



KYABRAM CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Passion (Palm) Sunday

Sunday 24 March 2024



Readings for this week:

Entrance: Mark 11:1-10 /
John 12:12-16
Isaiah 50:4-7
Philippians 2:6-11
Passion of Mark 14:1-5:47



Readings for next Sunday: Acts 10:34,37-43
Colossian 3:1-4
John 20:1-9



Liturgical Jottings

Hymn to Christ the King

On this day the people and ministers process with palms into the church singing some or all of Psalms 24 & 47 and antiphons and Theodulph of Orleans' 8th century hymn to Christ the King: "All Glory, Laud and Honour." John Mason Neale (1818-66) gave us the English translation and Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) adapted the current tune.

The hymn is found in most hymn books: Catholic Worship Book II no 303; Gather Australia no 309 and the New Living Parish Hymn Book no 10 and in the Roman Missal p. 307. Each of the texts have slight variations. The Antiphon is:

All glory, praise (laud) and honour,
to you (thee), redeemer King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

On the Lighter Side



What do triangle palms like to study in school?
Trigonometree.

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Looking at the Readings

In Cycle B of the lectionary Reading for Sundays we read from St Mark. Today we have an option for the Gospel for the Commemoration of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem, the first is from Mark's gospel and the alternative is according to John. This account quotes the Prophet Zechariah 9:9. Matthew is the only other evangelist to do so. The Lord is riding upon a donkey, the animal which Old Testament kings ride in Jerusalem and in the time of peace. Zechariah also associates the donkey as a creature of the poor and humble whom Christ is close to in his ministry.

John's account is the only one that specifies palms branches. Matthew simply describes them as branches, Mark as leafy branches and Luke does not include any.

The readings for the Mass are more associated with the Passion: Isaiah Suffering Servant song, the Psalm which Jesus quotes when dying on the cross (Ps21:2) and Hymn from St Paul's letter to the Philippians centring on Christ's humanity, humility, passion, death on the cross, and his glorification. Mark's Passion is read.

Origin of the Commemoration

The remote origins of the procession with palms can be found in Jerusalem in the 4th-century practice of processing with song and carrying palms down the Mount of Olives to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher on the afternoon of Palm Sunday. This particular day was chosen on the basis of John's gospel: "Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany" (John 12:1,12). The procession with palms did not enter the papal form of the Roman rite until the 12th century and then to the rest of the world.

Pope Francis on Palm Sunday

Jesus, in his abandonment, asks us to open our eyes and hearts to all who find themselves abandoned. For us, as disciples of the "forsaken" Lord, no man, woman or child can be regarded as an outcast, no one left to himself or herself. Let us remember that the rejected and the excluded are living icons of Christ: they remind us of his reckless love, his forsakenness that delivers us from every form of loneliness and isolation. *Sunday, 2 April 2023*

Prayer over the People

Look, we pray, O Lord, on this your family,
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ
did not hesitate to be delivered into the hands of the wicked
and submit to the agony of the Cross.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.
(Roman Missal, Passion Sunday)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Jayne Wintle-Delahenty, Frances Corso, Germaine Stevens, Paul Genio, Tony Barca, John Moran, Jodie Potts, Philip Bowman, Anne Dodd, Kadyn Mitchell-Treacy, Trevor Peterson, Amy Nicholson.

Recently Deceased: Brian Quirk

Anniversaries: Leo Cocks, Tom Herrick, Mario Scapin, Adele Scapin

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



PARISH DETAILS

PARISH PRIEST

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PARISH OFFICE

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PRINCIPALS

St Augustine's College - Jay Sutton – Phone 5851 3000

St Patrick's Primary - Jackie Stockdale – Phone 5859 0371

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Fr Uday Marneni, Alana Brennan (Chairperson)

Maurie Finn, Veronica Fox, Mary D'Augello,

Carl Cabaraban. Brendon Lane, Jackie Stockdale,

Finola Price, Natalie Watt, Jay Sutton, John Forde

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Fr Uday Marneni,

Wayne Mulcahy (Chairperson),

James Harris (Deputy Chair)

John Zobec, Chris Moor, Mary Zobec.

MASS TIMES

KYABRAM

Week Day Masses (Tuesday & Thursday): see Diary

Saturday (2nd and 4th Saturday of the month): 6pm

Sunday: 8.30am

TONGALA

First Sunday of month 11.30am

MERRIGUM

Third Sunday of month 12 noon

RECONCILIATION – Second Saturday of month at 5.30pm (before 6pm Mass) in St Augustine's Church

ANOINTING MASS - held on the first Thursday of the month at 10am in St Augustine's Church.

FORTNIGHT MASS TIME TABLE

Weekly Masses

Sat 23rd March - 6pm Mass – Reconciliation 5pm-5.30pm

Sun 24th March - 8.30am

Weekly Masses

Tue 26th March - No Mass

Thu 28th March - 10am – School Liturgy Brigidine Centre

Thu 28th March - **Holy Thursday** 7pm.

Fri 29th March - **Ecumenical Service** 10am at Memorial Gardens

Fri 29th March – **Good Friday** - Stations of the Cross 2.30pm - Passion of Christ 3pm.

Sat 30th March - **Easter Vigil** – 7pm

Sun 31st March - **Easter Sunday** - 8.30am

Weekly Masses

Tue 2nd April - 4.45pm Rosary, 5pm Liturgy

Thu 4th April – No Mass

ROSTERS

Saturday 23rd March at 6pm

Commentator – L Ratcliffe

Lector – C Anderson

Special Minister – A O'Meara

Sunday 24th March at 8.30am

Commentator – M Carver

Lector – E Luvara

Special Minister – J Chant

Sunday 31th March at 8.30am

Commentator – J Chant

Lector – N Watt

Special Minister – M Cocks

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity and support for our Parish. May God bless you, always.

Last week's Collection is \$ 866.00

CHILD SAFE PARISH

We are a Child Safe Parish, we have a zero tolerance for child abuse and aim to provide a safe, supportive and welcoming environment to all visiting children, young persons and vulnerable adults.

If you are concerned for any form of abuse that is immediate you should call 000; a significant risk or harm, whether or not you have formed this belief on reasonable grounds, you should immediately raise your concerns with the Parish Child safety officer Finola Price on 03 5852 1310.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As we come to worship, we remember the Yorta Yorta & Bangerang People the original custodians of this land. We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with deep respect. May the Elders, past and present, be blessed and honoured. May we join and build a future based on compassion, justice, faith and reconciliation.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Congratulations to Fr Uday as he celebrates his Birthday on Sunday 24th March. We wish Fr Uday many blessings on this special day. There will be a celebration Saturday night, 23rd March after mass.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy birthday wishes to Maureen O'Shea, who celebrated her 80th birthday in early March. Happy birthday Maureen.

GOOD FRIDAY IN THE PARK

Kyabram combined churches, Good Friday in the Park, will be held at 10am on Friday 29 March at the Memorial Gardens, Kyabram. Free tea, coffee and hot cross buns.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 7 APRIL

St Brendan's catholic church, 121 Knights Street, Shepparton will have the Fesast of the Divine Mercy this Easter. On Sunday 7 April, 2pm Sacrament and Reconciliation, 3pm Chaplet-in song Benediction, 3.30pm Holy Mass, 4.30pm Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image. Enquiries on 5821 2633

PROJECT COMPASSION

Please support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and *for all future generations*. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all. You can also donate by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or 1800 024 413.

PPC

A reminder to members that the next PPC meeting is on **Tuesday, 16th April** commencing at 5.45pm (following Mass).

HOUSE BLESSINGS

If you would like a house blessing during the Easter season, please contact the office to book a time. Times available on Tuesday's and Thursday's only.

PHOTOS

On special occasions and some Masses parish volunteers may take photo for use on our social media and website for promotion. If you don't wish for you photo to be taken please contact a member of the parish or notify the photographer.

MEN'S CHOIR

The men's choir is on the 1st Sunday of the month. Please come at 8am, Sunday 7 April to practice.



HOME COMMUNION

The Parish offers home communion. If anyone has a family member or loved one at home requiring communion, please contact the Parish.

THANK YOU PARISHIONERS

Father Uday would like to express his thanks all those who attended and assisted with his Installation Mass. He is truly thankful and your involvement was greatly appreciated.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Good Friday 29 March at 2.30pm. All are encouraged to come along.

HELPERS NEEDED FOR EASTER

We are looking for people available to assist with the hot cross buns for the Good Friday Ecumenical Service (29 March) being held in the Memorial Gardens. Helpers to meet in the Parish meeting room at 8.45am to assist with buttering of buns. Please note all who help with serving buns at Memorial Gardens will need to provide a copy of Working with Children card. Please see Mary Zobec.

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

EASTER TIMETABLE

Holy Thursday (28 March) 7pm Mass.

Ecumenical Service 10am at Memorial Gardens

Good Friday (29 March) – Stations of the Cross 2.30pm - Passion of Christ 3pm.

Easter Vigil (30 March) – 7pm Mass

Easter Sunday (31 March) – 8.30am Mass

BE A GOOD EGG THIS EASTER

Be a good egg this easter and make sure your Easter chocolate is slavery-free. More than two million children under 15 work in the cocoa industry in west Africa. As Pope Francis says: "Every person ought to have the awareness that purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic – act". www.chocolatescorecard.com Check out how your favourite brand rates? And which retailers are best!

A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Weekend is for YOU. "Live Your Best Married Life in Love"

Every relationship is a journey and the grind of everyday life can easily cause you to lose touch with your spouse. This weekend gives married couples time to nurture your relationship and some tools to keep passion alive in a gentle, supportive environment, away from pressures and distractions of daily living.

Every married couple deserves a Marriage Encounter weekend! The weekend is based around Catholic values and couples of all faiths are welcome. Check our website for more details. Date: 12-14 April, in Melbourne. Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Website: wwme.org.au or email:

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"A single act of pure love pleases me more than a thousand imperfect prayers."

Jesus (According to St. Faustina)

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| 6 months (25 weeks) | \$12.00 per week | \$300 |
| 12 months (50 weeks) | \$10.00 per week | \$500 |

If you would like further details, please talk to Fr Uday, a member of the Finance Committee or Vicki in the office.



**Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm Sunday)
23 & 24 February**





As Project Compassion 2024 comes to an end, we want to thank you for your incredibly generous support throughout Lent.

This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities.

There is still time to donate! Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations.**

Please donate to Project Compassion

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