



Sacred Heart / Emmaus Parish St Albans/Sydenham Western Plains Deanery



Parish Priest: Fr. Maurie Cooney

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT —YEAR C 20TH MARCH, 2022

DETAILS

PARISH
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Office Hours:
Monday—Thursday 9:30am—4:00pm

Mass Times:
Sacred Heart
 Tuesday—Friday 7.30am
 Saturday 9.00am, 5.00pm
 Sunday 7.30am, 10.30am
 Sunday Polish 9.00am
 Sunday Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5.00pm

Emmaus Church
 Saturday 6.30pm
 Sunday 9.00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Sacred Heart English Saturday 10.30am
 Maltese every 4th Saturday 4.00pm

Baptism: Eight weeks notice is required.

Marriage: Four months noticed required.

Appointments: Please call the Parish Office on 93662146 if you wish to speak to the Priest.

**HOLY WEEK—EASTER AT
SACRED HEART AND EMMAUS**

See Page 4 for times of ceremonies

**Please see details of Lent schedule on
Page 2 of this Newsletter**

**See Page 2 of this Newsletter for ways
to view Mass on TV, online and via
YouTube**

READINGS

This week: First Reading:	Ex 3:1-8. 13-15	Second Reading:	1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12	Gospel: Lk 13:1-9
Next Week: First Reading:	Jos 5:9-12	Second Reading:	2 Cor 5:17-21	Gospel: Lk 15:1-3. 11-32

REFLECTION

HAVE A GOOD, HARD LOOK AT YOURSELF

One of the core messages of Lent comes to us today – the call to conversion.

This is about changing one's mind, changing one's tune, having second thoughts, having a rethink, thinking again, thinking differently, thinking twice: about the ways in which we are living the gospel of Jesus – and particularly about the ways we are **not** living the gospel of Jesus.

Conversion is not a 'once off' action (as we may have thought when we referred to someone's changing their religion). The fact is that none of us lives the gospel of Jesus perfectly though that is what we are called to: recall Jesus' words "Love one another as I have loved you"!! And we have to keep working at that throughout our lives.

This is one of the great values of Lent: it clearly and formally calls us to conversion - to have a good, hard look at ourselves to see how we're measuring up as people whose centre of faith is Jesus. If we find that there's the possibility, the need, to cut some things out of our lives (attitudes, words, actions) and take to other, more gospel-inspired attitudes, words, actions – then do that.

It's not all up to us. As Moses finds in this weekend's First Reading, **God** is calling and empowering us to conversion. As St Teresa of Avila said: 'Act as if everything depends on you, and pray as if everything depends on God'.

This call to conversion would have us turn away from sin and be renewed in the life that we are committed to, the life of Christ. Living in Christ will bring the fruits of the Kingdom to bear in our world. God believes in our capacity for this, and so draws us further into this 'new life' which we will celebrate at Easter

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

If you would like to receive the weekly 'Parish Update' emailed to you, please send your email address to the Parish: stalbans@cam.org.au

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

"A little patience will, in the end, be rewarded". - Mary MacKillop 17th Oct. 1871
(Check out Mary MacKillop noticeboard outside on the verandah)

LENT

Lent Prayer and Reconciliation

Wednesday 6th April Emmaus Church	7.30pm
Thursday 7th April Sacred Heart Church	7.30pm



Stations of the Cross

Sacred Heart Church	7.15pm	Every Friday during Lent
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Options/Alternatives to view Mass

Mass for You at Home, (MFYAH), which up till now had been produced in the studios of Channel Ten, now has a new base in the Diocese of Wollongong (NSW). The Mass is celebrated in St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Wollongong. It shows at 6.00am Sundays on Channel Ten and is repeated multiple times a day on Foxtel's Aurora channel.

Importantly for those who have become used to Mass being 'streamed', this Sunday Mass is also available on demand on Channel Ten's platform www.tenplay.com.au/mfyah.

The Mass is also available on Wollongong's YouTube channel which can be accessed on www.massforyou.com.au as well as the Diocesan website, www.dow.org.au. There are also links to it on the Diocesan Facebook page and the MFYA Facebook page.

Channel 31 (usually found at '44' on digital TV's) 11.00am Sundays from St Patrick's Cathedral or **online at:** <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass> at 1.00pm on weekdays, and at 11.00am on Sundays

online at: <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand> (continuous daily from Lavender Bay Parish, Sydney)

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

RECENT DEATHS: Marijia Stanojkovic; Emmanuel Bonnici; Wally Szostak; Mary Seguna; Ottilia Faganel; Theresa Tenace; Leanne Vella; Lucas Perndorfer; Claire Galea; John Balzan; Sibil Correya; Van Hy Tran; Maria Utri; Tony Hudson; Bill Saliba.

ANNIVERSARIES: Ferdinand DeBono; Emanuel & Jessie Mifsud; Frank Lucchini; Tony Farrugia, Fr Charlie Borg, Maria Camilleri, Felica & Carmel Galea; Peter Ho; Aaron D'Souza; Leli Cassar; Angela Xeureb; Leli, Carmelo, Mary, Joseph & Grace Pulis; Tony & Jane Dalli, Rose Pulis. Richard Xerri; Lewis, Paul & Joe Psaila, Sam & Luke Cassar, Margaret Borg; Zoe & Joseph Camilleri, Arthur & Lina Mattocks; Mary Agius Benac; Silvo & Janina Simcic, Anthony Agius; Sam & Mary Tabone, Pauline Bajada; Estafania Baracho, Ursula Aruliah, & Carasale & Lazaar Amma; Michael & Jane Saliba & Mary Barbuto; Rita Aquilina; Vincent Caruana; Anthony & Carmen Camilleri; Eugene Xavier, Noel & Raymond Guest; Gregory, Eric & Charity Salisbury; John Camello & Maria Coleiro; Paul Aquilina, Charlie Portelli; Charlie Camilleri & Leli Bugeja; Tommy Zerafa, Joe Giacotto, Mansut Psaila; Fr Joshua Peter, Joe, Mario & Charlie Muscat; John Coleiro; Tony, Joseph Kelina & Seguna Family, Joseph, Josephine & Bonnici family; Rita Bugeja; Paul, Frances & Maria Portelli & Angie Azzopardi; Aaron D'Souza; Pat & Merlyn Stahlmann; Cvita Huljev; George Grazio Borg & the Tanh family; Maria Mai Trinh; Joseph & Maria Orsini, Cecilia & Frank Cordina, John Fenech, Maree Attard; Pero Klisanin.

OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS

IMPORTANT MESSAGE **THANKSGIVING CONTRIBUTIONS**

Thank you to all who are continuing to support our Parish's financial commitments: the bills keep coming in!

For Parishioners who contribute to the Parish with Envelopes, there is a new way for you to continue your contribution directly:

- Payments can be made online using a computer
- Payments require a Credit Card or Debit Card with VISA or MASTERCARD

All these contributions will go directly into our Parish account. To get started:

- go to our Parish website: <http://pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham/Home.aspx>
- click on the link **THANKSGIVING SACRED HEART/EMMAUS** on the left of the home page
- select the amount you want to contribute to keep up your regular contribution
- in the "Comment" section, enter your name and envelope number

We continue to thank our Debit/Credit card contributors who are so important to our Parish.

- **OR You can also deliver your Thanksgiving Envelopes to the letterbox at Sacred Heart church—it's secure and cleared frequently.**

FLOOD APPEAL ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The floods in Queensland & New South Wales are having a devastating effect on the people living in these regions of Australia. For those wishing to support the long term recovery work to be undertaken by St Vincent de Paul Society in Queensland & NSW, financial donations can be made either directly to either state through:

www.vinnies.org.au—**Flood Appeal—St Vincent de Paul Society—Good works (vinnies.org.au)** or by calling Queensland (07) 3010 1000 or NSW (02) 9568 0262

Project Compassion



Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, who tells stories through movements handed down over generations. With your support, Janice and the Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation support the community to generate income and employment, while keeping culture alive.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.



Stations of the Cross: every Friday at 7.15pm in Sacred Heart church.

Catholic Regional College— St Albans Enrolments



Catholic Regional College St Albans is now accepting enrolment applications for Year 7 in 2024 and limited places for Year 7, 2023

Scan the QR Code to book a school tour and enrolment information. Application forms can be downloaded from our website www.crcstalbens.catholic.edu.au You can also email echalmers@crcstalbens.com.au or contact us on 9366 2544.



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CHILD SAFETY 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.



SACRED HEART / EMMAUS 2022

Sacred Heart

	DATE	TIME
Maltese – Reconciliation - TBC	Saturday 9th April	11.00am – 12.00pm
Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord’s Supper	Thursday 14th April	7.00pm
Stations of the Cross – Sacred Heart Grounds	Friday 15th April	11.00am
Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Passion & Death	Friday 15th April	3.00pm
Easter Saturday – Blessing of the Food – Polish	Saturday 16th April	10.00am
Easter Vigil	Saturday 16th April	7.00pm
Easter Sunday	Sunday 17th April	7.30am, 10.30am, Polish Mass: 9.00am
Easter Monday	Monday 18th April	9.00am Polish Mass: 10.30am

Emmaus

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