



Entrance Antiphon: (Mt 21:9) **Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

BLESSING OF THE PALMS *(In the courtyard)*

Cel: Let us pray.
Almighty ever-living God, sanctify + these branches with your blessing, that we, who follow Christ the King in exultation, may reach the eternal Jerusalem through him. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Luke (19:28-40)

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village opposite, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat; untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this, 'The Lord has need of it.'" So those who were sent went away and found it as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owner said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" And they said, "The Lord has need of it." And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their garments on the colt, they set Jesus upon it. And as he rode along, they spread their garments on the road. As he was now drawing near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" And some of the Pharisees in the multitude said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out." **This is the Gospel of the Lord.**

A reading from the book of Isaiah (50:4-7)

The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him that is weary. Morning by morning he wakens, he wakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I turned not backward. I gave my back to the smiters and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been confounded; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. **This is the Word of the Lord.**

ENTRANCE HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST

Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest

Lord we lift up Your name
With our hearts full of praise
Be exalted, O Lord, my God
Hosanna in the highest.

Glory, Glory
Glory to the King of Kings
Glory, Glory
Glory to the King of Kings

Lord we lift up Your name
With our hearts full of praise
Be exalted, O Lord, my God
Glory to the King of kings.



OFFERTORY

BLESSED BE GOD

Blessed are you Lord,
God of all creation.
Thanks to your goodness,
this bread we offer.
Fruit of the earth, work of our hands
It will become the bread of life.

Refrain:
**Blessed be God,
Blessed be God.
Blessed be God, forever Amen.
Blessed be God,
Blessed be God.
Blessed be God, forever Amen.**

Blessed are you Lord,
God of all creation.
Thanks to your goodness,
this wine we offer.
Fruit of the vine, work of our hands.
It will become the cup of joy. **Ref.**



Responsorial Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
"He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend." **R.**

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. "You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons." **R.**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians(2:6-11)

Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. **This is the Word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

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Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

GOSPEL: The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke (22:14 - 23:56)

Communion Antiphon: Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done. (Mt 26:42)

COMMUNION

SERVANT KING

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load he chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
'Yet not My will but Yours,' He said.

Refrain:
**This is our God, The Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to The Servant King**

Come see His hands and His feet
The scars that speak of sacrifice
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails surrendered

So let us learn how to serve
And in our lives enthrone Him
Each other's needs to prefer
For it is Christ we're serving



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GIVE THANKS

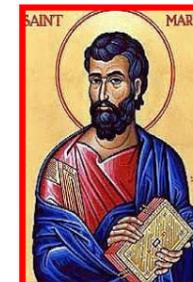
Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son
(repeat)

And now let the weak say,
"I am strong"
Let the poor say, "I am rich"
Because of what the Lord
has done for us"
(repeat)

Give thanks (give thanks)
Give thanks (give thanks)
Give thanks



Weekly Parish Newsletter
Bollettino Parrocchiale Settimanale



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We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.

Palm Sunday: Jesus "freely embraces" the cross for our sake.

Holy Week begins with the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem; however, his triumph is short-lived. Soon the crowds turn against him in disappointment and anger: "Crucify him!" they cry, when Jesus appears not to be the expected liberator from the Roman power, nor the defender of the Jewish traditions and practices. In few days, Jesus' mission appears to end in total disaster and failure... on a cross. But then the resurrection turns everything upside-down: the loser becomes the winner who confounds all human plans and expectations. He lives on and no human schemes can overpower his continuing redeeming influence on individuals and people.

On Palm Sunday the drama of Jesus' purpose to come into the world moves fast from glory to rejection and apparent defeat. However the mystery deepens: Who is this man! The first reading speaks of him as the Suffering Servant whose sufferings were so intense as to make him feel that God had abandoned him. In the second reading from the letter to the Philippians, Paul pointed out that though Christ was divine, he emptied himself, taking on human likeness and endured excruciating pain and the humiliation of death on a cross. He endured all this "freely" for the love of us and for our salvation. Jesus is all love, mercy, obedience, humility. Even when stripped of his clothing, dignity and respect, Jesus manifests such a great power of mercy towards the repentant thief and even to those who crucified him that the Centurion was forced to exclaim: "Indeed this was the Son of God". Thus he manifested how complete and exhaustive is the love of God for us. Recognizing how compassionate Jesus was even up to his final hours, we know that to some extent we can and should express feelings of compassion in our own lives, a compassion which is shown in service to others. Whenever men and women suffer, Christ suffers. Our compassion cannot be theoretical; we cannot simply cheer from the sidelines, but offer a meaningful service in an effort to bind up Christ's wounds in others. And there is a good reason for this. Today, there appears to be a strong tendency among many to remain distant and not get involved: "It is not my job!". Mercy speaks a different language!



Domenica delle Palme:

Gesu "si consegna" alla croce per noi.

Tutto l'impegno cristiano di penitenza e di conversione vissuto durante la Quaresima viene illuminato da quanto accadde a Gesù e che noi celebriamo in questi giorni: "Osanna - Crocifiggilo - È risorto!" Entrando in Gerusalemme, Gesù è accolto trionfalmente dalla folla esultante perché aspetta da lui salvezza e gloria in un nuovo ordine (politico) di cose come aspettativa nazionale. Tuttavia, presto questa euphoria si

trasforma in rifiuto e condanna perché Gesù non promuove una rivoluzione di potere, ma parla di un cambiamento spirituale di vita più conforme alla volontà del Padre: sacrificio, obbedienza, amore, umiltà, servizio. Per questo è venuto e a questo rimane fedele, capiti quello che capiti! Le gente rimane delusa e lo condanna a morte come un impostore. Gesù, che poteva sottrarsi a questa sorte, "si consegna" nelle loro mani rimettendosi alla volontà del Padre sicuro che il Padre lo salverà, perché il Padre vuole una vita nuova per noi, una vita di bontà e amore, non di potere, sopraffazione e gloria. È la risurrezione, e con essa la garanzia che una vita nuova può nascere anche in ciascuno di noi se seguiamo la via di Gesù.

Questa via non è facile! Nell'impatto con la croce la fede vacilla: il peso dell'ingiustizia, della violenza e della malvagità sembra schiacciare ogni speranza di una vita nuova. Salgono inquietanti tanti "perché": Dov'è l'onnipotenza di Dio, la sua giustizia, il suo amore? Perché non interviene in tante situazioni intollerabili? Solo la fede è capace di leggere l'onnipotenza di Dio nell'impotenza di una croce: è la potenza dell'amore. Gesù ha talmente amato noi che per fare scaturire la potenza dell'amore del Padre su tutta l'umanità "si consegna" alla cattiveria dell'uomo per vincerla con il sacrificio. Così Gesù rovescia i valori della vita umana: la vera grandezza dell'uomo non sta nel potere, nella ricchezza, nella violenza, ma nell'amore che condivide, che è solidale, che è vicino ai fratelli, che si fa servizio. Dio vince il dolore e la morte non togliendoli dal cammino dell'uomo, ma assumendoli in sé. Nell'annientamento di Gesù nasce una nuova umanità. Il mistero della morte diventa mistero di vita e di trionfo.

HOLY WEEK TIME TABLE is on the board at the entrance and on the outside doors to the church.

ORARIO PER LA SETTIMANA SANTA si trova sul tabellone all'entrata e sulle porte esterno della chiesa.

EASTER RAFFLE Tickets available today after mass at only \$1 each. Draw will take place after the 7.30pm Holy Saturday Mass. A big thank you to Mel Piedimonte from Piedimonte's Supermarket and Giannarelli Funerals for their kind donation.

LOTTERIA PASQUALE Biglietti in vendita dopo la S. Messa prezzo \$1 l'uno. Il sorteggio avverrà dopo le cerimonie e S. Messa del Sabato Santo con inizio alle 7.30pm. Grazie di cuore a Mel Piedimonte "Piedimonte's Supermarket" e Giannarelli Funerals.



2 Liturgical Calendar and activities

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
Saturday / Sabato 19th March 2016 Passion Sunday Year "C" Vigil Mass	"Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel."		6.00pm. Blessing of the Palms Giuseppina (Josie) McCLURE ARENA (1month) 7.00pm Spanish Mass with the Blessing of the Palms	Wedding Celebration for Trish SANTO & Rocky CEDRO Baptism Celebration for Mia RAMIREZ ACOSTA Congratulations!
Sunday/Domenica 20th March 2016 Passion Sunday Year "C"	"Osanna al figlio di David, Osanna al Redentor!"	8.30am PRO-POPULO	9.45am 11.00am 	Baptism Celebration for Alexia Teri SALATA & Jhoseth GALDAMEZ Congratulations!
Monday of Holy Week Lunedì della Settimana Santa 21st March 2016 Is 42: 1-7; Jn 12: 1-11	Responsorial Psalm. <i>The Lord is my light and my salvation.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	7.30pm. Baptism Preparation tonight in the Church. Parents & Godparents invited to attend
Tuesday of Holy Week Martedì della Settimana Santa 22nd March 2016 Is 49:1-6; Jn 13: 21-33, 36-38	Responsorial Psalm. <i>I will sing of your salvation.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	11.00am Chrism Mass: St. Patrick's Cathedral Archbishop Denis Hart and the Clergy of Melbourne
Wednesday of Holy Week Mercoledì della Settimana Santa 23rd March 2016 Is 50: 4-9; Mt 26: 14-25	Responsorial Psalm. <i>Nella tua fedeltà soccorrimi, Signore.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	10.00am Ora Santa e Confessioni per il Gruppo di Preghiera Carismatico

Holy Paschal Triduum Santo Triduo Pasquale

Thursday of Holy Week Giovedì della Settimana Santa 24th March 2016 Ex 12: 1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11: 23-26 Jn 13:1-15	Holy Thursday <i>Our Blessing Cup is a Communion with the blood of Christ.</i>	11.00am Stations of the Cross with Simonds College boys 7.30pm - St. Brigid's Multicultural Celebration Lord's Supper 7.30pm - St. Marks (Portuguese) Celebration of the Lord's Supper	Following the Mass there will be procession with the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration and Confessions till midnight in the Church
Good Friday / Venerdì Santo 25th March 2016 Is 52:13 - 53:12; Heb 4: 14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18: 1 - 19:42	Good Friday <i>Father, I put my life in your hands.</i>	3.00pm - St. Brigid's Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, Homily and Adoration of the Cross 3.00pm - St. Mark's (Portuguese) Celebration of the Lord's Passion	9am - St. Brigid's Via Crucis - Church Confessions throughout the morning 9.30am - St. Brigid's Seven Last Words (Filipino Chaplaincy) 4pm to 6pm - Confessions in Church
Holy Saturday Sabato Santo 26th March 2016 The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night	Holy Saturday <i>Christ is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.</i>	4 to 6pm - St. Brigids -Confessions 7.30pm - St. Brigid's Solemn Easter Vigil Celebrations 7.00pm - St. Mark's (Portuguese) Solemn Easter Vigil Celebrations	Blessing of the new fire Blessing of the Water Baptisms Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

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Liturgy of the Word 26th & 27th March 2016	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid	Special Minister	Church Cleaning
I Reading	HOLY	L. Murphy	M. C. Sisters	P. La Marca	M. Lauria	Volunteers
Responsorial Psalm	SATURDAY	L. Murphy	M. C. Sisters	T. Toscano		
II Reading		A. De Santis	M. C. Sisters	P. La Marca		

BUSTE PER LA VOSTRA OFFERTA PASQUALE SI TROVANO SUI BANCHI E ALL'ENTRATA DELLA CHIESA
EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES WILL BE FOUND IN THE PEWS & ON THE TABLE AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH.

Good Friday Holy Land Collection
Envelopes will be available on the seats. Let us be generous in helping our Christians brothers and sisters to care for the holy places of the land of Jesus.
Donazione del Venerdì Santo
Le buste saranno disponibili sui banchi in Chiesa. Siamo generosi nell'aiutare i Cristiani della Terra Santa nel mantenere i luoghi della vita di Gesù.

The SEVEN LAST WORDS And The PARABLES of MERCY
The Filipino Chaplaincy invites you to reflect on the Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross this **GOOD FRIDAY, 25 March 2016, 9.30am to 12noon** at St. Brigid's Church, 378 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy North.

.ST. BRIGID & ST. MARK EASTER TIMETABLE
HOLY WEEK: 21st March - 27th March 2016
Holy Mon:Tues /Wed Masses as usual
Holy Tuesday 11am Mass of the Holy Oils at St. Patrick's Cathedral
Holy Wednesday 10am Holy Hour and Confessions (Italian Prayer Group)
EASTER TRIDUUM
Holy Thursday (No morning mass)
St. Brigid's 11.00am Stations of the Cross - Simonds College
St. Mark's 7.30pm Celebration of the Lord's Supper (Portuguese)
St. Brigid's 7.30pm Multicultural Celebration of the Lord's Supper, followed by Adoration and Confessions in church till midnight.
Holy Hour with prayers and songs.
9.00pm - 10.00pm (English) 10pm -11pm (Spanish) 11pm -12am (Silence)
Good Friday
St. Brigid's 9.00am Via Crucis (In Church) Confessions (Throughout the morning)
St. Brigid's 9.30am Liturgy "The Seven Last Words"(Filipino Chaplaincy)
St. Brigid's 3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
St. Mark's 3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Portuguese)
St. Brigid's 4.00pm to 6.00pm - Confessions
Holy Saturday
St. Brigid's 4.00pm to 6.00pm - Confessions
St. Brigid's 7.30pm Solemn Easter Vigil Celebration
St. Mark's 7.00pm Solemn Easter Vigil Celebration (Portuguese)
Easter Sunday Masses as per Sunday timetable.

Project Compassion
Total amount collected so far is \$1200. Envelopes & Boxes should be returned to by Holy Thursday night or as soon as possible. (If you require a receipt, please specify). Thank you.
Progetto Compassione
Totale raccolto \$1200. Bustine e scatole devono essere portate in Chiesa per il Giovedì Santo oppure al più presto possibile. (Se avete bisogno della ricevuta, per favore fate richiesta). Grazie.

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT
For parents and godparents wishing to have their children baptised here is on this Monday 21st March 2016 at 7.30pm in the Church.
St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections
1 Collection \$ 570 - 00
2 Collection \$ 340 - 00
Envelopes \$ 146 - 00

Canto D'Ingresso OSANNA AL FIGLIO DI DAVID <i>Osanna al figlio di David, Osanna al Redentor!</i> Apritevi, o porte eterne, avanzi il re della Gloria; Nei cieli e sulla terra Eterno è il suo poter. Rit.: O monti, stillate dolcezza: Il re d'amor si avvicina; Si dona pane vivo, Ed offre pace al cuor. Rit.: O luce e splendor del Padre, Illumina le menti Accogli i nostri cuori, O Cristo Redentor! Rit.: Onore, Lode e Gloria Al Padre e al Figlio E allo Spirito Santo Nei secoli sarà Rit.:	Canto D'Offertorio ECCO L'UOMO Nella memoria di questa passione, noi ti chiediamo perdono, Signore, per ogni volta che abbiamo lasciato il tuo fratello morire da solo. NOI TI PREGHIAMO, UOMO DELLA CROCE. FIGLIO E FRATELLO, NOI SPERIAMO IN TE! Nella memoria di questa tua morte, noi ti chiediamo coraggio, Signore, per ogni volta che il dono d'amore ci chiederà di soffrire da soli. Rit.: Nella memoria dell'ultima Cena, noi spezzeremo di nuovo il tuo pane ed ogni volta il tuo Corpo donato sarà la nostra speranza di vita. Rit.:	Canto di Comunione TI SALUTO, O CROCE SANTA <i>Ti saluto, o croce santa, che portasti il Redentor: gloria, lode, onor ti canta ogni lingua ed ogni cuor.</i> Sei vesillo glorioso di Cristo, sua vittoria e segno d'amor: il suo sangue innocente fu visto come fiamma sgorgare dal cuor.R. Tu nascesti fra braccia amorose D'una Vergine madre, o Gesù, tu moristi fra braccia pietose d'una croce che data ti fu. Rit. O agnello divino, immolato Sulla croce crudele, pietà! Tu, che togli dal mondo il peccato salva l'uomo che pace non ha. Rit.	Canto Finale E GIUNTA L'ORA E' giunta l'ora Padre per me ai miei amici ho detto che questa è la vita: conoscere Te e il Figlio tuo Cristo Gesù. Erano tuoi, li hai dati a me ed ora sanno che torno a te hanno creduto, conservati tu nel tuo amore, nell'unità. Tu mi hai mandato ai figli tuoi la tua parola è verità. E il loro cuore sia pieno di gioia a gioia vera viene da te. Io sono in loro e tu in me; e sian perfetti nell'unità; e il mondo creda che tu mi hai mandato; li hai amati come ami me.
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