



Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona

Mary said to the servants: "Do whatever He tells you" John 2:5

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday (vigil) 6:00pm
Sunday 9:30am

Weekday Mass Times

Monday 8:00am
Tuesday 10:00am
Wednesday 8:00am
Thursday 5:30pm
Friday 8:00am
Saturday 8:00am

Reconciliation

Thursday 4:45pm - 5:15pm
Saturday 8:30am - 9:00am
5:30pm - 5:55pm
Sunday 9:00am - 9:25am
Or anytime, just ask Father

Adoration with Benediction

Thursday 4:30pm - 5:25pm

Baptism and Marriage

By appointment

Anointing of the sick Mass

2nd Tue of Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug,
Oct & Dec.

Working Bee

Saturdays 9:00am - 11:00am

Easter Sunday 31st March 2024

Communion Antiphon

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread
of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia. **Cf. 1 Cor 5: 7-8**

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFULL

For our sick: John Brewer, Rose Fernandas,
Judy O'Connell, Les Cruthers, Kate McAuley,
Rosa Coutella, Laurie Evans, Carmel Baker,
Rod Blatchford, Richard Drum, Lorie McLennan,
Fr Reece Beltrame, Peter Tydeman, and Gwen Abikhair.
Let us pray to the Lord. R. Lord hear our prayer.

For our recently departed: Bishop Francis Carroll,
Audrey Trethowan, Teresa Sutherland, David Francis,
and all those who's anniversaries occur around this time.
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March Anniversaries: Bob Mannering, Garry Rake,
Heidy Heath, Mick Carty, Nicole Abikhair,
Norm Corbett.

ROSTERS

Readers: Sat: 6:00pm Denis Golden
Sun: 9:30am Mary Hankin
Next week: Sat: 6:00pm Paul Whyte
Sun: 9:30am Maria Sparshott
Cleaning: Sat 6th Apr Lauren & Aoifa

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PARISH NOTICES

Collect (Opening Prayer)

O God, who on this day,
through your Only Begotten Son,
have conquered death
and unlocked for us the path to eternity,
grant, we pray, that we who keep
the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection
may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit,
rise up in the light of life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Jesus said to Saint Faustina:

"I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially poor sinners. On that day, the very depths of my mercy are open. 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.**" (Diary 699)

Divine Mercy Sunday, 7 April 2024: How to prepare for the Feast of Mercy – To observe Divine Mercy Sunday fittingly, we should precede the Feast by a nine-day Novena of chaplets to the Divine Mercy, beginning on Good Friday (said privately) and:

1. Celebrate the Feast on the first Sunday after Easter,
2. Sincerely repent of our sins,
3. Place our complete trust in Jesus,
4. Go to Confession on that Sunday or within seven days before or after the Feast,
5. Receive Holy Communion on the day of the Feast,
6. Venerate* the Image of The Divine Mercy,
7. Be merciful to others, through our actions, words and prayers on their behalf.

* To venerate a sacred image or statue simply means to perform some act or make some gesture of deep religious respect toward it because of the person whom it represents – in this case, our most Merciful Saviour.

Prayers and Devotions begin at 3:00pm on Divine Mercy Sunday, including Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Veneration of the Image, and concluding with Benediction. **Reconciliation beforehand from 2:30pm.** All welcome!

Divine Mercy Novena: Whilst the chaplet can be prayed at *any* time, the *Novena* starts on Good Friday and finishes the day before Divine Mercy Sunday, the Second Sunday of Easter. You are encouraged to pray this devotion approved and promoted by Pope St John Paul II, for yourself, for your loved ones, and for the world - in this time of mercy.

Project Compassion: Could you please return your Project Compassion boxes and envelopes at your earliest convenience as we need to send the proceeds to Caritas Australia. May God bless you for your generosity and grant you and your family all the Graces of the Easter season.

New Donation Point Device: Has been placed in the foyer of the church by the Diocesan Provident Fund and it has the option to select "other amount." A reminder that any donations made through the machine will be split 50-50 between the parish's Presbytery Account and the Parish Account. A sincere "THANKYOU" to all of you who support our parish financially – it is greatly appreciated!