



HOLY EUCHARIST PARISH

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A

REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY

Acting Mission Leader

Fr Vinsensius (Lovin) Lolo CSsR

Parish Priest

Fr Vincent Long Pham CSsR

Assisting Priests

Fr Joseph Hieu Xuan Nguyen CSsR

Fr Patrick Corbett CSsR

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Mary-Lucy Atonio PH: 9366 1310

Parish School Principal

Michael Bonnici PH: 8312 0900

Filipino Chaplain

Fr Joselito Asis

South Sudanese Chaplain

Deacon George B.P.Meat

MASS TIMES

- ♦ **Tues-Fri:** 9:00am
- ♦ **Saturday:** 6:00pm
7.30pm Vietnamese
- ♦ **Sunday:** 8:45am, 10:00am,
6:00pm
12:00pm Vietnamese

Other Masses

- 1st & 2nd Sun. Sudanese Mass 3pm
- 3rd Sun Samoan Mass - 2.00pm
- 4th Sun Filipino Mass - 3.00pm

SOCIAL OFFICE

Contact: Son Nguyen & Tammy Le

Phone 9366 1310

Tuesday & Friday 10:00am-3:00pm.

FOODBANK open Fridays
10.30am until 2.00pm. More details call Charlie 03 9366 1310.

RCIA: Please contact Br. Anthony Gatt on 0419 115 692 or call the Parish Office for more details.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Preca Centre, 29 Rosslare Parade, St Albans - Ph: 9356 0734

between 7-8pm

Email: precastalban@tpg.com.au

www.precacommunity.org

LENT & EASTER 2023 AT HOLY EUCHARIST CHURCH

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION

⇒ English

- Wednesday 29th March 7.00pm

⇒ Vietnamese

- Thursday 30th March 7.00pm

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

- Tuesday-Friday 9:30am

Stations of the Cross for Adults

every Friday at 8.30am

Station of the Cross for Children

Friday 31st March at 7.00pm

Masses & Blessing of Palms

⇒ 1st April:

- English Mass: 6:00pm
- Vietnamese Mass 7.30pm

⇒ 2nd April:

- English Masses: 8.45am, 10.00am & 6.00pm
- Vietnamese Mass: 12:00pm
- Sudanese Mass: 3.00pm

Holy Thursday 6th April - Mass of The Lord's Supper

- English Mass: 6.00pm
- Vietnamese Mass: 8.00pm

Good Friday 7th April

- Stations of the Cross 10.00am
- Passion of the Lord
 - * English: 3.00pm
 - * Vietnamese: 7.00pm

Easter Vigil 8th April - Resurrection of the Lord

- English: 6.00pm
- Vietnamese: 8.00pm
- Blessing of the food 11.00am & 4.30pm

Easter Sunday 9th April 2023

- English Masses: 8:45am, 10:00am & 6.00pm
- Vietnamese Mass: 12:00pm
- Sudanese Mass: 3:00pm

25 & 26 MARCH 2023

HOLY EUCHARIST PARISH YOUTH

"HELP PEOPLE IN NEED"

Dear Parishioners,

This year, our Youth will run a Project to help people in need during winter time. We invite you to be apart of our Project. We kindly ask you to donate some GOOD USED and NEW items: such as gloves, socks, scarf, toothbrush, toothpaste, food vouchers.

We have the Donation Box displayed in the Church Foyer or you can simply contact Tammy on 0415 599 413 for more details. Our collection will close on Palm Sunday 2nd April.

Thank you for your generosity and contribution. Have a faithful Lent Season.

*Healing Night - Fifth Week of Lent
Monday 27 March*



Fr. Justin Torres, a priest of the Alliance of The Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary is visiting Australia from Cebu in the Philippines where he is well known for his preaching and healing ministry.

Fr Justin will preach and lead a special evening that includes the Anointing of the Sick

Holy Eucharist Church
Oleander Drive St Albans

Monday 27th March

6.30 pm

Tea, Coffee, and light refreshments will be available after the session.

THE LIVING WORD

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps.129(130)

With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading.

With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you.

With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

My soul is waiting for the Lord.
I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.
(Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord.)

With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

Because with the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem
from all its iniquity.

With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

Second reading Romans 8:8-11

The Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised

Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

Gospel Acclamation John 11:25. 26

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die for ever.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel John 11:3-7,17,20-27,33-45

I am the resurrection and the life

Mary and Martha sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.' Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.' On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said: 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' 'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said: 'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.' When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead

man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.' Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

Sunday's readings touch into the most profound of mysteries, the mysteries of life and death. To hold a newborn child or to see the sick restored to health is to experience the wonder of life. On the other hand, sudden death can bring unimagined grief and pain. The recent earthquake in Türkiye and Syria brought sudden death to tens of thousands of people and an extraordinary outpouring of grief. This unexpected tragedy has come at a time when thousands are dying every day in the world's major conflict zones and when extreme weather events continue to bring death and destruction and species loss. Death brings tears, even anger. Little wonder that "life" becomes a metaphor for transformation and new beginnings or that "death" so often signifies deprivation and loss.

The gospel reading is about the death and restoration to life of Lazarus, "the one whom Jesus loved". It is the last of the seven "signs" in John's "book of signs" that reveal the "glory" of God. It is also the greatest of Jesus' signs. It functions as a catalyst for the events that lead to his death: "... from that day on they planned to put him to death" (11:53). It provides the occasion for Jesus to assert "I am the resurrection and the life" and to invite assent to that revelation of his identity. It reveals the compassion and tender heart of Jesus who weeps at the grief of Mary his friend and at the death of her brother. It also reveals the goodness in the hearts of those "Jews" who share her grief and who come to faith in Jesus who raises the dead to life.

Though the story revolves around the plight of Lazarus, Martha and Mary are the characters who, with Jesus, occupy centre stage and into whose faith journey we are invited to enter. Martha and Mary are identified as "sisters" who live in Bethany. Are they blood "sisters" or sisters in their love of Jesus and the community around him, or both? Lazarus is Mary's sick "brother". Martha will later claim him as her "brother". Might they all be part of a little faith community in Bethany rather than biological siblings? A brief notice alerts the reader to the imminent death of Jesus: "Mary is the one who anointed Jesus with perfumed oil and wiped

his feet with her tears". The reader will later discover that Mary's anointing of Jesus is "for the day of [his] burial".

As so often in John's gospel, misunderstanding and irony function to bring the actors in the drama, and to bring us as actors in the theatre of life, to new levels of understanding and faith. Right now, in the aftermath of earthquake and in the face of ongoing conflict, we are called, as sisters and brothers across the globe, to open our hearts and share our resources so that some measure of "life" might be restored.

By Sister Veronica Lawson rsm

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES



We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely **Thank You** for your continued support to the Parish. The contributions made by parishioners allows the parish to function on a day to day basis.

Please collect your box of envelopes from the Church Foyer; they are sorted in alphabetical order by your street address. If you wish to use Bank Transfer/Online Banking and stop receiving envelopes or you are wanting to receive a box of envelopes, please contact the Parish Office during office hours 9am–4pm Tuesday to Friday. Thank you.

The Way of the Cross



In collaboration between Holy Eucharist Parish and Preca Community we are inviting you and your families to join us for reflecting and meditating about the Passion of Jesus Christ and his last few days in this world.

Place: Holy Eucharist Parish

Date: 31st March 2023

Time: 7:00 pm

PARISH WORKING BEE



Calling for hands on the **1st April 2023 starts at 9.30am** to help make crosses from palm leaves for Palm Sunday, and make candle holders ready for Easter Vigil Mass. Thank you for your cooperation.

CLEANING ROSTER

Week starting 29th March 2023 - Group 8 - Samoan Community - Jonas Coe & Akenese Tuliatsu

Day Light Saving ends

Sunday, April 2, 2023, 2:00:00 am local standard time instead.

Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour earlier on Apr 3, 2022 than the day before. There will be more light in the morning.

Saturday Masses will be moved to 1 hour earlier commencing Saturday 15th April - 30th September 2022 at 5:00pm instead of 6:00pm



Please Note: There will be **NO Anointing Mass in April** as it falls in the Holy Week. Thank You!

CHOIR GROUPS

Saturday 1st April 2023

- * **6pm** – Fernandez Family Choir
- * **Sunday 2nd April 2023**
- * **8.45am** - Charlie Schembri
- * **10.00am** – Samoan Choirs
- * **6pm** - Exxemos

READERS/COMMENTATOR/ COORDINATOR/EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Tues 9:00 AM, 28-03-23

Reader Xuan Duong
Eucharistic Min. Monica Lomen

Wed 9:00 AM, 29-03-23

Reader Carmen Camilleri
Eucharistic Min. Carmen Camilleri

Thur 9:00 AM, 30-03-23

Readers HE School
Eucharistic Min. HE School

Fri: 9:00 AM, 31-03-23

Reader: Helen Maddela
Eucharistic Min. Catherine Bartolo

Sat 6.00 PM, 01-04-23

Lit. Coordinator: Reno Attard
Commentator: Violeta Montoro
Readers: Fernandez Choir
Passion of the Lord Readers:
Narrator - Miriam Vella
Other - Anthony Naidu
Crowd - choir & the congregation
Eucharistic Min. Alastair Surao
Wendy Forbes-Perera & Reno Attard

Sun 8.45AM, 02-04-23

Lit. Coordinator: Monica Lomen
Commentator Wilma Marmur
Readers: Helen Maddela
Shirley Krizmanic

Passion of the Lord Readers:

Narrator - Mini Eddy
Other - Wilma Marmur
Crowd - choir & the congregation
Eucharistic Min. Monica Lomen
Helen Maddela & Mini Eddy

Sun 10:00AM, 02-04-23

Lit. Coordinator: Rita Martin
Commentator: Christine Pedrosa
Readers: Samoan Choir

Passion of the Lord Readers:

Narrator - Rita Martin
Other - Christina Afano
Crowd - choir & the congregation
Eucharistic Min. Taoete Afano,
Br. Tony & Br. Noel

Sun 6.00PM, 02-04-23

Lit. Coordinator Lani Laririt
Commentator Xuan Duong
Readers: Rod Lalunio
Lorraine Ward

Passion of the Lord Readers:

Narrator - Larnie Mendoza,
Other - Lani Laririt
Crowd - choir & the congregation
Eucharistic Min. Rod Lalunio
Lani Laririt, Xuan Duong

LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

Nguyen Thi San, Diana Moules, Magen Hallorina, James Floros, Pam Norris, Alfred & Pauline Storace, Arnord Fernandez, Toni Antonowicz, Anna, Maria Kim, Yulette Tanner, Jessie Spiteri, Stella Sandle, Frank, Doris Carabott.

Recently Deceased

Beatriz Areola, Lily Catuaan, Sahil

Anniversaries

Family Valentic, Family Rakonic, George & Angela Bugeja, Jan & Jovan Vala, Jan & Elizabet Danicek, Maria Lojdova, Stefan Kolek, Cornelio Maddela, Grazio (Horace) Camilleri, Joseph & Franc Xiberras, Reno Cauchi, Mac-co Ngo Van Thinh, Lucia Huynh Thi Kim Hue, Phero Ngo Minh Truong, Maria Huynh Thi Thanh Kieu, Phero Le Nghia, Matta Le Thi Linh, Phero Le Quang Tuan, Theresa Nguyen Ngoc Giang Thu, Dominico Le Ngoc Son, Mary Camilleri, Richard Curmi, Iro & Jessie Vella, Angela Chircop, Peter Disco, Wayne Camilleri, Bartolo family, Brincat & Galea family, Maria Vu Thi Yeu Thuong, Duong Family, Do Family, Vincent Duong Kham Su, Michael Alphonsus Schiller, Mollie Rice (Marie), Raymond Abela and All Souls

SAFETY FOR ALL

Holy Eucharist Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Holy Eucharist parish respectfully acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we reside and worship.

VOCATION VIEW

Seeing physically dead people return to life is not a common event. But Christians, serious about their vocation, are eager to help the “down and out” find new meaning in Christ and live a full life.

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