

Sacred Heart Parish Preston

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Parish Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 6:00pm Sunday: 9:00am (Italian), 10:30 am, 6:00 pm

<u>Weekday Masses</u>: Monday to Friday: 9.10am

Healing Mass: 1st Thursday of the month at 1.30pm

Devotional Practices: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday after 9.10am Mass

Holy Rosary: Thursday (English) & Friday (Italian) after 9.10am Mass

Legion of Mary: Thursday 7.30pm, in the Presbytery

Reconciliation: Weekdays: 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

Baptisms & Weddings: By appointment only

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - 21st April 2019

Alleluia! Christ is Truly Risen

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117:1-2,16-17,22-23 **R**/ This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Gospel Acclamation: 1 Cor 5:6-8

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

Gospel: John 20: 1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead. 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

Discovering Easter

The resurrection is a great mystery. We can't quite experience the impact it had in the hearts of his followers. The gospel above, this great news, spans the centuries and is still a living force for here and now. In a sense, you and I are reflected in elements of that story, and may place ourselves within the account given by Saint John today. Am I like Magdalene, announcing the news of resurrection? Or like the apostles



who respond immediately by running off to the tomb to see for themselves.

On Easter morning, the stone was rolled back from the mouth of the tomb. Is my heart like a tomb awaiting resurrection? Can I identify any "gravestone" that is holding me back from a fuller, freer life? It could be an addiction, a compulsion or some dark secret I have never shared with anyone. We can be sickened by our secrets. But as pope Francis said, we are meant to be "people of joyful hope, not doomsday prophets!" By trusting in the resurrection of Jesus, we can all find hope and joy, and go out to share them with others.

Association of Catholic Priests

HAPPY EASTER! ALLELUIA!

Easter Message from Archbishop Peter Comensoli

Happy Easter, friends in Christ. Happy Easter in the name of Jesus, the Risen One.

When Jesus appeared among his friends after the Resurrection, the first thing he did was to show them the wounds of his crucifixion. 'Here,' he said to them, 'see my once-nailed hands and feet; look at my pierced side.' The person who stood before his friends was no ghostly hologram of someone they once knew; it was Jesus himself, alive. After three days in the tomb, and now brimming with divine energy, Jesus did not hide the wounds of his death from his friends. Instead, he carried them with him into the resurrected life.

Those transfigured wounds of Jesus matter to us, his friends today. His death was no fake; his resurrection no trick. With his own body - once wounded in death - he now brings new possibilities to us all. Our way ahead with Him does not mean a rejection of our past, but a transfiguration of it. Jesus is our hope of a new path.

This Easter, all of us are being invited to taste something of this joy of the Resurrection, to look on Jesus' resurrected wounds and see hope for the world. This is because our own wounds and sorrows, our griefs and struggles, our anguishes and angers, have all been absorbed into the healed wounds of Jesus.

So begins my first sharing in the Easter Season with you as your archbishop. I've been looking forward to it, because we have been walking through loss and grief in the Church here in Melbourne, and we are so in need of the Lord who wants us to share his Easter joy.

Christ is alive; and he wants us to be alive. The Risen Lord, who will never abandon his people, is offering us the strength to set out on a new path with him. As shattered and as wounded as our local Church can seem, the Risen Lord, in his gloriously wounded body, is inviting us to share in his life and to walk with him.

Dates to Remember

Sunday 28th April: Divine Mercy Sunday Mass Times: 9.00am, 10.30am & 6.00pm

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WE PRAY FOR: <u>The elderly and the sick</u> Peter Bourke, Brian Donnellon, Irene Navascues, Dale O'Keefe, Veronica Parkes, Rosie Poter, Lidia Razzi, Raul Reinal & Fr Jan Szweda O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Coming Soon to Sacred Heart Parish Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sacred Heart Parish is planning to start a Children's Liturgy during regular Mass times and would like to hear from parents of children aged 4-12 years who may be interested in enrolling their children.



Childrems LIGOPSE

The Liturgy of the Word is a prayerful celebration of God's Word, reading from a

Children's Bible and reflecting on the way we live our lives in the light of God's Word.

If you would like to be kept informed of developments, please fill out the expression of interest register in the Church foyer or contact Natalie on 0422 718 681.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

Last Week's Collection:	
14/04/19 1st Collection for our Church: \$1416.75 2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$1655.00 Thank you for your kind generosity!	Sa 6.0 Su 9.0
Cleaning Roster: Saturday27 th April 2019 Anna/Lizzie Thank you for your help!	(I Su 10 Su 6.

Roster for weekend of 27th - 28th April 2019					
	Readers	Ministers	Projector		
Sat 6.00pm	Rohan Lemos Marlene Vergou	Peter Bourke Terry Murphy	Rohan Lemos		
Sun 9.00am (Italian)	Ilardi L.	Malavisi I. Mendolicchio A.	Mancini M.		
Sun 10.30am	Ivana Lo Bello Eileen Stevens	Tony Eley George Mc Brien	Jessy Thambiraj		
Sun 6.00pm	Carolina Constable Peter Constable	Robert Dullard	Jessica Suppiah		