



# THE SAVING WORD

EASTER SUNDAY / B

31 MARCH 2024

## MASS OF EASTER NIGHT

### EPISTLE

Rom 6: 3-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

*Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again.*

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection. We must realise that our former selves have been crucified with him to destroy this sinful body and to free us from the slavery of sin. When a man dies, of course, he has finished with sin.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

■ The word of the Lord.



### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23

**R. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, / for his love has no end. / Let the sons of Israel say: / 'His love has no end'. **R.**
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; / his right hand raised me up. / I shall not die, I shall live / and recount his deeds. **R.**
3. The stone which the builders rejected / has become the cornerstone. / This is the work of the Lord, / a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

### GOSPEL

Mk 16: 1-7

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

*Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has risen.*

When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices with which to

go and anoint him. And very early in the morning on the first day of the week they went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising.

They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' But when they looked they could see that the stone - which was very big - had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right-hand side, and they were struck with amazement. But he said to them, 'There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here. See, here is the place where they laid him. But you must go and tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you."' "

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

## MASS DURING THE DAY

### FIRST READING

Acts 10:34, 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.*

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea: about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John



# OUR LADY of MT CARMEL PARISH BULLETIN

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### OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH HILTON

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**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.

**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.

### SACRAMENTAL DATES 2024:

Sacrament of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion is to be celebrated on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 9am. Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday 24-8-24 at 6pm. Please note Sponsor for Confirmation must be Catholic, 16 years of age and over and received Sacrament of Confirmation themselves. Parents and Grandparents cannot be Sponsors. However, Grandparents may act as a Proxy for the Sponsor.

### REFLECTION for EASTER SUNDAY –

**The Native American:** There is a story told of a particular tribe in America where the young boy in order to be a man had to go and spend the whole night in the forest on his own, without any help whatsoever. Well, this young lad went out to do precisely that and I don't have to elaborate on the fear the poor lad would have felt. Finally, he backed himself up against a tree and waited for the night to come and somewhere in the night he fell asleep amid all of his fears. The next morning when he woke up of course life looked very different indeed and when he looked behind the tree there where he had spent the night, there was his

father with his bow and arrow. The message is clear isn't it? "I don't care if you're a man or not you're my son first. If anything happens to you, I am here." Things happen to you and me as well, hard things, things that really throw us! Things that change our lives. God with his bow and arrow is waiting behind every single one of those events. God looks at you and me and simply says, "I don't care if you are a success or not. I don't care whether you made the grade or not. You belong to me, and I care what happens to you." Take heart, I beg you take heart and if this week something horrible happens look behind the tree because God will be there. The young American Native boy in our story was called to go into the deep and into the darkness of the forest so as to be initiated to adulthood. The father desired that his kinspeople see the boy to be his son. Whilst the boy was in the forest, he experienced fear and anguish, he sought comfort and had hope of a new day. Consider the parallels. Jesus the Son of Man came into the "forest of humanity", experienced all those emotions and more, but gave hope to all who listened and believed in him. He did not lean on a tree for assurance but embraced and was crucified on the wood of the tree for atonement of all our sin. He descended to the depths and darkness not of the forest but of Hades; on the third day rose to new life thus conquering the folly of sin and the death that it brings. Eternal life is given. Jesus in his life and Passion gave glory to the Father and

the Father glorified the Son in his Resurrection. Where was the Father? The Father was with Him, his Son, just as He is with us now with the Risen Son, the Christ and His Spirit always. May our response to the Easter proclamation and greeting "Christos Anesti be resounding of the Truth "Alithos Anesti". (He is Risen Indeed)!

**EASTER MESSAGE:** To all parishioners, your families and friends of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Hilton. I sincerely wish you a blest Eastertide. To all the hard working volunteers who have quietly given so generously of the gift of time and resources in the daily running of the Parish, extended outreach to those in need and in the preparation of the daily and weekend liturgies and to those who provide hospitality, a sincere thanks to you. May our Lord reward you in his own way and in his time. Fr Michael.

**PRIEST TEMPORARY OFFICE:** Fr Michael's office is temporarily in the Meeting Room while tradespeople are working through the Presbytery.

### URGENT WORKING WITH CHILDREN

**CHECK (WWCC):** If you are on roster or volunteer for the church you are required to have WWCC. Some cards have lapsed. Please renew your cards. It is MANDATORY and Parishes are going to be Audited by the Authority. Please note, if we don't comply, there is a very stiff penalty upto \$60,000 and 5 years imprisonment apply if a person undertakes child related work without authorisation!





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**MASS TIMES WEEKENDS:** Saturday Vigil 6pm, Sunday 7.30am & 9am.

**MASS TIMES WEEKDAYS:** Wednesday 9am, Thursday 9am, Friday 9am & Saturday 9am.

**RECONCILIATION - Saturday's during FEBRUARY:** 5.15-5.45pm or by appointment.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Wednesday 5.30 – 6.30pm & Friday 9.30 – 10.30am.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS:

Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Martin, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, Steven, Davina, Elisabetta Paddon, Dermot McKernon, Edward Fortune, Beatrice Fernandez, Lisa Bubb, Romilda Marinelli, Aaron LoCicero, Jacqueline Paul, Lou Collova, Anne & Justine Tonti, Greenville Paul, Christine Schwarten Henry, Fr Joseph Angelo, Fr Anibal Da Cunha, Peter Scanlan, June McGinnity.

#### “DISABLED PARKING BAYS”:

Parishioners, please remember that the marked bays are provided solely for those who are disabled. It is acknowledged that the bays may not be the desired width. We hope to investigate the matter in due course. The use of the bays is on an honour system, and I sincerely thank all those who have been mindful of the needs of others. Parishioners who taxi the elderly and disabled are welcome to have their passenger's elite from the mode of transport at the west portico of the church. They may then enter the church through the western glass doors.

However, the vehicle must be relocated immediately after the passenger has been settled allowing others to follow. Let us continue to be thoughtful of each other.

#### “TIME TO CONSIDER THE PRIESTHOOD”:

St Charles Seminary in Guildford is holding their annual Vocations Open Day on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024, calling all interested males from the age of 17yrs and older, who are thinking about a vocation to the Priesthood, to come along and 'look and see'. Details may be found on the flyer on the notice board or St Charles Seminary website: [www.stcharlesseminary.perthcatholic.org.au](http://www.stcharlesseminary.perthcatholic.org.au) or call (08) 9279-1310 to register for the day... **“Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus. There is no-one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit”** – Homily by Pope St John Paul II.

#### EASTER SUNDAY 31 MARCH 2024:

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

#### HOLY TRINITY CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:

Monday night's 7-9pm. All welcome... **THIS EASTER MONDAY 1 APRIL 2024 – NO HOLY TRINITY PRAYER GROUP.**

#### MASS INTENTIONS

##### Easter Sunday – 31 March

**7pm Easter Vigil Mass:** For the People

**7.30am Mass:** For the People

**9am Mass:** For the People

##### Tuesday 2 April

**NO 9am Mass**

##### Wednesday 3 April

**9am Mass:** Peter Liebeck & Benny Brown (RIP) + Judite Rebelo (Bday & RIP)

##### Thursday 4 April

**9am Mass:** Bruno Toffoli (RIP Recently)

##### Friday 5 April

**8am Mass:** Maria & Martin De Sousa (RIP) & Michael McIntosh (RIP)

**10am Funeral Mass:** George William Carson

**10am Holy Communion Service:** Hilton Park Aged Care

##### Saturday 6 April

**9am Mass:** Maria & Martin De Sousa (RIP) & Michael McIntosh (RIP)

##### Divine Mercy Sunday – 7 April

**6pm Mass:** For the People

**7.30am Mass:** Ron Bacich (1<sup>st</sup> Ann), Andrew De Sousa (RIP), Salome & Joe Goncalves (RIP)

**9am Mass:** Stephen Randall (RIP), Holy Father Honour, Jose Manuel Gomes Serrao (RIP), Nina & Angelo Bertone (RIP) & Family (Living)

**2.30-3.30pm:** Holy Hour



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.'

■ **The word of the Lord.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*(see opposite page)*

**SECOND READING** Col 3: 1-4

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians**

*Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.*

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.

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**SEQUENCE**

*The sequence may be said or sung.*

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. / The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; / and Christ, the undefiled, / hath sinners to his Father reconciled. / Death with life contended; combat strangely ended! / Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. / Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. / The tomb the Living did enclose; / I saw Christ's glory as he rose! / The angels there attesting, / shroud with grave-clothes resting. / Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. / That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. / Victorious king, thy mercy show!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

1 Cor 5: 7-8

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

**GOSPEL**

Jn 20: 1-9

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.**

*The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.*

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

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