

Sacred Heart Parish

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Y B-24/03/2024

Parish Priest:

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Parish office hours: Tuesday-Friday 9. 00am to 4.30pm

Parish Secretary: Quyen Le Phan Accountant: Mary Pankiw (Fridays)

Weekday Mass Times: English:

7.00am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 6.30pm Wed 9.00am Sat

Vietnamese: 6.30pm Tues & Thurs 7.00am Wed

Weekend Masses English:

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am; 10.00am; 6.00pm

Polish: Sun 11.30am

Vietnamese:

Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm: (Chaplain) Sunday: 7.00am; 7.30 pm 4.00pm (Chaplain)

Exposition: Saturdays: 8.00am

Reconciliation:

Wed: 6.00pm Sat: 8.10am - 8.50am 5.30pm - 5.50pm

Convent/Pastoral Care

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"Hosanna to the Son of David"

As we celebrate Palm Sunday this weekend, we have now entered the Holy Week. On the surface, Jesus' entrance to Jerusalem seemed to be a resounding victory since the crowds welcomed Jesus with branches while praising Him: Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! However, this was the most ironic opening and perhaps the most tragic stage of the Passion. Here, the Lord knew well that within this tremendous excitement, there was also betrayal that would explode furiously before the Pilate in a cry: 'Crucify him, crucify him'.

It is not difficult to take a branch and follow Jesus for a couple of hours when He was still welcomed and praised. However, following Him when he was abandoned and condemned is much more difficult. If we, Christians, are defined as followers of Jesus, then we need to prepare ourselves to face the difficulty of having to go where we do not want to go. On the path of following Jesus, we can experience both happiness and sorrow. Therefore, we must be in the crowd to welcome the Lord when he enters the city as well as be with Him when He dies on the cross.

We can also ask ourselves: if I were there, who would I be and with which attitude? Would I be Simon of Cyrene who helped Jesus to carry the cross? Or would I be Peter who denied Jesus? Or Pilate who condemned Jesus? Or one of the apostles who fled away in fear? Or the soldiers who mocked and crucified Jesus? Or one of the people in the crowd who oppose the Lord?

Regardless to who we would be, we are all responsible for the death of Jesus because every time we sin, we put another wound into Jesus' suffering.

Although we come across many dark situations in the Passion of the Lord such as slander, betrayal, jealousy, injustice, humiliation, suffering, fear, loneliness, cowardice, and death, we also see love - the unconditional love of Jesus for the Father and for humanity. The love that can make every suffering become redeemable.

Therefore, let us find time to slowly read and contemplate on Jesus' passion during this Holy Week. Let us follow Him in every single step to the Calvary. Let us deeply experience the physical and spiritual suffering of Jesus, but at the same time not to forget the merciful love underlying his suffering. May we be able to accept every suffering with the attitude of Jesus. The more we think about the Passion, the more we would love Jesus' cross, love our cross, and respect the cross of others.

Fr John Pham

Pope Francis Intention for March

FOR THE MARTYRS OF OUR DAY, WITNESSES TO CHRIST

MARCH

"Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive"



Prayer of Healing

The President of our St Vinnie local Conference, Mr John Zammit, has been seriously ill. Please keep him and all our ill parishioners and their family members in your prayers. May God graciously grant them healing of mind and body.

Holy Week & Easter 2024

The Holy Week & Easter timetable is available on our parish Facebook, website, notice board & flyers. Please take a few flyers for your family, friends or your neighbours. Thank you.

Holy Thursday

Chrism Mass is celebrated at St Mary's Cathedral (10:30am). You may attend it or watch online at: UCZxfrykD8iSWEx-FBdM7fpRg (No morning Parish Mass)

To the *Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper* at our Parish, Please bring along your Project Compassion gift.

Good Friday - Holy Land Collection

We hold the annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land this day, March 29th. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing, parishes, and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus.

Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday. Thank you.

R.C.I.A

Our 18 catechumens (called "the Elect") and one baptised candidate are reaching the final week of Lent with us.

English speaking Group: Melissa SAT; Van Thu NGUYEN; Monica LAY; Ka Man LE; Hoang Kim Dung (Ruby) NGUYEN; Sushan NEAV; Kevin PAN; Victor (Gia Cuong) PHAM; Andrew DUONG; Roy TAN; Cindy LUU. Candidate: Howard NGUYEN

Vietnamese speaking Group: LÊ, Thị Oanh Kiều; VÕ, Thị Cẩm Tú; NGUYỄN, Thị Thanh Tâm; PHẠM. Thị Thùy; NGUYỄN, Xuân Sơn; NGUYỄN, Thanh Quân; TRẦN, Đạt Khương

Please join with them at 8.30 am this Easter Saturday for the RCIA Preparation Rite and particularly, for the celebration of their Sacraments of Initiation at Easter Vigil (at 6.00pm - English; 9.00pm - Vietnamese).

Church Pews Restoration Project

All newly restored pews have been returned to the church (with some final touch to be completed). Please help each other, especially, our little ones take a very good care of these pews, avoiding all scratches and damages to them.

Through your generosity we have raised \$75,196.20 towards the total cost of over \$150,000. The Appeal is still going for those who are able to help. Contact the Parish Office for on-line transactions or a tax deduction. Thank you & God bless.

Mass Intentions

Recently Deceased: Dominic Wijitr Benjabutr (2), Joseph Nguyen Vinh Hoa, Theresa Tran Thi Mieu

R.I.P. & Anniversaries: Fr Patrick MacAuliffe, Ronald Robison, Ivan Puskas, Mattha Theresa Tran Phuong Thao Nguyen (2), Maria (6), Joseph (6), Peter (5), Matthew, Thomas (2), Paul, Luke, John, Theresa, Maria Madalena, Anna (4), Martha, Francis, Elizabeth, Francis Borgia, Cecilia, souls of ancestors, grandparents & family members (3), for all souls (9) Andre Patrick Cao Nguyen, Martha Le Thi Loi, Anthony Tran Cong Minh,

Co Thi Khuyen, Lu The Khiem, Lu Nam Hoa, Nguyen Han, Maria Nguyen Thi Be, Joseph Tran Gia Linh, Joseph Nguyen Duc Hiep, Joseph Nguyen Van Dien, Joseph Tran Ngoc Phu, Nguyen Thi Dan, Joseph Le Minh Khiem, Rosa & Giuseppe Florio, Armamelo Florio, Pasquale Arena, Oliveri Maria, Pasquale Lanzo, Maria Rosa Fotea, Anna Nguyen Thi In, Joseph Tran Van Luan, Maria Ngo Thi Cay, Dominico Nguyen Van Luong, all souls (8), Giuse (6), Phalo, Vincente (2), Anna (3), Phero, Maria(5), Roberto, unborn babies, Phaolo Nguyen Minh Tan, Maria Nguyen Thi Hue, Simon Tran Thanh Son, Lucia, Anton, Gioankim, Toma, baby Joseph, Anna Tran Thi Xuyen (2), Phaolo Ho Quang Thay, Teresa, Daminh Nguyen Huu Khue, Phero Nguyen Quang Be, Gioan

Other Intentions: For the sick, for the conversion of hearts (2), thanksgiving to God, Mary & Joseph (15), peace and wellbeing for family (14), for stable works (4), personal intention (3),

Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm Sunday) 23 & 24 March



As Project Compassion 2024 comes to an end, you for your in-

credibly generous support throughout Lent.

This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities.

There is still time to donate! Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, for all future generations.

Please donate to Project Compassion

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

Make a Difference in your Community - Seeking Vinnies Members!

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is looking for people in this Parish and local community

who are interested in joining the Society as Conference Members. Vinnies has opportunities for young and mature people (over 16 years) to get involved in providing a hand up to those in need, and opportunities for adults who want to become a member.

All around the State, Members of the Society are responding to the needs of their local communities in groups known as 'Conferences'. Conferences grow organically from within our communities, from parishes, schools, universities and workplaces. As a member, you have the opportunity to make a difference by providing a hand up to people in need, identifying longer-term needs in the community and raising our voices for social justice. To find out more about becoming a Member of the Society, please call PeterBrown0412131on355, email peter.brown@vinnies.org.au



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - Y/B

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. $\mathbf{v.2}$

(R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave,

and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation: Philippians 2:8-9

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: Mark: 11:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, and said to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" say, "The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately"'. And they went away, and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street; and they untied it. And those who stood there said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' And they told them what Jesus had said; and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments on it; and he sat upon it. And many spread their garments on the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed cried out, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Hosanna in the highest!'

Chúa Nhật Lễ Lá - Năm B

Bài đọc 1: Is 50, 4-7

Trích sách Tiên tri Isaia.

Chúa đã ban cho tôi miệng lưỡi đã được huấn luyện, để tôi biết dùng lời nói nâng đỡ kẻ nhọc nhằn. Mỗi sáng Người đánh thức tôi, Người thức tỉnh tai tôi, để nghe lời Người giáo huấn. Thiên Chúa đã mở tai tôi, mà tôi không cưỡng lại và cũng chẳng thối lui. Tôi đã đưa lưng cho kẻ đánh tôi, đã đưa má cho kẻ giật râu; tôi đã không che giấu mặt mũi, tránh những lời nhạo

cười và những người phỉ nhổ tôi. Vì Chúa nâng đỡ tôi, nên tôi không phải hổ thẹn; nên tôi trơ mặt chai như đá, tôi biết tôi sẽ không phải hổ thẹn.

Đáp ca: Tv 21, 8-9. 17-18a. 19-20. 23-24

Đáp: Ôi Thiên Chúa! Ôi Thiên Chúa! sao Chúa đã bỏ con?

Bài đọc 2: Pl 2, 6-11

Trích thư gởi tín hữu Philipphê.

Chúa Giêsu Kitô, tuy là {thân phận} Thiên Chúa, đã không nghĩ phải giành cho được ngang hàng với Thiên Chúa; trái lại, Người huỷ bỏ chính mình mà nhận lấy thân phận tôi đòi, đã trở nên giống như loài người, với cách thức bề ngoài như một người phàm. Người đã tự hạ mình mà vâng lời cho đến chết, và chết trên thập giá. Vì thế, Thiên Chúa đã tôn vinh Người, và ban cho Người một danh hiệu vượt trên mọi danh hiệu, để khi nghe tên Giêsu, mọi loài trên trời dưới đất và trong địa ngục phải quỳ gối xuống, và mọi miệng lưỡi phải tuyên xưng Đức Giêsu Kitô là Chúa để Thiên Chúa Cha được vinh quang.

ALLELUIA: Pl 2, 8-9

Chúa Kitô vì chúng ta, đã vâng lời cho đến chết, và chết trên thập giá. Vì thế, Thiên Chúa đã tôn vinh Người, và ban cho Người một danh hiệu vượt trên mọi danh hiệu.

BÀI PHÚC ÂM: Mc 11, 1-10

Tin Mừng Chúa Giêsu Kitô theo Thánh Marcô.

Khi các ngài đến gần Giêrusalem ngang qua Bêtania, gần núi Cây Dầu, thì Chúa Giêsu sai hai môn đệ đi và bảo rằng: "Các con hãy đến làng trước mặt kia, vừa vào làng, các con sẽ gặp ngay cột sẵn đó một lừa con chưa ai cỡi, các con hãy mở dây mà dẫn về. Và nếu có ai hỏi các con 'Sao các ông làm thế?', thì hãy nói rằng: 'Chúa cần dùng, xong việc Ngài sẽ trả lại đây'". Hai môn đệ ra đi và gặp lừa con cột trước cửa ngõ, nơi ngã tư đàng, hai ông liền mở dây. Vài người trong những kẻ đứng đó hỏi hai môn đệ rằng: "Các ông làm gì mà mở dây lừa con vậy?" Hai môn đệ đáp lại như lời Chúa Giêsu day bảo, và người ta để cho đem đi. Hai ông dắt lừa con về cho Chúa Giêsu, và trải áo lên mình lừa và Ngài lên cỡi. Nhiều người trải áo xuống đường, kẻ khác chặt nhành cây trải lối đi: Kẻ thì đi trước, người theo sau tung hô rằng: "Hoan hô! Chúc tụng Đấng nhân danh Chúa mà đến. Chúc tụng nước Đavit tổ phụ chúng ta đã đến. Hoan hô trên các tầng trời!"

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at **(02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org**. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes