"Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed."





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17th April - Easter Sunday

Easter Message from Fr Paul

A note to wish each parishioner **a very happy and blessed Easter**. A special note of welcome to any visitor who is with us this Easter.

May the celebration of the Easter Liturgy deepen our faith that Jesus is truly risen, and having conquered death, invites us to share in his risen life.

May the Easter Liturgy help us understand and appreciate more deeply the Paschal Mystery – the times of dying and rising to new life in Christ.

It is Good News that every Good Friday in our lives can be transformed into an Easter Sunday. No pain, no sorrow, not even death itself, need defeat us: all is made new in the risen Christ.

May we all receive a deeper share in his gift of peace: "Peace be with you" the Risen Lord says to each of us. I pray that you receive the blessings of his peace, a peace the world cannot give.

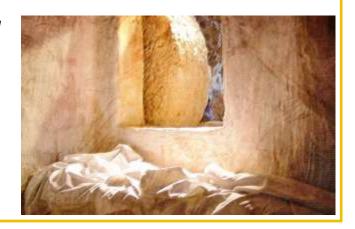
Thanks to all the volunteers who have contributed generously to the Liturgies throughout Holy Week, up to and including Easter Sunday Masses. This includes welcomers, readers, altar preparers, servers, extraordinary ministers, wardens, counters, sacristans, flower arrangers, cleaners and all who helped in the preparations for the Easter liturgies.

A special word of thanks to the musicians and singers for your hours of preparation and the sharing of your gifts and talents.

Another special word of acknowledgement to our Parish Secretary Jackie and to the Parish Team members who have helped in the preparation of the Easter Liturgies.

On behalf of Fr Sam and the Parish Team, a very happy and blessed Easter to each of you, and to your families.

Fr Paul Parish Priest.



Parish Masses This Week

Monday	18 April	No Mass			MONDAY within the Octave of Easter
Tuesday	19 April	Mass	9.15am		TUESDAY within the Octave of Easter
Wednesday	20 April	Mass	9.15am		WEDNESDAY within the Octave of Easter
Thursday	21 April	Mass	9.15am		THURSDAY within the Octave of Easter
Friday	22 April	Mass	9.15am		FRIDAY within the Octave of Easter
Saturday	23 April	Mass	7.00pm		SATURDAY within the Octave of Easter
Sunday	24 April	Mass	8.00am	9.30am 5.30pm	SECOND SUNDAY of EASTER Divine Mercy

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Patricia Morgan (died 13 April), Nilo Zolezzi (father of Steve, died in South Africa, 10 March, aged 89 years), Fidela Frez, (mother of Fr Joey, died 3 March), Maria Mood (close friend of Rose and Graham Raward), Dennis Morgan (husband of Patricia, died 22 February aged 93), Kerry Lupton (died 20 February, wife of Vic, former parishioner and friend of Jen and Barry Clibborn), Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe, died 22 February), Fr Peter Preston SDS (friend of Mike Tighe), Paul Hotchkis (died 7 February aged 68 years, husband of Jane, brother in law of Paul and Gemma Couch).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Giovanni (Jack) Cincotta (father of Trish Maiolo, 47th anniversary on 16 April), Keith Walmsley (Rachel Mitchell's Dad, 3rd anniversary 17 April), Monica Gibbons (wife of Reg, 6th anniversary on 21 April), Bob Hayward (uncle of Will Hayward) 2nd anniversary, 21st April, Agnes Tiong (friend of Caroline Ho and family, 3rd anniversary on 16 April), Dora Ballarin (Antonella Foti's mother, 2nd anniversary 5 April), Athol Higgins (husband of Norma, 3rd anniversary 30 March), Anne Hanna (5th anniversary on 31 March, wife of Harry, beloved mother and grandmother), Raymond McGarry (brother of John, 4th anniversary on 1 April), Brian MacMillan (brother of Pat, 4th anniversary on 1 April), Edward James Lynch (Jennifer Gregory's Dad, 21st anniversary on 23 March), Joan Sutherland (30th anniversary on 27th March), Gus Almgren (3rd anniversary 23 March), Noreen McGarry (wife of Brian, 18 year anniversary on 18 March), Terry Gallagher (husband of Pam - 13 year anniversary on 14th March), Helen Gait (wife of Tom, 1st anniversary, 9 March), Ottaviano Praturlon (husband of Elsa, 26th anniversary on 6 March), Ina Alsaka (mother of Suzanne Cooke, 8th anniversary on 9 March), Jonas Buzinskas (father of Peter, anniversary on 9 March), Brian Fraser (husband of Devona, 6th anniversary on 10th March), Roger Thrum (11th anniversary, 13 March), Lizeth Andreina Albornoz Gonzalez (2nd anniversary, sister in law of Veronica Acevedo), Jack Jones (brother in law of Jo and Frank Waldron, 1st anniversary 21 February), Tom Anderson (father of Margaret MacMillan) anniversary 22 February), Eleanora Poletto (mother of Giordana Praturlon, 5th anniversary 26 February), Reg Kirkwood (brother of Patrick, 4th anniversary on 14 February).

FOR THE SICK:

Cyril Littrich, Pam Gallagher, Margaret MacMillan, Fr Robert Borg, Leon D'Apice, Geoff Deacon (brother-in-law of Irene King), Max Arnett, Greg McNally, John Clark, John Fisher, John Lyons (son-in-law of Halina Brzowzski), Sinead Joyce (friend of Dot & Mike Tighe), Kathleen Le Gras (Sister of Brian McGarry), Emma Vassallo (Granddaughter of Will Hayward), Peter Higgins (son of Norma), Dawn Phillips (Lynne Attard's Mum), Alyssa Kent, Ted Hook (Antonina's husband), Gerard Vince (brother of Cecilia Kean), Kevin Brown (brother-in-law of Halina and David Brett in England), Joe Pulis, Patricia McGrath, Helen Dunning (niece of Leila McCreton), Edda Fragiacomo, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Anne Carney, Richard Connolly (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Walter Sutcliffe, Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Chris Le Gras, Judith Hodson, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Hildegard McLaughlin, Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Grant Jepson, Noeline Mannix, Madeleine Reicher (granddaughter of Patricia Cox), Thomas Nash, Ross Truda, Frances Hall, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.





What does the Word say to us this Easter Sunday?

First Reading (Acts 10:34, 37-43). We hear part of an early sermon of St Peter.

Second Reading (Colossians 3:1-4). Through our Baptism we already share in the risen life of Christ, though in a hidden and mysterious way.

Gospel (John 20:1-9). On discovering that Jesus' tomb is empty, the disciples begin to grasp what the Scriptures had foretold, namely, that he would rise from the dead.

The reading from Acts is part of an early sermon of St Peter. In it he summarises the ministry of Jesus, which culminated in his death. But it didn't end there - God raised him to life, allowing him to be seen by certain witnesses. Peter is one of those witnesses. He goes on to declare that Jesus is the one all the prophets spoke about, namely, the Messiah. All who believe in him will have their sins forgiven.

The Gospel tells about the discovery of the empty tomb. The empty tomb (with the discarded linen cloths) in itself is not a direct proof of the resurrection. Nevertheless, it was the first step towards establishing the truth that Jesus had escaped the bonds of death, and it prepared the disciples to encounter the risen Lord.

Easter Day is the greatest day in the Church's calendar. Jesus has overcome death, not only for himself, but for all of us. The joy of Easter fills all the earth. We are Easter people and hallelujah is our song!

Quotes for Reflection this week:

The Paschal mystery has two aspects: <u>by his death</u>, Christ liberates us from sin; <u>by his Resurrection</u>, he opens for us the way to a new life.... Christ's Resurrection, and the risen Christ himself, is the principle and source of our future resurrection: "Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. . . For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive."

The risen Christ lives in the hearts of his faithful while they await that fulfilment. In Christ, Christians "have tasted... the powers of the age to come" and their lives are swept up by Christ into the heart of divine life, so that they may "live no longer for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised."

Catechism of the Catholic Church nn 654,655

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song." Pope St John Paul II

In sum, the cross takes our sins away because it is the act of God's gracious judgment on Christ for our benefit: "For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God" (2 Cor 5:21). The basis of this act is divine love: "In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins" (1 Jn 4:10). "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" (Jn 3:16). "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom 5:8). "But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved" (Eph 2:4-5).

This saving act arises at once from the will of the Son and of the Father: "By his obedience unto death, Jesus accomplished the substitution of the suffering Servant, who 'makes himself an offering for sin', when 'he bore the sin of many', and who 'shall make many to be accounted righteous', for 'he shall bear their iniquities'. Jesus atoned for our faults and made satisfaction for our sins to the Father" (Catechism of the Catholic Church §615). St. Paul writes, "Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him. For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life" (Rom 5:9-10).

Pope Francis On Mercy and Justice: A short primer by Eduardo Echeverria

"If humanity had its way, the plan of redemption would be an endless and bloody conflict. In reality, salvation was bought not by Jesus' fist, but by His nail-pierced hands;

not by muscle but by love; not by vengeance but by forgiveness; not by force but by sacrifice.

Jesus Christ our Lord surrendered in order that He might win;

He destroyed His enemies by dying for them and conquered death by allowing death to conquer Him."

A.W. Tozer

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Weekend Masses:

Sacramental Coordinator:

Saturday 5.00pm (and FIRST Saturday of the month Mass at 9:15am)

Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 5.30pm

and 7.30pm at Loreto College Normanhurst during school terms

Mass on Tuesday to Friday: 9.15am 8.30am - 9.00am Silent Prayer

9.00am—9.15am Morning Prayer of the Church

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

Friday evening during Lent: Adoration 6:00pm

Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

Mass is also celebrated::

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara— Monday 7.00am St Leo's College, Wahroonga Friday 12.55pm during school terms Baptism: Preparation - last Sunday of the month.

Baptisms - 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 11.00am.

Bookings essential through the Parish Office.

Marriage:

By appointment, at least six months in advance.

Sick Calls:

Any time day or night.

Please call 0408 350 885 out of office hours

Confessions:

Saturday 11.30am or by appointment. The list of times in surrounding parishes is on our parish website. We recommend you call the parish in advance to confirm

Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020/2021: Tess Denham-Fabry (Deputy Chair), Ed Scully (Secretary), Chrissie Goldrick, Tom Waugh, Giovanna Flores-Clarke, Ian Edmunds, Samantha Vieira, Sally Oong and Roger Bohlsen, along with Genevieve Smith (Prouille) and Elizabeth Webster (St Lucy's) and a representative from St Edmunds.

Parish Finance Committee: Marinela Mendes, Tony Monardo, Robyn Elizondo, Tim Quilty, Paul O'Brien

Parish Fundraising Committee: Noel Kean (Chair), Meredith Baume, Anthony Weaver, Lyn Saul, James Toomey

The Parish Bank Account Number: The Catholic Development Fund (CDF) with whom the parish banks), has changed some of its processes. This means we have a new account number. In the past, we would provide the details here, however, in late 2020, the Diocese of Broken Bay advised we were no longer to advertise our bank account details in the parish bulletin or on our website. SO WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? If you deposit directly to the parish account (on a regular or ad hoc basis), we need to provide you with the new account number. There is no change to regular credit card contributors.

Thank you for your financial contribution to the support of our Parish Community and its priests. It is greatly appreciated.

- The 1st Collection taken up at Mass goes to the Clergy Remuneration Fund for the financial support of the priests.
- The 2nd Collection taken up at Mass is for the running and upkeep of the Parish.

We invite you to help our Parish by joining a Planned Giving scheme. Please contact the parish office for the way you can participate in this. Your gift of any size will help our parish continue our good works & outreach.

Alternatively see the "Make A Payment" tab on www.holynamewahroonga.com.au

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY: Our Church is equipped with a defibrillator in the event of a cardiac arrest. It is located near the entrance to the church, next to the notice board. It is designed to be used by everyone. Please familiarise yourself with the use of this device at AED Plus Step-by-Step Demo - YouTube in case of an emergency.