

## PROPER OF THE MASS

### First Reading *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

### Responsorial Psalm

*(R) Create a clean heart in me, O God.*

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt. and cleanse me from my sin. *(R)*
2. A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. *(R)*
3. Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervour sustain me, that I may teach transgressors your ways and sinners may return to you. *(R)*

### Second Reading *Hebrews 5:7-9*

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

### Gospel Acclamation

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

If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, my servant will also be. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

### Gospel *John 12:20-33*

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!'

A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours.'

'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.'

By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

*If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies,  
it yields a rich harvest.*



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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**17 March 2024  
Year B**

### MASSES

**Monday - Saturday: 9.10am.**

**Saturday (Vigil): 5.30pm.**

**Sunday: 8.00am, 9.30am, 6.00pm.**

### PRIESTS

**Fr Allan Casquejo** *Parish Priest*

**Fr Rafael Silva Galicia** *Asst. Priest*

### RECONCILIATION

**Saturdays: After 9.10am Mass &  
before Vigil Mass**

*(or anytime by appointment)*

### EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT / ADORATION

**First Fridays: 8.30am**

### NOVENA

**First Wednesdays: 7.30pm**

### BAPTISMS

**Sundays: 10.30am**

*(please approach the priests after Mass)*

### MARRIAGE

**By appointment** *(six months' notice)*

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday : 9.30am - 12.30pm**

**Thursday & Friday : 9am - 3pm**

### ST AIDAN'S PRIMARY

**(02) 9344 6364**

**Mrs Rachel Baker** *(Principal)*

*The time is drawing near for Jesus to manifest the ultimate expression of his love for us. His preaching touches the hearts of some Greeks, who then want to meet Jesus. If we are impressed with the words of Jesus, we must also live this out in our lives. Like a grain of wheat, we have to die to our selfishness so that we can live fully in Christ.*



**CATHOLIC WEEKLY.** Please leave \$2 in the MARKED WALL BOX NEXT TO THE STAIRS.

- Sydney parishes take up their Cross for Lent
- Minister for Women "considers" tying hospital funding to abortion
- Surf's up for young Bondi Catholics

OR visit <https://www.catholicweekly.com.au>

# HOLY WEEK CELEBRATION at HOLY FAMILY

**PALM SUNDAY:** Vigil - 5.30pm

Sunday - 8.00am, 9.30am, 6.00pm



**'BYOP' — If you are able please bring your own palm or olive branch. And if you have any EXTRA could you please be generous leave it near the side entrance by Friday 22nd? Thankyou**

**Holy Monday, Holy Tuesday & Holy Wednesday**  
9.10am Mass

**PARISH RECONCILIATION:** FRIDAY, 22 March : 7pm

MONDAY, 25 March : 11am

**HOLY THURSDAY** - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm  
(Followed by adoration until midnight)

**GOOD FRIDAY** - Stations of the Cross 10am - multi languages  
- The Passion of the Lord 3pm

**HOLY SATURDAY** - Easter Vigil 7pm

**EASTER SUNDAY** - The Resurrection of the Lord - 8.00am, 9.30am, 6.00pm

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Every Friday in Lent @6pm**

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY** - Every Monday @7pm DURING LENT. . Coffee, tea and fellowship at 8pm after the event. **Please register** on 0414188682. **Free event. Please spread the word.**

**PROJECT COMPASSION (ALMSGIVING)** You can **donate through boxes/envelopes** (collect them from the Church's entrances), or by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.

<b>WHAT IS LENT?</b> The 40-day period from Ash Wednesday before Easter Sunday. It is marked by praying, fasting, abstinence, and other acts of penance.	<b>PRAYING</b> (icon of hands clasped) <b>FASTING</b> (icon of a fork and knife with a slash) <b>ABSTINENCE</b> (icon of a red heart with a slash)	<b>DAYS OF FAST?</b> Ash Wednesday    Good Friday	<b>DAYS OF ABSTINENCE?</b> Ash Wednesday    All Fridays of Lent    Good Friday
<b>WHAT IS FASTING?</b> One meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed one full meal.	<b>WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?</b> Abstinence is refraining from eating meat. Meat is considered to be the flesh and organs of mammals and fowl.	<b>WHO ARE REQUIRED?</b> Catholics from age <18 to 59>	<b>WHO ARE REQUIRED?</b> Mandatory for everyone older than 14 years old

Source: Code of Canon Law



## HOLY THURSDAY Visitation of the 7 Churches Pilgrimage

Parishioners are invited to prepare for the Jubilee Year in 2025 with prayer. One way of entering into prayer during Holy Week is to visit an altar of repose after the Mass of the Lord's Supper. The devotion of visiting 7 Churches is a centuries old tradition in keeping with this liturgical practice. For more information: <https://93yx.short.gy/7Churches>

## SAINTS OF THE WEEK

**Monday, 18 March - St Patrick.** Born in Roman Britain around the end of the fourth century. Died in Ireland about the middle of the fifth century. Faced hardship as a missionary bishop in Ireland, and opposition even from his friends and fellow Christians. Yet worked to conciliate, to evangelise, and to educate local chieftains and their families. Remembered for his simplicity and pastoral care, for his humble trust in God, and for his fearless preaching of the gospel to those who had enslaved him in his youth. Specially honoured in Australia because the



many Irish people who came to settle here brought with them the faith and zeal of Saint Patrick.

**Tuesday, 19 February - St Joseph.** A carpenter, though born of the royal house of David, Joseph was an upright man who, as husband of the Virgin Mary, cared for Mary and the child Jesus. Venerated in the East after the fourth century, and his cult flowered in the West during the fifteenth century, following the development of medieval nativity plays, the Christmas crib, and increased devotion to Mary.



Texts: Daily Mass Book - Pictures: Wikipedia

**ST PATRICK'S Feast Day Mass - Monday, 18th March @10am.**

All are welcome to join with Bishop Terry Brady to celebrate the Annual Feast Day Mass for St Patrick at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney.

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2024

**FIRST RECONCILIATION** We welcome for the children that will make their First Reconciliation on **Saturday, 23rd March @10am.**

**Please keep them in your prayers.**

*Jesus,*

*You were called the friend of sinners.*

*You renew our friendship with the Father when we are sorry for our sins. Help us to admit our wrongdoing and give us the courage to say we are sorry.*

*Amen.*

~ Gratia Series / CCD Publication ~



## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sick:** Ken Andrews, Sr Faye, Anne Harmer, David Sumasto, Joy Bertucci, Jose Vargas, Christopher Ballantyne, Nikki Pietsch, Maureen Ho, Hubert Ng, Tony Palagiano, Nayade Malkun, Mervat Hagggar, Max Wilson, Joanne Banner, Anita Ruiz, Elena Ruiz, Fred Dafforn  
**May they be comforted by the prayers and assistance of all who care for them.**

**Recently deceased:** John Leslie 'Joe' Martlew, Alejandro Yepes, Rose Kelter  
**Anniversaries & Souls of:** Kerry Wheeler, Rocco Romeo, Ettore Simeone, Jakovljevic Ana, Paul Vasile, John Davies, Maureen Joseph, Wilma & Merv Baldwin & All Souls in Purgatory  
**Through the mercy of God, may their souls rest in peace.**

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