

CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH

24 March 2024 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year B



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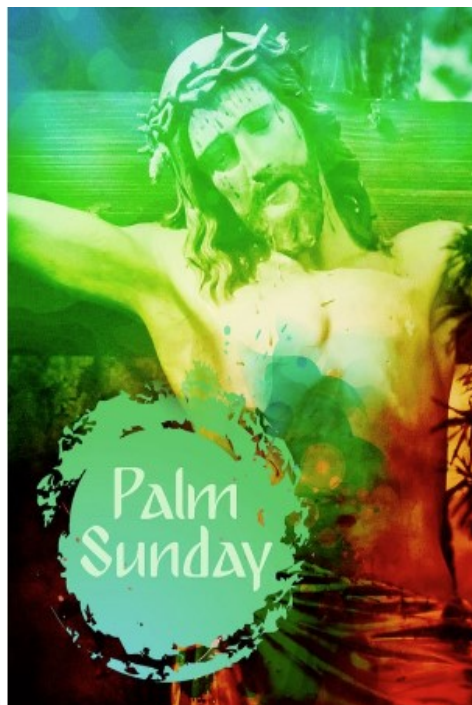
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LIVING THE GOSPEL

Before the cock crows

Peter is an interesting character in the gospels. He is one of the first of the disciples to be called; Jesus changes his name and places great trust in him; he is witness to the most significant moments of Jesus' life; he is able to profess his faith in Jesus as the Christ and yet it is he who denies even knowing Jesus. We might have thought that Peter was Jesus' most loyal and faithful follower, yet it is he who can't stand up and claim that he was a follower of Jesus. Is it any wonder that it is difficult for us today sometimes?

GOSPEL MEDITATION: A few months before they married, my twenty-three-year-old sister and her fiancé planned a cross-country road trip to visit his family. My parents told them that they could only go if they slept in separate hotel rooms, offering to foot the bill. It might sound prudish, but my parents wanted the young couple to understand that their approaching unity was close, but not yet. Patience solidifies love.

What could this possibly have to do with Palm Sunday? It's usually overlooked, but the Gospels tell us that, after entering Jerusalem, Jesus "looked around ... and since it was late, went out to Bethany with the twelve" (Mk 11:11) for the night. Who cares? Why include this detail? Jews in those days believed that the new Davidic King would one day re-enter and "marry" the city. A new future marked by fidelity would begin for God's people. Israel's God would be in union with His people forever. Without over-sexualizing the metaphor, perhaps Jesus refused to sleep in Jerusalem to remind us of his marital purpose. He was entering Jerusalem as the bridegroom-king. It was almost time, but not yet. Soon he will sleep in Jerusalem in the tomb and then something new will begin: his one body, his Church.

Lenten challenge: This Holy Week, I challenge you to keep this image in your mind all the way until Easter Sunday: Jesus is the faithful bridegroom who patiently prepares his bride for their new life together. Go to the Good Friday liturgy and kiss the cross. When you do, let that gesture be the long-awaited "I do" to our faithful God, who always waits for us.

Father John Muir ©LPi

The worshipping communities of Sacred Heart, Yeppoon & 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



Date	Time	Mass
Tues 26 March	8:00am	Stations of the Cross, Mary Immaculate
	5:00pm	Mass, St Brendan's College
Wed 27 March	9:00am	Mass, Sacred Heart
	5:00pm	Stations of the Cross, Sacred Heart

TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday	6:00pm	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, SH
Good Friday	9:00am	Stations of the Cross & Walk of Reflection, MI
	3:00pm	PASSION OF THE LORD, SH
Easter Vigil	6:00pm	EASTER VIGIL, SH
Easter Sunday	7:00am	EASTER OF THE RESURRECTION, MI
	31st March 9:00am	EASTER OF THE RESURRECTION, SH



Baptisms:

Emelia Stockdale, Ciyona Ferdinand.

The sick:

Denis Horton, Ian Graham, Judy Spanner, Barry Curley, Emily White, Renae Ellaway (Duffy), Scott Mahosky (USA), Kevin Lacey, Ollie Miles, Jo-Anne Coxon, Alan Davids, Adam Loch.

The recently deceased:

Terri Groser, Joan Finucane, Ronnie Camenzuli, Thelma Mainey, John Simmons, Norma Toon, John Slade.

Those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Sue Palmer, Pauline Effeney, Charlie Shelton, John Pearson, Fintan Real, Christine Gynter, Brendan Williams.



WEEKEND ROSTER

This weekend: Palm Sun of the Passion of the Lord 23/24 March

	5.15pm Sat Mary Immac.	9am Sunday Sacred Heart	5pm Sunday Sacred Heart
Commentator	Rene Veltmeyer	Barbara Pearson	Parishioner
1st Reader	Ron Hinton	Sean Fallis	Parishioner
2nd Reader	Michele Connors	Warren Middleton	Parishioner
Next weekend - Easter Sunday 30/31 Mar			
Commentator	John McKenna	Deb Bayliss	Parishioner
1st Reader	Gail Goodman	Barbara Kirwin	Parishioner
2nd Reader	Jan Jaeger	Joan Ellaway	Parishioner

Walk of Reflection

Good Friday 29 March, 2024

Join us at 9:30am for Stations of the Cross



at Mary Immaculate Catholic Church

Followed by the Walk of Reflection to Bell Park

DATE CLAIMER: Mother's Day

Saturday 11 May, 2pm - Ladies High Tea
[Gentlemen Welcome]

at Sacred Heart Community Room

Date Claimer: 2024 Sacramental Program

Wed 8 May, 6pm - Information Evening
Fri 16 August - Confirmation Ceremony
Sun 18 August - First Holy Communion

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

GOSPEL FOCUS

This man was a son of God

By the time we have stood and listened to this lengthy Passion narrative, the listener may have started to wilt by the time we get to the death of Jesus. Yet, the gospel writer keeps one of the most important messages for this moment. As Jesus dies, a centurion standing by utters the inspired words, "In truth, this man was a son of God." Famously played by John Wayne in the movie, *The Greatest Story Ever Told*, the centurion is the voice of the gentile – the non-Jew – representing all those throughout the world who will recognise the truth of Jesus' life and purpose.

The Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish is now a member of Containers for Change.

Thank you so much for your donations.



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ROCKHAMPTON SVDP WARMLY INVITE YOU TO THIS

Festival Gathering

Guest Speaker: James Hodge, Director of Mission

TOPIC: FRATERNITY, COMMUNITY AND COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS

Morning tea will be provided.

7th April 2024

Sacred Heart Church after the 9am Mass
7 Tabor Dr, Lammermoor QLD 4703

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Divine Mercy Sunday

7 April 2024

St Mary's Catholic Church, 155 Nobbs Street, Nth Rton.

3pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Veneration, The 3 O'Clock Prayer and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

4pm: Holy Mass with Blessing of the Divine Mercy Image.
Celebrant: Fr Alex Varghese.

Contact Colleen 0404 461 765 or ian.graham6@bigpond.com

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Encountering the Mercy of God

Our Lord told Saint Faustina, "Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet"... "When you approach the confessional, know this, that I myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of Mercy." (Diary 699. 1602)

To receive graces and mercy is the heart of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We come to the "Tribunal of Mercy," not to be judged, but to receive mercy.

In preparing for this encounter with Christ we need to call upon the Holy Spirit, asking Him to show us our sins to 'convict' us of our sins (See John 16:8). Why does the Holy Spirit convict us of sin? To make us feel guilty? No. The Holy Spirit convicts us of sin so that we can see ourselves as we really are, recognising the depth of our sinfulness, our weakness and our need for God's mercy. As we allow the Holy Spirit to do this, we discover what sin is. Sin is simply a turning away from God. It doesn't change God or diminish His love for us. It separates us from Him. All we have to do is simply come back into God's presence by going to confession.

Having revealed to us the ways in which we have turned away from God, the Holy Spirit now invites us to turn back. This turning back is called 'repentance'.

In the confessional, aware of our sinfulness, we turn back to God through His representative, the priest, *as we really are*. Nothing hidden, no excuses, fully exposed to the view of God.

In our sinfulness, we ask for forgiveness. In our sickness, we ask for healing. In our weakness, we ask for strength. In our misery, we ask for mercy. We stand before God empty, humble and repentant, determined to amend our lives and resolved to made reparation and do penance.

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.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

PALM SUNDAY

1st Reading:

Isiah 50:4-7

Despite rejection, Isiah does not abandon his call.

Psalm 21:

My God, my God,
why have you
abandoned me?.

2nd Reading:

Philippians 2:6-11

Jesus made himself lowly and
was exalted.

Gospel:

Mark 14:1-15;47

The Passion.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

EASTER SUNDAY

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles

10:34,37-43

Psalm: 117

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

A big THANK YOU to parishioners who assisted making palm crosses, and for decorating our churches with palms ready for Palm Sunday.



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



As Project Compassion 2024 comes to an end, we want to thank you for your incredibly generous support throughout Lent.

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.

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.**

Please donate to Project Compassion

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

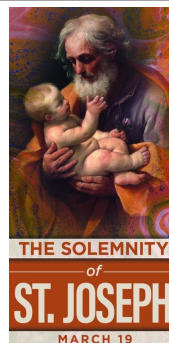
Marian and St Stans 50th Reunion

Year 10 - Class of 1974

Saturday 5th October, 6pm

Criterion Hotel

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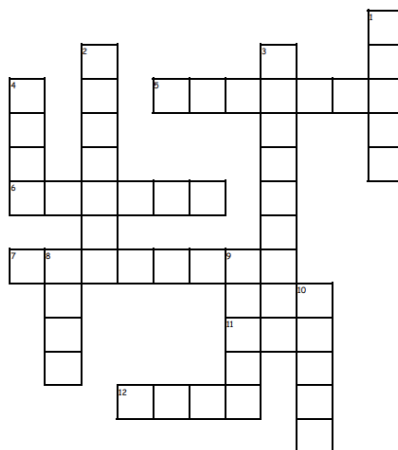
St Joseph

Patron Saint of
the Diocese of
Rockhampton,
and namesake of
our Cathedral.

CROSSWORD

Hosanna to God in heaven!

Mk 11:1-10



Across

- 5: the disciples found a young donkey in a _____
- 6: Jesus asked his disciples to bring him a _____
- 7: the parts of a tree where leaves grow
- 11: the number after one
- 12: this opens and shuts and lets people go in and out of rooms

Down

- 1: the people shouted, 'God _____ the one who comes in the name of the Lord!'
- 2: the people followed Jesus and shouted '_____!'
- 3: people spread these on the road in front of Jesus
- 4: the disciples told villagers that the _____ needed the donkey
- 8: Jesus rode a donkey along this
- 9: go in
- 10: the opposite of old

Passion Sunday, Year B [N00HOPAB_2003_CW3.rtf]

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