

Kyabram Catholic Parish

St Augustine's-Kyabram ~ St Patrick's-Tongala ~ St Sebastian's-Merrigum

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We come to worship we remember the Yorta Yorta & Bangerang People the original custodians of this land

Palm (Passion) Sunday - Cycle C

Sunday 10th April 2022



Readings for this week:

Luke 19:28-40 (Entrance)
Isaiah 50:4-7
Philippians 2:6-11
Luke 22:14-23:56



Readings for next Sunday

Acts 10:34,37-43
Colossian 3:1-4
John 20:1-9



Liturgical Jottings

Pastoral notes on Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

The Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem may take one of three forms:

1. The procession beginning with the blessing of palms at a second church or another site; it may be held only once at a principal Mass.
2. The solemn entrance beginning with the blessing of palms in front of the church door or in the vestibule; it may be repeated at well-attended Masses.
3. The simple entrance of priest and ministers without the blessing of palms, held when there is no procession or solemn entrance.

The Passion may be read in three parts by deacons, priests or lay people; the priest or deacon takes the part of Christ. It is proclaimed without candles, incense, greeting, signs of the cross or final acclamation. The homily follows. 2022 Ordo p. 62

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Looking at the Readings

The authors of fictional books create main characters for whom the readers have empathy, admiration or inspiration. The Gospel according to Luke poses that challenge for the readers. In the introduction, which we read at the beginning of this year, Luke professes to give us an ordered account of the life and events of Jesus. The Gospel is a ordered teaching in spiritual life that draws us to Jesus and we follow his journey from birth to death and resurrection. The Passion narrative today, more than ever invites, us to have such empathy and inspiration. The other characters in Luke's account are malefactors and deriders with Judas the betrayer and Peter the denier. The apostles depart at this arrest, Mary and John are not named, though his Galilean friends stood at a distance (23:49). Luke invites the listeners to accompany Christ to the cross.

Luke's passion account have some unique instances: the intense agony in the Garden, Jesus questions Judas, Herod questions Jesus, Jesus meets the Daughters of Jerusalem, Jesus forgives his executioners and the promise to the Good Thief that he will be with him in paradise.

The readings that accompany the passion are the same each year. The third song of the suffering servant of Isaiah: a teaching that shocks the hearers but speaks of perseverance and faithfulness. The second reading is another hymn reminiscent of the first reading but very Christological and expresses Christ's humility, humanity, servant-hood, obedience and final victory and sovereignty.

Lent and Sacramental Reconciliation

Lent is a time given to Christian communities and to every believer to readjust their lives, to be converted. Conversion is the centre of the whole liturgy of this season. Participation in the sacrament of reconciliation is part of the dynamics of a movement of conversion. Gradually we become conscious of the necessity to concretise this conversion by acts and give ourselves a sign that expresses it. The scriptures of the Lenten liturgies exhort us to produce worthy fruits of penance. (*The Days of the Lord Vol 2, pp232ff*)

A Prayer for Holy Week

Ever-living God, grant that we may heed Christ, your Son, lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. (*cf the Collect of Passion Sunday*)

On the Lighter Side

Since Light travels faster than Sound, people may appear bright until they speak."



HELPERS NEEDED FOR EASTER

We are still looking for people to assist with the Easter Ceremonies. Sheets are at the back of the church if you are available to assist. Please fill out and ensure that a phone number is left so you can be contacted.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

Thank you to our generous givers for your ongoing support! Giving Receipt letters have been emailed and posted over the past week. The Income and Expenditure letter was also included in the mail out. Further copies are available at the back of the church for parishioners who are not on the Planned Giving Program.

SANDHURST DIOCESE CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass for 2022 will be at the Sacred Heart Cathedral on **Tuesday 12th April at 11.00am.**

For those who cannot attend the Chrism Mass in person it will be livestreamed on the diocesan website and YouTube channel.

MEMORIAL MASS – PETER WALSH

A Memorial Mass to celebrate Peter Walsh's life will be held on **Thursday, 21st April 2022** at 1.00pm at St Augustine's Church Kyabram. Helen and Family invite all parishioners to attend the Mass, followed by a cuppa in Peter's garden at Haslem Cottage.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Sunday devotions will be celebrated on **Saturday 23rd April** following the 6.00pm Mass. This will also be followed by a cuppa. Please bring a plate.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

This weekend we welcome **Grace Margaret Zobec** into our faith community.



Please keep Grace and her parents, Andrew & Erin, and godparents in your prayers.

PPC

A reminder to members that the next PPC meeting is on **Tuesday, 12th April** commencing at 5.45pm (following Mass).

GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND COLLECTION

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, 15th April. 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 and housing.

Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday and please keep them in your prayers.

RECOGNITION FOR RUTH

At the recent National Men's Shed Gathering, our parishioner **Ruth McGowan** was inducted into the Australian Men's Shed Association Hall of Fame for her founding role and ongoing support of men's sheds. Ruth, who is also part of the Tongala Men's Shed, was instrumental (along with her husband Dick) in developing the very first constitution for an organisation that has become known around the world.

Congratulations Ruth on this wonderful and well-deserved recognition.

HOLY WEEK TIMES (rosters as arranged)

Holy Thursday (14th April)	6.00 pm	Mass (followed by Adoration till 8.00pm) at St Augustine's, Kyabram
Good Friday (15th April)	10.00 am 3.00 pm	Ecumenical Service at Memorial Gardens, Kyabram Passion of our Lord, St Augustine's Kyabram
Saturday Easter Vigil (16th April)	6.00 pm	St Augustine's Kyabram
Easter Sunday (17th April)	8.00 am	St Augustine's Kyabram

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Kadyn Mitchell-Treacy, Megan De Pasquale, Julie Shaw, Joan Childs, Anne Dodd

Recently Deceased: Pauline Benham

Anniversaries: Denis Wood, Terence Bowman

(Please email the Parish Office to add names to our prayer list.)



DIARY DATES

Mon	11 Apr	School holidays commence
Tues	12 Apr	Rosary 4.45pm Mass 5.00pm (Intention – Denis Wood and Protection of the Unborn) PPC meeting 5.45pm
Wed	13 Apr	-
Thurs	14 Apr	Holy Thursday Mass 6.00pm and Adoration until 8.00pm
Fri	15 Apr	Good Friday Ecumenical Service 10.00am Passion of our Lord 3.00pm
Sat	16 Apr	Mass 6.00pm
Sun	17 Apr	Easter Sunday Mass 8.00am
Mon	18 Apr	-
Tues	19 Apr	No Mass (or Rosary) Finance Committee meeting 7.00pm
Wed	20 Apr	-
Thurs	21 Apr	No 9.15am Mass Peter Walsh Memorial Service 1.00pm
Fri	22 Apr	-
Sat	23 Apr	Baptisms 5.00pm Mass 6.00pm (Divine Mercy Devotions after Mass and cuppa)
Sun	24 Apr	Divine Mercy Sunday Mass 8.30am Mass 11.30am Merrigum

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Mass Times

Kyabram

Week Day Masses (Tuesday and Thursday): see Diary Dates

Saturday (2nd and 4th Saturday of the month): 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am

Tongala

Second Sunday of month 11.30am

Merrigum

Fourth Sunday of month 11.30am

Reconciliation – Second Saturday of the month at 5.30pm (before 6pm Mass) in St Aug's Church Kyabram.

Mass of Anointing is held the first Thursday of the month at 10.00am in St Augustine's Church.



SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT 9 & 10 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 Project Compassion appeal.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world 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 from your Parish, or visit www.lent.caritas.org.au or phone 1800 024 413.

THE SAVING WORD

Passion Sunday (Palm Sunday) / C

10 April 2022

yourself and us as well.

N. But the other spoke up and rebuked him.

O. Have you no fear of God at all? You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

N. He replied,

J. Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.

N. It was now about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed, a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle; and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said,

J. Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.

N. With these words he breathed his last.

All kneel and pause a moment.

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he gave praise to God and said,

O. This was a great and good man.

N. And when all the people who had gathered for the spectacle saw what had happened, they went home beating their breasts.

All his friends stood at a distance; so also did the women who had accompanied him from Galilee, and they saw all this happen.

The longer form of this passion narrative may be read: Luke 22:14—23:56

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FIRST READING

Isa 50:4-7

Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied, he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear; to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

R. The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM

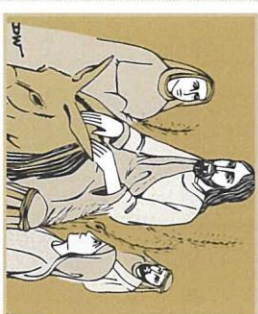
Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24. R. v. 2

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

1. 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.**

2. 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.**

3. 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.**

4. 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

Phil 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

R. The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! 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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL

Lk 23:1-49

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (N. Narrator J. Jesus O. Other single speaker C. Crowd)

N. The whole assembly then rose, and they brought him before Pilate.

They began their accusation by saying,

C. We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of tribute to Caesar; and claiming to be Christ, a king.

N. Pilate put to him this question,

O. Are you the king of the Jews?

N. He replied,

I. It is you who say it.

N. Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd,

O. I find no case against this man.

N. But they persisted.

C. He is inflaming the people with his teaching all over Judaea; it has come all the way from Galilee, where he started, down to here.

N. When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man were a Galilean; and finding that he came under Herod's jurisdiction he passed

him over to Herod who was also in Jerusalem at that time. Herod was delighted to see Jesus; he had heard about him and had been wanting for a long time to set eyes on him; moreover, he was hoping to see some miracle worked by him. So he questioned him at some length; but without getting any reply. Meanwhile the chief priests and the scribes were there, violently pressing their accusations. Pilate then summoned the chief priests and the leading men and the people. He said,

O. You brought this man before me as a political agitator. Now I have gone into the matter myself in your presence and found no case against him. Nor has Herod either, since he has sent him back to us. As you can see, the man has done nothing that deserves death, so I shall have him flogged and then let him go.

N. But as one man they howled,

C. Away with him! Give us Barabbas!

N. This man had been thrown into prison for causing a riot in the city and for murder.

Pilate was anxious to set Jesus free and addressed them again, but they shouted back.

C. Crucify him! Crucify him!

N. And for the third time he spoke to them,

O. Why? What harm has this man done? I have found no case against him that deserves death, so I shall have him punished and let him go.

N. But they kept on shouting at the top of their voices, demanding that he should be crucified, and their shouts were growing louder. Pilate then gave his verdict: their demand was to be granted. He released the man they asked for, who had been imprisoned for rioting and murder, and handed Jesus over

to them to deal with as they pleased. As they were leading him away they seized on a man, Simon from Cyrene, who was coming in from the country; and made him shoulder the cross and carry it behind Jesus. Large numbers of people followed him, and of women too who mourned and lamented for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

J. Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep rather for yourselves and for your children. For the days will surely come when people will say, 'Happy are those who are barren, the wombs that have never borne, the breasts that have never suckled!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!'; to the hills, 'Cover us!' For if men use the green wood like this, what will happen when it is dry?

N. Now with him they were also leading out two other criminals to be executed.

When they reached the place called The Skull, they crucified him there and the criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left. Jesus said,

J. Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.

N. Then they cast lots to share out his clothing. The people stayed there watching him. As for the leaders, they jeered at him, saying,

C. He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.

N. The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said,

C. If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.

N. Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there abused him, saying,

O. Are you not the Christ? Save