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**Weekend Masses** Saturday Vigil 6:00pm  
**Sunday** English 8:00am & 9:30am  
Italian 11:00am  
Vietnamese 12:30pm

**Weekday Masses** Tuesday - Friday 9:15am  
**Adoration & Benediction** Wed after Mass

**Stations of the Cross** - After Mass  
Thursday Vietnamese Mothers' Group  
Friday English  
**Reconciliation** Wednesday 9:45am  
Saturday 5:30pm

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**Sunday** 8:30am & 10:30am  
**Weekday Masses** Tuesday - Thursday 9:00am  
Friday 9:15am  
**Stations of the Cross** Friday 7:00pm  
**Reconciliation** Saturday 5:30pm

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**IN OUR PRAYERS**

**Sick:** Daniela Di Clemente; Veronica Dovey; Helen Borg; Peter Falzon; Frank Logha; Milvia Cutaja; Mary Jones.

**Recently Deceased:**

Antonio Calidonna; Antonio Teixeira; Renza Peruch Pulicino; Ron Munro; Mary Camilleri; Sr Rosanna Bonnici asjm; Sr Gisele Isp; Maria Antonia Romeo; Nella Salemi.

**Anniversaries and Remembrances:**

Gaetano & Angela Gangemi; Francesco & Maria Panetta; Kerry Copley; Riccardo Caputo; Lillian Evans; Zoran Romich; Catarina Nguyen thi Anh; Petronilla & Nicola Lo Guarro; Tony & Frank Patti; Vivian Lamicela; Joseph Nguyen Nha; Joseph Tran Luan; Maria Dinh Thi Nhu; Maria Dinh Thi Thap; Joseph Nguyen Van Nguyet; Nguyen Van Giang; Vo Kim Phung; Pope John Paul II; Paul McManus; Prem Sahni; Ivy Allen; Phillip Angel; John Lyons; Tonina Darmanin; Dominic Cumbo; Francis, Bernarda, Joseph & Maria Consiglia Grima; Emmanuel, Teresa, Filomena Sammut; Carmelo & Rita Debono; Emmanuel & Nazzarena Farrugia; Charlie Sciberras; Victor Micallef.

**SMdP & SJB INFORMATION**  
**NEW MASS TIMES from 14 APRIL**

**St Martin de Porres Parish**

**Weekend Masses** Saturday Vigil 6:30pm  
Sunday 7:30am & 9:00am  
Vietnamese 11:00am

**Weekday Services**

Mass Wed & Fri 9:15am  
Communion Service Tues & Thurs 9:15am

**St. John Bosco's Parish**

**Weekend Masses** Saturday Vigil 5:00pm  
Sunday 10:30am

**Weekday Services**

Mass Tues & Thurs 9:00am  
Communion Service Wednesday 9:00am  
Friday 9:15am

**ST JOHN BOSCO'S INFORMATION**

**Bible Study Group**

Exploring the wonders of God's word through the guidance of the Holy Spirit will truly enlighten and uplift our hearts. Join us at 4pm in the Presbytery for our next meetings on 6 April & 27 April.

**Divine Mercy Novena**

The novena to the Divine Mercy continues:

- After today's 8:30am Mass
- After each weekday Mass Monday to Saturday
- And concluding on Divine Mercy Sunday 7th April after 10:30am Mass.

**ST MARTIN DE PORRES' INFORMATION**



**Easter Greetings**

The members of St Martin de Porres' & St John Bosco's family welcomes our visitors and guests to our Easter Celebrations. The Lord Jesus calls us to serve God by caring for others. In the middle of our busy lives we can still pause to thank God for the new life and hope that is to this day still rising from our human struggle.

Thank you to all who have helped around the parishes over the period of Lent, delivering Easter cards, donating palms & flowers, preparing the churches for celebrations, tidying the churches and grounds, and actively taking part in the celebrations, including the choirs and the Augustinian Sisters.

*Fr Nhân & Fr Thomas*



**Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!**

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2024 Lenten appeal.

**Please return boxes & envelopes ASAP**

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *for all future generations.*

**Please donate to Project Compassion**

Call 1800 024 413

or go to [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion)

**Parishioner Requires 1 Bedroom Bungalow/Unit**

in the Avondale Heights/ East Keilor area. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

**Made for Mission: Raising Leaders**

Join us for a transformative experience designed to inspire, connect and equip parish leaders with the insights and tools needed to ignite parish renewal.  
<https://brushfire.com/divinerenovationministry-au/drausmadeformissionraisingleaders/572284>

**Daylight Savings Finishes 2am Sunday 7th April**

We need to put our clocks back one hour before going to bed next Saturday night.



**Your Radiant and Magnificent Resurrection**

Dear Lord Jesus Christ, by Your radiant and magnificent resurrection,

You broke the bonds of death and rose from the grave as a conqueror.

You reconciled Heaven and earth.

Our life had no hope of eternal happiness before You redeemed us.

Your resurrection has washed away our sins, restored our innocence, and brought us joy.

How inestimable is the tenderness of Your love!

— Pope Saint Gregory the Great  
(Bishop of Rome 590 - 604)

**Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.**

The Parishes of St Martin de Porres and St John Bosco, and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. Child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of everyone.

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

We welcome you and ask that you make yourself known to us by completing this form and leaving it in the collection basket.

Parish of: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARISH SUPPORT PROGRAMME**

We encourage you to join our programme. Please ring the Parish Office or visit our website.

## Gospel Acclamation 1Cor 5:7-8

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Christ has become our paschal sacrifice*

*let us feast with joy in the Lord.*

*Alleluia!*

## Gospel Mk 16:1-7

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

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*Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has risen.*

When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices with which to go and anoint him. And very early in the morning on the first day of the week they went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising.

They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' But when they looked they could see that the stone – which was very big – had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right hand side, and they were struck with amazement. But he said to them, 'There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here. See, here is the place where they laid him. But you must go and tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you."'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

**Dawn has Broken – The Son is Risen**

Women go to the tomb as dawn is breaking. The Power of Darkness which had Jesus unjustly sentenced, cruelly tortured and buried in the pitch blackness of the tomb, is conquered by the Son-Rise of all sun rises flooding our world and the whole of human history with Divine Light and Energy.

This is the heart of our faith as Catholic Christians, which we celebrate with bon-fire (good fire) in darkness at the Easter Vigil. From that earthly element we light the Easter candle and the Exsultet is sung: 'Be glad, let earth be glad as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King.'

The resurrection itself is nowhere described in the gospels, but we do have appearances of the Risen Lord Jesus. The first appearance was to a woman, Mary of Magdala. A title given to her by the early church was 'Apostle to the Apostles' because she was the bearer of the message which the male disciples initially did not believe. But eventually they too believed that Death had been done to death because the Son had risen.

Christ's body was transfigured by the energy of Divine Love and we can, by grace, participate in that resurrection life of Our Lord. A glorious destiny awaits us, as indeed it awaits the whole cosmos as it is to be transformed by that resurrection life recreating the whole of creation.

We could take a moment to pray that we, along with all that matters, are graced with the life-giving energy of the Risen Son and that we may join Mary of Magdala in spreading the Good News of Christ's victory over death. Alleluia!

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## ST MARTIN DE PORRES & ST JOHN BOSCO'S

**Catholic Parishes**

**Avondale Heights & Niddrie**



## Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

**31 March 2024**

### First Reading Acts 10:34, 37-43

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

*We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.*

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23. R. v.24

**(R.) This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.  
Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.' (R.)

2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds. (R.)
3. The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

### Second Reading Col 3:1-4

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians**

*Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.*

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

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