

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today's Gospel (Jn 11:1-45), is the third reading we have had from John's Gospel this Lent. Like the others it is a sophisticated and fascinating piece of literature. Don't just look for a 'moral'. John's Gospel abundantly repays quiet meditation and reflection.

Jesus' raising of Lazarus is the climax of his public life in the Fourth Gospel. It is the last straw for the religious authorities who begin to plot to arrest Jesus and bring about his death. When Jesus hears of the illness of his friend Lazarus, aware of the risk, he leaves the 'safe place' (east of the Jordan river) and enters Judea to give life to his friend. In taking this risk he seals his fate.

When Jesus arrives at Bethany both Martha and Mary remonstrate with him: 'if you had been here my brother would not have died'. Jesus engages in an important dialogue with Martha. Jesus presses her on her faith in the resurrection and then her faith in him. He reveals his identity and mission in a striking way: 'I am the resurrection and the life, if anyone believes in me, even though they die they will live.' He asks her if she believes this. Martha's answer is the profession of faith in John's Gospel (the other Gospels give this task to Peter) 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who has come into this world'. It is worth underlining that this profession of faith is given to a woman.

Each one of us is the friend 'whom Jesus loved'. Like Martha and Mary we can honestly share our feelings with our friend. In conversation with Jesus we, too, can profess our personal and shared faith and hope in him. Our brother or sister in need is the one for whom he left his "safe place" in order to raise them from death. To us, too, he promises that 'even if we die we will live'.

As we hear or read the Passion in the ceremonies of Holy Week, especially Good Friday, the Fourth Gospel invites us to pray: 'It is for love of me and all people that Jesus gave his life to rescue us from death and bring us to eternal life.' - Greg

COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE—IMPORTANT MESSAGE: During the distribution of Communion if you wish to receive the host on the tongue please wait until after all have received in the usual manner before coming forward.

2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION Wednesday 29 March at 7pm



Join us for an hour for this quietly reflective celebration of healing and reconciliation as part of your Lenten preparations for Easter. The word of God will be proclaimed 3 times as in Lectio Divina. In the quiet, allow His words to speak to you. The priests will be in full view of all present. Your confession is to be kept brief and you return to your seat for prayer— don't go home yet! Stay to give thanks together as a community as we rejoice in our renewed friendship and new life with God.

PALM SUNDAY—NEXT WEEKEND

2nd April

Branches? Palms?

► **Have you found your branch to wave and welcome our King?**

Bring whatever you have at hand!

This year the church will not be providing any palms for the services but all are encouraged to 'cut a leafy branch' and bring it along on the day. The branch can be from any leafy plant that is handy.



MASS AND SERVICE TIMES FOR EASTER

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday 1st April

Vigil Mass at 6pm)

Sunday 2nd April

Masses at 7.30am, 9.30am (*families are invited to join in the procession*), 11.30am (Italian) and 6.00pm

EASTER TRIDUUM

Three days, one great celebration!

Mass of the Lord's Supper - Holy Thursday 6th April

Mass at 7.00pm followed by Adoration.

(NO MORNING MASSES)

The Passion of Our Lord - Good Friday 7th April

Stations of the Cross at 9.30am. Via Croce (Italian) at 11.00am.

Celebration of the Passion of Our Lord at 3.00pm.

(NO MORNING MASSES)

Easter Vigil - Saturday 8th April

Vigil Mass with the Service of Light at 7.00pm.

(NO MORNING MASSES)

Easter Sunday - 9th April

Masses at 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian) and 6.00pm.



CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE!

Young people needed to assist on Good Friday's Stations of the Cross. Please see Fr Adalbert or contact parish office on 9276 8500.

Parish Busy Bee for Easter
Saturday 1 April from 9am - 1pm
Many Hands Needed – Put your name down on the list in the foyer today!



Even as we prepare our hearts for the great feast of Easter, we need to prepare our parish grounds and centre so that they are clean and fresh for our Easter celebrations as a community and with our many visitors. There will be gardening, cleaning and small maintenance jobs to be done. Children are very welcome to come with their parents to help. Morning tea and lunch will be provided for all helpers.

It would be great to see some new faces!

Community / Christian service hours opportunity—High School students are welcome to use this opportunity to complete their community service hours. Please call Billie, parish office on 9276 5800 to register your interest.



PILGRIM STATUE
 This week in the home of
 Annette and Doug—Ph: 9276 5048

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: George De Vos,
 Kathleen O'Brien;

Anniversaries: Fr Tadhg Tierney, OCD, Antonio & Pompea Viola, Sheilah & Richard Langley, Liillian & James Gass;

The Sick of the Parish: All who are in need of our prayers.

*"I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits,
 and in his word I put my hope."*

One Year Anniversary Mass for Fr Tadhg
Tuesday 28 March at 9am Mass

It will be a year soon since Fr Tadhg left us and we would love for you to join us to remember him on his first death anniversary on Tuesday 28th

March at 9am Mass followed by morning tea in the parish centre. Please bring a plate to share.



2022 Archbishop's Christmas Appeal for LifeLink
 In total the Appeal raised \$686,266.
 Our parish donated \$11,772, which is an amazing effort. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this important work.

COMMUNION AT HOME
COORDINATOR NEEDED - CAN YOU HELP?

You do not have to be a Minister of the Eucharist!

We need a person who can make the initial contact with the person requiring communion at home (or a family member), assess their need, assign a minister to the person, keep the parish office and priests updated with developments and provide support to the ministers as required.

Please contact Billie at the parish office if you wish to help or need more info on this role.

The CAKE STALL FOR CARITAS was a resounding success—due to the extraordinary generosity of the people who volunteered to share their skills in baking, gardenipreparing herbs, etc.



This was matched by the generosity of our parishioners who donated whole-heartedly to the Caritas charity. The amount we raised was \$ 2236.00

In Our Church

Morning Mass: Mon - Fri: 7am & 9am, Saturday and Public Holidays: 8.30am
Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian), 6pm
Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and 5 - 5.30pm
Stations of the Cross in Lent (except Ash Wednesday): Wednesday 6.30pm

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 - 9276 8500 | enquiries@infantjesusparish.org.au

Supporting Our Parish Financially

First Collection EFT Details

Account Name: Carmelite
BSB: 066 132 **Account Number:** 0080 0015
Reference: Your name

Second Collection EFT Details

Account Name: Infant Jesus Parish Morley
BSB: 086 006 **Account Number:** 66860 6029
Reference: PG-Your name

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LETTERBOX DROP FOR EASTER

"Into life and light with Jesus Christ"

Let us share the good news of Christ's victory over death and darkness and bring life and light to our neighbours by inviting them to our Easter celebrations, where they will hear the message of triumph, the promise of a new life and the peace that God offers that is the Easter story. Be part of our parish letterbox drop and take some fliers to deliver to the streets around you. Please cross off the streets you will deliver to from the list of our parish streets in the foyer. Please do not deliver to streets outside our parish boundaries



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT—25/26 MARCH

Project Compassion brings together Australian schools, parishes and supporters to raise funds

for people in vulnerable communities across the world. This year, we introduced you to the story of four inspiring people whose lives have been transformed with your generous support: Laxmi, Teresa, Priscilla and Thu. Today, they are creating a better world for their families, their communities and for all future generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.



THIS WEEKEND — 5th Sunday of Lent—26 March 2023

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy Nicoletto	Chris Lambert	David Pham	Tung Nguyen
Altar Servers	Ethan; Naethan; Megan and Meldon	Elizabeth; Peter and Aaron	Crissanto; Cesar and Larissa	Alex; Dorothy; Bryan and Alden
Proclaimers	Teresa and Valerie	Sally and Bernie	Josephine and Aleena	Dorothy and Pramila
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Nevellene and Valerie	Mike and Kathleen	Anna and Marlene	Ivor and Tristan
Hospitality	Roopa and Marisol	Angela and Francisca	Deborah and Haydee	Rita and Marina
Church Cleaning	Team B— Thursday, 23 March 2023 @ 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.

NEXT WEEKEND — Palm Sunday—02 April 2023

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Peter Nguyen-Le	John Tomczak	Chris Yapp	Hari Geigenmuller
Altar Servers	Erin; Mattha; Royce and Savio	Madeleine and Frank	Victoria; Manuel and Leah	Tim and Dan
Proclaimers	John, Sylvia and Marian F	Liz, Rita and Joanne	Rod, Chris A and Tony	Marie, Eloise and Maureen
Extr. Ministers of Communion	Chris A and Teresa	John S and Andrew	Magdalene and Linda	Maureen and Thuy
Hospitality	Ann and Denise	Barb and Veronica	Sophie and Marion O	Brenda and Fely
Church Cleaning	Team C			

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