

# Gosford Parish



**The Communities of St Patrick's East Gosford,  
St Francis of Assisi Somersby & Holy Trinity Spencer  
Neighbourhoods of Grace, entrusted to the  
care of the Salvatorians.**



## FR GREG'S LETTER

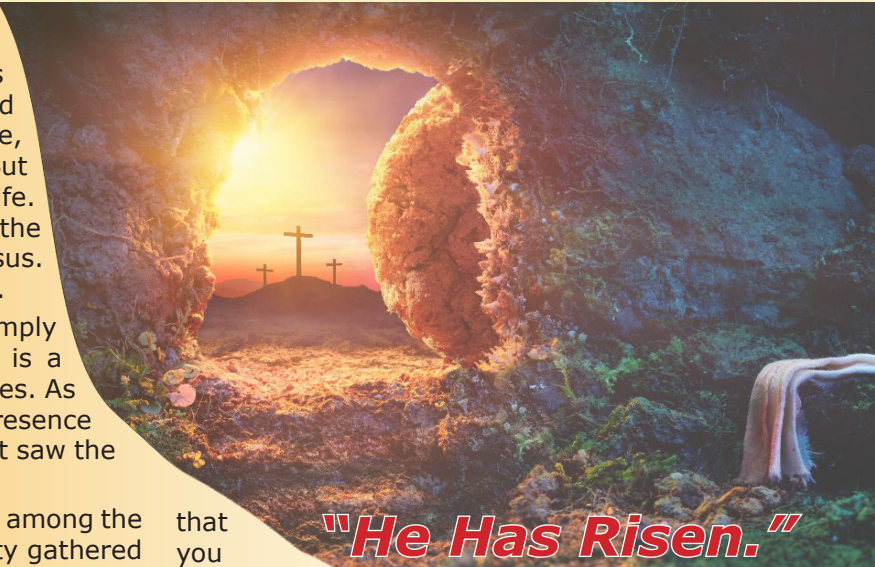
On that first Easter Sunday morning, as relayed by the Gospel of John, the world seemed a dark place for Mary Magdalene, Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. But they gradually woke up to a new vision of life. They saw the tomb, now empty. They saw the cloths that had wrapped the body of Jesus. And then they encountered the risen Lord.

Jesus' resurrection from the dead is not simply a fact of history to share at Easter. It is a mystery to be lived out everyday of our lives. As Christians, we are just as inspired by the presence of Jesus among us today as those who first saw the empty tomb.

Like them, we know that Jesus is not found among the dead. He lives among us in the community gathered to celebrate the Holy Eucharist. He lives in the Gospel proclaimed by our words and deeds. Through the Sacraments of the Church, he gathers disciples, heals the sick, reconciles sinners and calls us to serve others. In the Church's outreach, it is the hand of Jesus that lifts up the poor, feeds the hungry, shelters the homeless and visits the lonely. In these ways, and many others, we give witness to the mystery of Jesus living among us. Indeed, we truly become the Body of Christ for the world.

This Easter mystery cannot be lived in isolation. It requires the bonds of community to support us and to challenge us. Every Sunday the Church gathers as the Body of Christ at the table of God's Word and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, the source of our life in Christ. We gather every Sunday as active participants in the life of our resurrected Lord. In our parish there are opportunities for everyone to encounter the risen Christ. All young people, families, men, women and seniors have a great opportunity to come together to build friendships and learn more about the Church and faith. Please find more details about groups and ministries, which can further develop this, inside the bulletin today.

St Patrick's parishioners, the Parish Pastoral Council, Fr Paul and I welcome you, and indeed invite you, to be the Body of Christ for the world with us. If you feel



**"He Has Risen."**

that you would like

to explore the path of joining us in the Catholic faith or receive one of the sacraments, please contact the parish office for more details.

I wish you blessings during this Easter season and every day. I pray that our risen Lord will be revealed to you in the Word and the Sacraments, in the love of family, friends and the Church, in the witness of charity and in the holiness of life.

I sincerely wish you a very blessed Easter celebration today and every day.

God bless you!

**Put your Hope in God!**  **Psalm 42 : 5**

**YEAR of SAINT JOSEPH**  
"Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life"  
DECEMBER 8, 2020 - DECEMBER 8, 2021

## FR FRANCIS JORDAN SDS

*"Cary on your spiritual dialogue with the Savior. Sit, at his feet, humble and docile, and attend to His words."*

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### POPE FRANCIS' APRIL 2021 INTENTION

#### Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

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**CELEBRATING 35 YEARS**  
DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY



**THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH & THE FAMILY 2021**



## ST PATRICK'S PARISH GOSFORD

### PASTORAL CARE

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### SALVATORIAN

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### PARISH OFFICE

Secretary:

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### VOLUNTEER ROLES

**Office Admin:**

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**AV Presentation:** Peter McLean

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**Gardeners:** Trevor Byrne

Joyce Byrne

Victor Camilleri

Barbara McCarthy Ph: 4322 0250

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### SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

If you see any activities involving children or vulnerable adults that worries you, please email Hilary Pope, our Safeguarding Officer at hilary.p1@optusnet.com.au

### School Principals

St Patrick's Primary: Mrs Cheryl Walsh 4325 1159

St Joseph's College: Mr Tony McCudden 4324 4022

St Edwards College: Mr Mark Bonnici 4321 6400

St Peter's College: Mr Tim Hilderbrandt 43512344



## CHURCH OPEN DAILY 8:30AM – 4:30PM.

### STANDARD WEEKDAY MASSES

#### GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD

**Mon:** 9:00am **Wed:** 11:30am **Fri:** 12:00pm

**Tue:** 9:00am **Thu:** 9:00am **Sat:** 9:00am

**Adoration and Confession 30 minutes before each weekday Mass.**

### WEEKEND MASSES INCL CONFESSION 30 BEFORE EACH MASS

#### GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD

**Sat Vigil:** 5:00pm **Sun:** 7:30am, 9:30am & 6:00pm

#### SOMERSBY, 30 LUTANA RD

#### SPENCER, 4,200 WISEMANS FERRY RD

Sat Vigil: 5:30pm 4:00pm 2nd Saturday of Month

### ADORATION IN OUR CHURCH

#### Before the Blessed Sacrament

Mon 8:30 - 9:00am Wed 11:00 - 11:30am Fri 12:30 - 3:00pm

Tue 8:30 - 9:00am Thu 8:30 - 9:00am Sat 8:30 - 9:00am

### ROSARY

**Mon, & Thu** 8:05am to 9:00am

**Tuesday** 8:05am "Right to Life"

**Wednesday** 10:30am to 11:00am

**Fridays** 11:35am to 12:00pm

**Saturday** 8:05am until 9:00am: 1st Priests & Religious  
2nd Mothers & Babies  
3rd Persecuted Christians

**Sunday** 7:05am

### BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL, AT THE ADMIN CENTRE, CHAPEL LANE

**Mon to Thu:** 8:30am to 3:30pm **Fri:** 9:00am to 3:30pm

### ST PATRICK'S GROUPS MEETINGS

**Cancer Prayer Group** After 9:00am Mass, 4th Tuesday of the Month, in the Jordan room.

**Craft Group** 9:30am to 12:00pm Every Friday of School Terms

**Grief & Loss Support** 2:00pm 1st Thursday of the month, in the Jordan room.

**MenAlive** 7:00pm 1st Tuesday of the month. Mass followed by meeting in the Jordan room.

**Prayers for Christian Unity** 9:30am 3rd Monday of the Month

**Prayer Group DVDs** 9:30am 1st Monday of the Month

**Prayer Group & Bible Discussion** 9:30am 2nd, 4th and 5th Monday of the Month

**Bible Study - Monday night** 7:00pm to 9:00pm Monday, in the Jordan Room, all are welcome!

**Youth Group** Sunday, in Jordan room after 6:00pm Mass

**Salvatorian Collaborators** After 9:00am Mass, 1st Thursday of the month, in the Jordan room.

**Womens Faith Circle** 2nd and 4th Thursday of the Month in the Jordan Room 9:00am to 11:00am

**Pint Sized Paddies Children, Yrs 5 & 6** 2nd & 4th Friday of the month during School Terms. In the School Hall 7:00 pm

**Family Group** Meet monthly as per details advertised in the Bulletin venue and times may vary to suit the occasion.

## NATIONAL CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP STANDARDS

### LEADERSHIP, MONITORING & IMPROVEMENT

#### STANDARD 1 – COMMITTED LEADERSHIP, GOVERNANCE & CULTURE

KEY ELEMENTS OF STANDARD 1:

- † A COMMITMENT TO SAFEGUARDING
- † PROMOTING A SAFEGUARDING CULTURE
- † SAFEGUARDING POLICIES
- † CODE OF CONDUCT

## SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

### HILARY POPE

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## WELCOME TO FR GEORGE

### SUPERIOR TO THE AUSTRALIAN SALVATORIANS

This Easter we are blessed to have in our parish again, Fr George Kolodziej. He arrived from Perth on Good Friday afternoon and we welcome him with open arms. He will be concelebrating the Easter Vigil at 7:00 pm Saturday night and Easter Sunday at 10:30 am, for the Sunday of the Resurrection. Please join in and give your blessings and prayers for Fr George, who is devoting his life in service of others.

### FR GREG IS HAVING A BIRTHDAY

#### ON FRIDAY, 9 APRIL

To help him celebrate we will be having a cuppa and cake in the Jordan Room after 9:30 am Mass next Sunday. Please stay after Mass and help him come to terms with his aging



### 1ST ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

#### FOR FR PAUL, APRIL 16

We again have a time to celebrate and to show how grateful we are for Fr Paul who has dedicated his life to God.

We wish Fr Paul well for the future and hope he will be able to travel back to his home to celebrate with his family in Vietnam.

We will be having a special Mass at 9:30 am on Sunday, 18 April to celebrate followed by morning tea in the Jordan room. All are welcome to join us

## WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH

### CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

The community of St Patrick's congratulates our newest sisters and brothers on receiving their Sacraments. At the Easter Vigil, Connor and Jody Santry, Laura Trovato, Jason Rennie and Peter Axon will be accepted into full communion with the Catholic Church. As they profess their faith during the Vigil, we join with them as we recite our Baptismal promises. Together, we move into the Easter Season affirmed in the faith we profess at Baptism.

A huge thank you to Chris Paget for his guidance and help leading these 5 people through the process of RCIA.

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 11 2021

**Parishioners may care to join us on Divine Mercy Sunday for Exposition and Reconciliation commencing with the Chaplet at 3pm, and concluding at 4pm.**

'My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the First Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.

Sr Faustina.

## OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

### COLLEEN WILL BE ON HOLIDAYS THIS WEEK

The office will be open with restricted hours of 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

## THE FILIPINO MASS TO RESUME AT ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, EAST GOSFORD.

### NEXT SUNDAY, 11 APRIL 2021, 12.00NOON

Fellowship will follow after the mass to be held in the Jordan Room.

## WE HAVE ENOUGH SEEDS FROM WOOLLIES!

### YOUR RESPONSE HAS BEEN EXCEPTIONAL

Thank you all so much for bringing in the seeds for the kids at St Patrick's. We now have more than enough, thank you.

## SO MANY MORE TO THANK

### LEADING UP TO EASTER AND DURING THE EASTER TRIDUUM, SO MANY PEOPLE HAVE GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND.

**Peter McLean**, who has spent endless hours preparing rosters and AV presentations, booklets for the order of each service, plus many other miscellaneous tasks. A man of high character and love of his church, thank you Peter.

**Ron Begg** seems to spend most of his days working to keep the Parish in physical order, replacing lights, cleaning, doing those things we don't even think about. Ron just does them.

Over the last few week Ron has been repairing the old Tabernacle from the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. This has been a huge task that has taken many hours and the work is almost complete. The Tabernacle is now located in the confessional room at the back of the church and will be open for all to use when ever the church is open room is not in use as the confessional.

**Chris Paget** and **Tom Croll**, for their work preparing the sound system and AV Live streaming to cater for the Easter Triduum services. Also, Tom for his passion of photography.

Then we had a **large number of people** turn up to help with the cleaning of the church and surrounds in readiness for Easter, **thank you all so much.**

**To all those** who helped with decorating the church for the Easter Triduum.

**The Youth Group**, for very moving acting out of the Stations of the Cross. The Church was filled to COVID capacity and we witnessed the young people show their talents and love of God in the way they portrayed this somber event.



## PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

### THANK YOU ALL

We have had a big response to the annual appeal and remind you it is now time to return your donation boxes to the church and leave them in the specially marked box in the foyer.

### CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

#### APPEAL 2020/2021

31,759.70  
30,000

\$23,154.70  
Raised to Date  
Thank You, we are  
getting Closer



#### FINANCIAL YEAR

Progress towards meeting our allotted amount to go to the charities:

As you can see we are getting closer to meet our allotted target for June 30.

*Thank you so much for your generosity.*

### CATECHIST CORNER

#### CUPPA, CAKE AND CHAT

9.30 am Wednesday 7th April in the Jordon Room.

Come along before Mass on Wednesday and have a Cuppa, Cake and a Chat with one of our existing Catechist

Check out the Teacher Manuals, student activity books and available class times.



#### MEET OUR NEWEST CATECHIST JAIMI-LEA ANDREWS!

You may all recognise Jaimi-Lea as our Parish's amazing Youth Co-ordinator.

Jaimi-Lea has joined our Ministry to attend our Parish Public Schools on a Wednesday.

We pray that Jaimi-Lea inspires other Parishioners particularly other Young Adults to join our Ministry. It is such a great way to represent our Parish in the wider Community.



### OUR FRIDAY HOSPITAL VISITING MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR ASSISTANCE

To refresh your memories, we have a team of volunteers who visit Catholic patients at Gosford Hospital on a Friday morning to touch base and determine if they would like communion brought to them on the Sunday by a different team. COVID hit and our teams could no longer function, and even though restrictions have eased we are not back to a full complement of visitors as some are still wary, and others have decided to retire. Sadly we can only visit fortnightly now due to the drop in numbers, and we would like more members so that we can reinstitute weekly visits. You may determine whether you would like to visit weekly, fortnightly or even monthly.

Those wishing to join this ministry should have a 40 hour

CPE course certificate, or be happy to attend the next course in July, as well as the required vaccinations to protect themselves and the patients. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact the Parish Office.

### CHRISM MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL

On Tuesday Night, bishop Anthony, joined by the priests of the diocese, gathered at the Cathedral to celebrate the Chrism Mass. This Mass manifests the unity of the priests with their bishop.

Here the bishop blesses three oils — the oil of catechumens, the oil of the infirm (sick) and holy chrism — which will be used in the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese for the year.

Each parish is given containers of these oils which are used in the parish through out the coming year.





The oils from Tuesday night's Chrism Mass at the Cathedral are brought forward and presented to the local Church.



Lucy and Gerard Price bring forward the offertory.



## MASS OF THE LORDS SUPPER

On Thursday night we celebrated the Mass of the Lords Supper.

Unity was expressed by the single celebration of an evening Eucharist in which the community of St Patrick's gathered to participate. The Mass was Concelebrated by Frs Greg and Paul.

The liturgical gesture of washing of feet ritualises the Christian ideal of a leadership of service, a service which Christ expresses fully by laying down his life on the Cross.

The Tabernacle was emptied at the end of mass; Thus, all on Good Friday received communion from what was consecrated at this Mass, a sign of the unity of altar and cross.



# GOOD FRIDAY - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

OUR YOUTH EXCELLED IN ACTING OUT THE STATIONS IN A VERY MOVING CEREMONY.



JESUS FALLS FOR THE FIRST TIME



JESUS FALLS FOR THE SECOND TIME



## GOOD FRIDAY - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### JESUS IS PLACED IN THE TOMB AFTER HE IS TAKEN DOWN FROM THE CROSS



## GOOD FRIDAY - THE PASSION OF THE LORD



## GOSFORD PARISH ARTICLE

### MADE ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT 1 PETER 3:18

Gosford Parish has been entrusted to the loving care of the Society of the Divine Saviour since 2002. We have been blessed in our Parish to have been pastorally supported by many wonderful Salvatorian Priests, mostly from Poland, but also from Germany and more recently Vietnam.

Under the guidance of our Parish Priest, Fr Greg Skulski and his assistant Fr Paul Tran, St Patrick's has continued to be a dynamic and alive parish with many wonderful initiatives, that provide opportunities for all parishioners to develop their relationship with, and be the face of Jesus in our community.

Over the past few years our many parish ministries have grown with increased support and new ministries have emerged to meet the needs of our vibrant parish community.

Our ministries include a Senior Ministry group that tends to the spiritual needs of our elderly community in both private homes and nursing home facilities. They have regular meetings and outings that provide a wonderful vehicle for connection to the parish for those less active and mobile. An extension of this group is the wonderful men and women who regularly visit Gosford Hospital to sit and spend time with members of our community that are unwell.

The parish supports numerous prayer and bible study groups. This has been a particular passion of Fr Paul's and he has bought his knowledge

and passion to others and encourages the spiritual growth of many in the parish. Our Children's Liturgy group is well supported by both the number of children attending and the adult parishioners that give their time to develop the understanding of the Jesus story to our younger parishioners, in both a fun and authentic way.

Gosford Parish has an active MenAlive ministry which encourages a strengthening of and rejuvenation of faith in God for men within the parish. It supports them to be an active force of renewal in the Church and Parish community. We have a Women's group that meets to pray together regularly and provides opportunities to discuss issues specific to women in the Church community. We also have a family group that meets regularly, allowing an opportunity for parents and couples to pray and grow in their faith in communion with other parishioners.

Pope Francis reminds us that the youth of the Church "are not the future they are the now of God". It is in this spirit, and with the tremendous energy of Fr Greg, Gosford Parish has developed and supported a significant number of groups to provide young people an opportunity to express their faith and grow in relationship with God. These groups include a Years 5/6 youth group, Youth group for high school students, and a Young Adults group. Each group provides immense vitality and opportunities for our young people to get to know Christ more deeply.

Gosford Parish strives to live the charism of Fr Francis Jordan, founder of the Salvatorians, who challenges us "not to rest content until all people know, love, and serve Jesus as their Saviour".

Scott Beattie - Parish Pastoral Council - Chairperson

# St Patrick's Parish Gosford is Alive

As a parish community, we offer many groups and events for you to gather, pray and experience the joy of being part of Christ's body.



## Getting involved

*For details of Meeting Times, please refer to Page 2 of the Bulletin.*

*"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."  
Mt 19:20*



There are various ways you can use your gifts and talents in service for others, and contribute to the life of the parish and its members.







**A BIG THANK YOU TO THE PARISHIONERS WHO RESPONDED TO OUR CATECHIST RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN**

We still require 3 more Catechists to join our Team and teach our Parish Public School Children the true meaning of Easter.

Catechists are required for Year 4 Thursday and a Year 1/2 class on a Thursday.

Please contact Raelene on 0499 995 292 for further information.



**SALVATORIAN FORMATION DONATION CODE.**

If you would like to support future Salvatorian priests please go to the link. Just scan with your QR Code Reader on your phone.

[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=FHE9UKNMLYLQA](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=FHE9UKNMLYLQA)

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

### CF. PS 138:18,5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.

You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.

Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

## FIRST READING

### ACTS 10:34. 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

**We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.**

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

### PS 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. V.24

**(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.'  
**(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds.

**(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

**(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

## SECOND READING

### COL 3:1-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

**Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.**

Since you have been brought back to true

life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

## SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show!

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

### 1 COR 5:7-8

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

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

**Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

### JN 20:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

**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.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

### 1 COR 5:7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

## SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY

### BY DIANNE BERGANT CSA

Peter describes the scope of the spread of the gospel. Although Jesus' ministry had a beginning – his baptism by John – it does not seem to have an end. It continues through those commissioned to preach the gospel and to bear witness to it. This is precisely what Peter does; he bears witness to the resurrection (v.40) and proclaims the universality of its effects (v.42). Peter insists that Jesus' resurrection was a work of God, a genuine resurrection from the dead and not merely a resuscitation. The appearances of the risen Christ were authentic experiences and not hallucinations. Finally, appointed by God, Jesus fulfils the eschatological role of the judge of the living and the dead (v.42; cf. Dan 7:1).

The responsorial psalm praises God's power and victory, which make manifest God's goodness and mercy. The Hebrew word for mercy (hesed) is a technical term denoting God's steadfast love for God's covenant partners. God is depicted as a mighty warrior whose strong hand prevails over forces that threaten the security of the people and the very life of the psalmist. Thus, the psalmist announces abroad the mighty works of the Lord. The final image describes a reversal of fortune. The stone that was rejected becomes the very foundation of the entire building. Salvation was brought about by God and is recognised as a marvel for which to give praise and thanks.

The second reading contains the fundamental teaching about the resurrection and the way it transforms the lives of Christians. Set against the backdrop of ancient cosmology, it delineates between the world below (earth) and the world above (heaven). Having risen from the dead, Christ is now in the realm of heaven where he sits at God's right hand. There he is 'in God'. Believers have died and risen with Christ and are, therefore, summoned to a life that reflects this new reality. Though still in this world, they must be attentive to the things of another world. Actually, they now live in two worlds or, to use eschatological language, they have already entered 'the age to come'.

## THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER

## NEXT WEEKS READINGS

### SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER VIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

**1st:** Acts 4:32 - 35  
**2nd:** 1 Jn 5:1 - 6  
**Gospel:** Jn 20:19 - 31



## YOUR ROSTER - APRIL 11, 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS	VIGIL 5:00	7:30am	9:30am	6:00pm	Somersby - 5:30	
DATE	10.04.21	11.04.21	11.04.21	11.04.21	Function	10.04.21
<b>Audio/Visual</b>	Johann Fernandes	Ron Begg	Greg McBride	Rayden Gomez	<b>Audio/Visual</b>	Michael Xuereb
<b>Acolytes</b>	Johnson Fernandes Robert Biviano	John Ryan Eunice Dal Busco	Peter Julius Peter Cho	Kevin O'Donnell Peter Forbes	<b>Altar Society</b>	Mary Luci
<b>Commentator</b>	Hilary Pope	Josie McGuinness	Chris Paget	Barbara McCarthy	<b>Commentator</b>	Nai Herford
<b>Lectors</b>	Nicole Murphy Maisie Tenev	Sheila Evans Regina Fong	Sharon Bevan Liz Malik	Penny Gomez Anna Llige	<b>Lectors</b>	Dakota Xuereb Antoinette Xuereb
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of The Eucharist</b>	Anita Fernandes	Anna Neale	Katie Moss	Rick Llige		Charlene Xuereb
<b>Altar Servers</b>					<b>Cleaning</b>	Nai & David Herford
					<b>Altar Servers</b>	Dylan Xuereb
					<b>Flowers</b>	Roseanne Dominello
<b>COUNTERS</b> 05/04 Eunice Dal Busco Fiona Eaton Diana Addis 12/04 Eunice Dal Busco Lyn Beglin Victoria Milanovic	<b>ALTAR LINEN</b> P/up Apr 5 Thea Dowsett Ret'n by Apr 9	<b>ALTAR SOCIETY</b> Sat, Apr 10 Audrey Morris Thea Dowsett Anita Venn Susan Tabone Fran Thompson Barbara Mills	<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</b> Sunday Apr 11 In Recess for School Holidays	<b>PARISH BUS</b> Apr 11 Driver: Sherree Sullivan Helper Pauline Nesbitt	<i>We need more people to help with Children's Liturgy Roster for 9:30 am Sunday Masses. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.</i>	<b>HOSPITAL VISITATION</b> 11/04 Robyn McBride Paul Hussein <i>Don't forget the washing of hands and changing gloves between patients.</i>

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:

Nancy Fitzgerald, Angela Gibbs, Peter Allman, Peter Gloss, Pat Lowe, Maria Keisellis, Pam O'Malley-Jones, Megan McGowan, Judith Wennerbom, Marie O'Donovan, Frank McGuinness.

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Burg, Frank Vella, Joan Cormack, Keanu Campbell, Erin Lee, Naomi Rutledge.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Anne Isabella Muir, George Goodie, Henry Harding, Mary & Laurie Bigeni, Anne & Arnold Van Ross, Henry Harding, Val & Eric Neilson, Laurence Pope, Gladwyn Williams, Charlie Sammut, Margaret O'Donovan

### REMEMBRANCES:

Martha Richards, Rick & Laura McGuire, Nancy & Wally Kirk, John Toohey, John Druitt & Dempster family, Val & Eric Neilson, Fabria Gazi, Asta Saidly, Bill Payne, Magdalen McNamara, Lorraine Thomson, Youkhana David, Mr & Mrs Nicolas Toma, Neil & Joscelyn's Relatives.

### CONDOLENCES:

We offer our prayers and condolences to Margaret Burg, and all the Family on the passing of her Husband. Father to Andrew, Katie, Elizabeth, Amanda and Fiona and all the Grandchildren. They will sadly miss John. May the Lord bless you and keep you in this time of sorrow, reminding you of treasured memories, and the gift of shared love.

John has played a number major roles in the functioning of St Patrick's over many years and we salute him, and will forever hold him in our prayers. Vale John Burg!

## MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK AND INTENTIONS

Date	Mass	Intention	Date	Mass	Intention
Sat 03/04	9:00am Gosford & on line	NO MASS	Wed 07/04	11:30am Gosford & on line	1. + Birthday Remembrance BILL PAYNE 2. + Remembrance ASTA SAIDLAY
Sat 03/04	7:00pm Gosford	PARISH INTENTIONS	Thu 08/04	9:00am Gosford & on line	+ Remembrance MAGDALEN McNAMARA
Sat 3/04	7:00pm Somersby	Recently Deceased FRANK VELLA	Fri 09/04	12:00noon Gosford & on line	For the Personal Intentions of STELLA
Sun 04/04	7:30 am Gosford	Recently Deceased GLENN MILLS	Sat 10/04	9:00am Gosford & on line	+ Recently Deceased JOAN CORMACK
Sun 04/04	9:00 am Gosford	+ Anniversary GEORGE GOUDIE	Sat 10/04	5:00pm Gosford	+ Anniversary ISABELLA MUIR
Sun 04/04	10:30 am Gosford & on line	+ Remembrance JOHN TOOHEY	Sat 10/04	5:30pm Somersby	+ Remembrance MARTHA RICHARDS
Sun 04/04	6:00 pm Gosford	Remembrances RIC & LAURA McGUIRE NANCY & WALLY KIRK	Sun 11/04	7:30am Gosford	PARISH INTENTIONS
Mon 05/04	9:00am Gosford & on line	+ Remembrance VAL & ERIC NEILSON	Sun 11/04	9:30am Gosford	1 + Remembrance EFFIE FERNANDES 2. FR GREG'S BIRTHDAY
Tue 06/04	9:00am Gosford & on line	+ Remembrance FARIBA GHAZI	Sun 11/04	6:00pm Gosford	Thanksgiving to the SACRED HEART OF JESUS
Tue 06/04	7:00pm Gosford men/Alive Mass	+Remembrance VAL & ERIC NEILSON			

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