OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH 90 - 92 MONASH STREET, SUNSHINE 3020

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Parish Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 10am-4.00pm; Friday 10am-3.00pm Other times - we respond when able to.

Sunday Masses: English - Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 9am, 10.30am, 5.30pm

Mass in other languages: Chin -1st, 3rd, 4th Sundays 2.30pm; Burmese - 2nd Sunday Vietnamese - Saturday Vigil 7pm, Sunday 12.30pm, Friday 7pm Tongan TBC
Weekday Mass Times: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am; Tuesday 7.30pm, Friday 11am.

Confessions: Saturdays 9.30am (English or Vietnamese) Novena: Tuesday 8.00pm



faith, meaning Dinner @ 7pm - 9pm Wednesday
Alpha programs will begin soon in neighbouring parishes - (see noticeboard)

MASS INTENTIONS 8-15 April 2023

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Pro Populo

Easter Sunday 9.00am John & Angela Spiteri RIP

10.30am Pro Populo

No afternoon Mass in English on Easter Sunday
Mon 9.00am Peter Ho RIP, Catarina Tieng RIP

Tues 7.30pm Parish Intention

Wed 9.00am Parish Intention

Thursday, Friday, Saturday: Parish Intention

Friday - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 12-3pm.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - 16 APRIL 2023

Jesus' words to St. Faustina: "I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge for souls especially for poor sinners....."

The message is as easy as ABC:

A - Ask for God's mercy B - Be merciful to others C - Completely trust in Jesus

Divine Mercy Celebration - 16 April 2023 St Peter Chanel's Church, Deer Park: 1pm Confession & prayers; 2pm Mass; 3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet (sung)

Week 3 - April 15/16	5.30 pm	9.00 am	10.30 am	5.30 pm
Lectors	Michael Payne	Mary Rapa	Jannelli Campana	Celine Rivera
Extraordinary Ministers	Vickie Blampied	Vicki Sheridan	Anita Mastroianni	Filipino Choir
Data Projector	Connie Sposato	Antoinette Spiteri	Robert Turczyniak	Angie Ramat /

They Saw and Believed: Scott Hahn Reflects on Easter Sunday

Readings: Acts 10:34, 37-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

Jesus is nowhere visible. Yet, today's Gospel tells us that Peter and John "saw and believed."

What did they see? Burial shrouds lying on the floor of an empty tomb. Maybe that convinced them that He hadn't been carted off by grave robbers, who usually stole the expensive burial linens and left the corpses behind.

But notice the repetition of the word "tomb"—seven times in nine verses. They saw the empty tomb and they believed what He had promised: that God would raise Him on the third day.

Chosen to be His "witnesses," today's First Reading tells us, the Apostles were "commissioned . . . to preach . . . and testify" to all that they had seen—from His anointing with the Holy Spirit at the Jordan to the empty tomb.

More than their own experience, they were instructed in the mysteries of the divine economy, God's saving plan: to know how "all the prophets bear witness" to Him.

Now they could "understand the Scripture" and teach us what He had told them: that He was "the Stone which the builders rejected," the one whom today's Psalm prophesies will be resurrected and exalted.

We are the children of the apostolic witnesses. That is why we still gather early in the morning on the first day of every week to celebrate this feast of the empty tomb, to give thanks for "Christ our life," as today's Second Reading calls Him.

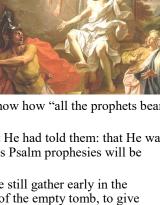
Baptised into His death and Resurrection, we live the heavenly life of the risen Christ, our lives "hidden with Christ in God." We are now His witnesses, too. But we testify to things we cannot see but only believe; we seek in earthly things what is above.

We live in memory of the Apostles' witness, like them eating and drinking with the risen Lord at the altar. And we wait in hope for what the Apostles told us would come—the day when we too "will appear with Him in glory."

Child Safety Reminders & Important notice for Parents

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- Please ensure you know where your child is if not beside you.

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