

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



"Do whatever He tells you" John 2:5

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MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) - 5pm *Note time change* **Anointing of the sick Mass, 10am**

Sunday 9:30am

2nd Tues of Feb, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec.

Monday 8am

Reconciliation

Tuesday 10am

Thurs during Holy Hour 4:45 - 5:15pm

Wednesday 8:00am

Sat 4:30 to 5:55pm before Vigil

Thursday 5:30pm

Sun 9 to 9.25am

Holy Hour 4:30pm

Or anytime, just ask Fr

Friday 8am

Baptism and Marriage By appointment

Saturday 8am



Working Bee Sat 9.30am to 11am



EASTER SUNDAY - YEAR A

9/04/2023

First Reading

Acts 10:34,37-43

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

Psalm 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 5:6-8

You must know how even a small amount of yeast is enough to leaven all the dough, so get rid of all the old yeast, and make yourselves into a completely new batch of bread, unleavened as you are meant to be. Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast, then, by getting rid of all the old yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Easter 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 Corinthians 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;

let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 28:1-10

After the sabbath, and towards dawn on the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala and the other Mary went to visit the sepulchre. And all at once there was a violent earthquake, for the angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled away the stone and sat on it. His face was like lightning, his robe white as snow. The guards were so shaken, so frightened of him, that they were like dead men. But the angel spoke; and he said to the women, 'There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would. Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him." Now I have told you.' Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples.

And there, coming to meet them, was Jesus. 'Greetings' he said. And the



women came up to him and, falling down before him, clasped his feet. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers that they must leave for Galilee; they will see me there.' *universalis.com*

Prayers of the Faithfull:

For our sick, Tony Abikhair, Marie Fowles, Fr Reece Beltrame, Peter Tydeman, Ray Byrnes, Graeme Murphy, Greg Baker, Gwen Abikhair and Jackson Davis.

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

For our recently departed, Heidy Heath and those who's anniversaries occur at this time including Garry Rake and Jack Evans.

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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. *universalis.com*

ANNIVERSARIES

Christopher Eades, Jo Taylor, Jack Evans, Jamie O'Connor, Garry Rake, Paul Fowles and Norman Corbett.

PARISH NOTICES



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 16th APRIL

3.00pm - Prayers & Devotions

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS TIME CHANGE:

Now **5 PM** as daylight saving has finished.

Hav-a-Chat: Celebrate Mother's Day on the 1st May 12 noon. Newmarket Hotel Borella Road in the Lounge Dining Area.

Girls Leadership Day: For girls in grades 6 & 7. Craft, cooking, dancing and more. \$5 ea inc lunch. Thurs 20th April 10:30am to 1:30pm. IHM Parish. RSVP Kathleen Horsfall 04 3173 4206.

Pro Patria Centre - Veterans and First Responders : Family Fun Day Sat. 15th April 19 Morshead St. Nth Ashmont. propatriatrust.org.

Divine Mercy Pilgrimage: Sun 16/04/23. Marian Hills, Hume Hwy, Kyeamba.

Readers: Sat: **5:00pm** Peter Tobin Sun: 9:30am Mark Mannering

Next week: Sat: **5:00pm** Paul Whyte Sun: 9:30am Stefany George

Cleaning Roster: Sat 15th April - Maria Sparshott & John Conroy



NEW PARISH WEBSITE - ourparish.au

This week we launched our new Website. A fresh look with Parish News, Events, Rosters, Resources, Prayers, Devotions, Bulletins etc. Check it out.

REGINA CAELI (O QUEEN OF HEAVEN)

The Regina caeli is said from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday in place of the Angelus.

Queen of Heaven

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.

R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



THEY SAW AND BELIEVED



Jesus is nowhere visible. Yet, today's Gospel tells us that Peter and John "saw and believed." What did they see? Burial shrouds lying on the floor of an empty tomb. Maybe that convinced them that He hadn't been carted off by grave robbers, who usually stole the expensive burial linens and left the corpses behind. But notice the repetition of the word "tomb", seven times in nine verses. They saw the empty tomb and they believed what He had promised: that God would raise Him on the third day. Chosen to be His "witnesses," today's First Reading tells us, the Apostles were "commissioned ... to preach ... and testify" to all that they had seen, from His anointing with the Holy Spirit at the Jordan to the empty tomb. More than their own experience, they were instructed in the mysteries of the divine economy, God's saving plan: to know how "all the prophets bear witness" to Him. Now they could "understand the Scripture" and teach us what He had told them: that He was "the Stone which the builders rejected," the one whom today's Psalm prophesies will be resurrected and exalted. We are the children of the apostolic witnesses.

That is why we still gather early in the morning on the first day of every week to celebrate this feast of the empty tomb, to give thanks for "Christ our life," as today's Epistle calls Him. Baptized into His death and Resurrection, we live the heavenly life of the risen Christ, our lives "hidden with Christ in God." We are now His witnesses, too. But we testify to things we cannot see but only believe; we seek in earthly things what is above. We live in memory of the Apostles' witness, like them eating and drinking with the risen Lord at the altar. And we wait in hope for what the Apostles told us would come, the day when we too "will appear with Him in glory." *Scott Hahn stpaulcenter.com*