

# CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH



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Mary Immaculate Church  
EMU PARK

## 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT – 14 MARCH 2021

### Fr Matthew's Weekly Video Message

*Hello from my home to yours, Peace be with you.*

*This weekend is the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent on our journey towards Easter, our time of preparation.*

*We hear in our readings this weekend that:*

*'God loved the world so much that he gave us his mercy in the person of Christ'.*

*It goes on to say also again in St Paul's letter that he loved us so much he calls us his*

*'work of art', 'God's work of art' is each one of us.*

*What a wonderful way of understanding our relationship with God, a God that loved us so much that he recognises us as his gift and blessing and a work of art.*

*There are so many things in our world that we can be grateful and thankful for.*

*Especially here on the Capricorn Coast where there is such beauty and many places where people can gather, recognise that beauty, spend time with family and friends, and take time to rest.*

*Over these days perhaps at the beginning or the end of each day*

*we can take a moment to give thanks to God for those blessings:*

*the gift of family, our friends, the gift of community, our school communities, and our wider community.*

*Sometimes we can take them for granted.*

*Maybe just taking a moment in our day to give thanks to God for those blessings.*

*We hear too in our Gospel that Jesus didn't come to condemn the world but came to save it, to recognise that he is at the very centre of who we are, as his work of art, as his creation.*

*May we recognise God's work of art:*

*in our surroundings, in each other, in our world, and in each of our days.*

*May we take some time to give thanks to God for those many blessings,*

*give thanks to God for the gift of family and the gift of our community.*

*From my home to yours, peace be with you & God Bless.*

**Fr Matthew**

## PRESENTATION ASSOCIATES MEETING

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March at St Ursula's College at 10:30am**

Meetings include morning tea from 10am followed by prayer & formation in the charism of Presentation Sisters Foundress Nano Nagle. For more information brochures are in the church foyer or call Erin on 0437 822 231.



Christine Davids will speak after Mass at Mary Immaculate Church on 13 March & Sacred Heart Church on 14 March. Christine was a volunteer Pre-school Teacher Mentor with Palms Australia in Timor-Leste [East Timor] from March 2018 till March 2020 when she returned to Australia due to Covid-19. Caritas has been working continuously in Timor since the occupying armies of Indonesia left.

## CHRISM MASS *St Joseph's Cathedral 10am Thursday 25 March 2021*



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TIME	DAY	MASS
5:00pm	Tuesday	St Brendans College
9:30am	Tuesday	Requiem Mass - Kathleen Madden
11:00am	Wednesday	Rosary & Adoration
12:00pm		Sacred Heart Church
2:00pm		Funeral Service – Colleen Sharp
9:00am	Thursday	St Ursula's College Mass at School
12:00pm	Friday	Sacred Heart Church
8:00am	Saturday 20/3/21	Mary Immaculate Church
8:00am	Sunday 21/3/21	Confessions (8:00am - 8:30am & 4:15 - 4:45pm)
9:00am		Sacred Heart Church
5:00pm		Sacred Heart Church

## Lenten Prayer

God of all peoples and nations,  
As you accompany us on our  
Lenten journey,  
May our fasting strengthen our  
commitment to live in solidarity,  
Our almsgiving be an act of justice, &  
Our prayers anchor us in love and  
compassion.

Through living simply and loving  
generously,  
May we care for our global family  
and our common home, as we

**"Aspire not to have more,  
but to be more." \***

We ask this in Jesus' name.  
Amen.

\*Saint Oscar Romero

(Exert from Project Compassion Caritas Australia resources)



## Holy Week Preparation

Time of Prayer

Saturday 27 March 2021

4-6pm

Sacred Heart Church Yeppoon

**BISHOP'S MASS - YOUTUBE LINK [Bishop's Mass You Tube Link](#)**

## We Pray for those who are SICK & those who have DIED

### We Pray for those who are SICK:

Taj Anthony Fitzsimons, Barbara Piguët, Meegan Sommerfeld, Margaret Lamberick, Nola Davies

### We Pray for those who have DIED:

Colleen Sharp, Pauline Effeney, Kathleen Madden, Ray Burke, William Corfield, Helen George, Shirley Kruger

### Anniversary of the Deceased:

Margaret Hoffman, Constance Lawson (Scotland) & John Patrick Boland, Fintan Real, Iris Crickmore

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**Professional Standards and Safeguarding Office: Response Line: 1800 830 113 (free call) or email: [psoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au](mailto:psoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au)**

**Diocesan Website** for more information: <https://rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/>

To view the **Diocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults commitment statement and Policy:** [http://](http://www.rockhampton.catholic.net.au/safeguarding-policies.html)

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**Come Holy Spirit,  
fill the hearts of your faithful,  
enkindle in them the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit  
and they shall be created.  
And you shall renew the face of the earth.**



**Let us pray.  
O God, who instruct the hearts of the faithful  
by the light of the Holy Spirit,  
grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise,  
and ever to rejoice in your consolation.  
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen**

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**Pope Francis**

***Chaldean Cathedral of St. Joseph in Baghdad, Iraq***

***6 March 2021***

*(Excerpts of text of Homily)*

Today the word of God speaks to us of *wisdom, witness* and *promises*.

*Wisdom* in these lands has been cultivated since ancient times. Indeed, the search for wisdom has always attracted men and women. Often, however, those with more means can acquire more knowledge and have greater opportunities, while those who have less are sidelined. Such inequality -- which has increased in our time -- is unacceptable. The Book of Wisdom surprises us by reversing this perspective. It tells us that "the lowliest may be pardoned in mercy, but the mighty will be mightily tested" (Wis 6:6). In the eyes of the world, those with less are discarded, while those with more are privileged. Not so for God: the more powerful are subjected to rigorous scrutiny, while the least are God's privileged ones.

Jesus, who is Wisdom in person, completes this reversal in the Gospel, and he does so with his very first sermon, with the Beatitudes.

Jesus' invitation is wise because love, which is the heart of the Beatitudes, even if it seems weak in the world's eyes, in fact always triumphs. On the cross, it proved stronger than sin, in the tomb, it vanquished death. That same love made the martyrs victorious in their trials -- and how many martyrs have there been in the last century, more even than in the past! Love is our strength, the source of strength for those of our brothers and sisters who here too have suffered prejudice and indignities, mistreatment and persecutions for the name of Jesus. Yet while the power, the glory and the vanity of the world pass away, love remains. As the Apostle Paul told us: "Love never ends" (1 Cor 13:8). To live a life shaped by the Beatitudes, then, is to make passing things eternal, to bring heaven to earth.

But how do we practice the Beatitudes? They do not ask us to do extraordinary things, feats beyond our abilities. They ask for daily *witness*. The blessed are those who live meekly, who show mercy wherever they happen to be, who are pure of heart wherever they live. To be blessed, we do not need to become occasional heroes, but to become witness's day after day. Witness is the way to embody the wisdom of Jesus. That is how the world is changed: not by power and might, but by the Beatitudes. For that is what Jesus did: he lived to the end what he said from the beginning. Everything depends on bearing witness to the love of Jesus, that same charity which St. Paul magnificently describes in today's second reading.

Dear sister, dear brother, perhaps when you look at your hands, they seem empty, perhaps you feel disheartened and unsatisfied by life. If so, do not be afraid: The Beatitudes are for you. For you who are afflicted, who hunger and thirst for justice, who are persecuted. The Lord promises you that your name is written on his heart, written in heaven! Today I thank God with you and for you, because here, where wisdom arose in ancient times, so many witnesses have arisen in our own time, often overlooked by the news, yet precious in God's eyes. Witnesses who, by living the Beatitudes, are helping God to fulfil his promises of peace.

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## EASTER 2021

27-28/03/2021 PALM SUNDAY

*Saturday* 8am Mary Immaculate Church

*Sunday* 9am Sacred Heart Church  
5pm Sacred Heart Church

30/03/2021 Mass of RECONCILIATION

*Tuesday* 5pm Mary Immaculate Church

01/04/2021 HOLY THURSDAY

*Thursday* 7pm Sacred Heart Church

02/04/2021 GOOD FRIDAY

9:30am Stations of the Cross (Mary Immaculate)

*Friday* 3pm Passion of the Lord Sacred Heart Church

**ONLINE BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

03/04/2021 EASTER VIGIL

*Saturday* 7pm Sacred Heart Church Vigil

04/04/2021 EASTER SUNDAY

*Sunday* 7am Mary Immaculate Church

9am Sacred Heart Church (NO 5pm Mass)



### Fourth Sunday of Lent

14<sup>th</sup> March 2021



Arsad, an Indonesian farmer, had no toilet at home & was often sick due to the practice of open defecation.

Through Caritas Australia's support, Arsad & his community improved hygiene & sanitation, & funded their own toilets.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 & help improve health & wellbeing of communities in Indonesia so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a better future for all.**

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

**SycamOre**

Each Friday 6:30pm  
Sacred Heart Church Yeppoon

**Alpha**

Each Tuesday 3:30pm  
Mary Immaculate Church Emu Park



# CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

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8 March 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

**Re: Chrism Mass – St Joseph’s Cathedral**  
**Thursday 25 March 2021 @ 10.00am**

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 25 March 2021 at St Joseph’s Cathedral commencing at 10.00am. The Priests and Deacon of the Diocese will be joining me at the Chrism Mass to bless the Sacred Oils and to consecrate the Oil of Chrism.

I invite you to join with me on this day, either in person or via the YouTube live stream that can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton/featured>

As always during these COVID times pre-registration is essential. Please book online at <https://www.cposj.com/chrism-mass-registration> or contact St Joseph’s Cathedral Office on 4927 6744.

I look forward to you joining with me on this very special day.

Yours sincerely

Most Rev Michael McCarthy  
Bishop of Rockhampton

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