

Dear brothers and sisters,

In the final weeks of Lent, the readings focus on the meaning of the death of Jesus. In the First Reading (Jer 31:31-34) Jeremiah records God's intention to forge a 'new covenant' with the house of Israel and Judah. Instead of laws and requirements imposed on human beings 'from outside' this covenant will be 'written' deep in people's hearts. They will have the capacity to observe the new covenant in the context of an intimate relationship with God. This promise is fulfilled in the gift of the Spirit (2 Cor 3:3-6; Rom 8:2) and at the Last Supper (1 Cor 11:23-25 and Lk 22:19-20) where Christ says over the cup, 'this is ... the new covenant in my blood'. The shedding of Christ's blood on Calvary inaugurates the 'new covenant' which is renewed whenever we obey his request to 'Do this in memory of me'.

Our Second Reading (Heb 5: 7-9) is from the Letter to the Hebrews, an anonymous work written for a Jewish Christian community undergoing persecution. The author assures his readers that the Jewish covenant has been replaced by the new covenant in Jesus Christ. His agony in the garden shows his total obedience to God from which comes our salvation. Jesus is our High Priest offering the perfect sacrifice, himself, on our behalf.

In the Gospel (Jn 12:20-33) Jesus after his triumphal entry into Jerusalem speaks of his approaching death: 'And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself', together with the comment of the evangelist, 'He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die' (vv. 32-33). The 'Greeks' who ask to see Jesus are the forerunners of all the people of the world throughout history, for whom the love of Jesus, demonstrated above all on the cross, will draw to the Father and so to eternal life.

#### Lenten Celebration of Penance

You are invited to taste with renewed depth the infinite mercy of God in the sacrament of Penance as part of our preparation for Easter. We will have the Second Rite of Penance at Infant Jesus at 7.00pm on 24 March and at St Peter's Bedford at 7.00pm on Tuesday 23 March. The First Rite of Penance will be available on Saturdays 10.00- 11.00am and 5.00- 5.30pm. We give priority to the communal celebration of the Second Rite.

—*Blessings, Greg*

Celebrate the mercy and love of God for Easter  
2nd Rite of Reconciliation  
THIS Wednesday 24th March at 7pm

Join us for an hour for this quietly reflective celebration of healing and reconciliation as part of your preparation for the Easter Triduum.



The word of God is proclaimed 3 times as in Lectio Divina. In the quiet, allow His words to speak to you. The priest will be in full view of all present. Your confession is kept brief in the communal environment, return to your seat for prayer. Don't go home yet! Stay to rejoice and give thanks together as a community as we return to live our new life.

**Please note:** This is a communal rite, confession to be kept brief, allowing all present the time to access the sacrament. If you feel you will need more time with the priest, please attend the 1st Rite held on Saturdays 10am - 11am or 5pm - 5.30pm

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS CANCELLED WEDNESDAY 24th MARCH DUE TO 2nd RITE SERVICE

*The final Stations of the Cross for Lent will be held on Wednesday 31st March (Holy Week). On Good Friday the Stations are at 9.30am and 11am (Italian Via Croce).*

**PLEASE NOTE:** *The Perpetual Novena to Our Lady of Mt Carmel will not be held during Lent. It will be replaced by Stations of the Cross.*



#### A COVID SAFE PALM SUNDAY



Due to COVID restrictions, we are unable to distribute palms this year, so we ask that this year you bring your own palm fronds, olives branches or any other suitable foliage, to have them blessed at Mass. Thank you for your understanding during this continuing pandemic.

#### Parish Busy Bee for Easter

THIS Saturday 27th March 9am - 1pm

Do you have an hour or more to spare?

Thank you to those who have put their names on the lists in the foyer—many more hands are still needed!



The lists in the foyer detail the gardening, cleaning and small maintenance jobs to be done and also the equipment required for each task. If you can bring your own equipment, that would be a great help, but the parish will provide equipment if you do not have your own.

**It would be nice to see some new faces!**

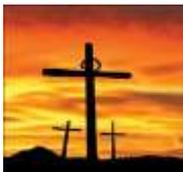
**Christian service hours opportunity**—High School students are welcome to use this opportunity to complete their Christian service hours. Please call Billie, parish office 9276 8500 to register your interest.



## EASTER AT INFANT JESUS

Keeping a Safe Covid Celebration

The new COVID regulations allow us to have 375 people in the church for services. This is great news, but it still means that not everyone is going to be able to get in for our busier celebrations on Good Friday and Easter Sunday morning. So please arrive early or be prepared to be seated outside. Numbers outside the church will be unlimited. There will be seating provided, or you can bring your own chairs or a picnic rug and sit on the grass. The glass doors will all be opened so that people will also be able to see what is happening in the church. Our sound system will ensure you will be able to hear clearly. Holy Communion will also be distributed outside the church. In this way we hope to ensure a place for everyone. **PLEASE NOTE: Government regulations apply inside and outside the Church – hand sanitising, 1.5m social distancing and mandatory contact registration.**



### EASTER SERVICES

**Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper 1st April** Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.00pm followed by Adoration and conclude with night prayer at 10pm. (no Morning Mass)

Good Friday 2nd April:

Stations of the Cross at 9.30am. Via Croce (Italian) at 11am.

Celebration of the Passion of Our Lord at 3pm. (no Morning Mass)

Holy Saturday 3rd April:

Vigil Mass (includes baptisms) at 7.00pm. (no Morning Mass)

Easter Sunday 4th April:

Masses at 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian) and 6pm.

RECONCILIATION 1<sup>st</sup> Rite of the Sacrament of Penance

Each Saturday at 10 - 11am and 5pm – 5.30pm

Hospitality Ministry

*“Allowing the Christ in me to meet the Christ in you”*

Be a friendly face at the door of our church. Join the team of the hospitality Ministry. If you wish to know more, please speak to Josephine on 0421 514 011 or email opeena@hotmail.com



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Halima is raising two children in a Bangladeshi refugee camp



while caring for her mother, who has a disability. A Caritas Australia-supported program helped her with a shelter, cooking equipment and hygiene training. Halima now earns a small income as a trainer, helping to maintain the health and cleanliness of her community. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children, and strengthen the communities around them.** You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

### SECOND COLLECTION COVID-19 UPDATE

1<sup>st</sup> July – 28<sup>th</sup> February

2019/20	\$ 176,259
2020/21	\$ 158,282

Down By \$ 17,977



Thank you for your contributions during a difficult pandemic year.

To assist the parish, would you consider having your pledges automatically bank transferred? Just set & forget!

Call 9276 8500 or email [accounts@infantjesusparish.org.au](mailto:accounts@infantjesusparish.org.au)

### CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

Donate the cash that's in your containers to our parish

Our parish joined Containers for Change this week. We are doing our best to make a difference in our communities and to our environment. Just use our scheme ID number C10437245 when you return your containers and we will receive the refunds directly into the parish account. For your convenience we have made a little card with our scheme number for your next return. The cards are available in the foyer this weekend. We are looking forward to your support.



### In Our Church

Morning Mass: Mon-Fri: 7am & 9am, Sat and Public Holidays: 8.30am  
Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian), 6pm  
Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and 5pm - 5.30pm  
Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Wednesday 6.30pm  
(Suspended during Lent and replaced by Stations of the Cross at 7pm)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 9.30 - 10.30am  
Eucharistic Prayer: Friday 6.30 - 7.30pm  
Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish Office.—Ph: 9276 8500

### Our Parish Team

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## Garden FUNraiser – Mother’s Day fair

Saturday 1st of May 2021

9.00am - 1.00pm



Thank you to everyone who has contributed by donating all sorts of items, it is so much appreciated.

*We are still collecting:* Small garden stakes up to 90cm (any kind) or any plant supports), Banana boxes, Flower vases, fabric, any kind, but especially floral/garden themed; larger pots; ceramic or décor pots, old metal buckets, basins, wheelbarrows etc; hand creams, soaps, bath products etc, to include in Mother’s Day gift packs.

Your plants can be brought in after Masses on the weekend of 24/25 April or Monday 26th March —Friday 30 April from 9.00am—12pm.

Potting Mix is available from parish centre.

## 24:7 MORLEY YOUTH GROUP

For all youth in Years 6-12, bring along a gold coin donation, and friends! Every Friday, 6:30pm-8:30pm at Infant Jesus Primary School hall! Contact Catherine 0424196585 or Joe 0482687063 for more information. Find us on Instagram@247morley or @youthministry247



### PILGRIM STATUE

This week in the home of Roopa Tharakan

352 Coode St, Dianella

Ph: 0447 878 542

### CALENDAR OF SAINTS

**25 Mar: Annunciation of the Lord**

### PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

**Recently deceased:** Alfonso Romeo and Robert John Crooks;

**Deceased:** Leonard Henderson, Gregory Brough, Elaine Luscombe

**The Sick of the Parish:** Raquel Health, Alan Summersett and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

*"Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord."*

### NEXT WEEKEND — 28 March 2021—Palm Sunday

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Peter Nguyen-Le	Eamon Delaney	Chris Yapp	Tung Nguyen
Altar Servers	Elysha; Carmen and Alexis	Jamie; Mary and Elizabeth	Gabrielle and Victoria	Dylan; Shaun and Alyssa
Proclaimers	Clare; Marian and John	Joanne; Sally and Brian	Julia; Barbara and Rod	Maureen; Eloise and Tony
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Chris T and Tracy	Mike and Kathleen	Tanya and Annette D'O	Maureen and Thuy
Hospitality	Rose and Milly	Angela and Mercia	Marion Oh and Patrick	Rennet and Fely
Church Cleaning	Team B — Thursday 25 March @ 9.45am			

**PLEASE NOTE: If you are unable to attend on your rostered day, please arrange for someone else in your Ministry to take your place.**

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