

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.'

■ **The word of the Lord.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(see front page)

SECOND READING Col 3:1-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

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

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.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

SEQUENCE

The sequence may be said or sung.

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 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia! / Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; / let us feast with joy in the Lord. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

In 20:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

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

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.

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

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MASS OF EASTER NIGHT

EPISTLE

Rom 6:3-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again.

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection. We must realise that our former selves have been crucified with him to destroy this sinful body and to free us from the slavery of sin. When a man dies, of course, he has finished with sin.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been

raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 117

R. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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 cornerstone. / This is the work of the Lord, / a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

GOSPEL

Mt 28:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee.

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.'

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

MASS DURING THE DAY

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34, 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea: about



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MASS TIMES, RECONCILIATION AND DEVOTION

Weekday Mass: Monday - 7:30am (Communion Service, except on Feast Days);

Tuesday to Thursday - 7:30am (followed by Holy Rosary); Friday - 5pm

Weekend Mass: Saturday Vigil - 5:30pm (livestreamed); Sunday - 8am, 9:30am, 6pm

CCC Mass: Sunday at 11:30am (English/Cantonese)

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday 4pm-5pm

First Friday Devotion: Monthly at 4pm

First Saturday Mass and Devotion: Monthly at 9am

Exposition and Benediction: First weekend of the month at all Masses

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Friday 4pm-4:45pm and Saturday 4:30pm-5:15pm

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Easter Sunday/Year A

9 April 2023

PRAYER REQUESTS:



Recently Deceased: Benjamin Isaacs

Deceased: Jan Wiczorkowski, Peter, Allan & Molly McNamara; John, Bill & Eileen

Taylor; Amy Murray, Katherine Corbett, Win Tranor, Sandra Walsh, Jim Grainger,

James Bertoldo, Mike Crestani; Mary Saba, Toufic & Yessmin Saba, Samany,

Mehsen Moujalli, Tony & Rose Isaac, Joseph Vella, Selwyn Jackson, Mary Cummins,

Nunziato Laguzza, John Davidson, Lucy Ng, Cecilia Tan, Milly Farrell, Francis Murray; Casey,

Landon, O'Connor, Pigott & Stewart families; Geoff & Patricia Clarke; Ron & Jan Brayan

Sick: Elizabeth Uy Tan, Lyn Crown, Burkardt Foertsch, Graham Rumble, Sam Wong, Robert

Lauw, Tenille Moujalli, June Phelan, Anne McIntyre, Adhy Guna S., Daisy Gouw, Nur Gouw

UPCOMING FEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS:



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA starts on 7th April after The Lord's Passion on Good Friday and will continue daily until Sun 16th Apr, FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY.

To celebrate the feast of Divine Mercy, we will be having a HOLY HOUR from 2.30-3.30pm. This will include adoration, praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and blessing of devotional articles.

WISHING YOU ALL THE JOYFUL BLESSINGS OF EASTER!



ON BEHALF OF THE MICHAELITE COMMUNITY HERE AT ST KEVIN'S, WE WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY AND HOLY EASTER, AND A JOY FILLED TIME WITH FAMILY AND LOVED ONES. ALLELUIA! - FR PAWEL AND FR TOMASZ

Christ is Risen!

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"Having faith does not mean having no difficulties, but having the strength to face them, knowing we are not alone." - Pope Francis

PARISH NEWS:

- **We thank all those who participated in our Lenten Program and Stations of the Cross, those who volunteered in our Easter Liturgies: Altar servers, Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, all cantors & musicians, AV & Livestream operators and all the parishioners who were involved with the Easter preparations. We also want to say a BIG Thank You to all those who helped clean the church, parish hall, and gardens. All these will not be possible without your help!**
- **We joyfully welcome into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church, our catechumens: Rahul, Alex, Ewan and Jina.** Congratulations on receiving the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist.
- **On Easter Monday, 10th April, Mass will be at 9am (No 7:30am Communion Service).**
- **Our sincere condolences to the family of long-time parishioner, Ben Isaacs.** A Requiem Mass will be held here at St Kevin's on Monday, 17th April at 10:30am. Please include him and his family in your prayers.
- **SPECIAL MASS AND SERVICE for ANZAC DAY - Tues 25th April - 7.30am.** Traditional symbols of Anzac Day will conclude the specially chosen liturgy. **Please wear medals... bring voices and memories - and maybe a few Anzac biscuits to share for morning tea after Mass.** All welcome. Parish volunteers needed to help serve morning tea. Thank you!
- **Volunteer/s Needed: Family Mass Coordinator.** Must be available every 3rd Sunday, 9:30am. Contact the parish office at 9874 2533 or Email: parish@stkevinseastwood.org.au
- **Sacrament of Confirmation Information Evening for Parents/Guardians** will be held on Tuesday, 2nd May, 7pm at St Kevin's Church Eastwood. Candidates must be in Year 6 or above and have received the sacraments of First Reconciliation and Holy Communion. For more info visit: <https://www.stkevinseastwood.org.au/confirmation/>.
- **Please grab a copy of the Catholic Weekly in the foyer for only \$2. Thank you!**

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE:

- **Camino of St Joseph - Overnight Walking Pilgrimage for Men:** Starts Fri 28th April 8:30pm, at St Mary's Cathedral with Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard Umbers. Confession from 7:30pm. Pilgrimage across 9 churches. Concludes Sat 29th April, 6:30am, St Joseph's Enfield with Mass followed by BBQ breakfast and celebration. See poster for details.
- The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, in partnership with Theology of the Body Institute, is offering an online and in-person opportunities to learn Theology of the Body. Following his successful events in Sydney & Melbourne, **Dr Christopher West will be delivering the 'Theology of the Body I: Head & Heart Immersion' online course from April 17 to 28.** To encourage registrations, we have limited partial subsidies on offer – applications must be submitted by Apr 7. See poster for details or visit: www.sydneycatholic.org/tobi.

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL:



St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY:



Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, contact Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office (02) 9390 5810 or E: safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support & guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to police.