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Fr Richard Ross PP

Dear Parish Family,

What a fabulous celebration of Easter last weekend: good crowds, good music, good liturgies and a prayerfulness throughout which enabled all to engage deeply with the Paschal Mystery. My thanks go to you all for your presence and participation. Thanks especially to all who exercised particular ministries that helped make our Easter celebrations so meaningful: Kath and the musicians and choir; Rach for the Stations of the Cross experiences; Mel and Inga in the office; the Covid volunteers adapting to yet another set of government guidelines; the acolytes, sacristans, readers and Brendan and Ryan on the live-stream.

Thanks also to Elle, Michelle and Ian for their courageous witness to their faith as they stood before us at the Easter Vigil and were Confirmed in our Catholic faith. Thanks to Jane, Eve and Robert who have generously formed a community around them these last six months and shared their lived experience of the faith. These high points in parish life give us encouragement through the tougher days.

This week all the priests working in the Archdiocese will gather for a Plenary with the Archbishop. Please pray for us, that it will be a fruitful time of listening and collaboration as we "consider shaping our pastoral response to the challenges of our time." (Archbishop Porteous)

Also please pray for Jesse Banez who was ordained to the priesthood at the Cathedral on Friday night. Jesse comes from the Philippines but is now a priest of our Archdiocese: we pray that his ministry among us will be life giving in every way.

Have a great week,

Fr Richard

<u>Divine Mercy Sunday</u> on 11th April will be celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral: 2.00pm Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation, Divine Mercy Chaplet; 3.00pm Benediction; 3.15pm Mass with Archbishop Julian Porteous as main celebrant.

PREPARATION DAY for the PLENARY

In 2018, a decision was made to hold a Plenary Council in Australia. Since its inception, the Plenary Council has held national listening and Dialogue phase, and a Listening and Discernment phase.

The first planned assemblies were to be held in Adelaide in October 2020, and in Sydney in mid 2021, but had to be rescheduled due to COVID. Assembly 1 will be held in an online, multi-modal format from October 2-10, 2021. Assembly 2 is scheduled to be held in Sydney on July 4-9, 2022.

In the lead-up to the first assembly, parishioners and others are invited to attend a Preparation day for the Plenary Council, in Hobart.

The free event will include:

- *Keynote speakers
- *Small discussion groups
- *Lunch is provided

Due to government COVID guidelines, each person wishing to attend a preparation day event, must register before attending. Please bring your ticket with you to the event.

HOBART: At Guilford Young College Hobart Campus, Barrack Street on 8th May from 10:00am-2:30pm

On the Reading Table outside the Office:

Latest edition of The Standard, Australian Catholics and The Swag

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 6:00pm Church of the Incarnation (Reconciliation 5:30)

Sunday 8:30am John Paul II (Live streamed)

10:30am Corpus Christi6:00pm Corpus Christi

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES No weekday Masses this week

Next week's Readings: Acts: 3-13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5; Lk 24:35-48