

## SAINT MARGARET MARY'S

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 6:00pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 9:00am (English)  
Sunday 10:30am (Italian)  
Sunday 5:00pm (Vietnamese)

### Weekday Masses

Tuesday – Friday 9:00am  
(Wednesday - Italian)

### Reconciliation (1<sup>st</sup> Rite)

By appointment

### Baptisms

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month

### Weddings

By appointment

### Holy Hour

(English/Italian)  
Every 1st Friday of month 8:00am – 9:00am  
(Vietnamese)  
Every Sunday 3:00pm - 4:00pm

## NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

### 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B

#### Readings:

Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18  
Romans 8:31-34  
Mark 9:2-10

#### Ministers:

(Sat/Sab) J Hunter  
(Sun/Dom 9:00am) L Murphy  
(Sun/Dom 10:00am) G Nicolini

#### Commentators:

(Sat/Sab) N Ianno  
(Sun/Dom 9:00am) G Folino

#### Readers:

(Sat/Sab) N Ianno  
(Sun/Dom 9:00am) P Sleiman  
(Sun/Dom 10:30am) R Pira

#### Counter:

E Frassetto



## Welcome to St Margaret Mary's Parish

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**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> & SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**  
**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B**

**He was  
tempted  
by Satan,  
and the  
angels  
looked  
after him.**

**Mark 1:12-15**



## PARISH DIARY / DIARIO PARROCCHIALE

17 / 18 FEBRUARY 2024

1st Sunday of Lent - Year B

### FEBRUARY

23 Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

24/25 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

### MARCH

1 Holy Hour 8:00am followed by Mass

1 Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

2/3 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

2 **Presentation of First Reconciliation  
Candidates at 6:00pm Mass**

6 **Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00pm**

8 **Lenten Reconciliation  
English & Italian - 7:00pm**

9/10 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

## FINANCE/FINANZE – 11/02/2024

### THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

- Church \$276.15  
- Presbytery \$127.00

### LOOSE CASH

- Church \$381.25  
- Presbytery \$381.25

### DIRECT DEPOSITS TO CHURCH

- January \$325

### SUPPORTING OUR PARISH ELECTRONICALLY

#### CASHLESS PAYMENTS:

CDFPay for Parish:

<https://bit.ly/CDFpayBrunswickNorth>

#### OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:

Church A/C: BSB: 083-347 ACC: 542820812

Presbytery A/C: BSB: 083-347 ACC: 543011742

*Thank you/Grazie*

## PENSIERO DOMENICALE

Il Vangelo di Marco comincia con una semplice affermazione: "Inizio del Vangelo di Gesù Cristo, Figlio di Dio".

Giovanni Battista, che aveva annunciato la sua venuta come imminente, battezzò Gesù nel Giordano e in quell'occasione lo Spirito diede testimonianza di Gesù. Marco accenna soltanto al periodo nel deserto e alla tentazione. È il preludio all'inizio del ministero pubblico di nostro signore. Il suo primo richiamo, che ci viene ripetuto questo domenica, è: "Convertitevi e credete al Vangelo".

## LIVING THE GOSPEL

What comforts and distractions make it difficult for you to follow Jesus' way?  
Can you dispense with these for the forty days of Lent.  
Can you, instead, take on additional tasks to assist you in walking with God?

Please remember in your prayers / Gentilmente ricordate nelle vostre preghiere:



**OUR SICK / NOSTRI MALATI**

Our family members and friends and our parishioners.

**WE REMEMBER / RICORDIAMO**

Joseph Azzopardi, Kelina Azzopardi, Peter Musciet.

**Responsorial Psalm Response**

**Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ BUON COMPLEANNO**



***Congratulations to :***

***Maria Rigo as she celebrates her 94th birthday on 21/2***

***Best wishes, good health and happiness to you!***

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

The Stations of the Cross are held every Friday at 7:00pm during Lent. All welcome.

**LA VIA CRUCIS**

La Via Crucis sarà celebrata ogni Venerdì alle 7 durante la quaresima. Siete tutti benvenuti.

**Lenten Reconciliation**

**Friday 8th March 7:00pm (English & Italian)**

***All parishioners are invited to gather on this occasion.***

**DID YOU KNOW ??**

- Lent lasts for forty days in imitation of Jesus' forty days in the wilderness. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday.
- Each Lent all the baptised are expected to adopt the three Lenten disciplines of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving to those in need.
- In years gone by, Catholics did not eat meat on any Friday, and later on Fridays in Lent. Today there are two days on the year when we are expected to not eat meat - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday - but all the Fridays of Lent are still days when we should 'fast'.

**MASS OF HEALING & ANOINTING**

***Wednesday 13th March at 11:00am***

there will be a Mass of Healing and Anointing for the Sick and Elderly.

**On this First Sunday of Lent**, the Church invites us to begin a journey of spiritual renewal with fresh energy and hope. We journey with Jesus, the one into whom the Spirit of God has come down from heaven. At his baptism by John the Baptist, Jesus was saturated with the Spirit of God as much as his body was by the waters of the river Jordan and was named 'beloved Son', with whom the heavenly Father is well pleased.

Today we see this beloved Son expelled by the heavenly Spirit into the earthly wilderness. Jesus is portrayed as a Jewish man entering into the great formative experience of his people who wandered for forty years in the wilderness before they came into the Promised Land. In these forty days Jesus enters into this same experience of a time apart from regular social life, when his unique relationship with the Father will be consolidated.

Further, in this wild and dangerous place, Jesus is tested by Satan, subjected to the worst Satan can do to him, and he survives. In Jesus we see what humanity can be. So in Jesus' time apart in the wilderness, we see God's vision for human life in a peace-filled, new creation, which Jesus' life death and resurrection will bring about.



**17 & 18 FEBRUARY 2024**



This year, Project Compassion brings you the stories of three resilient women: Ronita from the Philippines, Leaia from Samoa and Memory from Malawi. While from three different corners of the world and facing vastly different challenges, they are all united by one dream: to create a better world *for all future generations*.

**Please donate to Project Compassion.** 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 in the church foyer, or by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.

**Lent** "Giving up' is a phrase associated with the season of Lent. Usually thoughts turn to something a person really likes such as chocolate or tea. The reason for giving up is not just to deprive oneself of some particular satisfaction but rather to focus on the One who took on Himself the burden of our human nature, not clinging to His divinity as something to be held onto.'