



# Weekly Bulletin

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**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year B**

**Sunday, 24th March 2024**

**"Life is like a roller coaster. It has ups and downs. But it is your choice to scream or enjoy the ride"**

*This Palm Sunday, we begin a vigil of Jesus' passion and death. The Palm Sunday liturgy is a practice of living and*



*dying well- so that when we are called to walk it, we can trust in the Resurrection that God has promised will come, even while we sit in the tomb. As we are pilgrim people, let us continue our journey of faith in this life by walking together with the children of God of all nations and all ages-ultimately tracing the footsteps of Jesus himself, that we might find life in him, through him and with him. So,*

*When life has you down, and hardships pile up; when the world is blue, and you are depressed, take a walk with God.*

*When times are good, and life is happy; when the sun does shine, and the birds are singing, give thanks to God and take a walk with Him.*

*Share with Him all your sorrows; Share with Him all your fears; Talk with Him as a friend as you walk with God.*

*Laugh with Him, so the jays do play. Give thanks to Him for the tranquil sunsets.*



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*A story to reflect: Often we wonder, "What did I do to deserve this?" or "Why did God have to do this to me?" Here is a wonderful explanation! A daughter is telling her mother how everything is going wrong, she is failing algebra, her boyfriend broke up with her and her best friend is moving away. Meanwhile, her mother is baking a cake and asks her daughter if she would like a snack, and the daughter says, "Absolutely Mom, I love your cake." Here, have some cooking oil," her other offers. "Yuck" says her daughter. "How about a couple raw eggs?" "Gross, Mom!" "Would you like some flour then? Or maybe baking soda?" "Mom, those are all yucky!" To which the mother replies: "Yes, all those things seem bad all by themselves. But when they are put together in the right way, they make a wonderfully delicious cake! God works the same way. Many times, we wonder why He would let us go through such bad and difficult times.*

*But God knows that when He puts these things all in His order, they always work for good! We just have to trust Him and, eventually, they will all make something wonderful!"*

*As a community, let us participate in all the services this Holy Week and be lifted up in the spirit of accepting the reality of life and continue our journey!*

**God's blessings Fr. Vince**

*I learned that life is  
filled with ups and  
downs and it's just  
about how you react to  
them.*

*La La Anthony*

# This Sunday's Readings



## Entrance Antiphon:

Hosanna to the Son of David;  
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the  
King of Israel  
Hosanna in the highest.

I will proclaim your name to my brethren;  
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you:  
"You who fear the LORD, praise him;  
all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him;  
revere him, all you descendants of Israel!" **R.**

## First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

*I did not cover my face against insult: I know I shall not  
be shamed*

*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: 21: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24

### **R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

All who see me scoff at me;  
they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads:  
"He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him,  
let him rescue him, if he loves him." **R.**

Indeed, many dogs surround me,  
a pack of evildoers closes in upon me;  
They have pierced my hands and my feet;  
I can count all my bones. **R.**

They divide my garments among them,  
and for my vesture they cast lots.  
But you, O LORD, be not far from me;  
O my help, hasten to aid me. **R.**

I will proclaim your name to my brethren;  
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you:  
"You who fear the LORD, praise him;  
all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him;  
revere him, all you descendants of Israel!" **R.**

## Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

*Christ humbled himself but God raised him high*

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

## Gospel: John 12:20-33

*If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it  
yields a rich harvest.*

# PARISH ROSTERS

30/31 March 2024

|                         | Computer Operators | Lectors  | Altar Servers        | EMHC                                | Counters                            | Cleaning Ministry  | Altar Society               |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--|----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Sat Vigil 5.30pm</b> | Lynnette Rodrigues | Eli Ogrizek<br>Anton Fernando<br>Jodie MacGregor | Isabella W           | Maddison Boulos<br>Michelle Acharya | Kathleen Burrows<br>Sheila Tapiador | Anton Massillamany | Therese Ball<br>Lesley Long |
| <b>Sun 8.00am</b>       | Christopher Younis | Rozz Morris<br>Helen Wong                        |                      | Lina Flores<br>Helen Wong           |                                     |                    |                             |
| <b>Sun 10.00am</b>      | Glenys Oxley       | Nada Coorey<br>Joseph Andrews                    | Isabella C<br>Theo M | Elaine Gade<br>Evelyn Artiaga       |                                     |                    |                             |

6/7 April 2024

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|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Sat Vigil 5.30pm</b> | George Davidson    | Michael Marston<br>Eli Ogrizek | Oscar G<br>Angelina B | Susan Boulos<br>Kathy Saad     | Kathleen Burrows<br>Francis Mathew | Pierre Salomon    | Barbara Rosario<br>Lynette Rodrigues |
| <b>Sun 8.00am</b>       | Pamela McKay       | Gail Dick<br>Glenys Oxlee      |                       | Barbara Rosario<br>Lina Flores |                                    |                   |                                      |
| <b>Sun 10.00am</b>      |                    | Khush Jilla<br>Cynthia Oscar   | Olivia G<br>Tashen W  | Evelyn Artiaga<br>Elain Gade   |                                    |                   |                                      |

Let us pray for ...

*Sick*

Maree Buttenshaw,  
Robert Power

*Recently Deceased*

Michael Foster, Manjula, Anthony Huynh Van  
Hoang, Ruby Moses, Noelene Wilkinson, Jaime  
Pablacio,  
Fr Kevin Bates SM,  
Deryk Anthony Rodrigues, Ilias Atie

*Anniversaries*

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

### Divine Mercy Sunday at Holy Name of Mary

We happy to announce that we are again celebrating the  
Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday here at  
Holy Name of Mary Rydalmere on 7 April 2024.



We need volunteers to help with the following: Kitchen committee, Crowd control for the procession. Children to hold the picture of our Blessed Virgin Mary during procession.

Ushers to assist people during holy confession, as we have 4 Priests with the Parish Priest that day: Fr Sypher FSSP, Fr Benedict, Fr Thomas Green. Someone to operate the computer and microphones and monitors during the reflection and Holy Mass. To volunteer or inquire, please **text or call 0415998310**. God bless.

### Holy Week Prayer

*Father in heaven, who sent your only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sin,  
show me how to honor you and bring glory to your name, by walking in the way of Jesus.  
Give me grace and mercy as I try and fail, give me guidance when I am not sure which way to go,  
and give me wisdom to trust you in all things. For your love brings light and life to all who seek it.  
May I seek you evermore as I walk with you through this Holy Week and beyond.  
Amen.*

### Easter | Autumn 2024 Catholic Outlook Magazine out now! *located at the back of the church*

The Easter | Autumn 2024 edition of the Catholic Outlook Magazine is out now! This edition invites us to practise silence, deepen our interior lives and pray for a Gospel change of heart, how our communities celebrate Easter, seminarians preparing to 'go out into the deep', a handy Holy Week Mass Times guide, plus so much more. Pick up your free copy from parishes and offices across Western Sydney & the Blue Mountains today or read it online via [catholicoutlook.org/magazine](http://catholicoutlook.org/magazine)

### Easter Vigil - Battery Operated Candles

*This year the Parish will have available  
battery operated candles for \$3.*

Candles represent the risen Christ, as a symbol of light (life) & dispelling darkness (death).



### Pontifical Holy Land Good Friday Collection: 29 March

The  
Pontifical  
Good Friday  
Collection



Every year on Good Friday, a collection is taken up in every Catholic church to support the people and places of the Holy Land. The Franciscans of the Custody of the Holy Places as well as caring for the Christians living in the Holy Land. Your donation is a direct way to make a difference in the lives of people who are keeping alive the Christian presence in the land of Jesus, often in the face of great difficulty in recent years. Make your donation this Holy Week via the envelopes in your parish or donate directly via Commissariat of the Holy Land, 47 Victoria St. Waverley NSW 2024 or [holyland@franciscans.org.au](mailto:holyland@franciscans.org.au).



# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



**Sixth Sunday of Lent  
(Palm Sunday)  
23 & 24 February**



This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities.



Ronita from the Philippines has now graduated high school and secured a job at a call centre. This job was only possible because of a certificate she gained from completing her studies.

"Leaia and her family now have a water tank at their home in Samoa. She and her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health and living conditions.

Memory completed her vocational training course in carpentry and joinery. After completing a work contract at one of the largest electrical companies in Malawi, Memory now plans to return to her village and provide carpentry services to people in her community. It's through the generosity of people like you that we can continue to support people like Ronita, Leaia and Memory.

***There is still time to donate! 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 from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.

*Please continue to pray for*



*the children in our parish  
who received the  
Sacrament of Penance on  
Tuesday.*

*Many thanks to Diane O'Shea and the  
Sacramental Team who prepared the children.*

## Holy Week

**Palm Sunday  
(24 March 2024)**

**Vigil Mass 5.30pm  
Morning Mass 8am & 10am**

**Holy Thursday  
(28 March 2024)**

**Mass of the Last Supper 7pm with  
Altar of Repose until midnight**

*There will be no Mass on Thursday morning.*

**Good Friday  
(29 March 2024)**

**Stations of the Cross 9.30am &  
The Passion of the Lord 3pm**

**Easter Vigil  
(30 March 2024)**

**5.30pm (Blessing of Fire, Candle  
Procession preceded Mass)**

**Easter Sunday  
(31 March 2024)**

**Mass 8am & 10am**



### Time to Return Your Project Compassion Donation



If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week on Holy Thursday or Good Friday.

***Thank you for your generous support.***

### WEEKDAY MASSES

**Tue - Wed - Thu - Fri - Sat 9:15 am**

### SUNDAY MASSES

**Saturday (Vigil) 5:30 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am**

### ADORATION (EXPOSITION)

**Saturday 8:30 am**

### RECONCILIATION

**Saturday 8:30 am - 9:00 am**

### BAPTISM

**1st & 3rd Sunday of the  
Month 11:30 am**

## PARISH TEAM

**Fr. Vincent Savarimuthu**  
**Parish Priest**

**Cheryl Percan**  
Parish Secretary  
Tue / Wed / Fri  
10am to 5pm

**Susie Lee**  
Finance Secretary  
Thur  
10am to 2pm

**Sacramental Coordinator**  
**Childrens Liturgy Coordinator**  
**Lectors Coordinator**  
**Senior Server Coordinator**  
**Finance Chairman**  
**St Vincent De Paul President**  
**Rydalmen Coordinator**

Diane O'Shea  
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