

St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

Celebrating 50 Years

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Year C

10 April 2022

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Reflection

Herald on Sunday - Condemned on Friday.

The crowd who cheered on Palm Sunday proved to be a fickle lot. It took them no time at all to move from the cries of adulation of Palm Sunday to the derision of Good Friday, and back again, with frightening speed. What is most worrying, however, is that we can do the same just as easily.

Take, for example, in our own country, where on the one hand we tell the original inhabitants of this great land that they have some claim on it and then change the rules when they begin to make such a claim. You don't have to look far for Calvary. Try being black in a white world.

We bask in the myth that this is the land of the fair go, but seem to think that this fair go is primarily for white people born of an Anglo Celtic, Christian background. You don't have to search too far for Calvary. Try being Asian in a Eurocentric world.

As Christians we affirm that women and men are made in the image and likeness of God, but in the Church and society we find new arguments to keep men in power and women only fractionally developing their God-given talents. You don't have to seek out Calvary. Try being a woman in a man's world.

Our society tells the gay community they may have been born with a desire for a same sex partner and that no one should discriminate against them, yet we deny them basic rights for legal security and dignity. You don't have to hunt for Calvary. Try being gay in a straight world.

Our society sings the praises of IVF and its associated technologies and proclaim how hundreds more couples are now 'complete' as a result of having a baby and yet each year we abort tens of thousands of unborn babies. You don't have to explore far to find Calvary. Try being a pregnant mother in an unsympathetic and death-dealing world.

Palm Sunday is the day when we hear proclaimed that: our God knows what it's like to be heralded on Sunday and condemned on Friday.

Resource used: Homily, by Richard Leonard SJ



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MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 5:00pm 8:30am, 10:00am, 6:00pm Sunday Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion: Tues 9:30am

ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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PARISH OFFICE CLOSED The parish office will be closed on FRIDAY 15 April 2022 Good Friday and MONDAY 18 April 2022 Easter Monday

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The parish office will be closed on Monday 25 April ANZAC DAY



Palm Sunday – 10 April 2022

There will be no procession in to the church at the start of each Mass. Mass will start with everyone in the church.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES



Please bring your Project Compassion donations to the Holy Thursday Mass. Alternatively, you can return your Project Compassion donations to the parish office

Triduum

Thursday 14 – Holy Thursday Mass of the Lords Supper - 7:00pm followed by the Altar of Repose in the Parish Library concluding with night prayer at 10:00pm

Friday 15 – Good Friday: Stations of the Cross - 10:00am The Passion of the Lord - 3:00pm

Saturday 16 - Easter Vigil - 7:00pm

Sunday 17 – The Resurrection of the Lord Mass 8:30am and 10:00am only - **No Evening Mass**

Over 45's will meet on **Wednesday 27 April** for Mass at 9:30am, followed by morning tea in the parish centre. Please come and join us, you are all most welcome. Please bring a plate to share.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated on the last Friday of each month after the 9:30am mass. Next anointing will be 29 April.

Sacrament of Confirmation:

The children of the parish who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be presented to the parish at the masses this weekend 9/10 April. The children will hand their prayer cards to parishioners asking them to pray for them. The Sacrament will be celebrated on Thursday 9 June at 5:30pm

Pins & Needles Craft Group 18 April 2021 7:15pm Parish Library



St John the Apostle Women's Breakfast Tuesday – 26 April - 7:30am



Bean Origin 5/32 Nettlefold St, Belconnen



We are reading: The Power Game by Meg & Tom Keneally

St Johns Library – 24 April - 3:00pm

Relax, Review, Reflect



We will be watching "Doubt" Friday 29 April at 7:00pm in the parish library.

SJA Men's Group Meeting Monthly 6:00pm – 8:00pm Next gathering: Friday 22 April St John the Apostle Parish Centre

"Be on earth the Heart of God"

Heart Spirituality

The Sacred Heart the quintessence of the Faith

"The Sacred Heart of Jesus is the quintessence of the Christian faith. The Christian religion is a work of love in its beginning, development and end; The Christian religion whose history is found wholly and entirely in the sublime statement: "God so loved the world" (John 3:16); The Christian religion whose whole creed is reduced to these words of the beloved Disciple: "We believe in God's love for us" (1 John 4:16), that is, we believe in the work of God, the Heart has done everything. You shall love; that is, you shall render love for love, you will give me your heart in exchange for what mine has done for you".

Jules Chevalier msc -(Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus p.148 *f*) Paris 1900

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

Stewardship

They all Stood at a Distance

Near the end of this Gospel account we are told of the disciple's reaction to Jesus' passion and death, namely that "all His acquaintances stood at a distance." They knew Jesus! They had heard him preaching and teaching, witnessed His signs and miracles, maybe even benefitted personally from them. Perhaps they did not participate in mocking Him or calling for His crucifixion. But they chose to stay a safe distance from Him when the going got tough.

Where will you place yourself this week? Keeping your distance from all the pain and suffering Christ endured? Or close by, staying near to Him? It is when we go near to Christ that we can be transformed by Him. It is by embracing the crosses in our lives, stewarding them well rather than trying to run from them, that we become His true disciples.



Recently Deceased: Sr Val Grimson OP, Johnny Lim [father of Jacqui Caskie]

Anniversary:

Elena Guindas, Kenneth Marlor, Jim Ucrran, Noel Smith, Leon Fernando, Kees Van Rooy, Marnie Dunn, Daniel Cassar, Leslie Thomson, Edward Yewdall, Ian Stephenson, Wanda Parkitny, Paul Rogers, John Margetts, Adrian Krook, Keith Aikins, Bryan Cowman, Sharon Hannah, Mihaly Baruta, Augusta Colquhoun, Jim Fallon msc, Sharron Diamond, Alan Hodge, Leslie Savange, Joan Sculthorpe, Julio Vinoles, Otto Trenka, Leonard Franks, Drago Polak, Barbara Normann, Delilah Wilson, Leslie Barry, Daryl Smeaton, Daniel Dewar, Claudio Orifice, Sheldon Doyle, Yolanda Melikian, Brendan Hudson

Mass Intentions the week of 11 – 17 April

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Mon 11/04	Fallace Family Members	
Wed 13/04	Special Intention	
Thur 14/04	Holy Thursday	
Fri 15/04	Good Friday	
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Sat 16/04	
5:00pm	Easter Vigil
Sun 17/04	
8:30am	Parish Intentions
10:00am	Parish Intentions
6:00pm	NO MASS

To ensure that a mass time is available please telephone the parish office to make a booking.

St John the Apostle Parish - Celebrating 50 years commemorative magazine is now available for purchase at a cost of \$10. The magazine is a pictorial production of the trilogy of celebrations over the weekend of 25-27 February .

It also includes *Down Memory Lane* items from past KIT productions.

The magazine is available for purchase from the parish office.

It will also be available to purchase in the Church Foyer at each mass this weekend.

APRIL 2022

9 Saturday/10 Sunday – Presentation Masses for the children of the parish preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation

14 Thursday – Holy Thursday Mass of the Lords Supper - 7:00pm followed by the Altar of Repose Parish Library concluding with night prayer at 10pm

15 Friday – Good Friday : Stations of the Cross - 10:00am and The Passion of the Lord - 3:00pm

16 Saturday – Easter Vigil – 7:00pm

17 Sunday – The Resurrection of the Lord Mass 8:30am and 10:00am only - **No Evening Mass**

18 Monday – Easter Monday Public Holiday - **Parish Office closed**

21 Thursday – Contemplative Prayer with the Blessed Sacrament – 7:30pm

22 Friday – Mens Group – Parish Centre 6:00pm

25 Monday – ANZAC Day – Public Holiday – Parish Office closed.

26 Tuesday – Womens Breakfast – 7:30am

29 Friday – Anointing of the Sick after Mass

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms	1st & 3rd Sun during Mass
Reconciliation	Sat 4:00pm – 4:30pm
Sacramental Program	Contact Parish Office
School of Religion	Sunday 9.15am
(Parish Centre)	during school term

PRAYER LIFE

Charismatic Prayer:	
Maida: 0423 658 326	Thursday 10:00am
Meditation	Friday 5:15-6.30 pm
Rosary	Monday – Friday 9:05am
Eucharistic Adoration	1 st & 3 rd Thursday of the
	Month 7:30pm – 8:30pm
Adult Choir	Wednesday 7:30pm

SOCIAL LIFE

Over 45's	Last Wednesday of the Month 9:30am Mass and morning tea
Pins &	3 rd Monday of the Month
Needles	7:15pm Parish Library
Book club	3 rd Sunday of the Month
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Women's	4 th Tuesday of the Month 7:30am
Breakfast	Bean Origin Belconnen
Men's	3 rd Friday of the Month 6:00pm
Group	Parish Centre

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! 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. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory

Readings – 17 April 2022

First Reading	Acts 10:34, 37-43
Psalm	Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Second Reading	Col 3:1-4
Gospel	John 20:1-9

17 April Lector Roster

5:00pm	EASTER VIGIL
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Shane Murtagh
10:00am	Libby Kain, Joe Ots
6:00pm	NO MASS
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7 April	Ministers of Communion
5:00pm	EASTER VIGIL
8:30am	Fay Stephenson, Theresia Suh
10:00am	Sugi Mohanadas, Ann Reynolds
6:00pm	NO MASS
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5:00pm EASTER VIGIL		EASTER VIGIL
	8:30am	Clyde and Norma Sloan
10:00am Marie Flint		Marie Flint
	6:00pm	NO MASS

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	10 Apr	Pat Gilchrist
Grounds	16 Apr	VACANT
Church Cleaning:	11 Apr	VACANT

On a Lighter note

