

St Albans / Sydenham Western Plains Deanery Parish Priest: Fr. Maurie Cooney



Third Sunday of Easter, Year B - 14th April 2024

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Office Hours:

Monday & Tuesday: 9am - 5:00pm Thursday & Friday: 9am - 4:30pm

(The Parish office is closed on Wednesdays, weekends and public holidays)

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sacred Heart English Saturday 10.30am

Maltese every 4th Saturday 4.00pm

Baptism: Eight weeks notice is required Six months noticed required Marriage:

Sacred Heart Church Mass Times:

Weekdays:

7.30am Tuesday - Friday 9.00am Saturday

Weekend:

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 7:30am, 10:30am

Polish 9.00am

Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5:00pm

Emmaus Church Mass Times:

Saturday Sunday 9:00am

Website: http://pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham/Home.aspx

SAFEGUARDING POLICY

Sacred Heart/Emmaus Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. The Parish takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse and upholds that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. To report issues and concerns, contact: stalbans.csc@cam.org.au or 0413 841 936

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Sacred Heart-Emmaus Parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation, the traditional owners of the land where we gather. We pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging.

READINGS

This Week: First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15. 17-19 Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5

Next Week: First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

Gospel: <u>Luke 24:35-48</u>

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2 Gospel: John 10:11-18

REFLECTION

NEWLIFE

Don't we find it difficult at times to believe in ourselves, in others, and perhaps even in God? The life, death, and resurrection of Jesus shows God's belief in us, coming into our midst for our sakes. As with those disciples in today's Word, God continues to look for us. Through the closed doors of our lives - which disappointment, confusion, anxiety, routine, can bring - God would stir the life of Christ in us again and again. The message to us is the same as that to those early disciples: rise again, and know new life! And be a presence Christ Risen yourself!

"They offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes."



Ministry Meetings for the Registered Team Members @ The Presbytery

Bereavement meeting 18th April, 7pm PAG meeting 1st May, 7pm Finance meeting 21st May, 7pm

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Anniversaries: Mark Farrugia, Joseph Xuereb, Salvina & John Borg, Angela Xuereb, Michael & Josephine Piacentini, Joe Xuereb, Joe Grech, Tessie Farrugia, Joseph Grech, John Borg, Pero Kilsanin, Paul Aquilina, Frank & Bernadina Siracusa, Daniella Zahra, Emanuel & John Fenech, Cecilia & Frank Cordina, Joseph & Maria Orsini, Anne Wall, Charlie Camilleri, Golu Piscopo, Ninu Gorga Zammit, Carmenu Falzon, Fr. Joshua, Peter Muscat, Emmanuel & Josephine Pisani, Gerry, Moira & Trevor Smith, Thomas & Elizabeth Meyn, Grace Calleja, Stjepan Benac, Emmanuel & Frank Grech, Tony Calleja, Rose Pulis, Joe Cini, Antonia Demecoli, Aaron D'souza, Joe Aruliah, Zita Aruliah, Sebastian Baracho, Estafania Baracho, Emmanuela and John Spiteri, Haney Lois Rangel, Robert Stahlmann.

REMINDER: Mass
Offering/Intention for the
Dead - Please submit
these not later than 12
noon on Thursday! Thank
you. Any received after
this will be included in
the following week.

OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS

"Christ Has No Body"

Christ has no body but yours,

No hands, no feet on earth but yours,

Yours are the eyes with which he looks

Compassion on this world,

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,

Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.

Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,

Yours are the eyes, you are his body.

Christ has no body now but yours,

No hands, no feet on earth but yours,

Yours are the eyes with which he looks

compassion on this world.

Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

Teresa of Avila (1515–1582)

The first disciples were fishermen. The only recorded meal that Jesus cooked was grilled fish for breakfast at the end of John's Gospel. Early on, the fish became a symbol for Christ from the Greek word for fish, *ichthys*, and using those letters to name Jesus: *Iesous Christos*, *Theou Yios*, *Soter* – which translates into English as 'Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour'. When two early Christians met, the first might trace one arc of the fish symbol on the ground,

then the other would confirm that he or she was a believer by adding the complementary

curve.





St Mary of the Cross MacKillop - See the protecting and beautiful hand of God in all that is happening. 26 Sept 1871