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RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00 - 4.30 pm

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES** Saturday (Vigil)

5.00pm 7.30am, 9.30am & 5.30pm Sunday

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES** 

NO MASS and Tuesday Monday 8.00am

Wednesday 9.00am

Thursday 8.00am and Friday 8.00am

**BAPTISMS** 

2nd and 4th Sunday of the Month at 11.00am (unless of another event that day) (Booking is essential)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** 

1st, 2nd and 3th Sunday of the Month- 9.30am (School Term Only)

**FAMILY MASS** 

4th Sunday of the Month at 9.30am (School term only)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS
1st Wednesday of the month at 9.00am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Thursday: For 24 hrs after the 8am Mass

until the start of Friday 8am Mass

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY 2nd and 4th Monday of the Month at 7.00pm

All enquiries for assistance Ph: 1800 846 643

**SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER** 3rd Sunday of every Month at 9.30am Jim Kearney 0410 881 622

# Easter Sunday — 20th April 2025 (YEAR C)

## Reflection

A man was driving along the road when he saw the Easter Bunny hop into his lane. He swerved to avoid hitting the bunny, but couldn't do so. The basket of eggs went everywhere. The driver felt guilty and began to cry. A woman saw the man and pulled over. 'What's wrong?' she asked. 'I accidentally killed the Easter Bunny', he explained. The woman knew exactly what to do. She went to her car, pulled out a spray can, walked over to the bunny, and sprayed the entire contents over the little furry animal. Miraculously the Easter Bunny came back to life, jumped up, picked up his eggs, waved at them and hopped on down the road. Not far away the Easter Bunny stopped, turned around and waved again. He kept doing this for as far as they could see.

The man was astonished. 'What in heaven's name is in that can you sprayed on the Easter Bunny?' The woman showed the man the label. It said: 'Hair spray. Restores life to dead hair. Adds permanent wave.

For many of our children the bunny and its eggs are the most important thing about Easter. Over the millennia, Christianity has had a gift for domesticating local traditions and festivals, bringing them on board and making them our own. The name Easter comes from the Anglo Saxon spring festival in honour of the goddess Eostre. Her symbol was the rabbit and the giving of eggs were signs of new life bursting forth as winter withdrew. These associations only make sense in the northern hemisphere, but we can see why the early Christians could be so adaptable and inculturated with this local festival.

In both hemispheres Christians today celebrate Jesus being raised from the dead. In the New Testament there are two traditions about how the disciples come to know about Jesus' resurrection: the empty tomb and the apparitions of Christ.

Today's Gospel belongs to the empty tomb tradition. On Magdalene's urging, Peter and John run to the tomb, find it empty and come to at least an initial belief about the resurrection of Jesus.

We do not believe that God simply revived Jesus' corpse in the tomb, as our driver resuscitated the bunny in today's story. Easter Sunday does not celebrate the resuscitation of Jesus, but his Resurrection. We know his 'glorified body' was not the same as his human body because Jesus' presence could be encountered in several places simultaneously and he is reported to walk through walls and to vanish. The link between both resurrection traditions is the importance of Jesus' death. In the empty tomb accounts, as in today's gospel, the writers give us extraordinary details about the grave clothes. In the apparition narratives there are usually references to Jesus' wounds.

Whatever way they came to experience the Resurrection of Christ, the disciples knew that this was Jesus who actually died and was buried and that their personal encounter was with the one who was crucified.

What God did through the death and resurrection of Jesus is what Christians have done with local customs and festivals ever since: he entered into it, understood it, took it on board, domesticated it and vanquished its power. As a result we believe that God empathises with the full limitations of our human mortality and promises to remain faithful to us in death as he remained utterly faithful to Jesus.

That is why on this day 1,600 years ago St John Chrysostom could say on behalf of us all:

'Hell took a body, and discovered God. It took earth, and encountered Heaven. It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it could not see. O death, where is your sting? O Hell, where is your victory? Christ is Risen, and you, O death, are destroyed! Christ is Risen, and evil is cast down! Christ is Risen, and angels rejoice! Christ is Risen, and new life is set free! Christ is Risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead; for Christ having risen from the dead, becomes the first-fruit of those who have fallen asleep. To Him be Glory and Power forever and ever. Amen!'

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# PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 21st April NO Mass

#### **Tuesday 22nd April**

Mass 8.00am Rosary after Mass Samaritans 9.30am

#### Wednesday 23rd April

Mass 9.00am

Inurnment Srs. Dawn & Cecilia 9.30am NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 24th April
Mass 8.00am
NO Perpetual Adoration

Friday 25th April Mass 8.00am

Saturday 26th April NO Reconciliation 4.00pm Easter Vigil Mass 6.00pm

#### Sunday 27th April

[Second Sunday of Easter]

Mass 7.30am, 9.30am

Baptism 11.00am

Mass 5.30pm

# Please pray for our recently deceased:

Mary Chrissy, Moira Andrews, Rita Cheles, Val (Valerir) Masala, Di Pino, Nancy McLaughlin, Tim Purcell, Sr Janine Bliss FMM, William Darch, Thomas Hayes,

#### those whose

Anniversaries occur about now:
Anthony Ellison, Doreen Purcell, Gail
Purcell, Catherine Purcell, Ester and
Anzal Day, Ross Caruso, Helmet
Kofler, Valma Ihle, Moira Andrews, Joe
Hennessy, Barry Searle, Alex Harding,
Catherine and Patrick Mahony, Gerard
Janssen, Robyn Woolley,

Prayer for the Sick

Jessica O'Brien

The Samaritans are taking a little break and will resume back on Tuesday 22nd April.

SAMARITANS, a parish based organisation with 51 years of history in the parish,

Tuesday Mornings (during School Term) 9.30-12 with morning tea

Card games, Scrabble, Rummykub, Art class, and Bingo.

A fun packed morning!

Chance to make new friends - All welcome transport offered.
Cost \$7.00 per visit
Volunteers always welcome

Come and enjoy a fun based morning in airconditioned comfort in the Parish Hall (next to church)

Contact 0405241644 for further information

20 April, 2025 - Easter Sunday

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, approached, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it. His appearance was like lightning and his clothing was white as snow. The guards were shaken with fear of him and became like dead men. Matthew 28:1-4

Reflect, today, upon the most glorious, awe-inspiring, life-changing message of Christ's Resurrection. If you find that you do not understand this message, then this Easter Season is an important time for you. It must be a time in which you dispel any fear that clouds your thinking.

It must be a time when you listen most attentively in faith. It must be a time when you hear God speak to you about His glorious triumph over sin and death. It must be a time when you more fully penetrate the mystery of the Resurrection. And it must be a time when you recommit yourself to go forth and share that message with others.

Listen to the angels of God. Receive their message and allow Christ's Resurrection to change your life forever.

## **ALL EASTER SERVICES**

Volunteers are needed for various ministries. Please put your name down on the list in the Sacristy

#### Laudato Si

Passover with Roman garrisons riding in to Jerusalem in a show of force, Jesus riding in on a previously unridden colt, and all the symbolic actions that ensue, set the stage for our Paschal mystery. Jesus' faithfulness to his real mission leads to the disappointment of those hoping for a military contest. Astoundingly, what results is the resurrection. "The liturgy of the Easter Vigil employs a wealth of symbols to point to this joyful truth: new fire struck from darkness, the paschal candle lit, the flame spreading throughout the community, and exulting song, ringing bells, green branches and flowers, water of baptism, oil of confirming, bread and wine of Eucharist" (Elizabeth A. Johnson, Creation and the Cross – The Mercy of God for a Planet in Peril, Orbis Books, 2018 p.111). Easter Joy is a cosmic and yet grounded, already-but-not-yet 'eschatological' mystery. We are encouraged to act in freedom but to do so knowing we have God in solidarity through all our personal and planetary darkness. See: stories of hope, by Columban sister Cristita de Leon of Mandalay, Myanmar: https://laudatosimovement.org/news/lsmsmonthly-prayer-guide-april-2025-for-the-use-of-new-technologies-that-respectnatures-rhythms/



**PROJECT**COMPASSION

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.

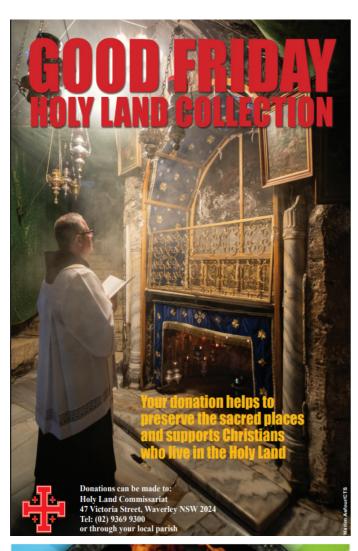
As we reflect on the Easter message of love, compassion, and new beginnings, we are reminded of the incredible impact your contributions make. Together, we are building a world where no one is left behind.

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.



this Lent





Cross

18th April 2025 10.00am

Once again the parish is doing a re-enactment of the Stations on the Cross for Good Friday. We would love for school student volunteers to help re-enact the stations. If you would like to volunteer please contact us.

Monday 14th April 9.00 - 12.00noon

[Rehearsal]

Friday 18th April 7.00am -8.00am

[Rehearsal]

8.00am -9.00am

[Breakfast]

9.00am - 9.45am

[Final Preparation]

Where: Little Flower Church

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**BBQ Volunteers Required** Volunteers are required to assist with the Election Sausage Sizzle on Saturday the 3rd May. We require people to turn a few people to sell some, turn some sausages and serve some sausages. If you think you could do this for a couple of hours and help the parish raise some funds for parish projects, like a new shed to replace the one that blew away please click the link below: https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/10C0848A4A62FA6FAC52-51556309-sausage Or contact Paul Masters on 0438106049

LITTLE FLOWER CHURCH

# **HOLY WEEK** 2025

#### HOLY THURSDAY | APRIL 17

7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper 9.00pm Night Prayer

#### GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 18

10.00am Stations of the Cross 3.00pm Passion of Our Lord with Communion

#### HOLY SATURDAY | APRIL 19

NO Reconciliation at 4.00pm 6.00pm Celebration of the Easter Vigil

#### EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 20

Mass at 7.30am and 9.30am NO Mass at 5.30pm



#### **FLOCKNOTE SIGNUP**

Many of us are familiar with the paper parish census form; we fill these out every few years to ensure we stay up to date with who is in the parish and to keep ourselves connected to parish programs and ministries. With much more activity online today, Flocknote is the ultimate secure solution for managing communication between you and the parish. . Parishioners and visitors are invited to use the QR code and signup and register with the parish. If you have any questions, speak with the Parish office or scan the QR code here to register today!



## The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Franciscus



## **Safeguarding Commitment**

The Archdiocese has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse & is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries & services.

The safety & wellbeing of children & adults-at-risk is paramount.

WHS Incident Report. Parishioners and visitors are reminded of the requirement to immediately report any health or safety incident, injury or damage that occurs within our Parish. Reporting assists our Parish to provide the necessary assistance, take remedial action and provide mandatory notifications to the Archdiocese and the Division of Work Health and Safety QLD.





Kedron Parish Hall - MONDAYS

4:30 - 5:30 and 6:30 - 8pm

Complimentary introductory classes

0408 982 248 Instructor Kate Eggar - 8th Dan Bo

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