

# St Patrick's Gosford

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# St Patrick's Gosford Year of COMMUNITY

### SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY

#### BY BRENDAN BYRNE SJ

I suspect many preachers may groan at first sight of the Gospel for this Sunday (Luke 13:1-9). Luke's Gospel contains much of the most attractive material in the tradition. But Jesus' response to the report of Pilate's massacre of Galileans and the fall of tower at Siloam might seem to offer slim pickings.

What I think has to be kept in mind is that in this part of the gospel Jesus has set out on the great journey to Jerusalem, to which, following the Transfiguration, he had 'set his face' (9:51). Now more than ever the gospel depicts him very much in the role of a prophet. And the essential task of a prophet in the biblical tradition is to summon people to conversion. Conversion, in fact, would seem to be the common thread running through all three readings set out for this Third Sunday of Lent.

Whatever about the Gospel, the First Reading, Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15, does take us to one of the seminal moments in the whole of Israel's biblical tradition. It describes the call of Moses, the one who is to lead the Israelites out of their slavery in Egypt and receive from God and promulgate the law that is to define and regulate their existence as God's own people. Moses' personal encounter with God in the wilderness of Sinai will be replicated in the experience of his people in the same wilderness, albeit not with the same closeness and intimacy.

To authenticate the leadership role to which he is being called, Moses tries to extract a name from God. But God's identity remains in mystery: 'I am, who I am'. Moses' prophetic role will be to go to his people and summon them to follow the call of this God – an all-holy God, whom they cannot see, an image of whom they – unlike other nations – will not be allowed to make. They will come to know this God only as they commit to follow Moses in the highly risky project of an escape from their situation of slavery in Egypt. They will have to place their faith in Moses and in the unseen God whose very name remains shrouded in mystery but who made and kept promises to their fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

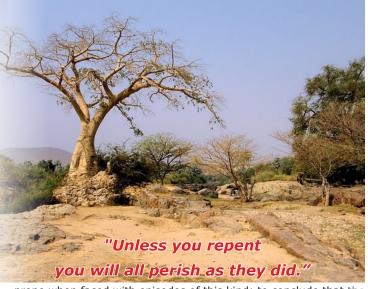
In many ways, however, today's Responsorial Psalm, taken from the very attractive Psalm 102 (103), makes a perfect complement to the revelation of God in the First Reading.

Now, to come back to the Gospel. Two incidents stand behind it. The first is an atrocity brought about by human cruelty. Orders from Pilate have instigated a massacre of a number of Galileans who were sacrificing in the Temple. The second incident, again involving large-scale loss of life, is due to natural causes. It is, in legal terms, an 'act of God': the fall of a tower in Siloam, occasioning the death of eighteen persons. Jesus is told of the first and himself recalls the second. He does so for two reasons. First he wards off something to which the religious instinct is ever

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prone when faced with episodes of this kind: to conclude that the victims were being punished for a sinfulness from which others – specifically themselves – were exempt.

Jesus heads off all thinking of this kind. He mentions the second incident and goes on to tell the parable about the fig tree to make the point that, far from attempting to judge the sinfulness of others, everyone should interpret such events as a warning to take stock of their own lives lest far greater disaster – eternal ruin – befall them. Without speculating in any way about punishment (see John 9:1-3), he simply makes the prophetic point: these examples of sudden, unforeseen death serve as a warning that the time, the space, left for conversion, may be short.

As always, the urgency, the prophetic passion of Jesus, comes from his intense sense of what God wants to do for people: as at the time of Moses and Israel, to rescue them from the destructive captivity that holds them bound and set them free for life and for love. There is time for that now. But the opportunity will not last indefinitely.

In similar vein, in the Second Reading (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12) Paul warns the Corinthians not to presume that their possession and celebration of the sacraments (Baptism and Eucharist) will automatically guarantee salvation. Their 'fathers' in the desert had experiences in some respects corresponding to the Christian sacraments and, nonetheless, they fell away. Conversion is not simply a 'once-off' thing. It is a continual summons to align the reality of one's life with an ever-deepening knowledge of the God who spoke mysteriously to Moses ('I am, who I am') and yet 'became flesh' (John 1:14) among us in the person of Jesus Christ.



# POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO BIOETHICAL CHALLENGES

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

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**SALVATORIANS** 

### Society of the Divine Saviour

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Gardeners:

Seniors' Ministry:

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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 MIN BEFORE

**GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD** 

Mon 8:3

Sat Vigil: 5:00pm Sun: 7:30am, 9:30am & 6:00pm
Filipino Mass: 2nd Sunday of each month: 12:00pm

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

### **ADORATION IN OUR CHURCH**

Before the Blessed Sacrament			
30 - 9:00am	Wed 11:00 - 11:30am	Fri 12:30 - 3:00pm	
30 - 9·00am	Thu 8:30 - 9:00am	Sat 8:30 - 9:00am	

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 BACK OF THE CHURCH

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

### **GROUPS BEGINNING AGAIN AFTER 31ST JANUARY.**

Cancer Prayer Group	After 9:00am Mass, 4th Tuesday of the Month, in the Jordan room.	
Craft Group	9:00am to 12:00pm Every Friday in the Jordan Room	
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!	
Movie Nights	1st Saturday of month at 6 pm, after Vigil 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	

### 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



If you see any activities involving children or vulnerable adults that concerns you, please email Hilary Pope, our Safeguarding Officer at hilary.p1@optusnet.com.au CLICK HERE TO VIEW OR DOWNLOAD OUR DIOCESAN COMMITMENT TO SAFEGUARDING

### VISITING THE SICK IN THEIR HOMES

Fr Greg and Fr Paul are offering from Tuesday, April 6 to Friday, April 8, to visit the sick. If you wish a visit, please contact the parish office to organise an appointment.

### CALLING FOR PALMS

### FOR PALM SUNDAY

The rain has made it very difficult for our palm supplier to access palms for us this year. We hope to follow the model set by other parishes where parishioners who have palm trees at their homes may contribute to our needs.

To decorate the church, we require 20 x 1.8m Palm branches and 20 x 900mm branches.

If you feel you could supply any or all of this on Thursday, April 7, don't hesitate to get in touch with the office.

We also need palm branches that can be stripped of their leaves to make individual palm crosses. We plan to make about 400 palm crosses; therefore, we'd need up to 40 palm branches [depending on their length]. These would be required by Monday, April 4. Please get in touch with the Parish Office if you can help.

If assistance is necessary to cut the branches, please let us know.

### NOW, WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP WITH MAKING PALM CROSSES FOR PALM SUNDAY?

If you would like to learn how to make the crosses in either a group at the admin centre on Wednesday, April 6 at 9.30 am or at home, to be given out on Palm Sunday, don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office to help.

Looking to you for your usual generous support. Fr Greg & Fr Paul.

### CATECHIST CORNER

Our Catechist team, teaching the Catholic Faith to our Public school children, invite Parishioner's to join the Ministry on a relief teaching basis.

Relief teaching generally requires a once a term commitment for.

Please contact Raelene saintpatsccd@acs.net.au if you are able to provide support for this beautiful Ministry.

# SUNDAY BUS DRIVERS TO BRING THE ELDERLY TO MASS DESPERATELY NEEDED

Our Sunday team has been hit with everything and we are now down to 1 / 2 drivers to cover four to five runs per month which isn't sustainable. We are desperately in need of drivers with a Light Rigid licence who would be willing to take one run per month to bring our aged care residents and elderly parishioners to the 9.30am Mass. Sadly if we can't find any drivers we will be forced to stop this service to those who have no other way of getting to Mass, or at a minimum, make it fortnightly. Helpers would also be needed to monitor passengers on the journey should we get the drivers to allow us to continue. Please call the Parish Office if you would like to know more. Thank you.

At the same time, we would like to thank Brian Jay, our 3rd Sunday driver, who has taken on the balance of the March Sundays as we have no other drivers.

## DONATIONS TO THE FLOOD VICTIMS APPEAL, AND THE UKRAINE APPEAL

As you are aware we are donating all proceeds from the International Food Night this weekend, 50% each to the SVdP Flood Relief appeal and 50% to the Aid to the Church in Need Australia national emergency appeal for Ukraine which supports the Catholic Church there by assisting priests, brothers and religious sisters to continue their pastoral work.

We provide the links for easy giving should you wish to donate to either or both of these appeals:

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NSW - FLOOD APPEAL:

https://donate.vinnies.org.au/donation-hub scroll down the page to see the special NSW Flood Apeal.

### **UKRAINE APPEAL:**

www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine

or

https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/ukraine-appeal

# OFFICIAL HANDING OVER OF THE GOVERNMENT GRANT FOR THE FOYER

We were privileged to receive Member of Parliament, Ms Leisl Tesch AM, BSc, MP, at our parish on St Patrick's Day to acknowledge the recently gained 2021 Community Building Partnerships Grant of \$25,000 to make our church more open and welcoming to the community, inclusive of automatic opening doors between the foyer and the church body.



Ms Tesch was very complimentary of our church and is excited that government is able to assist in the upkeep and improvement of community buildings such as ours.

Fr Greg was happy to have a photo opp receiving the token cheque from Ms Tesch!

### SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE SHOP

While we are about the business of asking for more helpers please to assist once a month at our coffee shop held after the 9am Mass each Saturday [full training given] – [please contact the Parish Office or pop in and speak to one of the volunteers there] – we also advise that profits made are divided equally as follows:

- <sup>↑</sup> Our own parish [to assist with costs].
- 1 Our youth group.
- ⊕ Salvatorian Seminaries.
- Alsa Buhay the Salvatorian mission and school in the Philippines.

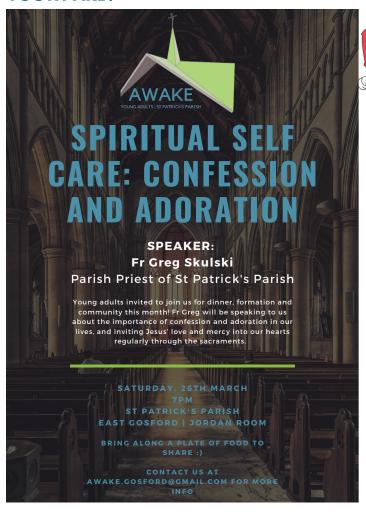
The profits made from February 5 to March 12 this year have allowed us to donate \$114.85 to each of these causes.

# TO STAFF A BBQ AT THE ST PATRICK'S MARKETS

We have been offered the opportunity to raise some funds by providing barbecued snags, bacon and eggs at the markets held at the Victoria Street campus each 3rd Saturday of the month, which we can't do without your help. We would need at least a couple of teams of say 3 or 4 each to cover a 4-5 hour day. If you are interested in volunteering your time for your parish, please speak with Father or call the Parish Office.

### YOUTH ACTIVITY

DO YOU KNOW JUST HOW ACTIVE THE YOUTH ARE? -



### **AWAKE - OUR 3RD YOUTH GROUP**

- ♦ Young adults 18-35
- Led by Katrina Pratt with the help of Grace Bowyer, Jaimi Andrews, Gemma French and Lachie Smith
- ♦ Last Saturday of each month from 7pm
- ♦ Community, worship, formation
- Name based off the scripture verse 1 Corinthians 16:13-14
  - <sup>†</sup> "Stay awake, stand firm in your faith, be brave, be strong. Everything should be done in love"
  - A community of young adults in the Central Coast NSW area who love or wish to know God, desire to grow in holiness, and be Christ to others in their lives. Living 'awake' in the love of Christ, we welcome all young adults aged 18-35.

### **WORLD YOUTH DAY LAUNCH**

World Youth Day 2023 (Portuguese: Jornada Mundial da Juventude de 2023) will be a Catholic festival held in Lisbon, Portugal, and was originally scheduled to be celebrated in summer 2022.

Our Diocese will be having a Launch PraiseFest Event Friday, April 29 from 6 to 9 pm.

Pastoral Discernment Central Coast

### **SENIORS GROUP**

### **BUS TRIP 5TH APRIL**

The Ministry to the Seniors has a bus trip to Waterfall Cafe and a walk through the gardens at Mt Penang, departing from Victoria Street at 9:30 am. \$5 for transport. Plus your lunch from the cafe. Come along for a good day out but book ASAP with either Barbara 4322 2050 or Eunice 0438 272 141.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

At Gosford Each Friday at 11.30 am prior to the midday

Mass.

At Somersby, Wednesdays, at 6:00 pm followed by Mass at 6.30pm.

### LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE

### **HELD FRIDAY 18 MARCH AT ST PATRICK'S**











JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA AND COFFEE AFTER 7:30 AND 9:30 MASS NEXT SUNDAY, 27 MARCH

YES, DROP INTO THE JORDAN ROOM AFTER MASS AND ENJOY A CUPPA AND FELLOWSHIP WITH WONDERFUL FRIENDS

### SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE SHOP

After 9:00am Mass in the Jordan Room. Helpers are desperately needed.

You will be fully trained on how to be a barista!

Contact Parish Office.



# PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay

### ST PATRICK'S **PARISH HAS BEEN ALLOCATED** A LARGE COMMITMENT

THIS FINANCIAL YEAR IT IS \$51,220

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### Total to be Raised

51,220 50,000

Balance owing \$4,300 as of 18/03/2022

### PASTORAL DISCERNMENT CENTRAL **COAST PROJECT**

Many groups and individuals across the region have shared their stories about how all members of the Catholic

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Church can walk together to carry out our mission as Christians.Have you?

The local consultation process for **Pastoral** the Discernment Central Coast project is open for two more weeks until March 31. Join with family, friends, parishioners, or

participate yourself. Find out more at: www.bbcatholic. org.au/pdcc

If you haven't already, please visit the webpage to upload submission. https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/ourfaith/pastoral-discernment-central-coast/submissions



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### MenAlive MEETING!

### 1st Tuesday of the Month at 7pm.

Men of the parish are invited to our Meetings

We meet at 7:00 pm, in the Church for Mass

Followed discussion in the Jordan room

If you're new to the parish or looking for an encouraging group this will be a perfect time to come and check out Men Alive!

Hope to see you there.. Come and Join us!



### **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. <a href="https://www.paypal.com/">https://www.paypal.com/</a> donate/?hosted button id=FHE9UKNMLYLQA

### St Patrick's Catholic PATRICK'S **Primary School East Gosford**



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### **Thursday 24 March**

Open Day Expo: 9.00am to 10.30am Information Sessions: 9.30am & 10.30am Primary Campus, Victoria Street

### **Tuesday 29 March**

School Tours: 6.30pm - 6.45pm Information Session: 6.45pm - 7.30pm Infants Campus, Melbourne Street

### **Wednesday 27 April**

School Tours: 5.00pm - 5.15pm Information Session: 5.15pm - 6.00pm Infants Campus, Melbourne Street

- Discover how each and every child has a unique learning experience
- Take a first hand look at our learning environment
- Meet with our Principal

### For More Information

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Cnr York & Melbourne St, East Gosford 2250 02 4325 1159 | www.spegdbb.catholic.edu.au



### READINGS FOR 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

### CF. PS 24:15-16

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare.

Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

### FIRST READING

### EX 3:1-8. 13-15

A reading from the book of Exodus

This is what you must say to the children of Israel: I Am has sent me to vou.

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight, Moses said, and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come."

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

### PS 102:1-4. 6-8. 11. R. V.8

### (R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings.

### (R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion.

### (R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

3. The Lord does deeds of justice, gives

judgement for all who are oppressed.

He made known his ways to Moses and his deeds to Israel's sons.

### (R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

4. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him.

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

### SECOND READING

### 1 COR 10:1-6, 10-12

A reading from the first letter of St JN 4:13-14 **Paul to the Corinthians** 

All this that happened to the people of Moses in the desert was written for our benefit.

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

### MT 4:17

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

### **GOSPEL**

### LK 13:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Unless you repent you will all perish as they did.

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

### THIS WEEK

Monday of the 3rd Week of Lent

Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am\*

Tuesday of the 3rd Week of Lent

Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am\*

Wednesday of the 3rd Week of Lent

Mass at St Patrick's 11:30 am\*

Thursday of the 3rd Week of Lent

Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am\*

Friday The ANNUNCIATION of the LORD

Mass at St Patrick's 12:00 pm\*

Saturday of the 3rd Week of Lent

Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am\*

### Saturday 19th Vigil Mass

Mass at St Patrick's 5:00 pm Mass at Somersby 5:30 pm

### 4th Sunday of Lent - 27th March

Mass at St Patrick's 7:30 am Mass at St Patrick's 9:30 am\* Mass at St Patrick's 6:00 pm

\* Designates Mass is Live-streamed

### NEXT WEEKS READINGS

### **4TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

1st: Joshua 5:9-12

Ps: 33:2-7

2 Cor 5:17-21 2nd: Gos: Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



YOUR ROSTER – MARCH 27, 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT						
MASS	VIGIL 5:00	7:30am	9:30am	6:00pm	Somersby	/ - 5:30pm
DATE	26.03.22	27.03.22	27.03.22	27.03.22	Function	26.03.22
Audio/Visual	Michael Lynch	Ron Begg	Arthur Holland	Cheryl Walsh	Audio/Visual	Michael Xuereb
Acolytes	Peter Young Alberto Torres	Gerard Price Alan Pont	Peter Julius Peter McLean	Mark Bennett Joseph Nicholls	Sanctuary Setup	Michael Monaghagn
Commentator	Hilary Pope	Eunice Dal Busco	Chris Paget	Jamie Andrews	Commentator	Mark Bigeni
Lectors	Bridget Sharp Maisie Tenev	Susan Lindaya Anne Lovett	Nicole Mead Neil Murphy	Joe French Nora Koleszar	Lectors	Nai Herford Marissa Xuereb
Extraordinary Ministers of	Patricia Anderson	Lucy Price	Keith Quinn	Elvira Bennett	Extraordinary Ministers	Mary Luci
The Eucharist					Cleaning	Charlie & Frances Bigeni
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### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:

Sheryl Rogers, Bernadette Humphries, Marie Nolan, Megan McGowan, Damien Vella-Critien, Aaron Burke, Mery-Anne Bonnici, Lorraine Collins, Ross Sayer, Fred Boland, Teresa Davar, Rod Pelling, Susan Milne, Maura Garvey, Anne Holohan, Brent Senger, Oliver Senger, Christopher Michael Graham, Angela Gibbs, Peter Allman, Pam O'Malley-Jones, Judith Wennerbom, Marie O'Donovan, Frank McGuinness.

### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Gloria Morarth, Brian Norris, Frank Sultana, Irma Rudan, Michael Auld, Colin Murray.

### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Anna Maria Maisano, Anne Van Ross, Arnold Van Ross, Ric Comensoli, Zoe Patten.

### **REMEMBRANCES:**

Effie Fernandes, Glrnn Mills, Val & Eric Neilson, Friquet Family, Ronald Freeman, Youkhana David, Michael Kokegei.

### **CONDOLENCES:**

Our condolences to all the family and friends of those recently deceased. Especially the families and friends of Gloria Morarth, Brian Norris, Frank Sultana, who passed recently. We pray their souls rest in the arms of our Lord.



### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Date	Mass	Intention
Sat 19/03	9:00am Gosford & on line	Personal Intentions of CHRISTOPHER PRICE
Sat 19/03	4:00pm Spencer	
Sat 19/03	5:00pm Gosford	FOR THE UKRAINE & PEACE IN THE WORLD
Sat 19/03	5:30pm Somersby	Recently Deceased GLORIA MORARTH
Sun 20/03	7:30 am Gosford	PARISH INTENTIONS
Sun 20/03	9:30 am Gosford	+ Anniversaries ANNE VAN ROSS & ARNOLD VAN ROSS
Sun 20/03	6:00 pm Gosford	+ Remembrance GLENN MILLS
Mon 21/03	9:00am Gosford & on line	
Tue 22/03	9:00am Gosford & on line	

Date	Mass	Intention
Wed 23/03	11:30am Gosford	1st Anniversary ANNA MARIA MAISANO
Thu 24/03	9:00am Gosford & on line	Blessings upon PETER & REGINA CHO
Fri 25/03	12:00pm Gosford & on line	+ Remembrance EFFIE FERNANDES
Sat 26/03	9:00am Gosford & on line	Recently Deceased GLORIA MORATH
Sat 26/03	5:00pm Gosford	
Sat 26/03	5:30am Somersby	
Sun 27/03	7:30 am Gosford	
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