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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD-YEAR C - 10 APRIL 2022

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-7

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.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24

(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

Philippians 2:6-11

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Philippians 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

Luke 23:1-49

The elders of the people and the chief priests and scribes rose, and they brought Jesus before Pilate. They began their accusation by saying, 'We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of tribute to Caesar, and claiming to be Christ, a king.' Pilate put to him this question, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' 'It is you who say it' he replied. Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd, 'I find no case against this man.' But they persisted, '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.' 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. Then Herod, together with his guards, treated him with contempt and made fun of him; he put a rich cloak on him and sent him back to Pilate. And though Herod and Pilate had been enemies before, they were reconciled that same day. Pilate then summoned the chief priests and the leading men and the people. 'You brought this man before me' he said 'as a political agitator. Now I have gone into the matter myself in your presence and found no case against the man in respect of all the charges you bring 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.' But as one man they howled, 'Away with him! Give us Barabbas!' (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, 'Crucify him! Crucify him!' And for the third time he spoke to them, 'Why? What harm has this man done? I have found no case against him that deserves death, so I shall have him punished and then let him go.' 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.continued next page

Gospel continued.....Large numbers of people followed him, and of women too, who mourned and lamented for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, '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?' 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 two criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left. Jesus said, 'Father forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.' Then they cast lots to share out his clothing. The people stayed there watching him. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. '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,' he said 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied 'today you will be with me in paradise.' 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, 'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.' 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, 'This was a great and good man.' 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.

Dear Parish Family

Since the beginning of Lent until now we have prepared our hearts by penance and charitable works—so begins the Mass of Palm Sunday. Most of us may be thinking of all that we could have done during Lent. However, these wonderful days of Holy Week and Easter invite us to renew our faith and recommit ourselves to the Lord. Yes, we can always do more but it is also important to acknowledge the power of God's grace and mercy working in us and through us especially since we were marked with the ashes at the beginning of Lent.

Saturday, 9th April 2022 marks **Fr Jessie's 1st Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood.** We are blessed to have him as part of our parish community. Pray that the commitment he made one year ago will deepen and strengthen over all the years to come.

As we enter into Holy Week, I invite and encourage you to embrace a spirit of confidence about your faith so that we can pray together and experience the very life of God through the mysteries we celebrate. Our wonderful week begins today and continues until we stand with the Risen Christ on Easter Sunday. During the **Chrism Mass** in the Cathedral on Tuesday evening we, your priests will renew the commitment we made when we were ordained. Please pray for us that we will be faithful to the call the Lord has made. On Thursday, during the **Mass of the Lord's Supper**, we are reminded of the call to service made to all Christians. What we do in memory of the Lord nourishes us so that the Lord can give life to all, even now. Good Friday invites us, and challenges us, to accompany Jesus along the **Way of the Cross**. The **Easter Vigil** draws us out of darkness into the light of Christ - a light that shines brightest through our being **humble, courageous and compassionate**, like the Risen Lord. Our Easter celebrations strengthen and renew us to bring this very light to the ends of the earth.

Fr Mark Freeman



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A VOCATION VIEW:

When Jesus comes into your life, grab something and wave it. Show your joy, your happiness; your dream is fulfilled. Tell others: Jesus is here!

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YOU ARE ASKED TO PRAY

FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTISED especially **Jack Robinson** (Matthew and Kayla) who will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism within our parish this weekend.

FOR OUR CATECHUMENS PREPARING FOR BAPTISM AT EASTER: Isaac, Dat and Zac. May they open their hearts to the new life of God's Grace through the Easter Sacraments.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Fr Brian Nichols, Fr Terry Yard, Teresa McMahon, Alida Moolenschot, Archivaldo Pechon, Sharon Manzone, Suzy Fenton, Elizabeth Nettlefold, Elizabeth Roberts, Shirley Ambrose, Qian Zhang-Allchin, Carole Cleary, Bev Callahan, Nanette Gunton, Helen Wright, Alfred Weeding, Maureen Saunders, Mary Morgan, Mary Carter, Marion Winterson-Jowett, Philip Carroll, Scott Bailey, Ralf Roston, Tony Long, Kristel Latham, Joan Keefe, Jennifer Dowell, Andrew Campbell, Pat and Bill Lewis, Vincent Burke, Eduardo Bilanes, Brian Hudson, Brian Beardwood, Denise Austin, Jane Gillard, Joel Wilkinson, Jesse Moore, Elaine Blake, John Walsh, Clare Maddox, William Siegrist, Anne Harris, Jane Savaro, Amelia Eckert, Allison Thambugala, Ava Woolley, David Lewis, Christian Barrett, Xavier Banks, George Donovan, Max Jamieson, Jan McClean, John Bennett, and Peter Marshall.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Heinz Binder, Maureen Symons, Jennifer Bond, Alwyn Gatherole, Jan Lambert, Mercedes Macaraeg Aljo and Christopher Burgess who have died recently, Mary-Anne Palmer, Molly Cox, Jim Cafe, Darcy Atkinson, Kristine Illingworth, Stefan Lesniewski, Johanna Rossi, Elvie and Bill Blin, Julie Corbett, Leon Waiss, Dick Olding, Paul Maloney, Molly Robinson, Ruth Lawry, Lizzy Knox, Michael Smith, Arthur Dewis, Margaret Elson, all victims of COVID-19 virus and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Our mission is to love and serve our God, each other and the wider community

PARISH ACTIVITIES, INFORMATION AND NEWS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE will meet in the Parish Pastoral Centre on **Tuesday 12th April at 1.15pm for 1.30pm start**. New members would be very welcome. Enquiries Victoria 0408 398 785.

LECTORS This is a final request to all Lectors to please notify the Parish Office of your availability to read at the following Masses over Easter: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. Please email or phone the office. Thank you.

OUR LADY OF MERCY COLLEGE, DELORAINE A reunion lunch will be held at the Raspberry Farm – Elizabeth Town, **Thursday, 5th May**, 12.00 for 12.30pm. All past pupils welcome. RSVP Mary: 0429 354 406, Charmaine: 0438 340 631 or Carmel: 0447 509 053.

ROSARY: is recited each and every Monday at 7:30pm in the comfort of your own home. We pray our Blessed Mother will watch over us all at this time of uncertainty and sadness. Enquiries: Jan (0409 175 940) or Adrian & Liz (0407 074 693)

THE CARMEL SHOP: 7 Cambridge Street, West Launceston is now open on Wednesdays between 11.00am - 4.00pm. Enquiries: Helen 6344 6382 or email: carmelshop@yahoo.com

Copies of the latest edition of The Catholic Standard are available in the Church and the foyer of the Pastoral Centre or look for the online version on the Archdiocese of Hobart website.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

You are invited to return your Project Compassion contributions as part of the Preparation of the Gifts at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday.

GOOD FRIDAY HOLY PLACES COLLECTION

Each year a Leaving Collection is taken to support and maintain the Holy Places associated with the Life and Ministry of Jesus. Please give generously

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

will be celebrated at Church of the Apostles on **Sunday, April 24th at 2.30 pm**
Reconciliation will be available from 2.00pm
The World needs Divine Mercy
Enquiries: Rozanne 0498 278 057 or Bernice 0428 987 771.



WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	6.00pm Vigil	Sacred Heart, Newstead
Sunday	7.30am	Carmel
	9.00am	St Finn Barr's, Invermay
	10.00am	St Patrick's Chapel
	10.30am	Apostles
	5.30pm	Apostles (April—Sept)

WEEKDAY MASSES - 10th — 16th April

Monday:	7.30am	Carmel
Tuesday:	7.30am	Carmel
	<i>No 12 noon Mass at Newstead</i>	
	<i>6.00pm Chrism Mass at Cathedral</i>	
Wednesday	7.30am	Carmel
	5.30pm	Apostles
Thursday:	<i>See Holy Week Times</i>	
Friday :	<i>See Holy Week Times</i>	
Saturday:	<i>See Holy Week Times</i>	

RECONCILIATION

Saturday:	10.00am - 11.00am	Apostles
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HOLY WEEK



HOLY THURSDAY 14th April

7.30pm: MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
Church of the Apostles
Carmelite Monastery

GOOD FRIDAY 15th April

10.30am: STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Sacred Heart Church, Newstead

3.00pm: COMMEMORATION OF THE PASSION
Church of the Apostles
Carmelite Monastery

HOLY SATURDAY 16th April

7.30pm: EASTER VIGIL
Church of the Apostles

11.00pm: EASTER VIGIL
Carmelite Monastery

EASTER SUNDAY 17th April

8.30am: Carmelite Monastery
9.00am: St Finn Barr's Church, Invermay
10.00am: St Patrick's College Chapel, Prospect
10.30am: Church of the Apostles
5.30pm: Church of the Apostles

MASS LIVE-STREAMED

Each and every Sunday at 10.00am

 On Facebook @catholicparishlaunceston

if you don't have a Facebook account go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/CatholicParishLaunceston/videos/>

Sunday Mass is also televised every Sunday Morning on WIN and WIN HD, 6.00am - 6.30am.

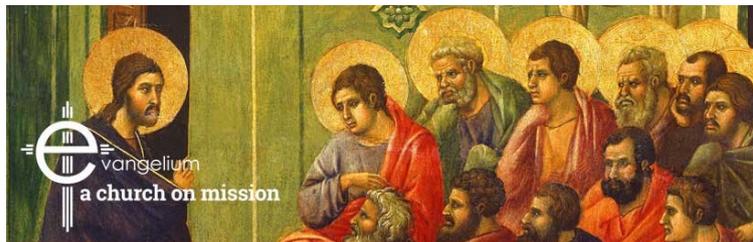
PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



*My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.*

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This year the Archdiocese of Hobart is launching a very exciting program called the **Evangelium Project**. The program invites people to engage in a spiritual journey, discovering the wonderful ways that God has worked in their lives and helping them to be able to share their faith with others. Please visit the website, the details of which are given in the banner below. **Archbishop Julian Porteous**



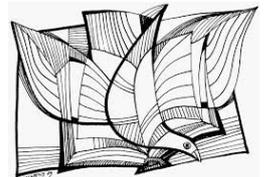
Share in a personal journey of the heart
REGISTER NOW! www.evangeliumproject.com  Archdiocese of Hobart

GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 11th: John 12:1-11
Tuesday 12th: John 13:21-33,36-38
Wednesday 13th: Matthew 26:14-25
Thursday 14th: John 13:1-15
Friday 15th: John 18:1-19:42
Saturday 16th: Luke 24:1-12 (Easter Vigil)

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:
Easter Sunday**

Acts 10-34,37-43
Psalm 117:1-2,16-17,22-23
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9



Ponder and pray the living Word of God



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ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/

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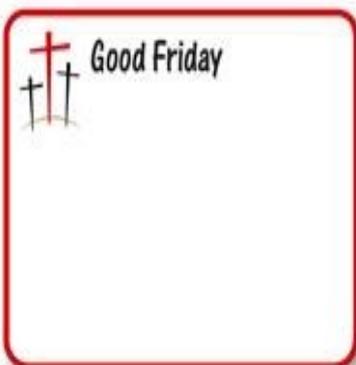
Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water.

Your generosity has helped Caritas Australia assist millions of vulnerable people around the world, through Project Compassion appeal

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Children's Corner

Draw or write what happened on each of these special days during Holy Week.



REQUEST FOR DONATIONS



The following items would be most appreciated to give out to people in need who use the Vinnies Van: soap, toothpaste/toothbrushes, deodorant, jackets, blankets, shampoo/conditioner. (No body lotion).
Please drop off to the Parish Office during office hours or call the office for further information.

