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BULLETIN

20TH APRIL 2025

EASTER SUNDAY



Easter Sunday
20th April 2025

Happy Easter from all of us here at Caritas Australia!

As we celebrate this season of hope and renewal, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your support through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion this Lent.

As we reflect on the Easter message of love, compassion, and new beginnings, we are reminded of the incredible impact your contributions make. Together, we are building a world where no one is left behind.

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2025 Lenten appeal.



It's not too late to donate.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above.

Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413. Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* this Lent.

DAILY MASS READINGS: 21- 26 APRIL

Mon 21st April: Acts 2:14, 22-33 & or Matt 28:8-15
Tues 22nd April: Acts 2:36-41 & Jn 20:11-18
Wed 23rd April: Acts 3:1-10 & Lk 24:13-35
Thurs 24th April: Acts 3:11-26 & Lk 24:35-48
Fri 25th April: Acts 4:1-12 & Jn 21:1-14
Sat: 26th April: Acts 4:13-21 & Mk 16:9-15



ANZAC DAY

FRIDAY 25TH APRIL

MASS TIMES: 6.00AM & 9.15AM

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Everyone is invited to the **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** celebration on 27 April.

There will be praying of the Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet from 2:30pm. There will also be confessions during this time.

The celebration of Holy Mass will be at 3.00pm followed by fellowship under the pergola area. Anyone who wants to bring a plate to share is most welcome.



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Sick:

Diani, Margaret Deshe, Lorraine Sultana, Colleen Asimus, Resurrection & Grace Espina, Barry Morkel, Graham Rutledge, Dominador Vicho, Anna Fernandes, Madeline Semisi, Ray Johnston, Sophia Pal, Dominic Fernandez, Harrison Whelan, Joseph Buttigieg, Jackson Naidoo, Faye Demagante, Chadia Kaminski.

Anniversary of Death:

Fortunato Dingle, Amelia Demagante, K.J John, Lourdes Ruiz, Phyllis Pereira, Anthony Fernandes, Tony & Josephine Attard

Recently Deceased:

Maria Dalgado, Nelly Angeles, Neil Stewart, Melissa Zeitouni

In Memoriam:

Fortunto & Felicidad Dingle, Antonio & Danny Dingle, Tony & Maya Demagante, Grace Bongalon, Fausfino Pinili, Helen & Consti Gois, Rosan Nicholas, Cathy Gonsalves, Epifanio Serrano, Nilo Montecillo, Pricilla D'Souza, Lina Moloney, Loretta & Joseph Desa, Nilo Montecillo, Neneng Bonachita, Alexin Cabuenas, Rogelio Espina, Nilo Adalos, Marites Tanedo, Florencio Basnillo, Joey Lapitan, Ely Maneja, Annie Mirasol, Blasa Alivo, Esteban Alivo, Lolito Gonzales, Raji John, Maria Torres Estacio, Hermenegilda Calayan, Makulusio Qialele, Lolita Sebastian All, Gerard Champion, Sophie, Herbert, Peacock & Fran, Michael, Sanhius & Florence Fernandez, Heather Brohier, Maxwell Crusez, Michael Fernandez, Sanhius Fernandez, Florence Fernandez, Mr & Mrs P. Harris, Charles Briffa, Marinessa Bajacan, Ginggonix Granado, Joseph Steven Camilleri, Annette Houghton, Antinitio Demagante, Rosemary & Joan Houghton, Maria & Jacob Gonsalves, Roberto & Mary Lucille Serrano, Marilou, Mariano Jr., Perpetua, Arsenia, Marichar & Horacio Serrano, Joselito & Bobet Serrano, Epifanio Serrano, Mari Mackenzie, Ben McShane Hill, Anthony Farrugia & Haber & Farrugia family members, Bill Azzopardi, Calvin Wijewera, Irene Dassanayaka, Claude & Rita Joachim, Regina—Benito Franado, Roberto—Maria Reyes, Antonio—Lucia Santos, Julio De Mello, Regina—Baby Granado, Regina & Cristeta Granado, Hugo Sr. & Marita Agudo, Dominador Snr & Efigenia Granado, John & Frances Micallef, Stuart Richard, Dan Peiris, Nilo Abalos, Eugenio De Jesus Jr., Goring Bacalso, Crispina Paras, & all the souls in purgatory.

May they Rest in Peace

PPC UPDATE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Another Lenten season comes to an end this weekend with the Church celebrating the resurrection of Jesus symbolising his victory over sin and death. Easter Triduum comes to an end with the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses.

Last weekend Palm Sunday was celebrated in our Parish in an exemplary manner. The church was cleaned, rearranged and decorated with palms and was picture perfect. The evening Mass on Sunday was celebrated in a special manner with sarees strewn on the isle and children waving palms as the celebrant entered and walked to the alter. Pictures taken by a diocesan photographer are up on the Parramatta diocese facebook page. You all are invited to visit the site and enjoy the beautiful pictures of our Church which should make us all proud.

Maundy Thursday was celebrated with special fervour. The twelve disciples whose feet were washed represented a cross-section of our community. The Alter of Repose tastefully created the garden of Gethsemane and provided an idyllic setting for adoration, reflection and meditation. The usual Stations of the Cross were well attended during the Lenten Fridays and large numbers were present at the Good Friday services throughout the day from the morning prayer service to the 3 p.m. service commemorating the Passion and Death of Jesus. It is hoped that all of the Lenten services and events provided an opportunity for our Parish community to deepen your faith and enhance you spiritually.

I thank all those who contributed to making possible the wonderful spiritual experience enjoyed by all and also take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy and Holy Easter. The Lord is Risen - alleluia!
God Bless you all. Aubrey Joachim Chairman PPC 24/25

ANNUAL COMMISSIONING MASS of LITURGICAL MINISTERS

13TH MAY 2025
7:30PM

St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta
1 Marist Pl, Parramatta



RSVP by 8 May
with QR code or visit:
<https://parracatholic.org/events/liturgical-ministers-commissioning-mass/>



What can you do to make people glad today?

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

To apply go to the Parish website
www.maryimmac.org.au
Click on sacraments on top of the page.

Applications will close online on **19th April**.
We cannot accept late applications.

**PLEASE READ THE INFORMATION PROVIDED
BEFORE CLICKING APPLY**

HEALING MASS

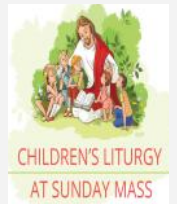
On the 4th Saturday of every month there will be a healing mass taking place in our parish at the 7:30am mass. The next Mass is on Saturday 26th April.

MOTHER MARY PILGRIM STATUE

The Legion of Mary (LOM) has resumed visitation to homes with Mother Mary statue and Rosary prayers. If you would like to be visited and pray the Rosary, the visitation can be arranged by the LOM at agreed times. Please write down your details in the book on the table at the foyer. You will be contacted to arrange the visit.

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy is for those children between the ages of 5yrs to 10yrs old. If they have already received their First Holy Communion, they need to participate in Mass in order to receive Holy Communion. **Children's Liturgy will resume back Sunday 4th May.**



FATHER OLIVER'S ANNUAL LEAVE



Father Oliver will be on annual leave from Monday 28th April until 3rd June. During this time there will be **NO** 6.00am Mass and **NO** Wednesday evening Novena Mass at 7pm. 6.00am will resume Monday 9th June & Wednesday evening Mass will resume 11th June. We wish him a safe and restful time away. Please keep him in your prayers. Fr Ever will be our supply priest while Father Oliver is away.

Fill in the missing words below to find out what the letters in the boxes spell.

Mary M _____ went to the tomb.

"They have taken the _____ from the tomb", she said.

Peter was a d _____ _____ of Jesus.

The other disciple ran f _____ _____ than Peter.

He saw the strips of _____ cloth lying inside the tomb.

B _____ he did not go in.

When he saw _____ he believed.

The Scriptures s _____ Jesus would rise to life.

First Reading: (Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

Responsorial Psalm: (Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24)
(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
 for his love has no end.
 Let the sons of Israel say:
 'His love has no end.' **(R.)**

2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
 his right hand raised me up.
 I shall not die, I shall live
 and recount his deeds. **(R.)**

3. The stone which the builders rejected
 has become the corner stone.
 This is the work of the Lord,
 a marvel in our eyes. **(R.)**

Second Reading: (Colossians 3:1-4)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Gospel Acclamation: (1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
 let us feast with joy in the Lord.
 Alleluia!

Gospel: (John 20:1-9)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

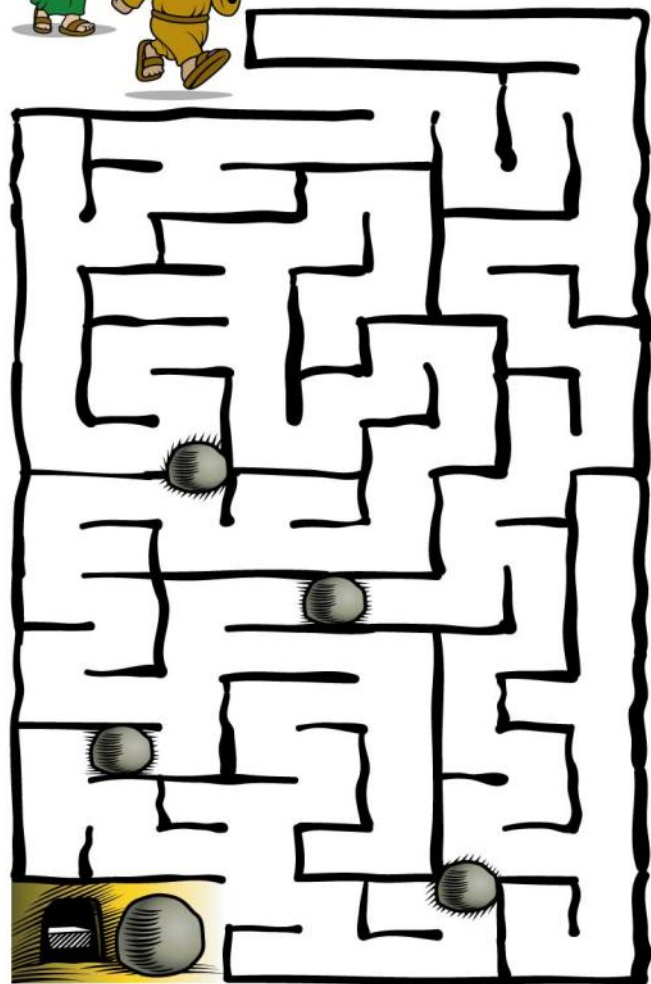
It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and

came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.



Help the disciples find their way to Jesus' empty tomb.



PARISH OFFICE

The parish office will reopen Tuesday 22nd April at 9.00am

PARISH LADIES GROUP

The Ladies Group are looking for some more ladies to join them. Are you free on a Thursday morning once a month to have some fun and help the parish. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office.

THIS WEEK'S ROSTER: 19th /20th April ~ EASTER SUNDAY						3rd Sunday of the Month
Ministries	7.30pm	7.30am	9.00am	10.30am	12.30pm	5.30pm
Senior Server	Tony A John B	Angelo C Romany D	Patricia H Ralph H Marvin C	Isaac Z Lina Z	Ding M	Conrad F
Junior Servers	Kiana F		Aviel F, Yavniel F, Hadriel F Gabriel E Lucia C Olivia C	Katrina C Jeremy A Johan A	D & D De Leon Heleni M Johan M	P Marcial, M Georgie A Dass
Readers	John F Jeana B Divine M Belen B Bernadette W	Mere S Laurinda A Rachelle L	Amila F Mary F Rose B	Eleanor O Cora M Pat O	Divine M Louis E Beverly R	Gary C Paea E Perpetual F
Special Eucharist Minister	Ralph H Jane A	Maria M Mary Mathew	Aida L Katherine C	Lucy V Patricia Z	Rudy Hartanto Tasnia H	Juvy E Edgie A
Greeters	Jerry A Pompey F	Peter S	Brad & Angela A		A Aquini	
Music Ministry	Paul Macaraeg Choir	Recorded music	Blacktown Philipino Choir	St Pedro Calungsod Devotees	Recorded music	Recorded music
PowerPoint	Jess P	Delyse P	Tanishq A	Choir		Choir
Piety Store	Merlyn F	Sherry	Therese B	Joe A		Patricia D

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 26th / 27th April						4th Sunday of the Month
Ministries	5.30pm	7.30am	9.00am	10.30am	12.30pm	5.30pm
Senior Server	Tony A	Angelo C Michael C	Conrad F Ruwanal F	Rommel D Isaac Z	Arnel R Louis E	Ryan H Arthur W Ralph H
Junior Servers	Kiana F Ezekiel D Katrina C		Aviel F Yavniel F Hadriel F Gabriel E	Katrina C Jeremy A Johan A	Heleni M Johan M	Allenth E Samisoni W
Readers	John F Perpetual F Jada P	Mere S Belen B Rachelle L	Therese B Paea T Fe H	Rukshan A Therese D Ariel or Faye D	Nerissa T Remy H Veronica B	Cheryl Z Patricia H Bernadette W
Special Eucharist Minister	Pompey F	Anna Z Belen B	Eva C	Juvy E Eleanor O	Angela D	Lita W
Greeters	Jerry A Pompey F			Aubrey J	Ines A	
Music Ministry	Fusion	Recorded music	Divine Hope Choir	C.F.C Choir	Ray Pineda's group	S.C.M.I Choir
PowerPoint	Jess P	Delyse P	Choir	Choir	Choir	Choir
Piety Store		Sherry	Therese B	Joe A		Patricia D

PARISH TEAM

Priest of the Parish: Rev Fr. Oliver Aro MSP

Deacon: Rev. Leon Decena OFS

Parish/Finance Administrator: Anthony Saliba OFS

Administrative Assistant: Marthese Sultana

Sacramental Coordinators: Anthony OFS & Marthese

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday—Friday 9am to 4pm

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Sacramental Email:

sacramental.coordinator@maryimmac.org.au

Our current Mass services are as follows:

Monday – 6.00am only - Tuesday to Friday - 6.00am

and 9.15am - Wednesday 7pm - Saturday - 7.30am

Sunday Masses – Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm

Sunday- 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am, 12.30pm and 5.30pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday's 4pm to 5pm

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Preparation for sacrament:

Baptisms on Saturdays at 10:00am & 11:00am

Parents must attend a preparation session prior to baptism.

Preparation session on the 1st Tuesday of each month

If you want your child baptized, please call Marthese in the

Parish Office marthese.sultana@maryimmac.org.au

First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation:

Please contact sacramental coordinator for details.

Weddings: By Appointment.

ALL THE YOUTH GROUPS

Email: miyouthgroups@maryimmac.org.au

R.C.I.A: Patrick D. 0435038281 or 96263326

Enroll for 2025 online via our website!

PARISH SCHOOLS

Mary Immaculate Primary School

125 Barrier Drive, Quakers Hill
Ph: 9626-3999. Principal: Sharon Mizzi.

St. Joseph's Primary School

78 Alex Avenue, Schofields
Ph: 9626-1328. Principal: Lesley Studans.

Saint John Paul II Catholic College

85 Hambleton Road Schofields
Ph: 9208-7200. Principal: Robert Muscat