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**RECONCILIATION**  
 Saturday 4.00 - 4.30 pm  
**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**  
 Saturday (Vigil) 5.00 pm  
 Sunday 7.30 am 9.30 am & 5.30 pm

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**  
 Monday NO MASS and Tuesday 8.00 am  
 Wednesday 9.00 am  
 Thursday 8.00 am and Friday 8.00 am

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

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**  
 2nd Sunday of the Month- 9.30 am  
 (School Term Only)

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

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

**ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**  
 2nd and 4th Monday of the Month at 7.00 pm  
 (Parish Office)

All enquiries for assistance Ph: 1800 846 643

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

*Palm Sunday - 29th March 2026 (YEAR A)*

**Stations of the Cross will be held every  
 Friday after Mass at 8.30am**

**Reflection**

As a child I can remember our diocese having large processions for the feasts of Corpus Christi, Christ the King and one of the Marian feast days. They were called 'public demonstrations of Catholic faith'. For children they were sometimes long and boring, but they did give us a sense that we belonged to something big, and someone bigger, and that our faith had a 'stand up and be counted' dimension to it. For many Catholics today large-scale religious processions are quickly becoming a thing of the past. That's a pity.

The point of religious processions is not just to get us from one location to the next. It is also to mark a rite of passage. Think of the smaller processions most Christians undertake in their lives: to the baptismal font; down the aisle to take their marriage vows, or to graduate from a school or college and to be farewelled. In each case we recess out of the Church differently from how we entered it: as a newly initiated member of the Christian community; as a husband or wife; as a graduate; and to be buried.

The Palm Sunday Procession is the last congregational one mandated by the Missal to be observed throughout the entire Church. Recalling Jesus' procession into Jerusalem this procession is not meant to be an historical pageant. Like all liturgical moments it's meant to intersect with our own lives and speak to our journey of faith. What makes this procession so powerful is that it starts with hysteria and ends in death. And that tells us something we need to hear.

Matthew's account of the Passion is very tough on the Jewish leaders. His entire Gospel has been preparing the hearer for this. Matthew shows that even though the Jews had the New Moses right in front of them, they were unable to recognise him because he didn't fit their expectations of the Messiah. The crowd in Jerusalem receive him like a pop star, acclaiming him as their own. By week's end the Chief Priests and elders manipulate the crowd's enthusiasm to force Pilate to execute Jesus. And throughout it all, during the adulation of the crowd, their change of allegiance to Barabbas and at his trial, Jesus hardly says a word. In Matthew's Gospel Jesus' silence is deafening.

In the journey of faith we should always be on our guard against being part of a manipulated crowd. The unchecked enthusiasms of a crowd can carry us away to places, people or things we would not ordinarily choose and should not embrace. If we are vulnerable, a gifted guru through his or her version of eternal life can whip us up into a frenzy. We only have to look at the power of the media and advertising to see how susceptible we are to becoming a slave to fashionable ideologies, dress codes and what and who is in or out. Every time we buy something because someone else has it or because we convince ourselves that our wants are really our needs, the crowd has won. The story of Passion Sunday is that manipulation of a crowd, even by legitimate authorities, can be the beginning of spiritual death. Hype often distorts priorities, blurs good judgment and can choose expediency over integrity.

So what's the remedy to being manipulated, to regaining a sense of what really matters, to standing up against the crowd for the values we know are right? Jesus shows us in Matthew's Gospel. It starts with silence. It's being a contemplative in a manic world and praying for the courage to dissent from the crowd's hyped-up madness.

As we process into Holy Week, this annual rite of passage for our faith, may we model our lives on Jesus in every way by creating the silence we need in our lives to sort out our priorities, by using silence powerfully in a world that loves words but has very little to say about our meaning and destiny and allowing our sacrificial love, even to the point of death, to do all the talking.

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## DATES FOR 2026 SACRAMENTS

### Date Claimers

**CONFIRMATION (Yr 3 and above) - Term 1**  
**ENROLMENT MASS—Little Flower Church**

**Wednesday 22 April** Workshop 4.00pm – 5.00pm  
(A – K) - Little Flower Church

or

**Thursday 23 April** Workshop 4.00pm – 5.00pm  
(L – Z) - Little Flower Church

**Thursday 30 April CONFIRMATION**  
**Ceremony evening**  
**5.00pm and 7.00pm (only one session to be chosen)**

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY, 3RD APRIL 2026

10.00AM

### REHEARSAL TIMES

#### Rehearsal and Performance Program:

##### Sunday 22 March

Rehearsal #1 in Little Flower Church 3 – 4 pm

##### Sunday 29 March

Rehearsal #2 in Little Flower Church 3 – 4 pm

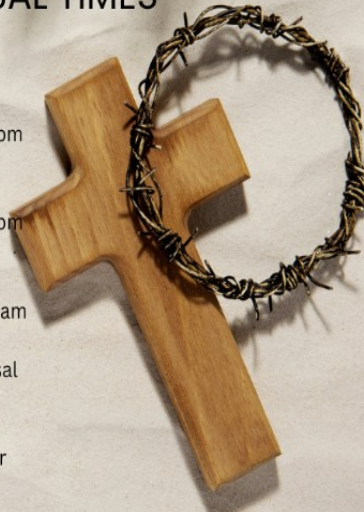
##### Friday 3 April

Final Dress Rehearsal in Little Church 7 – 8 am

Breakfast supplied by Parish after rehearsal  
Hall 8 - 9 am

Good Friday Performance in Little Flower  
Church 10 – 11am

Good Friday marks the death of Jesus, who was a perfect  
sacrifice, taking upon Himself our guilt and blame.



### Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before

he was crucified.

Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect. Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday.

The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed in war.

A week later, Christ would rise from the dead on the first Easter.

During Palm Sunday Mass, palms are distributed to parishioners who carry them in a ritual procession into church. The palms are blessed and many people will fashion them into small crosses or other items of personal devotion. These may be returned to the church, or kept for the year.

Because the palms are blessed, they may not be discarded as trash. Instead, they are appropriately gathered at the church and incinerated to create the ashes that will be used in the follow year's Ash Wednesday observance.

The colors of the Mass on Palm Sunday are red and white, symbolizing the redemption in blood that Christ paid for the world.

### Laudato Si

The meaning of the Hebrew word Lulav (palm) is originally a Torah command (Leviticus 23:40) and is used in the Jewish harvest holiday of Sukkot. The species are date palm, willow, myrtle and citron. The layers in the word origin are debated but the four-letter name of God (YHWH) with masculine and feminine is symbolized and it is in the context of joy at harvest and hope for peace on earth. Paul the missionary deals extensively with the Jewish diaspora and preaches to neophyte Christian communities in many cities which included Hellenized Jews. Paul tried telling the Athenians their "unknown god" was Jesus the Christ. "Their philosophers were not receptive and Paul left disappointed, convinced that ... he would not waste his time with philosophy, but would stick to the gospel message" (see historian Rodney Stark's *Cities of God*. Harper Collins 2006). As Stark lays out, dozens of early wars devastated cities and countries in order to aggrandize despotic rulers fearful of loss. Rome feared Christ who simply came on a donkey. Pope Leo XIV says we cannot remain silent in the face of war <https://www.ncronline.org/vatican/vatican-news/pope-leo-death-and-pain-caused-wars-scandal-entire-human-family>

### Please pray for our recently deceased:

James Christian, Maureen Scott, Dot Dixon, Geoff Holden, Sr Gabrielle Ryan, Don Reade, Owen Boyle, Romeo Cabello, Loida Azul, Fr Tom Hartle OFM,

### those whose

### Anniversaries occur about now:

Harry Roy Nanda, John Currie, Feriero Family, Claremont Family, Sarah Benedetti, Paul Hotchkis, Eileen Stevens Jack Lindau,

### Piety Store

The Piety store donated \$1000.00 to the Franciscan Missions in PNG. We choose PNG as I think they need it and are our closest neighbour. The generosity from the Parishioners has been outstanding

## ALL EASTER SERVICES

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

### Palm Sunday

28th March  
5.00pm  
Vigil

### Sunday

29th March  
7.30am 9.30am  
5.30pm

## EASTER SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK 2026

### Holy Thursday

2nd April  
No morning Mass  
7.00pm Mass of  
the Lord's Supper

### Night Prayer

at 9.00pm Parish  
Hall

### Good Friday

3rd April  
10.00am  
Stations of the  
Cross

3.00pm  
Passion of Our  
Lord

### Holy Saturday

4th April  
6.00pm Celebra-  
tion of the Easter  
Vigil

### Easter Sunday

5th April  
7.30am and  
9.30am

**NO MASS** at  
5.30pm

### PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

#### Monday 30th March

**NO Mass**

**Funeral Mass** 10.00am  
(for the late Raymond Lanskey)

#### Tuesday 31st March

**Mass** 8.00am

**Rosary after Mass**  
**Samaritans** 9.30am

#### Wednesday 1st April

**Mass** 9.00am

(Anointing Mass)

**Delamore** 4:45pm

#### Thursday 2nd April

**Holy Thursday**

**Lords Supper** 7.00pm

#### Friday 3rd April

(Good Friday)

**Stations of the Cross** 10.00am

**The Passion** 3.00pm

#### Saturday 4th April

(Holy Saturday)

**Easter Vigil** 6.00pm

#### Sunday 5th April

(Easter Sunday)

**Mass** 7.30am, 9.30am

**NO Mass** 5.30pm

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### 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!



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