



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year B - 24th March 2024

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(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

Marriage: Six months noticed required

Sacred Heart Church Mass Times:

Weekdays:

Tuesday - Friday 7.30am

Saturday 9.00am

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 6:30pm

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: [Isaiah 50:4-7](#)

Second Reading: [Philippians 2:6-11](#)

Gospel: [Mark 14:1 – 15:47](#)

Next Week: First Reading: [Acts 10:34,37-43](#)

Second Reading: [Col 3:1-4](#)

Gospel: [Mark 16:1-7](#)

REFLECTION

Holy Week to Easter: What a week!!

As we take up the palms this weekend, we mark the beginning of HOLY WEEK. Just that title suggests that we are invited to enter this time with reverence and to celebrate its rites with wonder, care and devotion.

The 'events' include the Blessing of the Oils by the Archbishop for our use in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Anointing of the Sick during the year until next Easter. These Oils will be presented to our community on Holy Thursday.

The 'Triduum' is the single ceremony that spreads over the three days of Holy Thursday-Good Friday-Easter Vigil, and Easter Eucharist. We do not merely remember these days in the life of Jesus - his Last Supper, his arrest, torture and death on the cross, and his being raised to new life: we also reflect on, claim anew and celebrate the new life that He has brought to us for our own lives.

Jesus, Son of God, was born into the human experience of which we all are part, and in him we are raised into a new way of being: *"In him a new age has dawned, the long reign of sin is ended, a broken world has been renewed, and we are once again made whole!"* (4th Preface of Easter).

We have several adults preparing for Baptism-Confirmation-Eucharist at Easter time in our Parish this year. As they begin their full participation in the life of faith and the Church in which we all share, may Holy Week-Easter celebrations renew us all in our journey of shared faith!

See later in this newsheet for times of all our Holy Week>Easter liturgies.



"They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate."

Mark 15:1

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Recent Deaths: Rose Schembri, Gregory Hall Condello, Heinz Eric Paul Bartz

Anniversaries: Aaron D'souza, Joe Aruliah, Zita Aruliah, Sebastian Baracho, Estafania Baracho, Joseph Grech, Trevor Rodgers, Carmin, Sebastian, Lea, Mark Farrugia, Joseph Xuereb, Salvina & John Borg, Angela Xuereb, Michael & Josephine Piacentini, Joe Xuereb, Joe Grech, Tessie Farrugia, Emmanuel & Frank Grech, Pero Kilsanin, Antonia Demecoli, Paul Aquilina, Frank & Bernadina Siracusa, Daniella Zahra, Rita & Joseph Muscat, Emmanuel & Frank Grech, Tony Calleja, Rose Pulis, Joe Cini, Salvatore & Rosaria Ignaccolo, Fr. Joshua, Peter & Grace Muscat & Joe Grech, Leticia F. Castillo, Mrs. Bridget Mitchell, Kaidan Nash, Carmelo Falzon, Leli Bugeja, Charlie Camilleri, Joseph Grech, Peter Ho, Emanuel & John Fenech, Joseph & Maria Orsini, Cecilia & Frank Cordina, Sam & Kathy Farrugia, Mark Farrugia, Therese Peivis, Nihal Thamel, Giuseppe Pribaz, Maria Mai Trinh.
Alex Azzopardi – keep her in your prayers she is unwell

OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS



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Project Compassion 2024 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **for all future generations.**

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LENT, HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2024

PALM SUNDAY 23 - 24th March

SACRED HEART: Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am (Polish), 10:30am

EMMAUS: Saturday 6:30pm, Sunday 9:00am

Procession of Palms commences at the front of the Churches.

HOLY THURSDAY 28th of March

EMMAUS: 7pm

SACRED HEART: 7pm

GOOD FRIDAY 29th of March

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 11am on 'the oval'

at **SACRED HEART**

SERVICE OF THE LORD'S PASSION

EMMAUS: 3pm

SACRED HEART: 3pm

HOLY SATURDAY 30th March

BLESSING OF FOOD - SACRED HEART: 10am

EASTER VIGIL 30th March

EMMAUS: 7pm

SACRED HEART: 7pm

EASTER SUNDAY 31st March

EMMAUS: 9am

SACRED HEART: 7:30am, 9am (Polish), 10:30am

EASTER MONDAY 1st April

POLISH MASS 9am



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St Mary of the Cross MacKillop – Have we not all taken up the Cross, and shall we shrink from carrying it. Mary MacKillop 11 April 1876

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS AND ALATEEN

If your home is unhappy because a loved one drinks too much, there is help available! An Al-Anon Family Group in Sydenham offers hope and help to families who are seeking support. Confidentiality is assured. A voluntary donation is requested to help cover the rental of the room.

TWO Introductory Alateen meetings will be offered during 1st term school holidays for teens (age 12/13 – 18/19) who live with a parent or sibling whose drinking causes problems / anxiety in the family.

Alateen meetings are facilitated by two certified and experienced Al-Anon members (who have WWCC & Police Checks).

Parents/ Guardians are invited to accompany their teens and attend the adult Al-Anon meeting in an adjacent room. Alateen members gain strength and hope listening to other teens share their stories and soon realise that they are not alone. As in the parent group, confidentiality is assured.

When: Wed April 3rd & Wed April 10th from 1-2:30pm

Where: Sydenham Neighbourhood House (rear of library), Level 1.

For further details about Al-Anon Family Groups and Alateen see the website: www.al-anon.org.au or call the **Helpline 1300 252 666** for further information.