



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH
& PRIMARY SCHOOL

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52 Yarra Street
HEIDELBERG



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands, the Wurundjeri-Balluk clan of the Woi wurrung people in the Kulin Nation.
Central to the mission of St John's Parish is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity and integrity of children and young people and providing them with a safe and supportive environment in which to flourish.

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MASS TIMES: Tues to Sat: 9:15am &
Sat Vigil 6pm, Sun: 8:30am, &
10:30am & Sunday 5pm.
RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):
by appointment, Sat 9:30-10am
WEDDINGS: By appointment
**FIRST RECONCILIATION,
FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION:**
Parish Secretary (9457 1066)
LEGION OF MARY, Weekly meeting
Tue 7:30pm at Francis Xavier
Meeting room, Parish House.
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ST JOHN'S WALKING GROUP: regular
Monday morning walks leaving
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27TH/28TH MARCH, PALM SUNDAY, YEAR B

PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we the parishioners of St John's are grateful for all we have received from the men, women and children of our past. Help us to cherish and maintain our parish heritage. Most of all, enable us to be people who welcome the stranger, the needy, the sick and the lonely. Like St John, our patron saint, may we be people who love others, as your Son Jesus, asked us to do. We make this prayer, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

JESUS' PASSION ACCORDING TO MARK

The **Gospel of the Entry** of Jesus into Jerusalem, Mark 11:1-10. The explanation Jesus tells his two disciples to give if challenged about untying the colt can be understood in two senses: 'Its *owner* (of the colt) needs it' or 'The Lord needs it'. The ambiguity is probably intentional: Jesus is to enter Jerusalem as its 'Lord', that is, as the Messiah, Son of David, whose 'kingdom' or rule is about to come, as the crowd acclaims. The *mode* of his entry, however – on a donkey rather than in a chariot or upon a horse – indicates the kind of Messiah he is going to be: one who has come 'not to be served, but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many' (Mark 10:45), as the events of the week to follow, will all too clearly show.

Fr Brendan Byrne sj

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES AT THE CATHEDRAL TO BE TELEvised

This year's Holy Week and Easter liturgies will once again be televised on the community channel C31 (channel 44 on TV) and streamed live from the **Archdiocesan YouTube channel**.

Those who are able to attend the Holy Week and Easter liturgies at their local parish are encouraged to do so. There remains, however, those in our community who will be unable to gather and may participate virtually.

The following Masses at St Patrick's Cathedral will be televised to C31 and live streamed online:

- ◆ Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper (1 April), 7.30pm
- ◆ Good Friday, the Passion of our Lord (2 April), 3pm
- ◆ Easter Vigil (3 April), 7.30pm
- ◆ Easter Sunday (4 April), 11am

27 / 28 March	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Anita Metcalf	John McGrath	Robyn Laurie	Mark Aiello
2 nd Reader	Sue Lew-Kee	Garry Sproules	Margaret Andrews	Leela Cherubim
Communion	Sue Lew Kee	Jerzy Kmita	Marni Mant	Leela Cherubim
3/ 4 April	Sat 8:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Pamela Smith	Wendy Hernandez	Joanne Martinez	Rosemary Vecchies
2 nd Reader	Domenica Ashworth	Karen Frost	Claire Newsome	Mary Kotefski
Communion	Marco Di Cesare	Oliver Kmita	Doris Schembri	Leo Cosio

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (2ND RITE OF PENANCE):

Wednesday 31st March we gather at 7pm for the celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation. We start together with a gospel reading and a reflection, followed by individual confession. Fr Joel will be joined by a visiting priest.

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION: The collection on Holy Thursday, 1st of April goes for the good work done by St Vincent de Paul Conference.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION: The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, April 2nd. This collection promotes the missionary work of the church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from this collection.

EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES: are available in the church foyer. Money from the Easter Offering (together with the collections to priest support) goes to support priests in our parish, sick and retired priests, priests in poorer parishes and the ministry of the archbishop. Thank you for your generosity.

PROJECT COMPASSION: For over half a century, generations of Australians have participated in Project Compassion, supporting vulnerable communities before, during and after natural disasters, conflicts and crises – making it one of the nation's longest running charity campaigns.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children, and strengthen the communities around them.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

HOLY WEEK



TIMETABLE 2021

(Subject to change pertinent to COVID regulations)

Palm Sunday: 27TH / 28TH MARCH

Sat Vigil 6pm, Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am & 5pm.

RITE OF PENANCE: 31ST MARCH

2nd Rite of Reconciliation, Wednesday 7pm.

HOLY THURSDAY: 1ST APRIL

(No Morning mass)

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm.

GOOD FRIDAY : 2ND APRIL

Station of the Cross 11.00am in the church.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY : 3RD APRIL

(No Morning mass)

Easter Vigil 8.00p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY: 4TH APRIL

Mass 8.30a.m. and 10.30a.m.

(No Evening mass)

GEMS 50+: Next gathering, Tuesday March 30th 12.30 Lunch at Cafe Matto. Bookings essential. Elizabeth 0447195553

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS: Thank you to all who have continued to support the parish through this time. You can also give your contribution by using the link on the parish web site (bottom left) or by using our parish bank account details are Account name: St John's Catholic Parish, BSB: 633 000 Account Number: 138400957. Please indicate purpose of donation in the comments sections.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Clelia Samo, Francisco Sinopoli.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Richard Sullivan.

THE SICK: Mary Teresa Wright, James Artinopoulos, Philomena Misale and Brett Ralph, Elizabeth Finn, Pauline Hewatt, Giovanni Mirabella.

ANNIVERSARIES: Anthony Barnes, Nello Fabris.

*Please submit any items for the newsletter, including sick, recently deceased and anniversaries, by **Thursday morning** latest. Thank you.*

ENTRANCE : ALL GLORY, PRAISE, AND HONOUR

Refrain

All glory, praise, and honour
to you, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

You are the King of Israel,
And David's royal Son,
and, in the Lord's Name coming,
the King and Blessed One.

R.

The company of angels
Are praising you on high;
as here on earth your people
Respond with joyful cry.

R.

COMMUNION : SEED, SCATTERED AND SOWN

Refrain

Seed, scattered and sown,
Wheat, gathered and grown,
Bread, broken and shared as one,
The Living bread of God.
Vine, fruit of the land, wine,
Work of our hands, one cup that is
Shared by all; the Living Cup,
The Living Bread of God.

Is not the bread we break,
A sharing in our Lord?
Is not the cup we bless,
The blood of Christ outpoured?

R.

The seed which falls on rock
Will wither and will die,
The seed within good ground
Will flower and have life.

R.

As wheat upon the hills
Was gathered and was grown,
So may the Church of God
Be gathered into one

R.

RECESSIONAL: LET HEAVEN REJOICE

Refrain

Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad;
Let all creation sing.
Let children proclaim to every land:
Hosanna to the King.

Sound the trumpet into the night;
The day of the Lord is near.
Wake His people, lift your voice,
Proclaim it to the world.

R.

Rise in splendor, shake off your sleep;
Put on your robes of joy.
And in the morning you shall see
The glory of the Lord.

R.

Confetior

I confess to almighty God and to you,
my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
(And, striking their breast, they say:)
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
(Then they continue:)
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints, and you,
my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his
only Son, our Lord,
*(At the words that follow, up to and including the
Virgin Mary, all bow)*
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the
Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and
was buried;
he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again
from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right
hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the
dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.
Amen.

A Prayer to Saint Joseph

*Glorious Saint Joseph, whose power
makes the impossible possible, come
to my aid in these times of anguish
and difficulty.*



*Take under your protection the
serious and troubling situations that
I commend to you, that they may have a happy
outcome.*

*My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be
said that I invoked you in vain and since you can do
everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your
goodness is as great as your power.
Amen.*

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 50:3-4. 12-15.

RESPONSE: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their heads.

'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;

let him release him if this is his friend. R./

Many dogs have surrounded me,

a band of the wicked beset me.

They tear holes in my hands and my feet.

I can count every one of my bones R./

They divide my clothing among them.

They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me! R./

I will tell of your name to my brethren

and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise;

all sons of Jacob, give him glory.

Revere him, Israel's sons.' R./

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

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GOSPEL

Mark 15:1-39

First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the elders and the scribes, in short the whole Sanhedrin, had their plan ready. They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' 'It is you who say it' he answered. And the chief priests brought

many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again, 'Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you!' But to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made no further reply. At festival time Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate the customary favour, Pilate answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the king of the Jews?' For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. The Pilate spoke again. 'But in that case,' he said to them 'what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?' They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' 'Why?' Pilate asked them 'What harm has he done?' But they shouted all the louder, 'Crucify him!' So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be scourged, handed him over to be crucified. The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him, 'Hail, king of the Jews!' They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes. They led him out to crucify him. They enlisted a passer-by, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull. They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour when they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews.' And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left. The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said, 'Aha! So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross!' The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. 'He saved others,' they said 'he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.' Even those who were crucified with him taunted him. When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this they said, 'Listen, he is calling on Elijah'. Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink saying, 'Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.' But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

All kneel and pause a moment.

And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said, 'In truth this man was a son of God.'