



Westernport Catholic Parish Newsletter

Immaculate Conception Hastings, St Peter's
Shoreham and St Brendan's Church Somerville

Easter Sunday - Year B, 31 March 2024

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MASS OF EASTER NIGHT

EPISTLE

[Rom 6:3-11](#)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection. We must realise that our former selves have been crucified with him to destroy this sinful body and to free us from the slavery of sin. When a man dies, of course, he has finished with sin. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus. **The word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 117:1-2.16-17.22-23](#)

(R.) Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' **(R.)**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. **(R.)**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **(R.)**

Gospel

[Mark16:1-7](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices with which to go and anoint him. And very early in the morning on the first day of the week they went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' But when they looked they could see that the stone - which was very big - had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right-hand side, and they were struck with amazement. But he said to them, 'There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here. See, here is the place where they laid him. But you must go and tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

MASS DURING THE EASTER SUNDAY

First Reading

Acts 10:34.37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.' Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm *(Please see the first page)*

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled.
Death with life contended: combat strangely ended! Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.
Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as he rose! The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting.
Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.
Victorious king, thy mercy show!

Gospel Acclamation

Corinthians 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

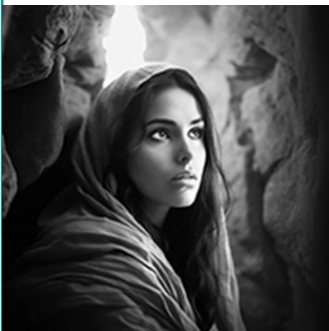
John 20:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the

cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead. **The Gospel of the Lord.**



LITURGIES THIS WEEK, 1 April—7 April

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY No Mass
THURSDAY 9.30am Communion Service at Hastings
FRIDAY 9.30am Communion Service at Hastings,
SATURDAY
6.00pm Mass at St Brendan's Church, Somerville
SUNDAY
8.00am Mass at St Peter's Church, Shoreham
10.00am Mass at Immaculate Conception Church
Hastings

PRAYERS AND PETITIONS

Please pray for those who are sick, especially Mary Sloan, Paula Murphy, Pat Tagliabue, Frank Tagliabue, Michael Pound, John Kelly, Janice Danaher, Vicky Mathis, Edna Walsh, Jane Maria, Oliver Munoz, Kathy Burke, Frank Howard, Paul Creed, Geoff Hardingham, Mike Mason, Leo Gilfedder, Elaine Duyvestyn, James Smythe, Lucy Triffett, Helena Jaskolski, Oscar Dixon-Rotherham, Margaret Sherlock and all those who need our prayers.

May they receive the Lord's comfort and strength. Please pray for those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Jay Nagl and Gerard Meyer. May they rest in peace.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL APPEAL:

We are in need of Pasta & Sauces, Cans of Tuna, Salmon, Meat & Vegetables, Tins of Soup, Tinned fruit, tins of vegetables, Spaghetti, Baked Beans, Diced Tomatoes. Spreads such as Jam, Peanut Butter, Vegemite, Honey. Packets of Sweet and Dry biscuits, Cereal, Tea and Coffee, Long Life Milk, Rice, Two Minute noodles and Cup of Soup packets, and toiletries. Please **do not** donate Sugar, Powdered Milk or Cheese Spreads.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

NAMES ON ROSTERS BELOW FOR SERVICES NEXT HOLY WEEK, 6/4 & 7/4/2024

-MINISTRY	Somerville	Shoreham	Hastings		
Lector	Lanii Birks	Clare Shearman	Tom Leyden	Mass Welcomer Hastings	Millie Payten
Eucharistic Ministers	Maree Chapman	Kees Meyer	Marie Ernestine Barbara Farley	Counters This Week	Steven Stewart Ian Marshall
Commentator	Tracey Clark	Anthony Grimes	Brian Stahl	Counters Next Week	Heiman Sissing Hijacinta Svabelj
Altar Linen		APRIL—Catherine Russ		Statue of Our Lady	
Mass Prep	Christine Coleman	APRIL—Catherine Russ		Communion to the Sick This Week	Group 1 - Group 2—Mary Marshall
Flowers	Maree Chapman	Somerville Maintenance—		Hastings Maintenance Team	
Cleaning	APRIL—Louise Street		Sandy Adolphus		

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our **Sacramental Program** for children who do not attend our Parish Primary Schools will be commencing the first week of Term 2 for **Reconciliation and First Eucharist** and then late June for **Confirmation**.

You can find and download Application forms on our **Western Port Parish website**, under **Sacramental Program**, or, alternatively, you can contact the Parish Office.



Mission: Transform Lives - theirs...and yours

Have you been considering whether an overseas professional placement with Palms is for you? Wanting to share your skills with communities in the Pacific, Asia or Africa to help develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty? Come to Palms' [Discovery information session](#) at **Sacred Heart Oakleigh on 22 April**.

Meet our director Soraya and former Palms participants to find out more about [Assignments Aboard](#). **Venue:** Sacred Heart PRIMARY School **Address:** 2 Mora Ave, Oakleigh **Date:** Monday 22nd April 2024 **Time:** 5:30pm to 6:30pm

PROJECT COMPASSION

Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia! Thank you for your continued support through Project Compassion. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, *for all future generations*.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2024 Lenten appeal.

If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, could please return them as soon as possible or visit make your donation online by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion



Western Port Parish is committed to making our Church a safe place for children and young people and protect them from harm.



Dear Parishioners and visitors,
May the joy of Easter fill your hearts
with renewed faith and hope.

Happy Easter!

LADIES LUNCH

Friday 5th April,

Westernport Hotel.

Please call Val 0409774919 if you would like to attend.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NEXT SUNDAY

On Sunday, 7 April 2024, **3:00:00am** clocks are turned backward 1 hour to **2:00:00am** local standard time instead. Please adjust your clocks.

Total givings from the week 14/3-21/3/24

1 st Collection – Presbytery	\$791.65
2nd Collection – Church Account (Including Direct Debits, Credit Cards, cheques, envelopes)	\$1141.50
Loose	\$315.75

Thank you for your ongoing support!