

PALM SUNDAY

We should see this week as one unit, summed up under the phrase "Paschal Mystery". It includes the suffering, death and resurrection as well as the ascension and the sending of the Holy Spirit. In fact, all these elements can actually be seen present on the cross on Good Friday.

Triumph and tragedy

This is a day both of triumph and tragedy.

There is the joy of Jesus entering Jerusalem and getting an enthusiastic welcome from the crowds.

"Hosanna to the Son of David;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

Words we continue to sing during the Eucharistic Prayer at every Mass. But the picture very soon changes to darkness, to suffering and death.

Having the mind of Christ

Our key to understanding this week is in today's Second Reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

"Let the same mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus."

Though Jesus was in the form of God, he "emptied" himself, and went down to the lowest depths of degradation and humiliation, dying naked and as a convicted criminal.

This is the measure of his love, laying down his life for his friends, an expression of God's love for us. And, because of the intensity of the love he showed he is swept up into the glory of God. So that we, too, may follow.

But, on the way, we also have to be ready to empty ourselves in love for him and to be totally at the service of our brothers and sisters.

Sacred Space

O L I V E R I A N

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Parish Office Hours: 9am – 3pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

MASS TIMES

Saturday **6.00 pm** (Vigil for Sunday)
Sunday **8.45 am & 10.30 am**
Wednesday **9.15 am**
Thursday **7.00 pm**

You can register through the parish website <https://stolivers.org.au/>
& Click "Join Sunday Mass"

Confessions **Saturday 10 — 10.30 am** (Held outside at back of church
between church and presbytery)
Baptisms **2nd Saturday of the month (by appointment)**
Marriages **By appointment with at least 6 months notice**

PARISH ACTIVITIES

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| Monday | Christian Meditation | 7-8 pm Parish Centre (starting after Easter) (contact Chris Rowland 0411 440 746) |
| Tuesday | Italian Ladies Prayer Group | 10.30 am Meeting Room (starting after Easter) |
| | Charismatic Prayer Group | 7.30 pm Church |
| Wednesday | Drop-In Centre | 1 - 3 pm Church/Parish Centre |
| Thursday | St Vincent de Paul | 5.30 pm Meeting Room (last Thursday of the month) |

FROM ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY **11AM:** Live Streamed and C31 Televised (Channel 44 on Digital TV)
 6AM: Channel 10 - "Mass for You at Home"
MONDAY - FRIDAY 1PM : Live Streamed. (Link below)
SATURDAY 8.00AM: Live Streamed. (Link below)

<http://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass> and
<https://www.youtube.com/user/archmelb>

PALM SUNDAY - 27/28 MARCH 2021

Entrance Antiphon: Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: *Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!* O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. *Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy.*

Response to the Psalm: **My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying of 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!

Communion Antiphon: Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

Please remember in your prayers the following:

Those who have died:

Anniversaries: Millie Farrell, Maria Failla, Agostinho de Ponte, George & Catherine Hardy, Martin Della Chiesa

Those who are ill: Gina, Scerri, Maria Coreno, Monica Wickerson, Joe Grech, Pasquale Buonomo, Sofia Ruggiero, Karen Hardy, Eileen Squires, Lamberto Cruz, Vicenta Santos

| 27/28 March | | 10/11 April |
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| READERS: | | |
| Sat 6 pm | C. Rowland [L], V. Pertile [R] | L. Teoh [L], M. Lynch [R] |
| Sun 8.45 am | B. Messina | F. Minutolo |
| 10.30 am | S. Harrison [L], E. Monaco [R] | S. Bennardo [L], R. Polastri [R] |
| EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: | | |
| Sat 6 pm | L. Teoh | P. Saliba |
| Sun 8.45 am | J. Mokbel | M. Tamayo |
| 10.30 am | D. Petrocco | A. Cocomello |

Because of limited space please register via Parish Website from **Sunday 28 March for Holy Triduum:** <https://stolivers.org.au/> or contact office if you don't have internet access.

HOLY TRIDUUM 2021

Holy Thursday: 7pm Mass of the Lord's supper followed by Adoration at the *Altar of Repose* until 9.30pm

Good Friday: 3pm Solemn celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday: 6pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday: 8.45am Easter Mass
10.30am Easter Mass



"HOLY LAND" GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, due to the global pandemic, it was an extremely difficult time for the Church and people of the Holy Land with very little income due to the lack of pilgrims and the closure of churches around the world. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday and please keep them in your prayers. Thankyou.

Please continue to support St Oliver's Parish and Fr Michael. The link: <https://bit.ly/CDFpayPascoeVale>
We are very grateful for your support at this challenging time.

COVID19 INSTRUCTIONS

People must carry a fitted face covering at all times. Fitted face coverings are no longer mandatory indoors or outdoors, but should be worn by participants (unless they have a lawful exemption or are children under 12 years of age) if a distance of 1.5m cannot be maintained.
Please come 10 to 15 minutes before Mass. Doors will close when Mass starts.

At St Oliver's parish we aim to create a child-safe and child-friendly environment. Privacy: In 2001 the Commonwealth and Victorian governments introduced legislation that deals with the manner in which public and private sector organisations may record, use, store and disclose information, including health information collected from individuals. This Parish is committed to upholding and implementing the Privacy Principles set out in the legislation.

Please visit our website for the newest update from the Archdiocese regarding liturgical guidelines: <https://stolivers.org.au/>