christians are given hope and encouragement in the face of pain, sorrow, and despair. Jesus, risen and among us strengthens us to overcome temptations and gives us the freedom from unnecessary worries and fears. We can face anything, endure anything so long as we know and believe it will not last forever and something better will happen.

The Resurrection is central to our Christian belief in God. Since Christians believe that Christ is truly risen, then all those who put their faith in Jesus will also rise from the dead at the last day when Jesus will return to raise our bodies from the earth and make them like His own in glory and we will be with God forever. This is true happiness.

The Church's daily prayer to Mary during the Easter period is:

Queen of heaven rejoice! Alleluia!
For He whom you were worthy to bear!
Alleluia!

Has risen as He said! Alleluia!
Pray for us to God! Alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary! Alleluia!
Because the Lord is truly risen! Alleluia!

A Big Thank You!

It is with sincere gratitude that we give thanks to all those who have given so generously of their time and talents and to everyone who has participated in the Lenten and Easter celebrations. May the Risen Crucified Lord bless you all with His joy and may the Virgin Mary Mother of God pray to Jesus for you always.



Easter Greetings!

Fr Bernie, Fr Bob, Fr Abilio, Br Barry, Sr Pamela, Sheila, the parish committees and Fr Guy wish all members of the parish and friends Christ's peace and joy. May you all have a wonderful and safe Easter.

Salesians in Australia – 100 years

Fr Abilio Guterres and myself will be travelling to Melbourne at the end of the month to participate in the Salesian festivities. Our Rector Major, Fr Angel Fernandez Artime will be there to celebrate with our Salesian family and friends from our Australian and Pacific Province on this wonderful occasion.

Please continue to pray for more vocations to the priestly and religious life so that we may continue to serve the church and the young people into the future. Thank you (Fr Guy)

Coming up:

Confirmations: 18 June. Preparation sessions commence on Sunday 30 April.

Mass for the unborn

Archbishop Julian Porteous will celebrate a Mass for the Unborn at 11:00am on Saturday, 29th April, at St Mary's Cathedral for families who are currently expecting a baby. There will be a special blessing for the unborn child and both parents. All are welcome to attend. For further details please contact Dr Rachel Bradley, Director of the Office for Life, Marriage and Family, rachel.bradley@aohtas.org.au

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| PARISH DIARY | |
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| April 2023 | |
| 8 Holy Saturday | |
| • 7.00pm The Easter Vigil -St John's | |
| 9 Easter Sunday | |
| • 8.30am Mass St Monica's | |
| • 10.00am Mass-St John's | |
| 10 Monday | |
| • 9.00am Mass-St John's | |
| 11 Tuesday | |
| • 9.00am Mass-St John's | |
| 12 Wednesday | |
| • 9.00am Mass-St John's | |
| 13 Thursday | |
| • 12noon at St John's | |
| 14 Friday | |
| • 9.00am Mass-St John's | |
| 15 Saturday | |
| • 9.00am Mass-St John's | |
| • 6.00pm Mass-St John's | |
| 16 Sunday, 2nd Sunday of Easter - Year A | |
| • 8.30am Mass St Monica's | |
| • 10.00am Mass-St John's | |

| COMING UP | | |
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| Divine Mercy Sunday 16 April | 8.30am | Mass St Monica's |
| | 10.00am | Mass St John's |
| Feast of the Divine Mercy Sunday, 16 April | 2.00pm | Exposition St John's |
| | 2.15pm | Rosary |
| | 2.40pm | Chaplet of Mercy |
| | 2.50pm | Benediction |
| | 3.00pm | Mass |
| | 3.45pm | Veneration of Divine Mercy Image |
| | *2.00pm - 2.50pm Individual Reconciliation | |

| Parish Easter Raffle | |
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| Raffle will be drawn today after the 10.00am Mass Easter Sunday, 9 April 2023 | |

| Grieving Your Way Workshop | |
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| Grieving Your Way is a workshop for Christian women who would like some strategies to find and navigate their way through loss. Facilitated by Karen Mace, this workshop will help you to acknowledge, open to, and begin to work through grief associated with loss. You will learn how to integrate your faith, how to see God in even the darkest experiences, and how to recognise Our Lord as He not only walks with you, but often carries you on this part of your life journey. Wednesday, May 24th at The Emmanuel Centre 9:30am-12:30pm. For Enquiries & Registration please contact Karen: kammace@me.com or info@karenmace.com | |

| Reflection Day - Exploring our Images of God. | |
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| You are invited to spend a day in prayer and reflection exploring your images of God. Facilitated by Belinda Chapman and Maureen O'Halloran the day will be on Saturday 6th May from 10am until 3pm at the Emmanuel Conference and Retreat Centre, 123 Abbott Street, Newstead. The cost is \$40 including morning tea. Please BYO lunch. Bookings to Maureen: 0400 038 095. | |

| Project Compassion - Easter Sunday | |
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| Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU for supporting Project Compassion 2023. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit caritas.org.au/project-compassion and donate online. | |
| Your generosity will empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and lift themselves out of poverty. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for All Future Generations. | |
| Please donate to Project Compassion 2023. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available on the table at the foyer. | |

| Easter Symbols | |
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| The Easter Vigil is full of powerful symbolism. We begin with fire for Christ the light of the world has shattered the darkness of sin. The Easter candle is lit and its light is shared with the candles held by the people until the whole church is ablaze. We listen to the stories of our history from the time of Creation to the Resurrection of Christ. We are sprinkled with blessed water, a symbol of life and cleansing, to remind us of our baptism. Then we come together as the Body of Christ to share at the table of the Eucharist. | |

| International Outreach | |
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| We received an email from Fr Pulickal Augusty in Nepal this week expressing their thanks and gratitude for our regular financial support of students at the Don Bosco Technical School, Biratnagar. He sent his wishes to us all for a Joyous Easter and its Blessings and wrote: <i>'The beneficiaries for the help that you sent last time were those who were studying in grades XI and XII and also those who were learning basic computer. They could make use of the facilities available, especially the boarders of the centre. They could use the computers even during their leisure hours for learning.'</i> | |

| Footy Points Margin | |
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| No claimant yet for round 3, Collingwood v. Richmond on Friday night (14 points). Who has the winning ticket? | |

| Parish 50/50 Club | |
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| What is it? A parish fundraiser for necessary emergency repairs to church and grounds. | |
| How does it work? We need 50 parishioners or friends to pay \$50, there is a raffle draw of 3 prizes: \$150, \$100 & \$50. | |
| We have 24 person who have joined. We need 26 people to complete the fundraiser. You may join by contacting Sheila, the parish secretary, at the Parish Office 62726363 or by envelopes which are available on the table at the back of the church and can be put in the basket. | |

| Please remember in your prayers our sick | |
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| Fr Bob Curmi, Vince Mele, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Marj Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, David Smith, Mary Hinds, Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Vickie Mackay, Alan Hinds, Peter Reynolds, Alan Brock, Philip White, Arnold Markham | |

| Prayers for the Deceased | |
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| Sr Josepha RSJ, Kaye Brock, Angelo Pasutto, Don Fogg, Barbara Campbell, Darrel Patmore, Paul Westcott, Peggy Smith, Don Ambler | |
| <i>Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.</i> | |

| Parish Volunteers | |
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| To meet legal requirements, all parishes must ensure all staff and applicable volunteers have required compliance checks, namely a current Police Check as well as Working with Vulnerable People Registration. We are reviewing the status of all these checks and you may find that we contact you to arrange to have these checks in place if you do not already have them. Please contact the parish office as soon as possible. Fr Guy Riolo | |

| WEEKEND MASSES St John's, Glenorchy | |
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| • 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 - 11.50am 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 | |
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| This Week: | 13 April |
| Bridget Hayde | |
| Next Week : | 17 April |
| Roberta Puckett's Team | |

| WEEKLY COLLECTION | |
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| Envelopes: | \$727.90 |
| Quest Tap & Go: | \$130.00 |
| Loose Plate | \$816.40 |
| Direct Deposit: | \$60.00 |
| TOTAL: | \$2,279.30 |
| Weekly Budget: \$2500.00 | |
| Difference: | -\$220.70 |