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## Parish Schools and College

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07 3349 5130

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1800 846 643

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Year B

27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

## **Hosanna to the Son of David**

I am sure that many of us cannot believe how quickly this time of Lent has passed, even in these difficult and uncertain times. Perhaps we feel that, with all the restrictions, we have journeyed through Lent with a new intensity. Whatever the case, it is certainly a Lent that we will remember! Perhaps now, we can reflect upon all the many and rich symbols that we associate with Holy Week and Easter.

This weekend we will praise Jesus the King, remembering Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Palm Sunday is a strange festival. It's a celebration of Jesus as King, but even as we celebrate, we are conscious that the next part of the story gives us some extra perspective. The crowds cheered and lauded Jesus as he entered Jerusalem; the same crowds seemed to turn on him when he was not the military conqueror they expected.

Lent is a good time to be asking, what is our mental or emotional picture of God? It is a time to think about what we are expecting from Him. And crises are an especially good time to be asking that question.

Palm Sunday confronts us with God being disruptively different. God the revolutionary. We see God who takes on the pain, who walks the journey of Holy Week, deeper and deeper into a darkness we cannot enter. God, in Jesus lets his friends deny and betray him, God, in Jesus, suffers rejection and abuse, and the ultimate desolation of a lonely yet innocent death. All the worst of human experience is heaped on Jesus.

Again the Gospel on Palm Sunday which recounts what Jesus has done for us, is not just some distant story, or something remote from us. It is about our salvation and our life. We are not just passive spectators, or onlookers, or listeners: all that we recall on Palm Sunday is about what Jesus has done for us and does for us right now. This is such a welcomed message as we continue to try and do our best in the strange and difficult situation that we face at the moment. The opening address at the Mass expresses this very well: "...with all faith and devotion, let us commemorate the Lord's entry into the city for our salvation, following in his footsteps, so that, being made by his grace partakers of the cross, we may have a share also in his Resurrection and in his life."

Fr Jason

## **Triduum Timetable**

<b>Monday</b>	Mass of Forgiveness (Bookings not necessary, sign in when you arrive)	Monday March 29	6:00pm	St Agnes'
<b>Holy Thursday</b>	Mass of the Lord's Supper	Thursday April 1	6:30pm	St Joachim's
<b>Good Friday</b>	Stations of the Cross The Lord's Passion	Friday April 2	10:00am	St Joachim's
<b>Holy Saturday</b>	Easter Vigil	Saturday April 3	3:00pm	St Agnes'
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	Mass Mass	Sunday April 4	6:30pm	St Joachim's
		Sunday April 4	7:30am	St Joachim's
		Sunday April 4	9:00am	St Agnes'

**BOOKINGS MUST BE MADE FOR ALL TRIDIUM CEREMONIES**

St Joachim's Easter Services - <https://www.trybooking.com/BPUCD>

St Agnes' Easter Services - <https://www.trvbooking.com/BPUDE>

## READINGS FOR PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

### Gospel

When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, and said to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it.'

If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" say, "The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately". And they went away, and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street; and they untied it.

And those who stood there said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' And they told them what Jesus had said; and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments on it; and he sat upon it.

And many spread their garments on the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed cried out, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Hosanna in the highest!'

### First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7

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

#### Response: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips; they toss their heads.

'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;

let him release him if this is his friend.'

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me.

They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones.

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me!

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory.

Revere him, Israel's sons.'

### Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

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!

Mark 11:1-10



## Holy Week Parish Diary

### Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup>

Mass 6:30am

St Joachim's

Mass of Forgiveness 6:00pm  
St Agnes'

### Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>

Mass 6:00pm

St Agnes

### Holy Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>

Mass of the Lord's Supper  
6:30pm  
St Joachim's

### Good Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Stations of the Cross 10:00am  
St Joachim's

The Lord's Passion 3:00pm  
St Agnes'

### Holy Saturday

### Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Easter Vigil 6:30pm  
St Joachim's

### Easter Sunday

### Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7:30am  
St Joachim's

Mass 9:00am  
St Agnes

### NO 6:00PM MASS AT ST AGNES'

*"We ask the risen Jesus, who turns death into life, to change hatred into love, vengeance into forgiveness and war into peace."*

Pope Francis

## Holy Thursday Collection for St Vincent's Hostel for Men

Again this year you are invited to donate new clothing for the men of St Vincent's Hostel, South Brisbane. They especially appreciate underwear, singlets, socks, T Shirts and sweat shirts. One of the great symbols of Holy Thursday is the washing of the feet. It is a symbol of service and friendship. We show this service and friendship in many ways, our Holy Thursday collection is a communal way to live out the command of Jesus to do what he did. Baskets will be in the church on Thursday night or if you would like you can drop your donation into the Parish Office during the week. Thanking you in anticipation, for your generosity.

### PARISH NEWS

#### COUNTERS

Tony's team

#### COFFEE AND CHAT

Due to the Easter Monday holiday Coffee and Chat will be held on Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Please join other parishioners for morning tea and fellowship at BrizStar Café, Mt Gravatt Plaza (Coles end of plaza) commencing 10:00am. BrizStar is air-conditioned and has an area away from the plaza thoroughfare, this means less noise. If you would like to attend or need more information please contact Barbara, 3349 6334 or just turn up. Everyone is welcome.

#### MASS OF FORGIVENESS

There will be a Mass of Forgiveness held in St Agnes' Church this Monday evening at 6:00pm. No need to book for this mass, sign in on arrival.

#### GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND COLLECTION

There will be a retiring collection following the Passion of the Lord which helps to preserve the sacred places and supports Christians who live in the Holy Land.

#### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM – 1ST EUCHARIST

The parish would like to invite all children, in Yr 4 and above, who have been Confirmed in the Catholic tradition, to prepare for their First Communion. The program begins with a parent session. These will be held at St Joachim's church on Wed 5 and Thurs 6 May from 6.30pm. Enrolment registration closes on **Friday 23 April** and spaces are strictly limited. To secure your place RSVP to [sacpr.hpmg@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sacpr.hpmg@bne.catholic.net.au)

#### PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

Planned Giving can be arranged in a number of ways. If you would like to contribute by internet banking our details are: BSB: 064 – 786; A/c No: 100013625 A/c Name: Holland Park Mt Gravatt Parish. There is also now a tap machine in the churches for your convenience if you prefer this. This method is pre-set at \$10 per tap.

The Parish Giving app has been set up specifically for parishioners to be electronically connected to their parish for regular and one off giving. Download the app at: <https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/auth/login>

#### How to donate using the QR codes



1. Open the camera app and scan the QR code at the Church entrance and follow the link to the Giving Website
2. Log in or create an account
3. Tap on find nearest Parish
4. Tap on Holland Park Mt Gravatt Parish
5. Enter your chosen amount and card details and click on submit.



PALM SUNDAY  
28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021



For over half a century, generations of Australians have participated in Project Compassion, supporting vulnerable communities before, during and after natural disasters, conflicts and crises – making it one of the nation's longest running charity campaigns.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world lift themselves and their communities out of poverty. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by phoning 1800 024 413 or visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion).

### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### CENTACARE

Centacare provides practical and pastoral activities each weekday at the Mental Health Hub in Fortitude Valley for people living with a mental health issue. Centacare mental health workers can support people with their application process to the NDIS to assess their eligibility, provide supports funded under an existing package, or explore other sources of funding to join in activities if not NDIS eligible. Centacare also offers a pastoral and spiritual care program at the Fortitude Valley site which is free to join. For more information or to register interest please contact Centacare on 3853 7400

**CATHOLIC JUSTICE & PEACE COMMISSION PALM SUNDAY RALLY** This rally in support of refugees and people seeking asylum is being held this weekend - Sunday 28 March commencing 12noon at Reddacliff Place, 266 George St, Brisbane (opposite Treasury Casino and at the top of the Queen Street Mall).

Also, a reminder that our annual Good Friday Death Penalty Vigil will take place on April 2nd at noon at Christ the King Church, Churchill Street, Graceville. To comply with the Parish COVID Industrial Plan, we will need to register all those attending. To save time at the church, you can register at the link below: <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/deathpenaltyvigil>

#### THE SPIRIT OF HOPE MONTHLY CITY PRAYER MEETING

To be held in St Stephen's Chapel on Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> from 10.45 - 12.15pm following the regular 10am Mass. (You will need to ring the Cathedral 33243030 to book for Mass). Join us for Praise & Worship, Witness talk & Personal Prayer Ministry. Please email Maureen on [maureenallison43@gmail.com](mailto:maureenallison43@gmail.com) or ring 0403002199 for bookings. Enq:- 0403002199/0405321901

#### AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA

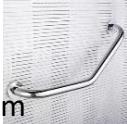
Across the world tens of millions of Christian families are in exile following persecution because of their faith. Could you help stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters and help ease their heavy burdens? Visit [www.aidtochurch.org/refugees](http://www.aidtochurch.org/refugees)



The Holland Park Mt Gravatt Catholic Parish acknowledge the Jagera people, the Traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

**HOME ASSISTED MODIFICATIONS**

Grab rails, grab bars and other aids for aged care in and around the home.  
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