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St Pius X Church

Easter Sunday

17 April 2022



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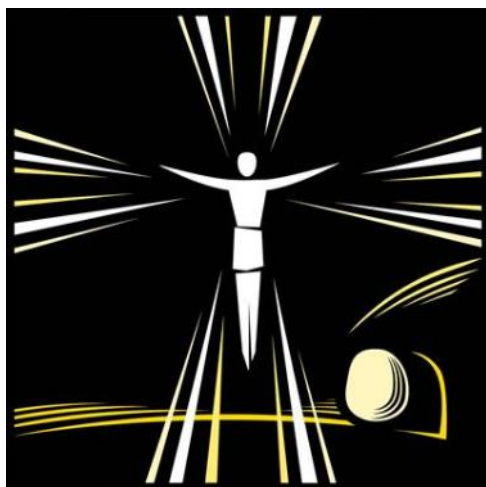
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The day begins with darkness and fear. The tomb has been desecrated. The body has been stolen. Whatever Jesus said about resurrection, his disciples did not expect him to rise until the general resurrection of the dead at the end of time. The anonymous disciple loved by Jesus races to the tomb, sees the linen cloth and the face cloth placed apart and believes. In this simple sign of a 'tidy' tomb, he sees what Peter missed, that God has entered this story of death and transformed it to a story of life.

On two occasions in this short reading, we find the use of the passive voice – 'the stone had been moved away' and the linen cloth over his head, 'rolled up' in a place by itself. Frequently in the Scriptures, the use of the passive voice is called the Divine Passive, as it is a way of referring to the action of God without naming God as the direct agent of the action. This is a Semitic way of reverencing God. The face-veil has been removed and rolled with care. Although never named, God is the Divine agent in this episode.

John's Easter story is closer to our real experience than many of the other Resurrection stories. Here we have no angels announcing 'He is raised'; no Jesus present to change sadness into joy. Resurrection is more subtle in this Gospel. Mary and Peter miss the signs. They remain locked in grief still carrying the painful burden of Golgotha. It is the

disciple named 'beloved' who first experiences resurrection in his openness to believe in God's power to raise Jesus. Easter calls for faith. Those who know the loss and pain of death know too well the hard, long search to find signs of life. We don't experience a sudden glorious moment of life returned. Like the anonymous disciple, we often stay some time within the tomb before finding grace to turn and enter into life. Such grace is found in simple signs of a love that does endure. Perhaps this is why 'the beloved' disciple first reaches Easter faith.

Naming this day as 'the first day' of the week, is not simply an indicator that it is the day of the Jewish Sabbath (7th day), but is also a hint that in John's Gospel the resurrection is the dawn of a new creation. If you recall the Passion reading on Friday, which is always from John's gospel, you might have noticed that Jesus was arrested in a garden, and then was buried in a garden. We so frequently mix all the gospel accounts together we can sometimes miss seeing the unique theological vision and artistry of each individual evangelist. Only John has Jesus arrested in a garden, and only John has Jesus buried in a garden. Also John emphasises that the Cross is placed 'in the middle' which is the same phrase used to describe the tree of life in Genesis 2, which was also placed 'in the middle of the garden'. Then at the foot of the Cross John has a man and a woman, who is only called 'woman' and 'mother' in this Gospel. These were the names given to Eve. These differences to the Synoptic gospels are deliberate. John is setting the crucifixion within the garden of creation. For John, the cross marks the end of one creation – remember Jesus' words, 'It is finished' – and the beginning of a new creation.

In Paul's letter to the Colossians, a similar theology is presented, that the resurrection is a new creation. Paul speaks about being 'brought back to true life' and reminds the Colossians that 'you have died'. For both Paul and John, the Christ event has an impact on all people and in fact all of creation.

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	Sun 7.30am	Easter Roster	Les Price
	Sun 9.00am	Easter Roster	Tony Pitchford
Counters		D & B Molony	M Prentice, H & F Tay

Parish Calendar		
Apr Mon 18	8.00am	Communion Service (Octave of Easter) Church
Tue 19	8.00am	Mass (Octave of Easter) Church
Wed 20	8.00am	Mass (Octave of Easter) Church
Thu 21	8.00am	Mass (Octave of Easter) Church
Fri 22	8.00am	Mass (Octave of Easter) Church
Sat 23	8.00am	Mass (Octave of Easter) Church
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (Second Sunday of Easter Year C) Church
Sun 24	7.30am	Mass (Second Sunday of Easter Year C) Church
	9.00am	Mass (Second Sunday of Easter Year C) Church
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (Second Sunday of Easter Year C) Church

Tai Chi Group

Mondays in Parish Hall except holidays
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Charismatic Healing Service

CCR Perth with the HSCaSM Choir will be conducting a **Healing Service** after the 5:00pm Mass at St Peter the Apostle Church, Bedford, on **Sunday, May 1st**. Come one and all who seek the healing touch of Jesus, whether the need be physical, psychological or spiritual. Why not invite family and friends to experience the healing touch of our loving Lord and Saviour?

Queries to Dan on 0409849049



2022 Sacraments Schedules

Parents, if your child/children are attending State Schools you need to enrol for the Sacramental programs. Please contact the parish office to obtain an Enrolment Form or visit our website to get one - manningparish.org.au/sacraments - so that we can organise the preparation for them.

Confirmation

6.30pm Friday, 10 June 2022
Commitment Mass 6pm 30 April 2022

First Holy Communion

9am Sunday, 11 September 2022
Commitment Mass 6pm 30 July 2022

First Reconciliation

10.30am-12pm
Saturday, 29 October 2022
Commitment Mass 6pm 15 Oct 2022

Divine Mercy Hour

Sunday 24 April is Divine Mercy Sunday: Jesus said (to St Faustina): "I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of my Mercy. Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy prayers, Rosary and Benediction every third Sunday.

Please join us next Sunday at 3.00pm.

Manning Parish Youth

Quest Youth Ministry

Guiding our youth on a Quest to know, love and serve the Lord.

The youth ministry for the parish is open to youth aged in High School or University, and meet every second Saturday after mass.

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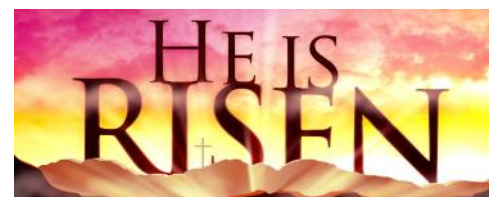
Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers – Online

We invite ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) to attend an online safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role – paid or voluntary.

The session will cover the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the importance of Safeguarding in the parish and the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

To register please visit: www.safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au
or phone 9221 7762
Available dates are:

Friday, 06 May 2022 at 10.00am
Tuesday, 17 May 2022 at 1.00pm
Friday, 03 June 2022 at 10.00am
Tuesday, 14 June 2022 at 7.00pm
Thursday, 30 June 2022 at 1.00pm



Wishing all parishioners and visitors

A HOLY & HAPPY EASTER

Check on the elderly and those whom you know that are not well at the moment. In short be kind and take care of each other.

Please keep safe and drive safely when you are on the road.

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

Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

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

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.' (R.)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. (R.)
3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

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

John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon

Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Jesus' tomb was empty. It had even been cleaned up. The linen burial cloths were folded and rolled up neatly. Everything was left in order and taken care of. Jesus was clearly finished with this grave. No more of this 'death business' for him. He left it totally behind, and was fully alive, never to know the sufferings of death again.

Have you ever made a transition in life? Did you ever take a step and know that a part of your former life was totally behind you? What happened? How did you feel? Did you find yourself trying to take care of things or leave things in order in any way? Obviously Mary, Peter and the other disciple were close friends with one another and with Jesus. It is easy to picture the three of them running to the tomb together to be sure of what actually happened.

Who are the Marys and Peters in your life? Have you ever hurried to get to some important place? Have you ever struggled with someone else to figure out what was really happening in an important situation that affected you or a friend of yours? What happened and how did that affect your relationship?

Next Sunday Readings

24 April 2022

Second Sunday of Easter - Year C

First Reading: Acts:5:12-16

Second Reading: Revelation: 1:9-13, 17-19

Gospel: John 20:19-31

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Help the disciples find their way to Jesus' empty tomb.

