

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



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St Therese of Lisieux Church

In the care of Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (MSC)

Sunday, 14th April, 2019

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - YEAR C

FROM THE PASTOR

GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday was bad long before it was good, at least from outward appearances. God was being crucified by all that can go bad in the world: pride, jealousy, distrust, wound, self-interest, sin. It's no accident the Gospels tell us that, as Jesus was dying, it grew dark in the middle of the day. Few images are more telling. As Jesus hung upon the cross, seemingly, light gave way to darkness, love to hatred, and life to death. How can that be good?

Moreover, as he was dying, Jesus no longer seemed divine, powerful, and in control of things, both in terms of what was happening in the world and in what was happening inside of himself. The world was sinking into distrust and, if the Gospels are to be believed, Jesus, the incarnate God, seemed to be sinking into a personal doubt, one so gripping that it triggered the words: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me!" What's happening here? How can this be good?

To understand what happened on Good Friday we need to separate what was happening on the surface from what was happening at some deeper place.

The surface event was bad and can never by any imagining be called good. Sincere religious people, good though weak, out of fear and weakness were selling out what was best in them and either helping incite the execution of Jesus or standing passively by and letting it happen. In effect, other than a few strong women who were not succumbing to fear or group-hysteria but who are too disempowered to practically do anything about it, everyone was aiding in the crucifixion of God, either out of ignorance, jealousy, or weakness. In Jesus' own words, darkness was having its hour. The human, social, and political drama that played out on Good Friday was not good. It showed humanity at its worst before God's seeming silence.

But there was something deeper happening on Good Friday, a drama was playing out inside the recesses of Jesus' private soul and conscience the result of which was antithetical to all that was happening on the surface, in the crowd. Inside his struggle to accept what was happening in that situation and to accept what was being asked of him, we see the ultimate moral and religious drama: love struggling with and then triumphing over hate, trust struggling with and then triumphing over paranoia, and forgiveness struggling with and then triumphing over bitterness.

We see that epic struggle, first, playing itself out in his agony in the garden of Gethsemane where Jesus literally sweats blood in the face of his options, that is, standing before every form of opposition, hatred, ignorance, and misunderstanding he must decide to either give himself over in trust or to flee in self-preservation. He chooses the former and, we are told, he is then strengthened by a divine presence.

But acceptance is not exactly full surrender and the next day, on Good Friday, the final test takes place. The angel who strengthened him in Gethsemane seems to disappear when he is on the cross and a crushing dark night of doubt now racks him to the point of making him cry out with what seemingly sounds like despair: "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me!" His acceptance, given to his Father the night before, at this crucial moment, is made infinitely more difficult by the seeming absence of his Father who had, up to now, been his very breath. In the face of that seeming abandonment, Jesus had to make a choice for faith, love, and trust at the rawest level, in ultimate darkness. What's the choice? What does Jesus do?

In the words of Karl Rahner, Jesus lets himself "sink into the incomprehensibility of God." He surrenders to God whom he cannot at that moment feel or understand but only trust. Here's where Good Friday turns from bad to good, Jesus surrenders himself not in bitterness, grasping, or anger, but in trust, gratitude, and forgiveness. In that surrender, the struggle between good and evil, the most epic of all battles, is won.

Ultimately, all that's wrong in our world will not be vanquished by a morally superior violence, no matter how virtuous are those who are doing the vanquishing. Good violence will never rid the world of bad violence. We will rid our world of those powers that perennially crucify God only when each of us, like Jesus, can let our bitterness, grasping, and anger give way to trust, gratitude, and forgiveness. And, barring being extraordinarily gifted by special grace, we will all, like Jesus, have to let ourselves sink into the incomprehensibility of God, that is, by trusting even when we don't understand, by loving even when we are hated, and by forgiving even when we are being hurt.

All of us will have our Good Fridays, not least in our experience of death. By every appearance, they will look bad, but if we give ourselves over in trust they will be good.

Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI ©

In the heart of Jesus
Fr Mark Hanns MSC

PRAYERFUL CENTRING

Church as a community is central to who we are, so it is a good thing to get re-connected to each other at church. Church is also a praying community, so it is a spiritually helpful practice to prepare for the beginning of Mass in a way that focuses and centres us for the sacrament we are about to enter into. Thus, I thought we could introduce a brief time of prayer and silence before the Mass begins. We will begin it with a spoken prayer led by a member of the congregation, followed by a minute or two of silence before the entrance procession.

Many people do this now, but they are surrounded by much conversation. This will allow us to become centred and to also be mindful of others who are praying. We'll begin this after Easter.

Whenever we are in the body of the church, let us be mindful to maintain this reverent quietness, not suppressing all conversation but keeping it to a very low volume, so others can pray.

Fr Mark

NOTICES

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CONFIRMATION

Sacramental preparation for Confirmation will commence shortly. Please pray for our Parish children who are preparing for Confirmation on Sunday, 2nd June 2019 at 9:00am. The dates for preparation meetings are:

- **Meeting for Parents only** - Thursday, 2nd May in the Parish Centre at 7:00pm.
- **Presentation to the Parish** - Sunday, 5th May, Mass, 9:00am. Candidates will be presented with a crucifix to wear during the preparation time. This will be followed by the **First Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- **Mass** Sunday, 12th May.
- **Presentation of Creed** - Sunday, 19th May, Mass, 9:00am. Candidates will be presented with the Creed during Mass. This will be followed by the **Second Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- **Practice & Archbishop's Visit** - Thursday, 23rd May, 5:45pm, **Practice for Confirmation in Church**, for Parents, Candidates and Sponsors. **Visit of Archbishop Julian**, 6:30pm in Church, with Parents, Candidates and Sponsors.
- **Mass** - Sunday, 26th May, Mass, 9:00am. This will be followed by the **Third Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- **Confirmation with Mass**, Saturday, 2nd June, at 9:00am, for Parents, Candidates, Sponsors and Family.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Project Compassion boxes or Envelopes are available in the foyer of the Church.

EASTER MASS TIMES

- **Chrism Mass**, Tuesday, 16th April 7:00pm (Cathedral);
- **Thursday of the Lord's Supper**, Thursday, 18th April 7:30pm (**Combined Mass**);
- **Stations of the Cross**, Friday, 19th April 10:00am;
- **Friday of the Passion of the Lord**, Friday, 19th April 3:00pm;
- **Friday of the Passion of the Lord**, Friday, 19th April 5:00pm (**Polish**);
- **The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**, Saturday, 20th April 7:30pm (**Combined Mass**);
- **Resurrection Mass**, Sunday, 21st April 7:00am (**Polish**);
- **Sunday of the Resurrection Mass**, Sunday, 21st April 9:00am
- **Sunday of the Resurrection Mass**, Sunday, 21st April 10:45am (**Polish**);
- **NO SUNDAY 4:30PM MASS**
- **Monday**, 22nd April 9:15am and 10:30am (**Polish**);
- **Tuesday**, 23rd April 9:00am (**Polish**).

SACRED HEART COLLEGE OLD SCHOLARS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REUNION

The Sacred Heart College Old Scholars' Association is holding it's Annual Reunion on Sunday, 5th May at the Riverfront Motel, Rosetta. A two course luncheon at 1pm. Cost \$17.00. Bookings to Kathryn Darvell on 62283975 by 29th April.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION 2019

The annual collection for the support of the Church in the Holy Lands takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parish, schools orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from the Good Friday collection. The collection is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, Australian Catholics donated \$1.4 million to this cause, despite tough economic times, rural droughts and increasing cost of living which put strain on family budgets and financial resources. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land again on this Good Friday. Please also pray that peace and harmony will become a reality in the birthplace of Jesus, the 'Prince of Peace'.

EASTER COLLECTIONS

Next weekend in addition to the Good Friday Collection, Project Compassion boxes can be returned over any of the Easter Services. There is the Easter Offering which directly supports the Parish Priest.

FR CHRIS HOPE 2019 PRESENTATION **"UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT FALL INTO** **THE EARTH AND DIES"**

Monday 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th May between 10:00am - 12:00noon. The content will be about The Passion Story which is the first part of the Gospel narrative to be formed. Examining the accounts of the last days of Jesus in the Gospels, noting their similarities and differences and how they came to be incorporated into the texts we have today. The talks over 4 weeks will take place at Maryknoll Retreat Centre, 15 Home Avenue Blackmans Bay. For more information please contact Sr Margaret on 0418 366 923. A donation of \$10 per session.



GRACEFEST is open to all young people under 35 and will include times for music, a talk, prayer, food and fellowship.

GRACEFEST will be held on **Thursday, 9th May, 5:30pm to 8pm: St Mary's College, Hobart (entry from Brisbane St).**

Registration for this event is **FREE** and needs to be completed online. To register and for more information, visit the website <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/gracefest-with-fr-rob-galea-tickets-59416014900>

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP **25TH ANNIVERSARY NATIONAL** **PILGRIMAGE**

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the 25th anniversary National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop. The Pilgrimage commences in Melbourne 22 October, visiting Penola, Adelaide and other significant places, and concludes in Sydney 2 November 2019. The Cost is \$3,575 – \$4,390 (twin share) depending on capital city of departure (Australia or New Zealand). Single supplement for all areas \$685 pp. For a brochure, application form or further information please email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or call Sr Therese Leydon rsj on 0417 683 123, or Sr Annie Bond rsj on 02 8912 4818.

ST THERESE'S CRAFT GROUP

The Craft group dates for remainder of 2019 are as follows:- 15th and 29th April and 13th and 27th May, 3rd and 17th June, 1st, 15th and 29th July, 12th and 26th August, 9th and 23rd September, 7th and 21st October, 4th and 19th November. All are welcome to come along. We meet in the Church Community Room at the rear of the Church.

EASTER EGGS?????

We cannot ignore the fact that there is as much slavery in the world today, as there was before, or perhaps more – said Pope Francis last month.

Australians spent around \$210 million on Easter chocolate last year. This year it will be about the same, or more. Companies will produce what we ask for. Please use your buying power and purchase slavery-free chocolate. You can make a difference to the world, and to the lives of the enslaved children who are forced to pick the cocoa beans used in a lot of chocolate.

Good news: Catholic agencies and institutions are leading the way in Australia in demanding slavery-free supply chains, including in the production of chocolate. Don't leave it up to the big companies.

Action: Please buy and eat only slavery-free Easter eggs and chocolate this Easter. Look for one of these three symbols on the chocolate wrapper and make a difference. Convert to slavery-free.

They will feature one of these three logos.



<https://acrath.org.au/take-action/slavery-free-easter/> for information and resources.

THE MESSAGE IS PEACE

Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 19:28-40 & 22:14-23:56

The Mount of Olives is a significant place in Jesus' ministry to Jerusalem. Last Sunday's Gospel had him coming from The Mount. Again today, he is there as the King riding to his destiny. On Good Friday, he will be there praying to his Father. From there he will be taken off to suffer and die for us.

It seems that Jesus is caught up in a cycle of injustice and treachery that he cannot control. In fact, Luke portrays him as the complete master of the situation. He sends two disciples to get a donkey from the nearby village. The only reason they give for taking the donkey is: "The Master needs it!" The disciples put their cloaks on the donkey as a kind of saddle. The people keep spreading their cloaks on the road as he comes down the Mount of Olives. This is an indication that they accept the kingly rule of the Messiah.

On that road, there is a church called Dominus Flevit (The Lord Wept). Earlier, Jesus wept over the city: "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you that kill the prophets and stone those who are sent to you! How often have I longed to gather your children, as a hen gathers her brood under wings, and you refused." Again Jesus weeps over the city: "If you in your turn had only understood on this day the message of peace." While the people are accepting him at this time as their Messiah and King, Jesus also knows that the City of Peace (Jerusalem) is going to reject him.

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It was an ancient custom that when a king came in peace to visit his kingdom, he chose a donkey in preference to a horse. A horse was a symbol of war. A donkey was a symbol of peace. Another symbol of peace is the olive branch. In today's procession, we use branches to show we stand for peace.

How much of Jesus' peace do you show to people in your life?

Noel Mansfield, msc ©



STEWARDSHIP

"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (Luke 22:34)

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about Jesus or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance? Or, do you remain quiet because you believe people will think negatively about you? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue when the opportunity arises.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 1,526.45
Loose:	\$ 1,019.25
TOTAL:	\$ 2,545.70
<u>Week's Budget Collections:</u>	<u>\$ 2,538.00</u>
Difference	\$ 7.70

Thank You!

LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

Thanh Huynh, Shirley Lehner, Olga Woods,
Susan Wilson, Josh Stokes, Lise Levaque,
Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik, Jay Jennings,
Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray,
Kayden Edwards, Marie Morrisby,
Lorna Brazendale, Leo Manning, Jan Grubb,
Felicity Matthews, Alicia Stroud,
Elsa Natoli, Peter van Loggerenberg,
Joan Horne, Geoff Grubb, Jean Vanier.

Anniversaries

Kazimierz Jablonski, Elizabeth Streat,
Peter Hope, Zofia Cisak, Harold Poulson,
Thirza Beryl Barber,
Prudencia Gabriel Salas, Fr Norbert Earl,
Fr Bernard Balwin, Fr Frederick Morduant,
Fredrick Hoskins, Pater Weronika,
Klaus Joseph Goerss, Bernard Aitken,
Kazimieras Paschkewizschus,
Michalina Machnik, George McGuire,
Basilio Gabriel, Kathleen Brooks,
Mavis Brown, Elvie Knights, Shaun Pullen,
James P. Scanlon, Colin Higgins,
Marcin Jablonski, Patrick Jacobs,
Mollie A Reid, Bridget Agnes Imlach,
Alice Miller, Walenty Ejlak,
Maria Bidejowski, Fr Paul Fleming MSC,
Giovanni Lindo, Stefan Brzyski,
Br Gordon Morgan MSC,
Bortolo Luigi Gesiotto,
Sr Mary Honorata Scanlon, Syd Riley,
Darcy Cooper, Tony Andrikonis,
Janine Smith, Eleonora Szczypior,
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Sr Carmel Leavy OP

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SAFE COMMUNITIES:

<https://hobart.catholic.org.au/content/safe-communities>

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PLENARY COUNCIL:

<http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>

READINGS

13th/14th April, 2019

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - Year C

FIRST READING: (Isaiah 50:4-7)

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

PSALM: (Psalm 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24)

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

SECOND READING: (Philippians 2:6-11)

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Philippians 2:8-9)

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: (Luke 22:14-23:56)

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

MASS TIMES

Monday 15th to Sunday 21st April 2019

	English	Polish
Monday	9:15am	
Tuesday	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday	12:00 noon	6:30pm
Thursday	7:30pm	7:30pm
Friday	10:00am (Stations) 3:00pm	5:00pm
Saturday	7:30pm	7:30pm
Sunday	9:00am	7:00am 10:45am

READINGS/ROSTERS

21st April, 2019

Sunday of the Resurrection - Year C

FIRST READING: (Acts 10:34, 37-43)

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

PSALM: (Psalm 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23)

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING: (Colossians 3:1-4)

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (John 20:1-9)

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

Altar

*Victoria Maty, Kieran Aherne,
Monica Sianski*

Cleaning

Polish Community

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