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**MASS TIMES THIS WEEK:** Masses are Saturday Vigil at 6pm and Sunday at 7.30am and 9.30am. Weekdays Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, 10am. Wednesday and Thursday at 5pm. The Church is open every day from 7am to 6pm.

**ST COLUMBA'S PARISH, SOUTH PERTH**

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**BAPTISM ENQUIRIES:** Celebrated at 11am on the first Sunday of month

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Presenters needed, except in the school holidays.

**COLUMBA CARE:** Convenor Shaun Maton [admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au)

**COLUMBARIUM:** enquiries to [admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au)

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**RECONCILIATION or CONFESSION:** Saturday 11:30am – 12pm.

**RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION AFTER SCHOOL FOR FIRST EUCHARIST, PRE CONFIRMATION,**

**CONFIRMATION & RECONCILIATION:** Contact Catechist Helen on 0401 329 479 or email

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**MASS INTENTIONS:** Masses for the faithful departed offered; Recovery from surgery of Chew Kim Fong, sister of William Wee's wife and sister-in-law of William, Mass offered; Thomas Shepherd, requested by Peter, Vigil Mass today; Parishioners intentions, 7:30am Mass today; Eddy Tosney, Horace Jason, recently deceased and Kevin Tennent anniversary, requested by Maureen, Mass offered.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Chew Kim Fong, William Wee's sister-in-law and for Gerard Coyte now in hospital, father of Anthony. Please pray for the sick of our parish and housebound, especially for the terminally ill.



**PARISH COUNCIL:** Will meet on March 29<sup>th</sup> from 7pm. Members have been emailed.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY ROSTER:** During the 9:30am Mass. We are currently seeking further volunteers including husbands and wives, young married couples or others whose children may assist them.

**THE IRISH SCENE:** The latest edition of Irish Scene covering March and April, 5 copies for borrowing. Special interest is commemoration of St Patrick's Day and also events commemorating the escape of fenians from Fremantle Prison and their rescue by other influential Irishmen.

**WELCOME TO THE PARENTS AND CANDIDATES FOR THE SACRAMENTAL COMMITMENT:** To receiving sacraments this year at our Commitment Ceremony during the Vigil Mass.

**'TRIUMPH' EASTER REFLECTION:**

Please email [admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au) for a digital copy.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT:** From time immemorial God has promised, "O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them. Then you shall know that I am the Lord." But this will not happen before Jesus weeps. He weeps in front of doubt: "You want to go back there?" He weeps in front of nihilism: "Could he not have done something?" He weeps in front of fatalism: "Lord, by now there will be a stench." This is the optimum moment for God to have Lazarus rise from his grave, for then the event will teach us just how far we must go in trusting the power of Jesus' love for us. Although "dead because of sin, the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you." – Magnificat Missalette.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT:** The Resurrection and the life. The raising of Lazarus from the dead was a wonderful event. His sisters were overjoyed and many people came to believe in Jesus. But something more wonderful happened in Jesus' own death and resurrection. While Lazarus was restored to his former life, the death of Jesus produces a life that will last forever, a life that we receive in baptism. Let us pray for all who are to be baptised this Easter. – St Paul's Missal.

**ENROLLING NOW - SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES FOR CHILDREN WHO DO NOT ATTEND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS & FOR THOSE WHO DO ATTEND CATHOLIC COLLEGES.**

Sacrament enrolment Mass during Saturday Vigil Mass of March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Helen Sisto, Catechist, will be in the Parish Centre before Mass to meet parents and candidates from 5:15pm to 5:45pm. She will return following the Vigil Mass Parents, please contact our Parish Coordinator Helen directly by phone / text on 0401 329 479 to discuss and enrol.

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT:** Laxmi, 16, lives in in Jajarkot, a remote district in Nepal where almost half of the population live below the poverty line. Tragedy struck when Laxmi was 10 years old and her father passed away. Her father worked hard to pay for his children's education and after losing him Laxmi was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty.



With the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club at her school where she was encouraged to resume her education. Through the child's club, Laxmi developed the skills and confidence to become a leader, advocating for clean water taps at her school.

Laxmi is now excelling in her studies and working towards her dream of becoming a civil engineer. She continues to be involved in the child's club, serving as an advisor and mentoring the next generation of young leaders at her old school.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**



You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish,

by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413

**UKRAINE APPEAL:** The Ukrainian Bishop for Australia, Mykola Bychok has written to thank the Catholics of Australia for their contribution, which amounted to \$242,000, which has been sent to the Ukraine. Thank you for your generosity.

## 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT:

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

*Sunday Missal, readings are on pages 183-188*

**First Reading:** Prophet Ezekiel 37:12-14

**Psalm:** 129 *Response:* With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

**Second Reading:** St Paul to the Romans 8:8-11

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Glory to you, 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:** Holy Gospel according to John 11:1-45

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die forever, says the Lord.

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS – Palm Sunday:

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of our Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*Sunday Missal, readings are on pages 189-226*

Our Lord's Entry into Jerusalem 21:1-11 (please join in for the crowd parts)

**First Reading:** Isaiah 50:4-7

**Psalm:** 21 *Response:* My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?

**Second Reading:** St Paul to the Philippians 2:6-11

**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.

**Gospel** of the Passion according to Matthew (shorter form) 27:11-54

People please join in the crowd parts.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> of March 2023

## PRAYER FOR THE UKRAINE:

O Lord our God, look down with mercy on the Ukrainian people. Protect and save them from the unjust aggressors who seek to subdue them. Grant them steadfast trust in your mercy and protection.

O Mother of God, who gave us your miraculous icon at Zaravantysia → , intercede for the Ukrainian people, who run to the shelter of our mercy in their times of need.



O Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Grant peace and protection to the people of Ukraine. Give them strength and courage to defend what is good, right, and holy. Keep them safe from harm and provide for all their needs, both temporal and spiritual.

Hear our prayers, O Lord, and deliver us from distress, for You are merciful and compassionate and love mankind. To You we give glory: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

**REFLECTIONS DURING EASTER:** April 1 and 3<sup>rd</sup> – Lenten Mornings in March at Nano Nagle Centre with Presenter Geraldine Taylor and Dr. Pina Ford. For further information, please visit: [www.nanonaglecentre.org.au](http://www.nanonaglecentre.org.au) Reserve Street, Claremont.

**WELCOME TO FR. CASEY'S NEPHEW LIAM:** Liam Clifford was a regular annual visitor to Fr. Casey, along with his partner Dolores. Those who viewed the interment of Fr's ashes in his parents grave in Limerick, Ireland (still on the Parish website [www.southperthcatholic.org](http://www.southperthcatholic.org)) will know Liam gave a very fitting Eulogy for his uncle Fr. Casey, R.I.P. Following 9:30am Mass this Sunday, Parishioners are welcome to gather on the verandah of the Parish Centre, in which will be the "Fr. Michael Casey Memorial Library." It will be blessed and an additional plaque will be placed there. **All welcome.**

**BEAUTIFUL BIBLE STORIES:** From the Old and New Testaments, \$15 per copy. 3 copies are available.

## HOLY WEEK



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### **Palm Sunday of the Passion**

Saturday Vigil 1 April Mass at 6.00pm  
Sunday 2 April Mass at 7.30am and 9.30am

### **Monday of Holy Week, 3 April**

Mass at 10am **SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION 7:30PM**

### **Holy Week Mass at Concorde Nursing Home**

Holy Tuesday, 4 April at 2:00pm

### **Chrism Mass in St. Mary's Cathedral**

Holy Tuesday, 4 April at 7.00pm

### **Holy Wednesday, 5 April Mass at 5pm**

### **Holy Thursday, 6 April at 7.00pm**

**Mass of the Lord's Supper, Washing of feet** followed by prayer before the Altar of Repose until 8:30pm

### **Good Friday, 7 April**

### **Stations of the Cross at 10.00am**

Using the text *Pilgrim's to Fatima*

(Collection for the Holy Places)

**Commemoration of the Lord's Passion** with Holy Communion at 3.00pm

(Collection for the Holy Places) – **in the Church**

### **Holy Saturday, 8 April**

Silent reflection at the Lord's tomb

**Reconciliation 11.30am to 12 noon**

**Easter Vigil, 8 April 7.00pm;** starting with the lighting of the Easter fire & Paschal candle and blessing of baptismal water, followed by baptism & **Renewal of Baptismal Promises**

**Easter Sunday Masses, 9 April** including **Renewal of Baptismal Promises & Sprinkling of the Easter Water** 7.30am & 9.30am

**COLUMBARIUM PLACEMENT:** Ronny Dharma, April 1<sup>st</sup> – to be placed in our Columbarium. Mass to be offered R.I.P.

**MISSION OUTREACH:** The latest edition has arrived. It will be available on the main porch tables. It is their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. An excellent read.