



St Mary's Cathedral
SYDNEY

CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



FOURTH SUNDAY
OF LENT

2022

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH
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ST COLUMBKILLE'S CHURCH,
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



FIRST READING *Joshua 5:9-12 (Year C)*

A reading from the book of Joshua

The people of God went to the promised land and there kept the passover.

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.'

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 33:2-7 (Year C)*

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free. **R.**

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress. **R.**

SECOND READING *2 Corinthians 5:17-21 (Year C)*

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

God reconciled us to himself through Christ.

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on this reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it

is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Luke 15:18 (Year C)*

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I will rise and go to my Father and tell him:

Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL *Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 (Year C)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Your brother here was dead and has come to life.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man,' they said, 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about, "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property - he and his women - you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

WORD FROM THE DEAN



Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors,

Today (Sunday 27th March) we mark as The Day of the Unborn Child. After the 10.30am Mass today there will be a rosary procession from the cathedral, moving past Parliament House and returning to the cathedral for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 1.30pm. On the subject of State Parliament and life issues, there is also a great need for prayer about the proposed euthanasia legislation before the parliament. Sadly, a parliamentary committee has recommended that the Legislative Council proceed with consideration of the bill.

The Archbishop has asked Catholics to support an e-petition launched by Upper House MLC Greg Donnelly opposing proposed euthanasia laws in NSW.

You can find a link to the e-petition on the archdiocese and cathedral social media pages, but here is the web address in full:

<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lc/pages/epetition-details.aspx?q=apWMTqo6WVdu1NOOVqOtYA>














We continue to pray for an end to this awful war in Ukraine. I would really encourage you to make a donation to the Caritas appeal for Ukraine, which will assist the refugee families and those displaced by the invasion, as part of your Lenten almsgiving. We're now mid-way through Lent in the Roman Rite, let us hope that the Catholic and Orthodox people of Ukraine will be able to celebrate Easter in peace, protected by the Immaculate Mother of God.

Every blessing for the week ahead,

Fr Don Richardson,
Dean

UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS

March – April 2022

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|  <h1>LENT</h1> | | | 26 Saturday 3am Consecration of Russia & Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary | 27 Sunday Fourth Sunday of Lent 10.30am Mass Day of the Unborn Child  | 28 Monday | 29 Tuesday |
| 30 Wednesday 6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) | 31 Thursday 6:30pm CITY COMPASS  | 1 Friday 12.15pm Stations of the Cross [Livestream]  | 2 Saturday | 3 Sunday Fifth Sunday of Lent 2.30pm Annual Catechist Mass  | 4 Monday | 5 Tuesday |
| 6 Wednesday 6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) | 7 Thursday 6:30pm CITY COMPASS  | 8 Friday 12.15pm Stations of the Cross [Livestream]  | 9 Saturday | 10 Sunday PALM SUNDAY  | 11 Monday | 12 Tuesday 6.30pm Organ Recital  <h3>HOLY WEEK</h3> |
| 13 Wednesday  6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) | 14 MAUNDY THURSDAY Mass Times 10.30am Chrism Mass 6.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper 9.00pm Compline | 15 GOOD FRIDAY  Mass Times 10.00am Stations of the Cross 3.00pm Passion of the Lord | 16 HOLY SATURDAY Mass Times 10.00am Tenebrae 6.30pm Easter Vigil  | 17 EASTER SUNDAY Mass Times 7.00am 9.00am 10.30am 5pm Vespers & Benediction 6pm  | 18 Easter Monday Public Holiday Mass 9am | 19 Tuesday |

Weekly Mass Schedule

MASS

Monday to Friday: 6:45am, 1:10pm, 5:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am, 12:00 noon

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 10:30am (Solemn Choral Mass), 6:00pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday to Friday: 12:00 noon to 1:00pm, 5:00pm to 5:25pm

Saturday: 11:30am, to 11:55am, 4:30pm to 5:30pm

EVENING VESPERS

Monday to Friday: 5:00pm

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 5:00pm

(Choral Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

CATHEDRAL NOTICES



**CONSECRATION
OF RUSSIA AND
UKRAINE TO THE**

*Immaculate
Heart of
Mary*

**Saturday
26 March**

**St Mary's Cathedral,
Sydney - 3:00am**

(Doors open from 2.30am)

*"I invite you to all join with me at this time and to unite ourselves
in prayer for peace in our world - Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP*

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY



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Immaculate Heart of Mary by Leopold Kupelwieser. IMAGE: WIKICOMMONS/CC BY-SA 4.0



Caritas Australia Ukraine Appeal

The escalating violence in Ukraine is rapidly becoming a dire humanitarian crisis. In a matter of days, over half a million people have been forced from their homes and at least 400 civilians have lost their lives.

Our long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground, supporting people in need during this unfolding humanitarian crisis.

Your urgent support today will help provide critical assistance including emergency shelter, food, clean water, transportation services, and psychological support to people affected by this crisis.

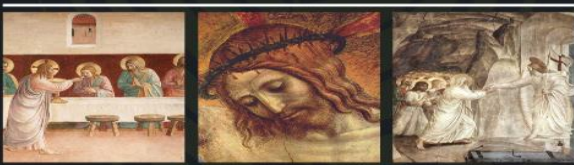
Donate today at www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413 toll free.




STAND AGAINST EUTHANASIA
Sign the e-petition to NSW Upper House MPs

The Debate on euthanasia and assisted suicide has resumed in NSW Parliament. A petition against this Bill can be signed by using the QR codes on the flyers in the church. Please pray that this Bill will not be passed, and that the dignity of every individual will be upheld.

ENTERING INTO HOLY WEEK
A WOMENS RETREAT DAY WITH THE DOMINICAN SISTERS OF SAINT CECILIA

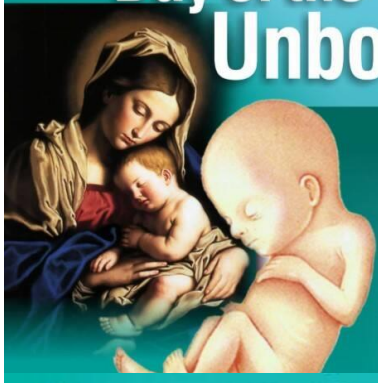


9TH APRIL 2022 | 10AM - 4PM
ST. PETER CHANEL, BERALA

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Day of the Unborn Child
... I will not forget you. I have carved you on the palm of my hands - Isaiah 49



Sydney, Sunday
27 Mar 2022
St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney
10:30am Mass
12 noon Street Procession
1:30pm Benediction

For more latest information check www.lifeandfamily.com.au

Launch of Vote for the Common Good Wednesday 30th March 2022 @ 6:00-7:00PM

The Justice and Peace Office and the Sisters of St Joseph invite you to the launch of the Vote for the Common Good days of action. The launch is an opportunity to all get together, either face to face or via zoom, to celebrate the days ahead and discuss how the Vote for the Common Good Election Kit may be used.

For catering purposes (tea, coffee, cake) please RSVP to Julie.macken@sydneycatholic.org or call on 0400 925 217.

This is an in-person event and will be held at St Columba's Parish Hall, 213 Elswick St, Leichhardt North. We will use Zoom to show the speakers but most likely won't have the capacity to make it interactive.

For the zoom details and to view the Election Kit in advance please visit: <https://justiceandpeace.org.au/events/launch-of-vote-for-the-common-good/>



EASTER

AT
ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

*"I invite you to join us as we
commemorate the saving
Passion, Death and Resurrection
of Jesus Christ, celebrated in the
sacred Liturgies of Holy Week".*

Fr Don Richardson,
DEAN OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

PALM SUNDAY / 10 APRIL, 2022

7.00am: Mass
9.00am: Mass
10.30am: Procession & Solemn Mass
5.00pm: Solemn Vespers &
Benediction
6.00pm: Mass

MAUNDY THURSDAY / 14 APRIL, 2022

10.30am: Chism Mass
6.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper
9.00pm: Compline The Office of Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY / 15 APRIL, 2022

10.00am: Stations of the Cross
3.00pm: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

HOLY SATURDAY / 16 APRIL, 2022

10.00am: Tenebrae The Office of Readings
6.30pm: Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY / 17 APRIL, 2022

7.00am: Mass
9.00am: Mass
10.30am: Solemn Mass
5.00pm: Solemn Vespers &
Benediction
6.00pm: Mass