

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING

*Isaiah 50:4-7*

*A Reading from the prophet Isaiah.*

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.

The word of the Lord.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 21:8-9,17-20,23-24. R. v. 2*

**R. 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.'
- 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.'

#### SECOND READING

*Phil 2:6-11*

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.*

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.

The word of the Lord.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Phil 2:8-9*

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.

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

#### GOSPEL

*Mark 15:1-39*

*The Gospel according to Mark.*

Key: **N.** Narrator. **✠** Jesus. **O.** Other single speaker. **C.** Crowd

**N.** First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the elders and 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:

**O.** Are you the king of the Jews?

**N.** He answered,

**✠** It is you who say it.

**N.** And the chief priests brought many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again:

**O.** Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you!

**N.** 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

**O.** Do you want me to release for you the king of the Jews?

**N.** 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. Then Pilate spoke again:

**O.** But in that case, what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?

**N.** They shouted back,

**C. Crucify him!**

**N.** Pilate asked them,

**O.** Why? What harm has he done?

**N.** But they shouted all the louder,

**C. Crucify him!**

**N.** 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 up in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him,

**C. Hail, king of the Jews!**

**N.** 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 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,

**C. Aha! So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross!**

**N.** The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. They said,

**C. He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.**

**N.** 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?

**N.** which means, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this, they said

**C. Listen, he is calling on Elijah.**

**N.** Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink, saying:

**O.** Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.

**N.** But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. **All kneel and pause for 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,

**O.** In truth this man was a son of God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

# ST PAUL'S PARISH

562 SYDNEY ROAD, COBURG. VIC 3058

Tel: 9354-1564

Email: [coburg@cam.org.au](mailto:coburg@cam.org.au)

Parish Priest: Fr. Raymond Bugeja

Parish Secretary: Mrs. Loretta Meilak

St Paul's School Acting Principal: Daniel Ryan

School Tel: 9354-8970



## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon - Friday: 10.30 am to 4:00 pm.

For general enquiries, please call 9354-1564.

## MASSES:

**Weekends: Saturday:** 6:00 pm (vigil),  
8.00pm (Neo Catechumenate)

**Sunday:** 9:00am, 10.30am (Italian),

**Weekdays: Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri:** 10.00 am.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays - 11am and 6.45pm

**ADORATION:** First Friday of the month: 10.30 am to 12pm

**BAPTISMS:** Sundays at 12.00 pm.

**BAPTISM PREPERATION MEETINGS:** Once Monthly

**MARRIAGE PREP MEETINGS:** Wed 8pm or Sat 4pm

**WEDDING REHEARSALS:** Mon or Fri - 8pm

**COMMUNION TO SICK:** Thursdays & Fridays

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** 2 times a year (Lent & Advent).

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 10am

**YOUTH & KIDS GROUP:** 4th Friday of the month.

**ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP:** Wednesdays at 10.30 am

**Legion of Mary:** Monday mornings at 10.30 am.

**Knights of the Southern Cross:** Monday mornings.

## ANNUAL ITALIAN FEASTS: 2021

21 March: St Joseph at 10.30am Mass

Good Friday: 7pm

21 Nov: St Gregory at 10.30am Mass

12 Dec: St Lucy at 2pm

For enquires re above programs call the parish office on 9354-1564

## READERS:

### This Week

Sat 6pm Phillip Scardilli

Sun 9am Dora Youil & Chiara Dal Col

Sun 10.30 Gino De Fusco & Peter Aurora

### Next Week

Sat 6pm Virginia Efthimiou

Sun 9am Piotr Kardas & Annette Barnes

Sun 10.30 Anna D'Amato & Giovanna Navagero

## SPECIAL MINISTERS:

### This Week

Sat 6pm Virginia Efthimiou

Sun 9am Patrick Baviera

Sun 10.30 Laura Scherma

### Next Week

Mary De Marco

Alfred Meilak

Maria D'Angelo

## EASTER TIMETABLE AT ST PAULS

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Confessions at 10.30am

Wed 31<sup>st</sup> Confessions at 10.30am

Thur 1<sup>st</sup> - **HOLY THURSDAY** - Mass of the Last Supper at 7pm.  
Bring with you the Project Compassion Boxes/Envelopes.

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> - **GOOD FRIDAY**

- Morning Prayer at 10am

- Stations of the Cross (English) at 11am

- Good Friday Celebration at 3pm.

Collection for the Holy Land.

- Way of the Cross (Italian) at 7pm

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> - Morning Prayer at 10am

- **EASTER Vigil Mass at 7pm**

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> **EASTER SUNDAY** Mass at 9am (English) & 10.30am  
(Italian). Collection for the Priests.

## NEWS:



## PROJECT COMPASSION LENT 2021

**Project Compassion Boxes or Envelopes can be taken from the rear. One can also DONATE ONLINE:**

<https://lent.caritas.org.au/> 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 help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world lift themselves and their communities out of poverty.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

## HOLY WEEK ROSTER:

### Readers:

Holy Thursday: Adria, Daniella & Briarna Dal Col

Good Friday: Alfred Meilak & Katrina Scurrah

Easter Vigil 7pm: Virginia Efthimiou

Easter Sunday: Piotr Kardas & Annette Barnes

### Special Ministers:

Holy Thursday: Raf Carnovale

Good Friday: Annette Barnes

Easter Vigil 7pm: Mary De Marco

Easter Sunday: Alfred Meilak

## LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

1<sup>st</sup> Collection: Sacrificial Offering \$1203.55

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Presbytery \$300.00

## WE PRAY FOR

**BAPTISMS:** Selena Rose Soccio & Gianni Antonino Vernali

**WEDDINGS:** Stephanie Galante & Joseph Schiavello  
Joseph Conte & Renee Pitruzzello  
Ray Sarvida & Rosina Pugliano

Those who are **Sick** and those who care for them: that they may be strengthened and comforted by the healing power of Christ.

**We pray for those who have died recently, and especially those whose anniversaries we remember at this time:**

Rosaria Cappellano (1 Year anniversary), Paolo Francesco Flammea, Phil Chalmers, **that they may enter into the peace of God's kingdom.**

**Take note: Summer time ends next Sunday; we have an extra hour for sleep!**

## VOCATION VIEW:

To be God's servant, we must follow Jesus. Do you desire to see where Jesus lives? Serve the poor and marginalized.  
(John 12:20-33).

## REFLECTION: "Accompany the Suffering Servant"

**Rather, he emptied himself... Philippians 2:7**

As we stand at the edge of this week we call "holy," the day begins with Hosanna and ends with movement toward the complete emptying of kenosis. Witness the profound surrender of Jesus, the Suffering Servant. He embraces the limits of our human condition and lets go of the privileges of his divinity. He receives with graciousness an anointing that empties a jar of precious oil over his head. He witnesses the letting go of loyalty and friendship through betrayal and the crumbling of his reputation in the wake of false witness. He is emptied of dignity, stripped, mocked and spit upon. Emptied even of the comfort of Abba, Father. He utters his feeling of forsakenness both in the Garden of Gethsemane and on the cross, but gives his life over in one final act of emptying.

*Suffering Jesus, may I accompany you this week as you hand your life over in love.*

**Sr. Chris Koellhoffer, I.H.M.**

## STEWARDSHIP

*"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'" – MARK 15:12-13*

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Pray for the strength and courage to stand up for those in need of our help.

## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

That we have the strength and courage to stand up for those in need of our help.

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Average, Boring Days"

Being bored is an insult to oneself.

## NEWS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE:

### FOR THE INFORMATION OF PARISHIONERS LENT 2021

The Lenten season has a twofold character:

1. It recalls baptism or prepares for it;
2. It stresses a penitential spirit.

By these means especially, Lent readies the faithful for celebrating the paschal mystery after a period of closer attention to the Word of God, and more ardent prayer.

*Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, Vatican II*

**Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting and Abstinence for meat.**



"IS THERE  
**MORE**  
TO LIFE?"

*If you could ask God one question, what would you ask?*

### THE ALPHA COURSE

Wednesday, April 14, 2021  
7:00 p.m.

ST PAULS CHURCH, COBURG

PARISH OFFICE 93541564

SAMMY 0413 180 857

PAUL 0408 680 976

"Alpha is a way to explore what we hunger after - meaning and intimacy and relationship...in a very non-pressured, non-judgemental environment".

**BEAR GRYLLS**



## JOKE OF THE WEEK:

**When men get sick ...**



**THE KING OF GLORY COMES,  
THE NATION REJOICES;  
OPEN THE GATES BEFORE HIM,  
LIFT UP YOUR VOICES.**

1

WHO IS THE KING OF GLORY,  
HOW SHALL WE CALL HIM?  
HE IS EMMANUEL, THE PROMISED OF AGES

IN ALL OF GALILEE, IN CITY OR VILLAGE,  
HE GOES AMONG HIS PEOPLE CURING THEIR  
ILLNESS.

SING THEN OF DAVID'S SON,  
OUR SAVIOUR AND BROTHER,  
IN ALL OF GALILEE WAS NEVER ANOTHER.

HE GAVE HIS LIFE FOR US,  
THE PLEDGE OF SALVATION,  
HE TOOK UPON HIMSELF  
THE SINS OF THE NATION.

HE CONQUERED SIN AND DEATH,  
HE TRULY HAS RISEN,  
AND HE WILL SHARE WITH US  
HIS HEAVENLY VISION.

**WE GATHER TOGETHER IN THANKS  
AROUND THE TABLE OF THE LORD.**

2

WE ARE SONS OF GOD,  
GOD'S HOLY PEOPLE ARE WE,  
AND AS SONS OF GOD,  
WE ARE CALLED TO BE FREE;  
OFFERING THANKS FOR ALL OF CREATION WE  
GATHER,  
CARRYING ON THE WORK OF CREATION WE  
GATHER.

WE ARE CHOSEN ONES,  
CHOSEN BY GOD FOR HIS PLAN,  
AND OUR CALLING IS,  
"WITNESS GOD'S LOVE TO EACH MAN".  
PROMISING EVERYONE, "MALICE IS ENDED",  
WE GATHER,  
ASKING FORGIVENESS FROM THOSE WE'VE  
OFFENDED WE GATHER.

WE ARE HUMAN KIND, BORN IN CHRIST'S  
WISDOM AND TRUTH,  
ONE IN SPIRIT, GOD IS THE JOY  
OF OUR YOUTH;  
FOR THE JOY OF GIVING TOGETHER WE  
GATHER,  
IN THE HOPE OF LIVING TOGETHER WE  
GATHER.

**(SATURDAY 6PM VIGIL ONLY)**

2a

GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE,  
GIFTS WE'VE OFFERED,  
FRUITS OF LABOUR, FRUITS OF LOVE;  
TAKEN, OFFERED, SANCTIFIED,  
BLESSED AND BROKEN;  
WORDS OF ONE WHO DIED:  
"TAKE MY BODY; TAKE MY SAVING BLOOD."  
GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE,  
CHRIST OUR LORD.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOUR,  
LIVING PRESENCE HERE,  
AS HE PROMISED WHILE ON EARTH:  
"I AM WITH YOU FOR ALL TIME,  
I AM WITH YOU IN THIS BREAD AND WINE.  
TAKE MY BODY; TAKE MY SAVING BLOOD."  
GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE,  
CHRIST OUR LORD.

THROUGH THE FATHER, WITH THE SPIRIT,  
ONE IN UNION WITH THE SON,  
FOR GOD'S PEOPLE, JOINED IN PRAYER  
FAITH IS STRENGTHENED BY THE FOOD WE  
SHARE.  
"TAKE MY BODY; TAKE MY SAVING BLOOD."  
GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE, CHRIST OUR  
LORD.

ON A HILL FAR AWAY,  
STOOD AN OLD RUGGED CROSS,  
THE EMBLEM OF SUFFERING AND SHAME;  
AND I LOVED THAT OLD CROSS,  
WHERE THE DEAREST AND BEST,  
FOR A WORLD OF LOST SINNERS WAS SLAIN.

3

**SO I'LL CHERISH THE OLD RUGGED CROSS,  
TILL MY TROPHIES AT LAST I LAY DOWN;  
I WILL CLING TO THE OLD RUGGED CROSS,  
AND EXCHANGE IT SOME DAY FOR A CROWN.**

ON THAT OLD RUGGED CROSS,  
SO DESPISED BY THE WORLD,  
HAS A WONDROUS ATTRACTION FOR ME.  
FOR THE DEAR LAMB OF GOD  
LEFT HIS GLORY ABOVE,  
TO BEAR IT TO DARK CALVARY.

IN THE OLD RUGGED CROSS,  
STAINED WITH BLOOD SO DIVINE,  
A WONDROUS BEAUTY I SEE.  
FOR T'WAS ON THAT OLD CROSS,  
JESUS SUFFERED AND DIED,  
TO PARDON AND SANCTIFY ME.

TO THE OLD RUGGED CROSS,  
I WILL EVER BE TRUE,  
ITS SHAME AND REPROACH GLADLY BEAR.

THEN HE'LL CALL ME SOME DAY,  
TO MY HOME FAR AWAY,  
THERE HIS GLORY FOREVER I'LL SHARE.

O LORD MY GOD! WHEN I IN AWESOME  
WONDER, CONSIDER ALL THE WORKS THY  
HANDS HAVE MADE. I SEE THE STARS,  
I HEAR THE ROLLING THUNDER, THY POWER  
THROUGHOUT THE UNIVERSE DISPLAYED.

4

**THEN SINGS MY SOUL, MY SAVIOUR GOD TO  
THEE; HOW GREAT THOU ART, HOW GREAT  
THOU ART! THEN SINGS MY SOUL, MY SAVIOUR  
GOD TO THEE; HOW GREAT THOU ART, HOW  
GREAT THOU ART!**

WHEN THROUGH THE WOODS, AND FOREST  
GLADES I WANDER AND HEAR THE BIRDS  
SING SWEETLY IN THE TREES WHEN I LOOK  
DOWN, FROM LOFTY MOUNTAIN GRANDEUR  
AND SEE THE BROOK, AND FEEL THE GENTLE  
BREEZE

AND WHEN I THINK THAT GOD, HIS SON NOT  
SPARING, SENT HIM TO DIE, I SCARCE CAN  
TAKE IT IN; THAT ON THE CROSS,  
MY BURDEN GLADLY BEARING,  
HE BLED AND DIED TO TAKE AWAY MY SIN.

WHEN CHRIST SHALL COME WITH SHOUTS OF  
ACCLAMATION, AND TAKE ME HOME, WHAT JOY  
SHALL FILL MY HEART!  
THEN I SHALL BOW IN HUMBLE ADORATION,  
AND THERE PROCLAIM, MY GOD, HOW GREAT  
THOU ART!

**OSANNA AL FIGLIO DI DAVID,  
OSANNA AL REDENTOR!**

1

APRITEVI, O PORTE ETERNE:  
AVANZI IL RE DELLA GLORIA.  
ADORI CIELO E TERRA L'ETERNO SUO POTER.

O MONTI STILLATE DOLCEZZA:  
IL RE D'AMOR S'AVVICINA;  
SI DONA PANE VIVO ED OFFRE PACE AL  
CUOR.

O VERGINE, PRESSO L'ALTISSIMO  
TROVASTI GRAZIA E ONOR:  
SOCCORRI I TUOI FIGLIUOLI DONANDO IL  
SALVATOR.

ONORE, LODE E GLORIA  
AL PADRE E AL FIGLIULO  
ED ALLO SPIRITO SANTO NEI SECOLI SARÀ.

UNA SPIGA DORATA DAL SOL  
ED UN GRAPPOL CHE  
COGLIE IL VIGNAIOL  
SI TRASFORMANO ORA IN PANE  
E VINO D' AMOR  
E NEL CORPO E NEL  
SANGUE DEL SIGNOR.

2

COMUNIONE FORMIAMO INSIEM  
SEMINATI NEL CAMPO COME GRAN.  
UN MOLINO CHE MACINA LE GIOIE,  
I DOLOR  
DIO CI FA EUCARESTIA NELL' AMOR.

COME IL GRANO CHE FORMA IL PAN  
COME NOTE TESSUTE NEL CANTAR.  
COME GOCCE RACCOLTE TRA  
LE SPONDE DEL MAR  
I CRISTIANI UN SOL CORPO FORMERAN

DAVANTI AL RE  
C'INCHINIAMO INSIEM  
PER ADORARLO  
CON TUTTO IL CUOR

3

VERSO DI LUI  
ELEVIAMO INSIEM  
CANTI DI GLORIA  
AL NOSTRO RE DEI RE!

E GIUNTA L'ORA, PADRE, PER ME.  
AI MIEI AMICI HO DETTO CHE  
QUESTA E LA VITA; CONOSCERE TE;  
E IL FIGLIO TUO, CRISTO GESU.

4

ERANO TUOI, LI HAI DATI A ME;  
ED ORA SANNO CHE TORNANO A TE;  
HANNO CREDUTO: CONSERVALI TU  
NEL TUO AMORE, NELL'UNITA.

TU MI HAI MANDATO AI FIGLI TUOI  
LA TUA PAROLA E VERITA.  
E IL LORO CUORE SIA PIENO DI GIOIA;  
LA GIOIA VERA VIENE DA TE.

IO SONO IN LORO E TU IN ME;  
CHE SIAN PERFETTI NELL'UNITA;  
E IL MONDO CREDI CHE TU MI HAI MANDATO  
LI HAI AMATI COME AMI ME.