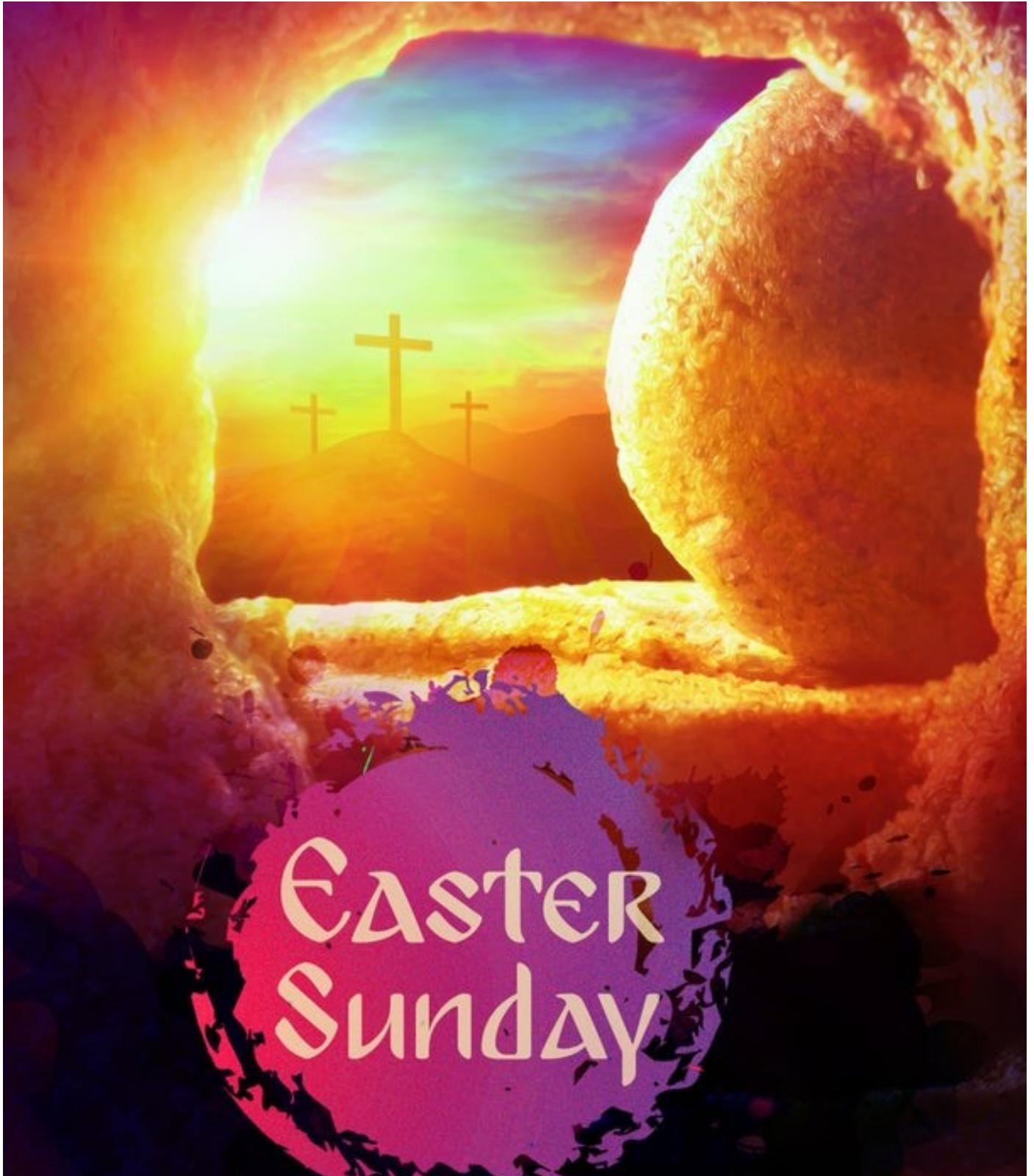


CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH

Sacred Heart & Mary Immaculate

To nurture the spiritual life and activities of the parish community



The worshipping communities of Sacred Heart, Yeppoon and Mary Immaculate, Emu Park acknowledge the Darumbal People the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather and pay respect to their elders: past, present, and emerging. For we too are one in land, one in spirit, one in faith, united in God's love.

LITURGIES



Pray For...

10 - 16 April 2023

MONDAY & TUESDAY

School Holidays end 16 April 2023
Office Closed
(Emails & Phones attended)

WEDNESDAY

9am Mass Sacred Heart Church
Adoration & Rosary

THURSDAY

9am Anointing Mass
Mary Immaculate Church
Followed by Morning Tea

FRIDAY

9am Mass Sacred Heart Church
2:00pm Rosary

SATURDAY

5:15pm Mass Mary Immaculate Church

SUNDAY

2nd Sunday of Easter

9am Mass Sacred Heart Church
Baptisms
5pm Mass Sacred Heart Church



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the baptisms of :

Noah Tummon, Skylar Richardson. Zoe Webber. Molly Webber

the sick:

Jill Egan, John Bignell, Adam Loch, Michael & Cathy Crust, Bernice Taylor, Carmel Hayes, Peter Mahony, Maree Griffin, Nita Flaherty, Bev Bartlem.

the recently deceased:

Jim Tuner, Alan Drury. Maxwell James Martin (Snr), Ronald Stewart. Selina Hooper (Brisbane), Ray Busby, Margaret Thwaite, Colin Shaw.

those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Fontunata Abugho-Cossid, Sue Palmer, Charlie Shelton, Carmel Gormley, Margaret Hoffmann, Laurence Marshall, Pauline Effeney, Fr Dan Moore.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Easter Sunday

"When Jesus had risen, early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons." (Mark 16:9)

Popular Catholic piety sometimes posits that the newly risen Jesus appears first to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a happy thought, but it's simply not what the scriptures report. We are told quite directly that he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, **"out of whom he had driven seven demons."**

Why would the gospel writer remind us of this unsavory detail of Mary's past? Historians tell us women were not qualified to give legal testimony. On top of that, to be possessed by not just one, but seven demons, is unsavory and terrifying. What damage had they done to her? What did she do to allow herself to be home to such evil? It doesn't seem to matter. Jesus chose Mary Magdalene to be the first one who saw him risen from the dead. He decided she was qualified.

Do you think that you are disqualified from seeing and announcing the risen Jesus because of your past demons? Maybe they are the demons of despair, confusion, self-hatred, pride, addiction, failure, boredom, laziness, or other sins. Well, don't. In the light of the Risen Jesus, all these past demons make our witness that much more believable — only if we allow ourselves to be touched by the liberating hand of Christ, just as Mary Magdalene did. — *Father John Muir* ©LPI

Fr Matthew's Easter Message

It has been a busy few months as I return to the Parish of the Capricorn Coast. I am very grateful to call this Parish my home & to celebrate as a community these sacred days. Together we celebrate the pinnacle of our faith. I pray that the risen Christ continues to hold, bless and guide us all. As Bishop Michael has said in his Easter message:

*'Celebrate with great joy our salvation in Christ'.
May the Risen Christ be with you. Happy Easter!*

Fr Matthew 😊

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



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

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27 March 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

Re: Easter Message 2023

Our Easter celebrations are a journey over several days, but it is one celebration which we are all invited to participate fully in and experience as community gathered. I invite you to take the time to join your local community this coming Easter.

The entrance antiphon for the Mass of the Lord's Supper says – "We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in who is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered." This sums up our Easter journey with Christ, the Sacred Paschal Triduum.

We begin on Holy Thursday with the Mass of the Lord's Supper, where we are given the wonderful gift of the Eucharist; the centre of our faith and what we gather at table for each week when follow Christ's command to "Do this in memory of me". We then follow Christ on his difficult journey to the cross on Good Friday for the celebration of the Passion of the Lord. We sit with Mary in her sorrow, watching everything unfold, waiting, seeing Jesus give all to die for us. Then we wait. We wait for the light of Jesus resurrected to burst forth at the Easter Vigil. We celebrate with great joy our salvation in Christ, and we welcome our new members into the Church through the Sacraments.

This, my people, is the core of our faith.

However, Easter does not end there. We continue to celebrate the Easter season for the following six weeks, through to Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit anew. Our Diocese will be holding a celebration for everyone across the Diocese to join on the Pentecost weekend. I invite you to join us, and you can find further information in parish bulletins and Diocesan communications.

May you experience all of God's blessings this Easter.

Yours sincerely

Most Rev Michael McCarthy
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Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
Our life our sweetness and our hope.
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in the valley of tears.
Turn then most gracious advocate,



Thine eyes of mercy towards us
and after this our exile, show unto us the
blessed fruit of thy womb Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!
Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of
the promises of Christ.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS



First Reading

Acts 2:42-47

The faithful lived longer and owned everything in common.



Psalm 117

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting .



Second Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead.

Gospel

John 20:19-31

After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Please pray for Gabriella Langlois who will be Confirmed at the 7am Mary Immaculate Easter Sunday Mass. Also please keep the Vann family, Andrew, Tanya, Tiarna & Zoe, in your prayers as they journey towards receiving the Sacraments of Initiation on Mercy Sunday at Sacred Heart Church.



MEET IN THE MIDDLE



Next gathering **Monday 17 April 2023**
instead of 10 April due to 10 April being Easter Monday!!



Easter Sunday
9 April



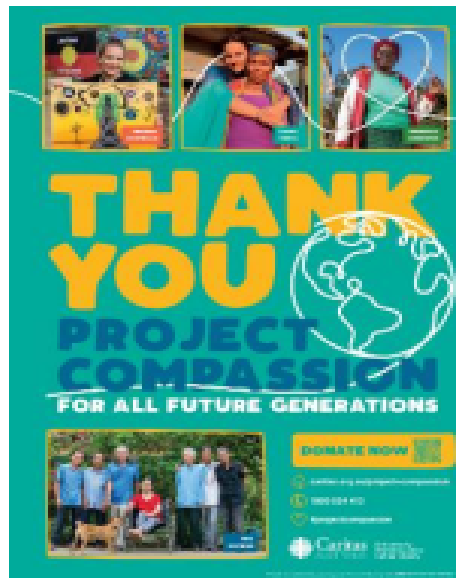
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