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St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

12 April 2020

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 6:00pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am, 6:00pm

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:30am

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

Tues 9:30am

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Date calendar



Thank you from the Parish Team

We would like to thank the SJA community for your love and support over the past three weeks.

Your messages of love and encouragement have filled our hearts and given us the boost we need in ministering from a distance.

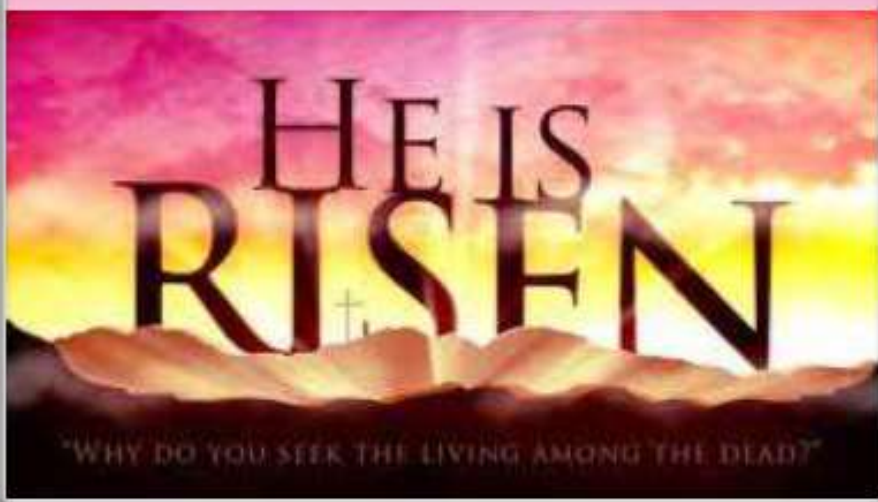
We continue to pray for you daily.

In the Heart of Jesus

Kimi, Michael, Marian & Sharon



ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!



From the side-desk

Over the last three days, Christians all over the world have recalled and retold the story of the final hours of Jesus' earthly life. It involved a sequence of events that Jesus and his followers had no control over. Somewhat similar to what we are experiencing on a global scale with restrictions put in place to stop the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic.

During holy week, as chaplain at Daramalan College, I was asked to record an Easter message for the students. I reflected on the response of two people who feature prominently in the story we commemorate this week. One of course was Jesus and the other was Peter.

Jesus sensed what was about to happen to him. In the garden of Gethsemane, he felt great distress and hoped that things might be different. Through prayer, he came to a place of peace and an acceptance of whatever was going to happen. This helped him face his final hours in the same way he lived. Faithfully embodying the revelation of God in him; that of love, repentance, and forgiveness, that looked with compassion on the vulnerable (Luke 23:28, 34, 43; John 19:25-29).

Peter on the other hand put on a good show at first (Matt 26:35; John 18:10) but when reality hit, he was found wanting.

The Easter message is one of Hope. It is a reminder that we do not get to have the final word when it comes to this life, and at the end of this earthly life, neither does death.

In these trying times, I am hearing in the story of the women who took a stand at the foot of the cross, in the story of the resurrection, and the story of the ministry of Peter and the other disciples, post-Pentecost, the message to stay faithful to our baptismal calling especially when things are challenging.

These were just a few thoughts I had. Perhaps through KIT @ Kippax, you might want to share a reflection on the Easter message or a story that brings you hope in these times. Sanitise, wash hands, and stay well. Easter blessings to you and those you love!

Kimi msc

Heart Spirituality

Spiritual storms

In storms that come our way,
We should call on Jesus.
He alone can calm them.
In vain shall we have recourse to
human efforts, to the devotedness and
affection of our relatives and friends.
Their efforts will be of no avail.
Jesus alone possesses the means to
help us. His Heart is so kind, so
compassionate that he will always
respond to our call. When we feel our
weakness in our temptations, and we
are on the point of failing, we should cry
out to Jesus:

Domine salva nos, perimus.

O adorable Heart, save us, we are
perishing.

Jules Chevalier msc
(Méditations 1 p.213f, Issoudun 1891)

**May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be
everywhere loved.....forever!**

Stewardship

The great feast of Easter has begun. Let us rejoice and be glad! We are called to be good stewards of the Easter season.

Our first reading, from Acts, gives instruction on how to do this. Here, St. Peter says that our Lord, "commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead... that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

How do we ordinary people preach and testify to all the God has done? By the way we live our ordinary lives — through the intentional use of our time, talents and treasure for the kingdom of God. Putting God and others ahead of ourselves in every aspect of our lives is the most eloquent preaching we can do. Boldly and joyfully embracing a stewardship way of life is our most powerful testimony.

As Christian stewards, we are the modern-day witnesses of an incredible miracle prompted by unfathomable love — the death and Resurrection of our Saviour for us. Let us rejoice and be glad and let's make sure our lives are a testimony to this miraculous grace!

Stewardship Reflections by [Catholic Stewardship Consultants](#)

Reflection

Change

Life without change, we know, is dead or deadening. But, never doubt it, change itself can be seen as deadly, too.

Change takes life and tosses it upside down. In a society in which everyone else already knows the routes and the social network and the unspoken rules of the system, we are the isolates.

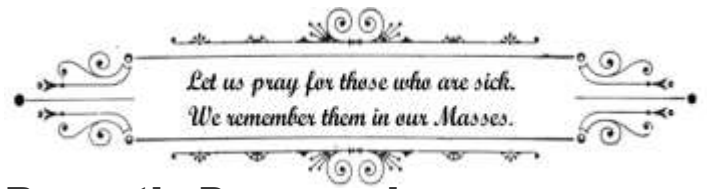
Now is the time to reshape not just the way we live, but the way we look at where we are, as well. Coming to know ourselves again is one of the great gifts of change – the least wanted, perhaps, but, at the same time, surely the most developmental.

It means that we can now review everything in our lives: We can rethink the attitudes we've brought with us from one place to another over time. We can examine the ideas we bought along the way without ever really unearthing the roots of them. We can explore the prejudices we've cherished for so long – without an iota of data to make them real – and test them against the new realities around us. We are being given a chance to begin again. What greater gift can life ever give us?

Change calls for gratitude for the past and trust in the future. It calls for letting go of the chains that have bound us and for testing every possibility along the way. Change means we can try what we've never tried before and find out how much we love it. Or we can become what we were never able to be and realise that all of life has been leading us to this very moment.

Change is not the enemy; change is the opportunity to live again, to live newly, to live without having to bear the burdens of disapproval we have left behind.

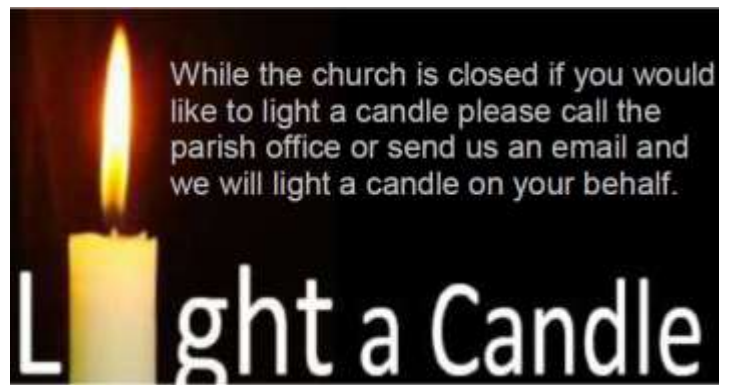
Taken from *Two Dogs & a Parrot* by Joan Chittister



Recently Deceased:

Genowefa Bitterman, Bryan Cowman

Anniversary: Leslie Thomson, Edward Yewdall, Ian Stephenson, Paul Rogers, Wanda Parkitny, John Margetts, Adrian Krook, Keith Aikins, Sharon Hannah, Mihaly Baruta, Augusta Colquhoun, Sharron Diamond, Jim Fallon msc, Alan Hodge, Leslie Savage, Joan Sculthorpe, Julio Vinales, Otto Trenka, Leonard Franks, Drago Pola, Barbara Normann, Delilah Wilson, Leslie Barry Daniel Dewar, Claudio Orifice, Sheldon Doyle, Yolanda Melikian, Brenda Hudson, Basil Adkins, Ricaredo Jabagat, Monique Adamik, Hannah Kennett, Josh de Smet, Ian Williamson.



Mass Intentions

Although there are no public celebrations of Mass, Fr's Kimi and Michael continue to celebrate mass privately. They can offer Mass for your intention. If you have a mass intention, please send your request in via email or phone call.

KIT @ KIPPAX

<http://www.stjohnkippax.org.au/index.php?page=kit-keeping-in-touch>

Perhaps you would like to share a story of what is different in your life during this time of physical isolation. How has it impacted your life? Have there been some surprises on how you have coped? Share them with the SJA community.

Be on earth the Heart of God"

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Becoming Catholic

Rite of Christian Initiation of an Adult [RCIA]

please contact the parish office for more information.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

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| Baptisms | 1st & 3rd Sun during 10:00am Mass |
| Reconciliation | Sat 5:00pm – 5:30pm |
| Sacramental Program | Contact Parish Office |
| School of Religion (Parish Centre) | Sunday 9.15am during school term |

PRAYER LIFE

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| Charismatic Prayer: Maida: 0423 658 326 | Thursday 7:30pm Rosary 7:00pm |
| Meditation | Friday 6.15-7.15 pm |
| Rosary | Monday – Friday 9:05am |
| Eucharistic Adoration | 1 st Friday of the Month 8:00pm – 9:00pm |
| Adult Choir | Wednesday 7:30pm |

SOCIAL LIFE

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| Coffee Club | Fourth Sunday after 10:00am Mass |
| Over 45's | Last Wednesday of the Month 9:30am Mass and morning tea |
| Pins & Needles | 3 rd Monday of the Month 7:15pm Parish Library |
| Book club | 3 rd Sunday of the Month 3:00pm Parish Library |
| Women's Breakfast | 4 th Tuesday of the Month 7:30am Lucky Shot Espresso Bar Kippax |
| Youth Group | AGAPE - First & Third Sunday after 6:00pm Mass Parish Centre |
| Men's Group | 3 rd Friday of the Month 6:00pm Parish Centre |

SMOKE FREE ZONE

There is a 4-metre smoke free zone from the entrance and exits of the church buildings. Thank you



Hearing Loop: in the central body of the church.



TAP & GO - The donation amount is set at \$10.

As Tap & Go is anonymous we have no way of identifying who has made the donation so we are unable to provide a tax receipt

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

Readings – 19 April 2020

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| First Reading | Acts 2:42-47 |
| Psalm | Ps 117 |
| Second Reading | 1 Pt 1:3-9 |
| Gospel | John 20:19-31 |

19 April Reading Roster

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| 6:00pm | |
| 8:30am | |
| 10:00am | |
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19 April Ministers of Communion

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| 6:00pm | |
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19 April Hospitality Roster

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| 6:00pm | |
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Weekly Rosters

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| Altar Society: | 13 April | |
| Grounds | 18 April | |
| Counting: | 19 April | |

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| Church Cleaning: | 13 April | |
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On a Lighter note

