

We Respond

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (or a hymn) Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 21)

ANTIPHON: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

RESPONSE: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

LECTOR: 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." **R.**

LECTOR: 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. **R.**

LECTOR: 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! **R.**

LECTOR: 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." **R.**

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!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (or a hymn) Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

TODAY'S READINGS Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Mark 14:1 - 15:47

NEXT WEEK (Easter Sunday) Acts 10:34, 37-43; Psalm 117; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

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A tale of love and suffering



28 March 2021 Palm Sunday Year B

For Christians, the story of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus represents the climax, not just of the earthly life of our Lord, but of all biblical revelation. In the gospel of Mark, the passion account begins with a reminder that the leaders of the people (chief priests and scribes) were looking for a way to get Jesus arrested and executed, but they didn't want to incite a riot among the people because of the esteem in which they held Jesus.

It is impossible to comment on all the elements of this incredibly rich gospel, so I will offer some thoughts on a little 'story-within-the-story', which is the anointing of Jesus by an unnamed woman at the very beginning of the narrative.

At first glance, this episode seems completely irrelevant and we may be tempted to dismiss it until we read, at the end of the story: "... wherever throughout the world the Good News is proclaimed, what she has done will be told also, in remembrance of her."

This story is important because it is related to the Passion of Jesus and is a prelude to the more important story. This woman's actions tells us how to read and understand the Passion of Jesus. Briefly stated, her extravagant anointing of Jesus represents what Jesus is about to do for the world. Just as she breaks open the exquisite alabaster jar and pours its precious and fragrant ointment on the head of Jesus in

anticipation of his death and burial, so also Jesus will allow his body to be broken in death and will pour the precious ointment of his life-blood on all of us.

Her action is considered wasteful and foolish by the bystanders, so that Jesus corrects them as he praises the woman for her generosity. In like manner, what Jesus does may appear to be foolish and wasteful to an unbelieving and cynical world, but his Father will raise him from the dead and thereby confirm forever the wisdom of his generosity.

If we take this little story of the anointing of Jesus seriously, we will learn that the passion story is not primarily about how much Jesus suffered, but rather about how much he loved. He did suffer, and his suffering was intense. But suffering as such is not necessarily redemptive. What makes the pain and suffering of Jesus the source of salvation for us is the fact that it resulted from his extraordinary loving. We all know that suffering can come from sources other than loving, such as not getting our own way or being wedded to false goals, but this kind of selfish suffering has nothing in common with the suffering of Jesus.

The passion is a brutal story of suffering and death, but it is also the defining story of God's love for us. The woman understands, but the disciples have yet to gain this insight.

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CURRENT PARISH NEWS
WEEK START SUN MARCH 28, 2021
PASSION SUNDAY



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NEXT BAPTISM ENROLMENT TALK SUN MAY 4 AT 4PM IN PARISH HALL. NO APPT NECESSARY!
Sat ~ 9am, 6pm;
Sun ~ 6.30am & 8.30am
Mon & Wed ~ 6.30am;
Tues & Fri ~ 9am



MASS ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS ~ 9AM

Thank You ...to all who support Regina Caeli in any way, be it practically or financially. All assistance is valued & important. For new practical helpers contact p/office. For financial support facilities please contact office or you may also deposit online: BSB 064 786 A/c 100013354

Please note New account details above!!

(Please incl ref) 'Passing the plate' is prohibited at the moment, hence, "gifting" boxes are located at all doors if you are wishing to support parish.

Spare envelopes available.
 Parish Giving app available.



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ON THE BACK OF OUR RECENT FINANCIAL REPORT & NOTING THAT WE HAVE LESS & LESS CASH IN OUR WALLETS THESE DAYS, (WE SEEM TO PAY BY CARD A LOT MORE) IF PARISHIONERS WISH TO DONATE ON LINE FOR CONVENIENCE, PLEASE CONTACT PARISH OFFICE & WE WILL CONVEY ALL POSSIBILITIES.



Coming up in 2021... **March/April**

27/28 Reconciliation Prep 3:

28 Palm Sunday -

The Passion of the Lord

29 Candidate Sacrament Reconciliation Ceremony

30 Parish Mass of Reconciliation in Holy Week 7pm

April 1 Holy Thursday / 2 Good Friday

3 Easter Vigil / 4 Easter Sunday

Children's Church 8.30am hall!



Passion Sunday heralds the start of Holy Week. Consider giving us a hand Eastertime with **all extra readings.** Volunteer reader sheet in foyer.

Sacrament families Ceremony of Reconciliation

Monday March 29 @ 5pm & 6.30pm



Parish Mass of Reconciliation

prior to Easter

Tuesday March 30 @ 7pm

EASTER MASS & CEREMONY TIMES

PARISH MASS OF RECONCILIATION

Tues March 30, 7pm,

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm

GOOD FRIDAY

10am

'STATIONS OF THE CROSS'

3pm

CELEBRATION OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD' & COMMUNION

EASTER VIGIL ~ Saturday 6pm

EASTER SUNDAY

Mass of the Resurrection

Sunday 6.30am & 8.30am

"No evening Mass on Easter Sunday"

For any Easter ceremonies prior booking will allow ease of entry. Use sheet in foyer or contact parish office.

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The 'Norm from Jan 22, 2021'

- ♦ Stay home if unwell; Masks optional
- ♦ Sign In & Sanitise your hands
- ♦ Social Distancing (1person or family / 2m²)
- ♦ Sanitise your space with wipes on exit
- ♦ Only Priests to distribute Communion
- ♦ Sign of Peace spoken greeting only
- ♦ Gifting boxes available at all doors for donations
- ♦ Take newsletter home with you. No Hymn books



RECENTLY DECEASED: BROCK MILLER,

FRS PAT DOWD & PETER GILLAM,

ANNA LEUTE FRUEAN, CLETUS OBI,

EDWARD BRIGGS, NEIL FALLON, BART GAFFNEY,

LUCY HOUGHTON, FAY THOMAS, DOMINIC VU

ANNIVERSARIES: Wynten Neilsen, Lorna Jones, Fr Tom Jones,

A'bishop John Bathersby, Les Heathwood, Josie Sternfeldt,

George Lee, Laura Gleadhill, Trevor Smith,

Ennio & Antoinette Morlacci, Villoelmo Calvisi,

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Joshua Chester, Pat Cochrane,

Veronica & Cathy Comiskey, Neil Cremin, Pat Dugger,

George D'Allura, Loye Gardiner, Ray Garrigan, Paul Heathwood,

Allaura Hows, Kath Keogh, Nicky Logan Paddy Logan, Katie

Loveday, Trish McConnell, Fr Ron Mollison, Marie-Louise O'Brien,

Pam O'Reilly, Peter Owen, Peter Reid, Wal & Joyce Smith,

Lester Steen, Nathaniel Williams, Zelina & family



WEEK 6: 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.

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Message from the Archbishop... This Sunday is Palm Sunday when we begin the celebrations of a Holy Week, climaxing on Easter Sunday. We'll bless palms in memory of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem where a few days later he'd be brutally executed as a criminal. So the next week puts before us the most basic questions about what it means to succeed and what it means to fail. Jesus on the Cross looks a hopeless failure; but we see his death as a triumph of love, which is the only power stronger than death. That's why he rises from the dead. In that moment, the love that was perfectly violated on Calvary is perfectly vindicated. It has the victory forever. So the palms we bless on Palm Sunday we burn on Ash Wednesday as we begin the journey to Easter. The triumphs of this world are short-lived and illusory; they are ashes. The triumph of Easter when Jesus rises from the ashes is eternal and true. That's why it's the ground of human hope.

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HOSANNA TO THE SON OF DAVID

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna to the Son of David!
 Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna to the Lord!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

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JESUS, REMEMBER ME

Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.
 Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.



COMMUNION © M HAUGEN **RETURN TO GOD**

INSTRUMENTAL

REFLECTION © BERNADETTE FARRELL

UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT

Refrain: Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die, it remains but a single grain with no life.

V1 If we have died with him then we shall live with him;

if we hold firm we shall reign with him. R/-

V2 If anyone serves me

then they must follow me;

wherever I am my servants will be. R/-

RECESSIONAL © PATRICK BRENNAN

HAIL REDEEMER, KING DIVINE

V1 Hail, Redeemer, King divine!
 Priest and Lamb, the Lord of time,
 King, whose reign shall never cease,
 Prince of everlasting peace.



REFRAIN: Angels, saints and nations, sing:

"Praise be Jesus Christ our King;

Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,

King of love on Calvary."

V2 King, whose name creation thrills,

Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,

Till in peace, each nation rings

With your praises, King of kings. **R/-**