



# THE SAVING WORD

PASSION SUNDAY (PALM SUNDAY) / C

13 APRIL 2025

**FIRST READING** Isa 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*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.

**RESP PSALM**

Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24. R. v. 2

**R.** My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

1. 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.**

2. 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.**

3. 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.**

4. 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.**

**SECOND READING** Phil 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

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

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**

Phil 2:8-9

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**

Lk 23:1-49

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (N. Narrator J. Jesus O. Other single speaker C. Crowd)

**N.** The whole assembly then rose, and they brought him before Pilate.

They began their accusation by saying,

**C.** We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of tribute to Caesar, and claiming to be Christ, a king.

**N.** Pilate put to him this question,

**O.** Are you the king of the Jews?

**N.** He replied,

**J.** It is you who say it.

**N.** Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd,

**O.** I find no case against this man.

**N.** But they persisted,

**C.** He is inflaming the people with his teaching all over Judaea; it has come all the way from Galilee, where he started, down to here.

**N.** When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man were a Galilean; and finding that he came under Herod's jurisdiction he passed



# OUR LADY of MT CARMEL PARISH BULLETIN

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**REFLECTION: The Little Girl.** I had discovered something this week and allow me to share it with you. I had one of those unpleasant memories from the past. You know the ones, the kind that take away the edge of your happiness and sense of wellbeing. I remember that as a newly ordained priest I was visiting a family one afternoon being after school time. The little six-year-old girl had done something wrong during the day. I think she had told a lie and had been in trouble from the teacher at the parish school. Somehow her mother had found out about it and berated the child, smacked the child and when I turned up at the house on a totally unrelated business the poor girl was dragged out into the living room and berated again in front of me. I can still see her fair hair damp with perspiration, her face was swollen with crying and tears rolled down that face that could not look up from the carpet. I found myself in a horrible position. I was newly ordained in a new parish, new people and did not know what I should do. But the mother I sighed for a bit my heart was breaking for this little girl. I remember that I said next to nothing, not really knowing what to say. How I wished that the earth would have opened up and had swallowed me up so to have been spared of the discomfort of the situation. In hindsight if only I would have been teaching in that classroom, I would have gone the next day and found that little girl and try and make things right but alas our paths never crossed again. I don't know why I thought of this encounter the other day, but I did and a new light did hit me. I pass it onto you just in case it may provide help to you as it did to me. I realised that if I had gone back to

that memory and this time took Jesus that I could rectify that situation. God is beyond time. There is not time with Him. He is not bound by past, present or future. Time is all one to Him. So, I went back with Jesus and watched as He hugged that little girl. He picked her up in His arms and He let her cry all over His shoulder. I could feel that strength that He gave her. I could see how He lifted her beyond her mother's overzealous parenting, and I knew that Jesus wiped any residue of shame and diminishment from the little girl's life. I even understood that Jesus had stayed with her. He had done for her that I had not and left her far more intact than I ever could. Isn't it wonderful! I felt that not only I but that little girl who would be a mother in her own right by now were both set free. This week you will remember something too. Let Jesus even as He hangs upon the Cross on calvary deal with it.

**PALM SUNDAY 12-13 April 2025:** As Project Compassion 2025 draws to a close for another year, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support throughout this Lenten Season. This year, we shared the inspiring stories of 3 individuals whose lives have been transformed through your compassion and generosity. *But the work isn't done yet.* There is still time to donate! Together, we can *Unite Against Poverty* and help transform lives this Lent. **Please donate today.** You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes, by calling 1800 024 413 or online at [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion). Thank you.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS:** Christine Rhow, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, Steven, Elisabetta Paddon, Edward Fortune, Beatrice Fernandez, Lisa Bubb, Romilda Marinelli, Aaron LoCicero, Lou Collova, Christine Schwarten Henry, Fr Joseph Angelo, Fr Anibal Da Cunha, Peter Scanlan, John Brackovich, Alison, Sofia, Rebecca, Fr Francis Sundararajan, Fr Greg Carroll, Bill Watkins, Daniel DiMarco, Joshua Oorschot, Fr John Piumatti, Mila Hogan, Mara Ravlich, Fr Vittorio Ricciardi, Lloyd Smith, Tegan Colgan, Patrick O'Brien, Archbishop Emeritus Barry Hickey, Fr Jean Fernandez, Fr Benedict Quadros, Fr John Hogan, Alessia Saraceni, Anthony Lopez, Fr Richard Rutkauskas, Fr Peter Meo, Dennis Woodcock, Giuseppe Cappiello, Vincent Cappiello, Rhonda McGinnity, Teresa Berlingeri, Carmelina Valenti, Reta White.

### 2025 HOLY WEEK and EASTER TIMES OLMC Church Hilton

*Holy Thursday 17 April*

**7pm** The Lord's Supper

Followed by Adoration until 9pm

*Good Friday 18 April*

**10am** Stations of the Cross

Followed by Reconciliation until 12.30pm

**3pm** Celebration of The Passion of The Lord

Followed by Reconciliation

*Holy Saturday 19 April*

**9 – 10am** Reconciliation

**6pm** Easter Vigil

*Easter Sunday 20 April*

**7.30am** Mass

**9am** Mass



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

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**RECONCILIATION - Saturday's:** 9.30-10am and 5.15-5.45pm or by appointment.

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

**HOLY TRINITY CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Monday night's 7-9pm except during school holidays and public holidays.

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** 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!

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

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2025**  
**We are reminded that the Sacraments are a gift to us from God. We meet God in each of the Sacraments.**  
A Reminder to ALL parents whose children attend our Parish School, of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and who have been Baptised Catholic and have received the

Sacrament of Reconciliation, and are currently in year Four. The Process of sacramental Formation for the Sacrament of Eucharist in this Parish is as follows:

1. Daily Prayer at home and attending weekend Mass in the Parish with your child each weekend.
2. Following discernment to accept full participation in the process, the presentation of the child / candidate to the Faith Community at the Commitment Mass Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 25 at 6pm Mass.
3. Parent Workshop Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 6pm.
4. Parent / Child Workshop Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 6pm.
5. The sacrament of Reconciliation is to be celebrated by the candidate within a week prior to the date of the appointed celebration of First Eucharist. A time is to be made by the Family with Father Michael.
6. Completion of the candidate / Workbook "Our Family Prepares" for Communion Family Sacramental Preparation is to be handed to Fr Michael at the time of the Reconciliation. It is strongly recommended that entry of work in the workbook commences progressively from the commencement the time of the child's catechesis in the school. It is frowned upon that the workbook is completed the night before the Reconciliation.

Only after ALL components of the process of sacramental preparation are completed parents are then invited to make a booking of date and time for their child's First Eucharist with the Parish Office.

**SACRAMENTAL BOOKS AVAILABLE:** Those children of our Parish School who are preparing for the Sacrament of Eucharist,

the Candidate Parent, Family Workbook is available to purchase from the Parish Temporary Office situated near the kindergarten play area and the back of the Parish House during normal Parish Office Hours for \$10 each book.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** Jesus you are the Good Shepherd who is always mindful of your Church. Watch over those who are Baptised in your name and grant peace and harmony to all families. We ask you to choose from the families of our Parish many priests, deacons, sisters and brothers who will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved. Amen.

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**Saturday 12 April to Friday 18 April 2025**

**Saturday 12 April**  
**9am Mass:** Alison O'Brien (RIP)  
**PALM SUNDAY**  
**6pm Mass:** Cleary Family Intentions  
**Sunday 13 April**  
**7.30am Mass:** For the People  
**9am Mass:** Holy Souls  
**Monday 14 April**  
**9.45 Funeral Mass:** Concettina Calanna  
**Tuesday 15 April**  
**9am Mass:** Frank O'Brien (RIP Anniversary)

**Wednesday 16 April**  
**10am Funeral Mass:** Giovanni Biagi Mirco  
**HOLY THURSDAY**  
**Thursday 17 April**  
**8am Mass:** Manuel Messias (RIP)  
**7pm:** The Lord's Supper followed by Adoration until 9pm  
**GOOD FRIDAY**  
**Friday 18 April**  
**10am:** Stations of the Cross followed by Reconciliation until 12.30pm  
**3pm:** Passion & Eucharist Service followed by Reconciliation



him over to Herod who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

Herod was delighted to see Jesus; he had heard about him and had been wanting for a long time to set eyes on him; moreover, he was hoping to see some miracle worked by him. So he questioned him at some length; but without getting any reply. Meanwhile the chief priests and the scribes were there, violently pressing their accusations. Pilate then summoned the chief priests and the leading men and the people. He said,

**O.** You brought this man before me as a political agitator. Now I have gone into the matter myself in your presence and found no case against him. Nor has Herod either, since he has sent him back to us. As you can see, the man has done nothing that deserves death, so I shall have him flogged and then let him go.

**N.** But as one man they howled,

**C.** Away with him! Give us Barabbas!

**N.** This man had been thrown into prison for causing a riot in the city and for murder.

Pilate was anxious to set Jesus free and addressed them again, but they shouted back.

**C.** Crucify him! Crucify him!

**N.** And for the third time he spoke to them,

**O.** Why? What harm has this man done? I have found no case against him that deserves death, so I shall have him punished and let him go.

**N.** But they kept on shouting at the top of their voices, demanding that he should be crucified, and their shouts were growing louder. Pilate then gave his verdict: their demand was to be granted. He released the man they asked for, who had been imprisoned for rioting and murder, and handed Jesus over

to them to deal with as they pleased. As they were leading him away they seized on a man, Simon from Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and made him shoulder the cross and carry it behind Jesus. Large numbers of people followed him, and of women too who mourned and lamented for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

**J.** Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep rather for yourselves and for your children. For the days will surely come when people will say, 'Happy are those who are barren, the wombs that have never borne, the breasts that have never suckled!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!'; to the hills, 'Cover us!' For if men use the green wood like this, what will happen when it is dry?

**N.** Now with him they were also leading out two other criminals to be executed.

When they reached the place called The Skull, they crucified him there and the criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left. Jesus said,

**J.** Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.

**N.** Then they cast lots to share out his clothing. The people stayed there watching him. As for the leaders, they jeered at him, saying,

**C.** He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.

**N.** The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said,

**C.** If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.

**N.** Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there abused him, saying,

**O.** Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us as well.

**N.** But the other spoke up and rebuked him,

**O.** Have you no fear of God at all? You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

**N.** He replied,

**J.** Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.

**N.** It was now about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed, a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle; and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said,

**J.** Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.

**N.** With these words he breathed his last.

*All kneel and pause a moment.*

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he gave praise to God and said,

**O.** This was a great and good man.

**N.** And when all the people who had gathered for the spectacle saw what had happened, they went home beating their breasts.

All his friends stood at a distance; so also did the women who had accompanied him from Galilee, and they saw all this happen.

*The longer form of this passion*

*narrative may be read:*

*Luke 22:14—23:56*

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