



Second Sunday of Easter, Year B - 7th April 2024

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Office Hours:

Monday & Tuesday: 9am - 5:00pm

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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: [Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35](#)

Second Reading: [1 John 5:1-6](#)

Gospel: [John 20:19-31](#)

Next Week: First Reading: [Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15. 17-19](#)

Second Reading: [1 John 2:1-5](#)

Gospel: [Luke 24:35-48](#)

REFLECTION

CHRIST IS RISEN! and they are changed!

This is the richer expression of our Easter celebrations of last weekend. And it shows in today's First Reading – as the first Christians experienced that first Easter they lived with a new energy which they shared with those around them. Defending the Christians before the Emperor Hadrian in the early second century, Aristides, a non-Christian, said of them:

"These Christians love one another. They never fail to help widows. They save orphans from those who would hurt them. If people have something, they give that freely to anyone who has nothing. If they see a stranger, Christians take that person into their homes and treat them as a brother or sister. And if they hear that one of them is in jail, or persecuted for professing the name of their redeemer, they all give those people what they need. If it is possible, they bail them out. If one of them is poor and there isn't enough food to go around, they fast several days to give their food to the other person. We are dealing with a new kind of person: there is something divine in them!"

And remember St Francis of Assisi: "Preach the Gospel at all times. Even use words if necessary!" And St Mary of the Cross MacKillop: "Never see a need without doing something about it!"

Now is the time for those good intentions of Lent to become new realities in our lives. Remember how we determined to 'give up' some aspect of our lives in order to take on something new and grow further in the life of Christ? Having celebrated Easter, now is the time to put that into practice!



"You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe."

John 20:29

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Anniversaries: Mark Farrugia, Joseph Xuereb, Salvina & John Borg, Angela Xuereb, Michael & Josephine Piacentini, Joe Xuereb, Joe Grech, Tessie Farrugia, Emmanuel & Frank Grech, Tony Calleja, Rose Pulis, Joe Cini, Joseph Grech, Emanuel & John Fenech, Joseph & Maria Orsini, Cecilia & Frank Cordina, Peter Ho, Emanuel & John Fenech, Antonia Demecoli, Paul Aquilina, Frank & Bernadina Siracusa, Daniella Zahra & Muscat Family, Fr. Joshua, Peter Muscat, Joe Grech, Pero Kilsanin, Anna Pribaz, Maria Grego, Pino Grego, Emanuel & Jessie Mifsud, Vincent, Norman & Giovanna Gatt, Godwin Arandez, Theresia & Franz Kovac, Michael Mares, Ivan Cavka, Mijo Gavran, Franjo Mladinic, Aaron D'souza, Joe Aruliah, Zita Aruliah, Sebastian Baracho, Estafania Baracho, Slavko Bezjak.

OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS

Ministry Meetings for the Registered Team Members

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

Location: **Sacred Heart Presbytery**



Catholic Regional College
St Albans

Walk with Me
School Theme 2024

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS on Sunday, 7th April
Please move your clocks 1 hour backwards @ 3:00 am

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS IN AUSTRALIA



OCTOBER



APRIL

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.

To book a personalised school tour:

Contact the College on 93662544

or email our registrar:

echalmers@crcstalbens.catholic.edu.au



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LITURGY ROSTER

The new Liturgy Roster for April has been emailed to Ministers. You will notice that there are still spaces to fill. Any qualified volunteers who are able to assist at these Masses please email lauren: stalbens@cam.org.au and let her know for which Mass you are available, or alternatively make yourself known to the Sacristans when arriving for Mass.

Please Consider Offering Your Help

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop - Courage, dear child, and do not yield to sadness. Mary MacKillop 6th. Oct. 1898.