



## MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH PARISH

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**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: TO BE A LIGHT UNTO THE WORLD**

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Parish Secretary: Veena Miranda

Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm

**Acknowledgement of Country** : We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians, Elders and communities and the spirit that binds us in our dreams and aspirations on Dharawal country. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

## *Palm Sunday*

*23rd & 24th March 2024*

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

**"Please pick a Palm Sunday Booklet & return it after the Mass"**

#### Entrance Antiphon

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to him; in their hand 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.

#### FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (50:4-7)

*(I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed).*

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.

The Word of the Lord.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Ps 21)

**All: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

**Reader:** 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.'

**All: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

**Reader:** 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.

**All: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

**Reader:** 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!

**All: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

**Reader:** 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.'

**All: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

#### SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians (2:6-11)

*(He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high).*

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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.

The word of the Lord.

## 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!**

## GOSPEL

**MK 14:1-15:47**

### Communion Antiphon

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday : 6:00 pm.** (Vigil Mass)

**Sunday : 8:00 am & 10:00 am.**

### Weekday Masses :

**Mon- Fridays at 9:00 am**

**Saturday : 8.30am**

### RECONCILIATION:

**Saturday : 5:15pm – 5:45pm**

**Every Wednesday : NOVENA to our Mother Mary,**  
6:30pm Rosary followed by Novena Prayers

**Lenten Reflection :** Every Sundays during Lent at  
2.30pm in the Logos Centre.

**Sunday School :** Every Sundays during 10am Mass  
in the Logos Centre. (during the School Term)

## **READINGS FOR EASTER SUNDAY**

**YEAR B : 31st March 2024**

**Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6-8;  
Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 16:1-7**

**BAPTISMS are open. Every 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month.**

**For Baptism Preparation** please contact **Maria D'souza** through email :  
**maria197114@gmail.com** OR  
**contact the Parish Office.**

## **Sacrament of Confirmation :2024**

**Requirements for the Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation :**

- Baptized in the Catholic Church
- Received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion
- In year 6 or above
- Attend all preparatory classes

Parents Meeting : **Tuesday 23rd April at 7pm**  
(Meeting with parent/guardian and candidate)

Enrolments are open now. (Application Forms are available in the Church Foyer)  
Any queries, please contact the parish office.



**EVERYONE INVITED....**

**Mary Mother of The Church  
Annual Dinner Dance 2024**

**St John the Evangelist Catholic Parish  
Campbelltown Hall  
On Saturday 25th May 2024 at 6:30 pm**  
Music, Dance, Door Prizes and Buffet Dinner  
*Tickets are available for sale.*

*Please see Lina or Contact the Parish Office*

*Price : \$45 /ticket*

*Dress Code : Smart Casual*

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## EASTER SERVICES

### Holy Thursday, 28th March 2024

Mass at 7pm

**(Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament till 9.30pm. The faithful are encouraged to spend a suitable period of time during the night in the hall in adoration)**

### Good Friday, 29th March 2024:

Stations of the Cross at 9am

First Rite of Reconciliation at 10am

**Celebration of the passion of the Lord at 3pm**

### **The Veneration of the Cross :**

You are welcome to bring your own cross for the veneration on Good Friday. You are welcome to touch the cross but no kissing of the cross.

### Holy Saturday, 30th March 2024:

**Easter Vigil Mass** at 7pm

### Easter Sunday, 31st March 2024:

Mass at 8am & 10am

Easter Baptism during 10am Mass.

### Notice :

**Holy Thursday (28/03/2024) - There will be No Morning Mass at 9am**

**Holy Saturday (30/03/2024) - There will be No morning mass at 8:30am**

### Divine Mercy Sunday : 7th April 2024

2.00pm - exposition of Blessed Sacrament, silent adoration, divine mercy chaplet and prayers,

**3pm benediction followed by Holy Mass.**

All Welcome.

### Feast of Pedro Calungsod

Saturday, 13th April 2024 Mass is at 8:30am followed by breakfast in the parish hall.

All welcome.

### Bible study : Resumes on April 14, 2024

Fortnightly on Sundays at 2.00pm in the Logos Centre.

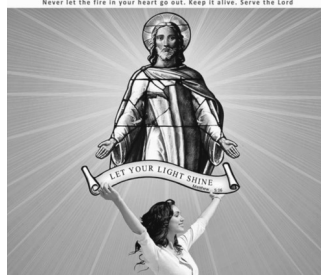
### **Holy Week roster for Readers :**

Readers, please check the notice board if your name is on the roster for Holy Week. Thank You.

## **A Spiritual Retreat for Women** with powerful

Come and Experience Women Alive

Never let the fire in your heart go out. Keep it alive. Serve the Lord



teaching and testimonies followed by a healing service led by Anastasia Rebello and team.

**Saturday 13th April 2024 (9:30am to 3:30pm)** at

St John's Parish Hall, 31 Cordeaux St, Campbelltown.

Free Entry. Parish Bus is available if you need the transportation, limited seats available. **RSVP : SMS Maria D'Souza on 0433 905 968**

## **Good Friday**

### **Holy Land Collection**

For 800 years, the Holy Land Franciscans have served in the land made holy by the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus. **The annual Holy Land Collection will be held on Good Friday, 29 March 2024.**

Pope Francis has asked our parishes to support the collection which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Holy Land Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The current and past wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Holy Land Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Holy Land Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please come prepared and donate generously.



Thank you to all those who during lent have been supporting Project Compassion - the annual awareness raising and fundraising campaign of Caritas Australia. The funds raised through Project Compassion go to support the marginalised and vulnerable. As the Lenten Season comes to a close we are asked to return our Project Compassion boxes and envelopes this week onwards.

**Please donate to Project Compassion.**

You can still donate by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.

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## Thanksgiving & Special Intention Mass offered for:

**Birthday :** John Buhach / Nigel Lowe / Miles Carbero / Jacinta Fuiono Sailiese / Anthony Smith /

**Thanksgiving :** Rachel & Trevor Noronha / Anishka, Alijah & Aisaach

## This week masses have been offered for the Sick and Special needs of :



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| * Dr Lydia de Jesus    | * Eva Silang          |
| * Dr Joycelyn de Jesus | * Carole Dimayuga     |
| * Leslie Reich         | * Selda Dimayuga      |
| * Noli Leyesa          | * Nancie              |
| * Jaypee Masangkay     | * Mason Dulalia       |
| * Aida Dayao           | * Jun & Charo Doctors |
| * Victor Padura        | * TJ del Rio          |
| * Nelia Ambat          | * Catherine Nguyen    |
| * Vivian Martin        | * Danny Titmarsh      |
| * Lucinda Rose         | * Resty Perez         |
| * Christine            | * Susan Biag          |
| * Marie-ange Suggun    | * Annie Beardley      |
| * Maria Vu             | * Cysiane             |
| * Maria D'Souza        | * Feliciana Matildo   |
| * Mick Jones           | * Bernie Hoey         |
| * Marlene Yongching    | * Thushara            |
| * David Hitchcock      | * Jake Vacte          |
| * Tess Valesini        |                       |

## THIS WEEK MASSES HAVE BEEN OFFERED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS & DEATH ANNIVERSARIES OF :



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| ✠ Sybil Le Miere              | ✠ Elvio Jr Doslavic |
| ✠ Gunn Park                   | ✠ Angel Milazzo     |
| ✠ Reetha Chacko               | ✠ Romeo Kabigting   |
| ✠ Gaudencia Mendoza           | ✠ Lola Moors        |
| ✠ Jose Mendoza                | ✠ Amy Wenden        |
| ✠ Andres Pacanot              | ✠ Matthew           |
| ✠ Feliciana Matildo           |                     |
| ✠ Joseph Gomez                |                     |
| ✠ Thomas James                |                     |
| ✠ Maria Hunkin                |                     |
| ✠ Maria Dinh                  |                     |
| ✠ Maria Nguyen                |                     |
| ✠ Maria Pham                  |                     |
| ✠ Sr Doreen Dyson             |                     |
| ✠ Lorenza & Nateliano Padayon |                     |
| ✠ Tumbaga & Sabado Families   |                     |
| ✠ Brian Ireland               |                     |
| ✠ Jorge Yanez                 |                     |
| ✠ Elizabeth Chandradjaja      |                     |
| ✠ All souls in Purgatory      |                     |



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- Call our caring staff on 4620 8822**

**SVD Prayer :** *"May the darkness of sin and night of unbelief vanish before the light of the Word and the spirit of grace, and may the heart of Jesus live in the hearts of all. Amen"* **Saint Arnold Janssen**

## Lenten Prayer :

God of all peoples and nations,  
As you accompany us on our  
Lenten journey,  
May our fasting strengthen our  
commitment to live in solidarity,  
Our almsgiving be an act of justice, and  
Our prayers anchor us in love and compassion.  
Through living simply and loving generously,  
May we care for our global family  
and our common home, as we  
"Aspire not to have more, but to be more".\*  
We ask this in Jesus' name.  
Amen.

\*Saint Oscar Romero

## The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (all bow)  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;  
He descended into hell; on the third day he rose  
again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is  
seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there He will come to judge the living and the  
dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic  
Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of  
sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.  
Amen.*