# OUR TORMENTED WORLD

Today we celebrate the beginning of the most solemn week of our Christian calendar. Those outside our Christian faith might well accuse us of glorifying torture and death as we follow the story of Jesus' trial, passion and crucifixion.

However, we do not follow that story as mere observers of yet another incident of human cruelty. Rather, our participation in the church's liturgy enables us to identify with Jesus in his sufferings in order that we may also share with him the fruits of the resurrection.

This time of Holy Week puts us in touch with the most profound human questions. Why is there so much suffering and evil in the world? Why do we need to die? How is it somehow God's will that the Son Jesus should die in such excruciating circumstances? In what way is this death of Jesus the source of our life and salvation?

We need to begin by simply recognising the reality of violence that destroys people's lives. We can see this all too easily in others – those responsible for human trafficking, death camps, terrorist killings, ethnic cleansing, environmental destruction and the greed-filled corruption of too many in power. Jesus and the prophets speak out against this reign of terror which continues to take hold of our world.

However, following Jesus to Calvary puts us in touch with another reality: We are all sinners. We note Jesus' challenge to those about to stone the woman accused of adultery: "Let the one without sin cast the first stone". Unlike Jesus, none of us can claim to be the innocent victim. We should recognise ourselves in the disciples whose fear and cowardice leave Jesus to suffer and die without their support. How often have we failed to respond to a brother or sister in need?

God does not will Jesus' crucifixion as some kind of 'payment' for sin. Rather, we are invited to recognise that the power of evil is so great, it will not stop at the killing of the Son of God himself. It also shows that God's healing forgiveness and liberating love have no bounds since Christ Jesus has "emptied himself as a slave ... accepting death on a cross". The resurrection is God's final victory over suffering, sin and death.

Christianity focuses on the Cross of Jesus as its central symbol. This does not amount to the glorification of suffering and violence. Rather, by inviting us to share in Christ's passion, we are able to confront darkness and sin in the knowledge these are but passing realities. The Cross always points to the Resurrection and the promise of eternal life for those who acclaim Jesus as Lord.

Pope Francis states we can only acclaim Jesus as Lord through loving service of others. He further encourages us to move towards Easter focussing on God's

forgiving love, noting that Jesus Christ gazes upon "our violent and tormented world", yet never tires of repeating: "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do".



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# Gosnells Catholic Parish

Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament Church Archdiocese of Perth Western Australia



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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday 9.00am - 1.30pm Entry by: 1 Isdell Place, Gosnells

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# 2nd April, 2023

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Year A Red Today's Readings Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Matthew 26:14-27:66

#### 9th April, 2023

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Year A White Next Sunday's Readings Acts 10:34, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

#### St Munchin's Catholic Primary School

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# Sunday Bulletin

Parish Liturgies					
Weekend Mass	Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass, Sunday 7.30am, Sunday 9.30am				
Weekday Mass	Monday 8.00am Communion Service (Mass on Solemnity only) Tuesday 6.00pm Mass - (1st Tuesday Mass of Anointing ) Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 8.00am Mass Friday 9.00am Mass				
Reconciliation	Saturday 5.00pm - 5.45pm or by appointment				
Buckley Caring Centre	10.00am Mass - Second Thursday of the Month				
Juniper Aged Care	11.00am Mass - Third Friday of the Month				
Rosary	After weekday Masses				
Exposition	Tuesday 5.00pm - 6.00pm with Benediction, Sunday 6.00pm - 7.00pm				
Charismatic Prayer	Thursday 7.15pm - 9.00pm.				
Baptism	Sunday at 11.00am, or by arrangement				
Marriage	By appointment - Minimum SIX MONTHS notice for preparation etc				

Parish Meetings			
Parish Pastoral Council	Tuesday, 11th April in Parish Centre at 6.45pm		
Vinnies	Wednesday, 12th April in Parish Centre at 7.00pm		

#### **Mass Time Changes**

There **will** be Mass on Monday and Tuesday at 9.00am for Holy Week. There will be **no** 5pm Eucharistic Adoration or Mass at 6pm on Tuesday.

Please note that there is no morning Mass on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated on Tuesday 9th April.

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Rosters for 1/2 April, 2023							
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers	
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Theresa Spicer	Palm Sunday Roster		Colin Loh	Christy Ravanez Bridget Soh	Xyris Madrigal, Abigail Raganas Melanie Beacher, Athena Calupig Matthew Calupig, Angel Donina	
Sunday 7.30am	Bette Lyra Vilma Lyra	Palm Sunday Roster		Larry Cavallo	Russell Lally Rod McAtee	Callie Abogado, Michael Almen Tom Antu, Bionney Bangayan	
Sunday 9.30am	Karen Suarez Robert Szlezak	Palm Sunday Roster		Nigel Hayward	Anne Brink Jim Brink	Sanjay Jojo, Noel Justin Elain Labrador, Keanu Malagui-Hicks Nicole Oo, Walter Oo	
Tellers this week: Sue & Vincent Frawley, Darryl le Guay			Tellers next week: Sidney & Esmie D'Souza, Faye Rodriguez				
Rosters for 1/2 April, 2023							
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers	
Saturday 6.00pm	Volunteers	Separate Roster		Separate Roster	Separate Roster	Separate Roster	
Sunday 7.30am	Volunteers	Separate Roster		Separate Roster	Separate Roster	Separate Roster	
Sunday 9.30am	Volunteers	Separate Roster		Separate Roster	Separate Roster	Separate Roster	
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# **Praying For You**



**Recently Deceased** 

Julius Cork, Emmanuel Malagui, Jimmy Walters

#### Death Anniversary

Joy Coanda, Pamela D'Souza, Elizabeth Jordan, Woye Raufu Oyelemi, Philip Pereira

#### Deceased

Tony Harding, Doreen Langan, Oscar Langan, Maurice Samson

#### **Our Sick**

Ammini Jose, John Breag, Conrad Briggs, Joel Celine, Dennis Ford, Letecia Niembra, Wendy Kraft, Cecilia Lee, Dolly, Elvira Panici-Allen, Annabelle McNess, Richard Bisnath, Wendy Price, Fran Wiffen, Ding Madrigal, Zee Pereira, Metilde Warui, Con Farano, Rene Priest, Mary Hazel Calupig, Margaret Evans, Erika Magness, Mavis Hall, Ian Ballantyne

Feast Days this Week					
Apr 4	Tue	St Isidore of Seville			
5	Wed	St Vincent Ferrer			
6	Thu	Maundy (Holy) Thursday			
7	Fri	Good Friday			
8	Sat	Holy Saturday			

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# Caritas 6th Sunday of Lent AUSTRALIA Palm Sunday 1st & 2nd April



Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water. With your generosity, Caritas Australia has been able to help millions of vulnerable people around the world, through the Project Compassion appeal.

#### Please donate to Project Compassion 2023 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world to lift themselves and their communities out of poverty.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available in the foyer, by visiting <u>www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion</u>, or by calling 1800 024 413.

# Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April 7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Good Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April

10.00am Stations of the Cross 3.00pm The Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April 7.00pm Easter Vigil Mass (Not 6pm)

Easter Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April 7.30am & 9.30am Mass

**Reconciliation** After Good Friday Services Holy Saturday 10.00 - 11.00am

**Prayer of Desolata** An hour with Mary Holy Saturday 9.00am- 10.00am

# Flowers for Easter

Once again we seek your Generous support for our appeal to enhance the church for our Easter celebrations. There is a box in the foyer for your offering.

#### **Easter Colours**

We invite you to wear the liturgical colours for the Holy Week and Easter celebrations: Red for Good Friday, White for Holy Thursday and white or gold for Easter Sunday.

# **Rosters for Easter**

We are still looking for Altar Servers, Commentators and Acolytes for some of the Easter weekend services. Please place your name on the list in the foyer if you are able to assist in any of the wonderful liturgies of Holy Week.

# Please note that there will be no Coffee Corner this Friday

# **Invitation Annual Chrism Mass**

Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB invites you all to the Annual Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on Tuesday, 4th April at 7.00pm. During this Mass the Holy Oils will be blessed and the Oil of Chrism consecrated. The Priests will also renew their Ordination commitment and the Laity are invited to renew their commitment to holiness of life and to service of the Church and society.

# Vocation Sunday (Good Shepherd Sunday) – 30th April

*'Recognise the Voice of Jesus'* - A Day of Vocation Reflection. What do you hear Jesus saying to you? We encourage you take time to pray and listen to what Jesus' is saying to you. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, come along on Sunday, 30th April, 9.30am - 3.00m and join us for the day (All single men - 17yrs and over). For more information contact us on 08 9279 1310 or drop us an email at: <u>stcharalesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au</u>



# Parish Safeguarding Officers

The Perth Catholic Archdiocese is committed to the safety and security of all children and young people. If you have any safety concerns about a person in the parish or about a child protection or child safety issue, you can discuss it with the Parish Safeguarding Officers.

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# **Opportunities for Spiritual Enrichment 2023**

Spirituality brochures from the ministry of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart are now available in the foyer. Come....rest a while... Create a sacred space to listen to the Spirit's Whisper within you. Choose from various retreats, meditation gatherings, days of prayer and other offerings. For updates and new events please visit: www.sosj.org.au and www.marymackillopperth.org.au

#### Golden Age Club



The next Club Day will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday, 4th April from 9.00am. BYO lunch. Bingo from 12.15pm. For all parishioners 50 years and over to enjoy card games, carpet bowls, fellowship. New members are always welcome. Attendance Fee \$2.00. More information from Rose Heald 0418 948 245.

#### Youth Night

Thank you to all those who attended the youth event on the 11th of March. It was lovely to see new and regular faces. The next youth event will be on the 14th of April, from 7pm to 9pm. Registration and contact details are located in the foyer. Remember to RSVP your attendance by 7pm the day before. Can't wait to see you at our next event.

a catholic As a Lenten commitment suggestion, Catholic Mission in mission Reach out. Give life. partnership with the Spirituality Hub in Kirup, offers the opportunity to be part of a Living Rosary group in the tradition of Blessed Pauline Jaricot. Contact deborahmrobertson@bigpond.com or 0419 939 864 for more information about the group and how to participate in person or online via Zoom.

# Caritas Turkey-Syria Earthquake Disaster

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#### **Christian Healing Course**

Catholic Charismatic Renewal is conducting module 1 of this 3 module course over 2 weekends, May 5th - 7th and May 19th - 21st, both weekends are required! Participants will learn how to pray effectively for healing of life's deepest wounds be they physical, psychological or spiritual! NOTE - a PREREQUISITE for this course is to have completed a 'Life in the Spirit Seminar'. If you feel called to the Healing Ministry, please make the inquiry! Participants who decide after 1 weekend, not to continue will receive a full refund. Cost for each module is \$65. The remaining modules will be conducted over the following few months. For further information contact Dan 0409 849 049.

# Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers

We invite ALL church workers to attend a safeguarding induction. The session will cover the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the importance of Safeguarding in the parish and the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Please visit www.safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au, phone 9221 7762 or email safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au to register for a in person or online session. Available dates and times are on the bulletin board.

#### On The Bulletin Board

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