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Easter Sunday - Year C

The Liturgy of the Word

Sunday 20th April 2025

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34a.37-43 Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: "You have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be lad.

SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-4 Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

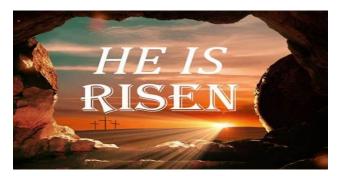
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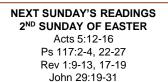
Luke 24: 1-12

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, the women went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb, but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there. As they stood there not knowing what to think, two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side. Terrified, the women lowered their eyes. But the two men said to them, 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he has risen. Remember what he told you when he was still in Galilee: that the Son of Man had to be handed over into the power of sinful men and be crucified, and rise again on the third day?' And they remembered his words. When the woman returned from the tomb they told all this to the Eleven and to all the others. The women were Mary of Magdala, Joanne and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them also told the apostles but this story of theirs seemed pure nonsense, and they did not believe them. Peter however, went running to the tomb. He bent down and saw the binding cloths, but nothing else; he then went back home, amazed at what had happened.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.







PARISH DIARY 21st – 27th April

MONDAY 21st April 9.00am No Mass

TUESDAY 22nd April 9.00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 23rd April 9.00am Mass

THURSDAY 24th April 9.00am Mass 9.30am - 10.30am Adoration

FRIDAY 25th April 9.00am Mass

SATURDAY 26th April 5.00-5.30pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Mass

SUNDAY 27th April 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) 8.30am Mass (Morning Tea) 10.00am Mass (Morning Tea)

EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets for the Easter Hamper raffle. The winners were: 1st Prize – Shanthi (Black E02) 2nd Prize – Rebecca (Green D66) 3rd Prize – Rohti (Green D84) All winners have been notified.

MOTHER'S DAY IS COMING Our hamper raffle will be on sale after Easter

The raffle will be drawn on Sunday 11th May after the 10am Mass during morning tea so get in quick to win a hamper full of Mothers Day items.

PARISH LOCAL PILGRIMAGE

We still have places available for the Parish pilgrimage on Monday 2nd June. Please put your name on the sign-up form in the foyer. If you would like to be involved in the organising of the pilgrimage, please contact the office at como@percatholic.org.au

EASTER OFFICE HOURS

The parish office will be closed from from 18 April (Good Friday), and will be re-opening on Tuesday, 22 April.

TAP AND GO MACHINE **1ST AND 2ND COLLECTION**

Tap each machine selecting the amount you wish to offer OR insert cash into the 2 cash chutes next to each machine.

PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS via DIRECT DEBIT

1st collection (supports the Priest) 2nd collection (supports the parish) 1ST Collection Account BSB 086 006 A/C number 331331103 2nd Collection Account BSB 036 050 A/C number 790041 Reference: Your Initial and Surname.





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. 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. You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above. Online at: caritas.org.au/projectcompassion Or call 1800 024 413

HOLY LAND COLLECTION **GOOD FRIDAY**



The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land is on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing assistance to local Christians. In 2024 we sent nearly \$1.5 million to the Holy Land. Please donate with envelopes provided or direct debit below:

Bank: CBA, Waverley NSW Account: Holy Land Commissariat BSB 062 267 Acc No: 1001 4847 Reference: Parish name & suburb If you require a receipt, email your receipt to admin@franciscans.org.au if you require a receipt.

HOLY FAMILY EVENT FEEDBACK FORM

We value your opinion. If you would like to have your say about any of the events that take place in our parish, please fill out a feedback form in the foyer and place it in the box next to the forms. Thank you all.

HOLY WATER

It is the practice of the church to empty the Holy water fonts on the days of the sacred Tridiuum in preparation of the blessing of the water at the Easter vigil. Holy Water will be in the fonts on Easter Sunday.

MASS INTENTIONS Recently Deceased: Gwen Howlett

If you would like a mass offered, please pass your offering envelope to Father before mass on the day. Father will read out the names at the beginning of Mass.

Norah Langshaw, Waminda Residents, Dragutin Markovic, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mary & Ben Bianchini, Mary Hippolite, Reg & Joyce Groutsch, Ed Devereux, Heather Jordan, Serafini Family, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Paddy Embry, Caroline, Wavne, Ethan, Liam & Scarlett, Sonali, Sachini, Amondo Robels & Fe Fontanini, Eric, Kerry & John Hardwick, Jake Manricks, Michael, Nadia, Adrian, Annie, Reg & May, Margaret & Arthur, Margaret Harrington, Edith Johnson, Barry O'Malley, Rhys, Brit, David, Janelle, Molly, Marlene Bissett, Brian Schofield, Ross Moir, Chris Baker, Ann Salmon, Jeffrey Bonser, Natasha & Paul Sanderson, Lynn Errington, Susan Pyper, Elaine, Barbara, Julie & Ray, Declan & Family, Jessie Amphlett, Rita Anderson, Brendan, Joshua, Roy Camille, Antonette & George, Alyssa & Genaro, Yolanda, Sarah, Fred, Nubia, Aura, Diego, Nicola Synnott, Carmel Lee, Joanna, Sarina, Anne Armstrong, Elaine Newman, Helen Peters, Carmel, Osnain Family, Ambiga Selvendra, Veronica Fitzgerald, William, Baby BB, Msgr Brian O'Loughlin, Vivian Mendes, Rosetta Napoli, Annalisa Turturiello, Lewis Family, Jono, Janet, Lachlan, Richard Scolver, Doris Teo, John Joyce, Theresa Danagher Smith, Patricia Danagher, Heather H, Roy & Clare, Judy Hundley, Markelle H

ARCHBISHOPS' EASTER MESSAGE

The Archbishops' Easter message is on youtube, please follow the link below:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C uYgu60INV0 or go to the Archdiocese website.

SAFEGUARDING **COMMITMENT STATEMENT**

Holy Family Parish Como is committed to providing a safe & secure environment for all its members, leaders, especially its children & vulnerable adults. The care, safety & welfare of children & vulnerable adults is a collective responsibility embedded in policies & practices of the Parish which reflect a commitment to a zero tolerance to abuse 10 of 12 Parents, talk to your children and safe and unsafe secrets. This message is placed at the request of the Safeguarding Office of the Perth Archdiocese.



POPE'S GOSPEL REFLECTION

On this Easter Sunday, let us allow the women of the Gospel to lead us by the hand, so that, with them, we may glimpse the first rays of the dawn of God's life rising in the darkness of our world. The women set out for the tomb, to anoint the body of Jesus. They discovered that the tomb was empty; then they saw two figures in dazzling garments who told them that Jesus was risen. Immediately they ran back to proclaim the news to the other disciples. The women saw. The first proclamation of the resurrection was not a statement to be unpacked, but a sign to be contemplated. The women "found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they went in, they did not find the body" Easter begins by upsetting our expectations. It comes with the gift of a hope that surprises and amazes us. Like the women in the Gospel, we are overtaken by questions and doubts, and our first reaction before the unexpected sign is one of fear: "They were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground".

All too often we look at life and reality with downcast eyes; concerned only with ourselves and our needs. In this way, we halt before the tomb of resignation and fatalism, and we bury the joy of living. Yet the Lord wants to give us different eyes, alive with hope that fear, pain and death will not have the last word over us. Thanks to Jesus' paschal mystery, we can make the leap from nothingness to life. But the Lord is risen! Let us lift up our gaze, remove the veil of sadness and sorrow from our eyes, and open our hearts to the hope that God brings!

In the second place, the women heard. "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen". We do well to listen to those words and to repeat them: He is not here! May we too hear the question asked of the women: "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" We cannot celebrate Easter if we continue to be dead; if we remain prisoners of the past; if in our lives we lack the courage to let ourselves be forgiven by God who forgives everything. A Christianity that seeks the Lord among the ruins of the past and encloses him in the tomb of habit is a Christianity without Easter. Finally, the women proclaimed. What did they proclaim? The joy of the resurrection. Easter did not occur simply to console those who mourned the death of Jesus, but to open hearts to the extraordinary message of God's triumph over evil and death. The light of the resurrection was not meant to let the women bask in a transport of joy, but to generate missionary disciples who "return from the tomb" in order to bring to all the Gospel of the risen Christ. They had only the fire in their hearts with which to bear the news, the proclamation: "The Lord is risen!"

Pope Francis 16.4.22 Easter Vigil, Vatican Basilica



Mother of Hope – A special Mother's Day concert

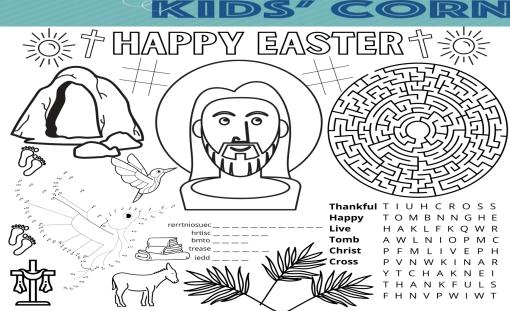


On **Sunday May 11th**, Treat your mother or grandmother to an afternoon performance by **Paul Wright & Emma Spadacini** (soprano) at **St Columba's Church in South Perth, 2.30-3.30pm**. Proceeds will go towards Catholic Mission's maternity health project in Zambia providing life-giving support for vulnerable mums and their babies.

After the concert, join us in the gardens and share in Devonshire Tea. Book tickets and Devonshire Tea on TryBooking <u>https://www.trybooking.com/DALFN</u>. Call Francis Leong on **6234 1760** for more details.

NANO NAGLE CENTRE - THE PILGRIM'S JUBILEE'S GIFTS OF REST AND HEALING

In this Jubilee year, Pope Francis reminds us that, blessings of grace and transformation are forever present, we simply need to be aware and awake. **Thursday 1 May 9.30am to 3pm.** Cost, \$40.00 with morning tea provided, bring your own lunch. Presenter: Geraldine Taylor. *Further info and booking;* <u>catherinewarner29@gmail.com</u>.



EASTER SUNDAY

On Easter Sunday, we celebrate the fact that Jesus has risen from the dead and is alive! As you walk into the church, you realise that something wonderful has happened. A large bright candle shines out for all to see an the church is decorated with lovely flower, a sign of new life. Today we will sing joyfully "Alleluia, alleluia" as we thank God for Easter

LET US PRAY

Jesus, we thank you for the joy of the resurrection, when you rose from the dead and were filled with the new life. Help us to remember that you suffered and died on the cross for us, so that one day we, too, will share with you the joy of everlasting life.

WEEKEND ROSTER				
		Saturday	Sunday	Sunday
		6:00 pm	8:30 am	10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER				
19 th / 20 th April	Easter Sunday	C. Dimitrio Sidi R. Michelle Teo EME. Marie Tiley	C. Lyn Hope-Hume R. Jacinta Vu EME Patricia Cowley	C. Pascal Yip R. Ben Dias EME Rose Hart
26 th / 27 th April	2 nd Sun of Easter	C. Rita Johnson R. Amanda Johnson EME Rose Hart	C. Alex Wu R. Marianne Taylor EME Murray Rosenberg	C. Cyril D'Silva R. Jennifer Low EME Grace Toczylowski
3 rd / 4 th May	3 rd Sun of Easter	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА
ACOLYTES				
19 th / 20 th April	Easter Sunday	Hasan Sidi Shajy Vadukoot	John Newman	Leo Burke
26 th / 27 th April	2 nd Sun of Easter	Dimitrio Sidi	Michael Taylor	Tony Bray
3 rd / 4 th May	3 rd Sun of Easter	Hasan Sidi	Shajy Vadukoot	James Chong
ALTAR SERVER				
19 th / 20 th April	Easter Sunday	Elizabeth Morris Hugh Morris	Dominic Newman Evelyn Newman	Saheli D'Silva Jovan Halim
26 th / 27 th April	2 nd Sun of Easter	Nicholas Willey Harden Willey	Claudia Taylor-Beard Leo Newman	Sienna Ong Ethan George
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