

St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Parish Camp Hill



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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD-YEAR B

24th March 2024

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8:30 am - 1:30pm: M/T/Th/F

MASS TIMES:

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 8.30am & 5.30pm

Weekday Eucharist

Monday & Tuesday: 7.00am

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday &

Public Holiday: 9.00am

Reconciliation

Saturday 5.00pm-5.20pm

Adoration and Benediction

1st Friday After 9am Mass

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Holy Week and Easter Services



Come Worship With Us!

In the course of our busy week, we most likely have times set apart for certain things that are important to renew ourselves, our energy, and our perspective. Holy Week is a time specifically in our Church's liturgical year for our spiritual renewal. In fact, the word Holy refers to anything that is set apart for God's purposes. It is Holy precisely because it is an opportunity for us to focus on how we are spiritually renewed through the suffering, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. This is the time of year we stop to remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. What we commemorate this week is not just Jesus' dying and rising, but our own dying and rising in Him, which results in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. Attentive participation in the Holy Week liturgies deepens our relationship with God, increases our Faith and strengthens our resolve as disciples of Jesus.

The liturgies of Holy Week are filled with some of the richest and most ancient symbols of our faith tradition. The waving of palms on **Passion (Palm) Sunday** reminds us that we are called to be followers of Jesus, not just observers who cheer from a distance. We begin with the Mass on **Thursday of the Lord's Supper**, a most beautiful Mass that will be celebrated at **6.30 pm**. The washing of feet on Holy Thursday speaks to us of the selfless love that we are called to practice as disciples of Jesus. For those who can remain, a period of silent adoration will follow until 8.30 pm. On **Good Friday** we have the **Stations of the Cross at 10 am**. The **Liturgy of the passion of the Lord** on Friday at **3.00 pm** takes us deeply into the mystery of the power of Christ's love. It expresses perfectly His complete self-offering on the Cross. The veneration of the cross on Good Friday reminds us that, as Christians, we believe that Jesus overcomes everything, even death. Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence as a way to particularly unite ourselves to the Lord's passion. All Catholics in good health aged 18 to 60 are required to fast.

The Great Vigil of Easter - a service at **6.30 pm** is the first official celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus. It is an opportunity for all of us to gather as one parish community and celebrates the great mystery of our faith. Then on **Easter Sunday**, there will be **8.30 am** Sunday Mass only. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in all the Triduum Liturgies. Have a blessed Holy week.

Fr. Dantus Thottathil.

We at St Thomas' Parish acknowledge the Yuggera people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we gather. We pay our respects to elders - past, present and emerging, who have walked and cared for this land for thousands of years.

Parish News & Notices



We remember in our prayers

The sick: Joan Scott, Humberto Villalta, Nes Mustafa, Jolanda Villalta, Dan Bishop, Shirley Murphy, Sue Douglas, Tom Grant, Lauren Balcombe, Lola Radford, Sonia Mendez, Fr Ron Mollison, Megan Bowden, Carmel Horn, Lynn Toon, Judith Angela, Alex Stegman, Kui Liu, Eileen MacDermott, Lorraine O'Leary, Shirley Mead., Rod Grove, Sr Belen, Trish Buckle, Elizabeth Rejmer, Trevor Farley & Evelyn Neave, Jan Effiney, Barry Mewburn, Michael & Anne Murphy.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Beatrice Fox, Timothy Marrinan, Antonio Lunatici, Theresa King, Antonio D'Alessandro, Daryll King, Eileen Heggie, Margaret Perry, Ross Evans, Raymond Mullen, Neil Harkiss, Mary Wheatley, George Coombes, Mark Pantarotto, James Croning, Gwendolyn Taylor, William O'Sullivan, John Graham, Jim Corbett, Vickie Robbins, Morgan Innes, Beverley McKewin, Margaret Hess, Ronald Ashton, Patricia O'Connor, Maureen Harding, William Bradbury, Ron Kelly, Ian Douglas, Herb Collie, Lorraine Morrison, Bob Bongiorno, Joan Burlew & Brian Toon.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Please consider giving to our Planned Giving Program. Your continued support for our Parish is much appreciated.
Collections & Planned Giving: BSB:064-786 / Acc: 100012966
Baptisms/Sacrament Programs/ Donations/ All other deposits:-
Name: Camp Hill Parish
BSB:064-786 Acc: 100005597
 * We also have Tap n Go facility in the Church premises.
 Thank you for your generosity.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to our volunteers for taking the time to make our silver shine for Easter! We really appreciate your help ♥

St Thomas' Safeguarding Representatives:

Name: David & Veronica Colch
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 This parish is Child Safety Aware and complies with Australian Privacy Laws. A copy of the Safeguarding policy is situated in the foyer of the church. **STOPLINE CONTACT:** Phone 1 300 304 400 Email A0B@stoline.com.au

Quote of the week

Life is a Bank Account in God's hands. Nobody knows the balance of the remaining days. Keep depositing with prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

The Parish Office will be closed from Good Friday (29 March) through to Easter Monday (1st April). Office hours will return to normal on Easter Thursday(4th April). Thank you.

The Week Ahead

Sun -24th Mar	PALM SUNDAY Mass @ 8.30am & 5.30pm
Mon - 25th Mar	Mass @ 7am
Tue - 26th Mar	Mass @ 7am
Wed - 27th Mar	Mass @ 9am
Thu - 28th Mar	The Sacred Pascal Triduum THE LORD'S SUPPER Mass @ 6.30pm
Fri - 29th Mar	GOOD FRIDAY Stations of the Cross @10.00am Celebration of the Passion of the Lord @3.00pm
Sat - 30th Mar	HOLY SATURDAY Mass @ 6.30pm
Sun - 31st Mar	EASTER SUNDAY Mass @ 8.30am NO 5.30pm Mass

Liturgy Roster

THIS WEEK	Mass Organisers	Welcome/ Prayers of the Faithful	1st Reader	2nd Reader	Communion Minister
Sat 23rd Mar—5.30pm	Paul Duncan	Eleanor Chong	Melissa Chong	Michael Ord	Paul Duncan
	PASSION READING :- Narrator—Melissa Chong / Jesus—Fr Dantus / Other/Crowd— Eleanor Chong				
Sun 24th Mar - 8.30am	Lyn Kasatchenko	Tammy & James Davies	James Mann	Terry McGrath	Amanda Sheridan
	PASSION READING :- Narrator—Bryanna Witehira Jesus—Fr Dantus / Other/Crowd - Annette Bongiorno				
Sun 24th Mar - 5.30pm	Caroline Sarra	Eleni Greenaway / Angelique Cahill	Angelique Cahill	Eleni Greenaway	Caroline Sarra
	PASSION READING :- Narrator—Oz Cotta Jesus—Fr Dantus / Other/Crowd— Caroline Sarra				
	HOLY WEEK—AS PER THE ROSTER				

Holy Week & Easter Mass Times -2024

Palm Sunday – 23rd/24th March
Saturday at 5.30pm
Sunday at 8.30am & 5.30pm

Holy Thursday - 28th March
6.30pm: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until
8.30 pm

Good Friday - 29th March
10.00am: Stations of the Cross
3.00pm: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday - 30th March
6.30pm: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Easter Sunday - 31st March
8.30am: Mass of the Resurrection

(No 5.30pm Sunday Mass)

HOLY LAND COLLECTION

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, March 29th. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing, Parishes, and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Due to the ongoing war, the Church and people of the Holy Land are still struggling with reduced income due to fewer pilgrims and lower church attendance around the world. In 2023 Australian Catholics were once again extremely generous and we were able to send to the Holy Land nearly \$1.4 million [\$1.4 million (2022), \$1,126,098 (2021), \$406,023 (2020) and \$1.3 million (2019)]. The reality for the Holy Land mission is that they will continue to face challenges financial and spiritual and so we again ask Catholics around the world again to be as generous as possible, with their financial support as well as the spiritual support. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday.

A reminder that we will be taking up collection at both the Stations of the Cross and Passion of the Lord on Good Friday to support the Holy Land Collection. Please remember to bring some cash—your support is appreciated. Thank you.



PROJECT COMPASSION

**Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm Sunday)
23 & 24 February**

This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities.

Ronita from the Philippines has now graduated high school and secured a job at a call centre. This job was only possible because of a certificate she gained from completing her studies.

Leaia and her family now have a water tank at their home in Samoa. She and her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health and living conditions.

Memory completed her vocational training course in carpentry and joinery. After completing a work contract at one of the largest electrical companies in Malawi, Memory now plans to return to her village and provide carpentry services to people in her community. It's through the generosity of people like you that we can continue to support people like Ronita, Leaia and Memory. There is still time to donate! Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from our parish or by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.



CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION
"HE WHO FOLLOWS ME WALKS NOT IN DARKNESS" - JOHN 8:12

2PM SUNDAY 11 JUNE 2023
Cathedral of St Stephen, BRISBANE CITY

Starting and ending at the Cathedral of St Stephen and featuring prayers, rosary, hymns and Benediction with proceedings led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

ALSO INCLUDES:
Benedictine Miracles Exhibition (10.15 - 11.30am, Holy Room)
Vigil night Adoration (10.15 - 11.30pm, Holy Room, Mary Most Holy Chapel)

To watch the livestream of the procession and for information regarding event bus hire please visit the website or call 0412 802 122

corpuschristibrisbane.com

On June 11, the **Feast of Corpus Christi**, join with over 4000 other Catholics making a public testimony of faith by walking in a Eucharistic procession through the streets of Brisbane city. It will be a colourful display as groups gather from all across the Archdiocese of Brisbane to represent their parish or cultural community. The Corpus Christi Procession will start and end at the Cathedral of St Stephen and feature prayers, rosary, hymns and Benediction with proceedings led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

A Petition Booklet for any parish / individual intentions together with the flyers will be placed on the Church table, next to the Sacristy from this weekend onwards. Thank you.

Unfortunately, the Encounter Kids program has been **postponed**. It will be offered again on:

Sunday, 9 June 2024

catholic KIDS DAY

MAR 23 | St Thomas the Apostle Parish Hall
Open to all primary school students

www.encountercatholickids.com.au/camphill

Readings

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD—YEAR B

First Reading: (Isaiah 50:4-7)

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue.
So that I may know how to reply to the wearied
he provides me with speech.
Each morning he wakes me to hear,
to listen like a disciple.
The Lord has opened my ear.
For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face
against insult and spittle.
The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24.

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Second Reading: (Philippians 2:6-11)

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling
to his equality with God but emptied himself
to assume the condition of a slave,
and became as men are, and being as all men are,
he was humbler yet, even to accepting death,
death on a cross.
But God raised him high and gave him the name
which is above all other names so that all beings
in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus
and that every tongue should acclaim
Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross.
Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel: (Mark 14:1 – 15:47)

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

For the Children...

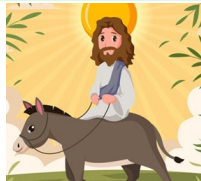
PALM SUNDAY

The Passion of Christ

The Jews were waiting for a king to lead them
against the Romans and make them free again. When Jesus
rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, he was welcomed as
this king, but he came as a king of peace and not to bring war.

LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace, we pray that your peace will
spread throughout our world today and touch the lives of
everyone.



Readings for Next Sunday

EASTER SUNDAY

First Reading: Acts 10:34. 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his res-
urrection from the dead.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

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

Gospel: John 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from
the dead.