

St Anthony's Parish

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13th April, 2025

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year C

A place for us in God's kingdom

The liturgy of Palm Sunday is designed to reflect the dramatic mood swing that accompanies the events of that day when Jesus was triumphantly welcomed into Jerusalem, only to face his rejection and crucifixion a few days later. On one occasion, I experienced the excitement, especially among the children, when a live donkey led the procession into the church.

More difficult is the challenge of helping the congregation adjust to the change of mood as we read the Passion a few minutes later.

This year the Passion is from Saint Luke. Unlike the Passion of Saint John, which we read on Good Friday, the narratives of Matthew, Mark and Luke are very different. John has Jesus in control: indeed, we could almost say triumphant, as he dies on the cross, "accomplishing" all he had been sent by the Father to achieve.

By contrast, in the synoptic gospels there is little to lift the darkness surrounding the events that lead to Calvary. However, in Luke, who was a doctor and throughout his gospel concentrated on Christ's compassion for the sick and the sinner, there are a few unique encounters, which are worth noting. Firstly, we are told that large numbers of people followed Jesus as he carried his cross.

Turning the attention from himself to them, he said: "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep rather for yourselves and for your children." Then, after he had been nailed to the cross, he offers this remarkable prayer to his Father: "Forgive them, they do not know what they are doing." And finally comes the intense exchange with the two criminals who were being executed with him. As one begins to abuse Jesus and challenge him as to whether he is the Christ, the other rebukes him with the reminder that the two of them deserve punishment, at the same time, noting that Jesus had done nothing wrong. Then comes his heartfelt request: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom," and the most wonderful promise in reply: "Today, you will be with me in paradise."

As we enter Holy Week, I suggest that we guard against being overwhelmed by the darkness of the events that surround Christ's Passion or even the darkness we may be experiencing in our own lives and times. Certainly, across the world there is a great deal of tension and anxiety as people view the rise of extremist views along with the dangers of climate change that are beginning to threaten the very existence of our planet. The pope has declared this year a Jubilee Year in which we see ourselves as pilgrims in hope.

Accordingly, I suggest we listen attentively to the Lord, praying to his Father to forgive us, with the promise – also to be found in St John – that he is going to prepare a place for us in his Kingdom, where there will be room for us all!

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

TUESDAY: NO MASS

WEDNESDAY: KINGSCLIFF 8:00am

*See notice inside for
Holy Week and
Easter Ceremonies
commencing on Thursday*

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Good Friday following the 3:00pm
Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
at Kingscliff

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Thursday 17th April — Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Friday 18th April — Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday 19th April — Holy Saturday

SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION, YEAR C, 2025

ACTS 10:34, 37-43; COLOSSIANS 3:1-4; JOHN 20:1-9

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Holy Week is the most sacred time of the year, we will commemorate and remember the last week of Jesus' life on this earth. These are the days leading up to the great Easter Feast. The Lenten season of sacrifice and self-denial has come to an end. **The greatest focus of the week is the Passion (suffering) and Resurrection of Jesus Christ and the events that led up to it.**



Holy Week
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CHRISM MASS & PILGRIMAGE St Carthage's Cathedral Monday 14th April, 7PM



During the Mass the oils of **Catechumens** (for Baptism), **Chrism** (for Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders) and **Oil of the Sick** (for Anointing of the Sick) are blessed by the Bishop for use throughout the Diocese in the coming year.



The Priests of the Diocese renew their commitment to priestly service during the Mass.

We look forward to attending as a parish group and thank Gavin Dykes (Principal of Mt St Patrick College) for use of the college minibus and for the offer to drive.

RESERVED SEATING: Seating for the Chrism Mass is a little different this year. The reserved seats will be in the centre aisles approximately half way down because the priests are sitting in the pews facing the altar and their Bishop, where usually they would sit on the sanctuary.

All who have put their names down please inform the parish office (6674 1284) asap if things change for you and you can no longer attend. **Pick up: 5pm at St Anthony's Church Kingscliff**

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER CEREMONIES

Holy Thursday 17th April

The Mass of the Lord's Supper KINGSLIFF - 7:00pm

Good Friday 18th April

Stations of the Cross POTTSVILLE - 9:00am
 KINGSLIFF - 10:30am

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

KINGSLIFF - 3:00pm

Holy Saturday 19th April

Easter Vigil KINGSLIFF - 7:00pm

Easter Sunday 20th April

POTTSVILLE - 7:30pm
 KINGSLIFF—9:00am



Sundown on Holy Thursday to sundown on Easter Sunday is considered the most solemn part of the liturgical year and reaches its **high point** in the **Easter Vigil**.

This three-day period is referred to as the **Easter Triduum**, also known as the *Sacred Triduum*, or *Paschal Triduum*.

Basically, the Sacred Triduum is one great festival recounting the last three days of Jesus' life on earth, the events of his Passion and Resurrection, when the Lamb of God laid down his life in atonement for our sins.

Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

The Easter Vigil

is the major liturgy of the Easter Triduum and in fact, the whole liturgical year.

It is a truly moving liturgy and a fitting start to the 50 days of Easter!



Taking place after sundown on Holy Saturday, the Church waits in darkness. The light of Christ has gone out of the world after His crucifixion and death and darkness covers the earth.

The liturgy begins outside the Church around the fire. The Paschal Candle; representing the risen Christ; is then blessed and lit for the first time.

The Priest and others process with the Paschal Candle into the dark Church which is awaiting Christ's return. It is true that this Mass is a little longer but for good reason, the readings that are proclaimed trace out our salvation history, culminating in Jesus' resurrection.

Please remember in your prayers:

RECENTLY DECEASED

Greg Philipson, Rachel Jones, Peter Demol, Peter Lemon, Graham Robinson, Meegan King

ANNIVERSARY

Laurie Stott, Victoria Cassar, Deneille Wills

ALSO Jim Hession, Archie Burns, Philippa Brown, Frank & Judy Mills, Caroline Cranwell, Bernard and Marcia Clarke, Marlene Condon, Jack Byrne, Les Andrews, Maria Andrews, Ray O'Keeffe, Kathleen O'Keeffe, Maree Everingham, Fr. Tom McEvoy, John Perkins, All forgotten Souls in Purgatory, All deceased members of Legion of Mary throughout the world.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK Neville Morrin, Matt Gallagher, Mary Byrne, Mike Roberts, Leone Simpson, Dean Simpson, Dacey Schiemer, Peterson Family, Beryl Moore, Deborah Craig, Tara Selvakumaraswamy, James Heath, Kathleen Conaghan, Bill Ward, Matilda Howard, Lesa Kingsbury, Mary Manahan, Ed Gaudron, Kerrie Biddulph, Don Ping Kee, Marie Therese Collins, Martin Fitzhenry, Jayden Paulson, Gerard Paulson, Patricia O'Farrell. Special prayers for Ella (6yrs) and Skylar Kellehear (8mths).

Names removed after a considerable time. Please advise the parish office if you wish for names to remain.



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

The Divine Mercy Novena commences on Good Friday 18th April and ends on Saturday 26th April. **Novena leaflets are on back table of the church.** Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, 27th April.

INVITE SOMEONE TO MASS THIS EASTER

Four in ten Australians say they would go to an Easter service if invited by a close friend or family member, according to the latest Australian Community Survey, conducted by the National Church Life Survey (2022)

I'm sure we can all think of someone to invite this Easter – the hope and joy of Easter is truly worth sharing.



VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING A CATHOLIC RESPONSE

All parishioners are welcome to learn about the recently introduced Voluntary Assisted Dying in NSW and the Catholic response. The session will cover three things, Catholic commitment to quality end of life care, an outline of the NSW law and, some global perspectives on assisted dying. The presenter is Rev. Dr. Anthony Gooley, who is a deacon in Ballina parish and a theologian. He has worked for a time in the Catholic health sector and taught theological ethics. The session will be held at St Anthony's Parish, in the meeting room, on Wednesday 30th April commencing at 10.00am and concluding at 12.00 pm. Please register with the parish office parkings@bigpond.com to help us plan for hospitality.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 16TH APR **MUSICIAN PRACTICE** 2.30PM, ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH

THURSDAY 17TH APR **TRIDUUM BEGINS**

FRIDAY 25TH APR **ANZAC DAY MASS** 9.00AM, ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH

FOLLOWED BY THE MARCH AND THE CEREMONY AT THE CENOTAPH AT KINGSCLIFF

WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY **ROSARY IN THE PARK** 10.30AM, FAULKES PARK

THURSDAY 15TH MAY **SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**, 10AM–1.15PM, MTG RM

BAPTISM WELCOMER 27th April Terry and Sherida Sheridan

RECORDING Tuesday 15th April Helen Bryan, Allan Simpson

RECORDING Tuesday 22nd April John Mulhall, Clare Perkins

MASS ROSTER

12th/13th April PALM SUNDAY

KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY	5:00PM
ORGANIST	Tara Williams
FIRST READING	Theresa McCloud
SECOND READING	Tania Rogers
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Megan Lowe
OFFERTORY	Jacinta Martin, Joan Prichard
HOLY COMMUNION	Kath Togo, Helen Gooley, tba
HOSPITALITY	Denise DeVene, Marie Moore
DATA SYSTEM	Helen LeFebvre
SACRISTY	Carmel Atkinson, Kath Togo
POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM	
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READING	Margaret Potts
SECOND READING	Carlo Trimboli
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Ursula O'Grady
OFFERTORY	Blacklock Family
HOLY COMMUNION	Karen Stoyles
HOSPITALITY	Smith Family
DATA SYSTEM	Robyn Edwards
SACRISTY	Michael Carney
KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM	
ORGANIST	Irene Brinsmead
FIRST READING	Clare Perkins
SECOND READING	Mary Rawson
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Adam Gallagher
OFFERTORY	Holliday Family
HOLY COMMUNION	Desiree DeAzevedo, Sherida & Terry Sheridan
HOSPITALITY	Bernie Doyle, Faye McCoach, Julia Burns
DATA SYSTEM	Catherine Holliday
SACRISTY	Trish Spillane

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER ROSTERS HAVE BEEN EMAILED TO ALL MINISTERS

MASS ROSTER

19th/20th April EASTER SUNDAY

KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY	EASTER VIGIL 7:00PM
ORGANIST	Helen Roberts
OLD TESTAMENT READER 1	Clare Perkins
OLD TESTAMENT READER 2	Kim Dixon
OLD TESTAMENT READER 3	Carmel Atkinson
NEW TESTAMENT	Maya Rogers
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Anthony Luxton
OFFERTORY	Marie Moore, Kate Stone
HOLY COMMUNION	Fr Paul McDonald, Fr John Darbyshire, Helen Reynolds, Kerri Olson
HOSPITALITY	Carmel Bushell, Denise DeVene, Kerri Olson
DATA SYSTEM	Marty Darragh
SACRISTY	Carmel Atkinson, Kath Togo
POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM	
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READING	Robyn Edwards
SECOND READING	Deborah Wilmoth
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Ursula O'Grady
OFFERTORY	Smith Family
HOLY COMMUNION	Tim Edwards
HOSPITALITY	David Cranwell
DATA SYSTEM	Anna Caton
SACRISTY	Michael Carney
KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM	
ORGANIST	Janet Blandford
FIRST READING	Pat Carroll
SECOND READING	Angela Finkel
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Julianne Barlogio
OFFERTORY	Julia Burns, Faye McCoach
HOLY COMMUNION	J&M Rawson, L Craven, R Carroll, T Byrne
HOSPITALITY	J Prichard, B Doyle, T & S Sheridan
DATA SYSTEM	Margaret Hession
SACRISTY	Craig Moore

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!

FIRST READING — Isaiah 50:4-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

- 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.*
- 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.*
- 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.*
- 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 — Philippians 2:6-11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus;
Praise and honour, Lord Jesus Christ!
**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.**
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Praise and honour, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL — Luke 22:14 – 23:56

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SAFEGUARDING YOUR CHILDREN

We ask that parents are accompanying and supervising their children all times.
Your child's safety is our priority please ensure you can always see them while on Parish grounds.



HOLY LAND COLLECTION—GOOD FRIDAY



The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing, parishes and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Due to the ongoing war, the Church and people of the Holy Land are still struggling with reduced income due to fewer pilgrims and lower church attendance around the world. In 2024 Australian Catholics were once again extremely generous and we were able to send to the Holy Land nearly \$1.5 million (\$1.4 million [2023], \$1.4 million [2022] and \$1,126,098 [2021]). The reality for the Holy Land mission is that they will continue to face challenges, financial and spiritual, and so we again ask Catholics around the world again to be as generous as possible, with their financial support as well as the spiritual support. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday.



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

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.



**UNITE
AGAINST
POVERTY**
this Lent

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code. caritas.org.au/project-compassion Ph: 1800 024 413

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PARISH MEETING ROOM, KINGSCLIFF.

THURSDAY 15TH MAY

- 10.00-11.15AM: SAFEGUARDING AWARENESS**
11.15-11.45AM: INTEGRITY IN OUR COMMON MISSION
12.00 - 1.15PM: MANDATORY REPORTING AND REPORTABLE CONDUCT

For employees, church personnel, volunteers and parishioners.



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