



Parish of St Mary Magdalen, Jordanville

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The Parish of St. Mary Magdalen is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

2/3 April 2022

5th Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

I am doing a new thing and I will give drink to my people.

Responsorial Psalm:

THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US;
WE ARE FILLED WITH JOY.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14

Because of Christ I look upon everything else as useless in order to gain him.

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
With all your heart turn to me,
for I am tender and compassionate
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel: John 8:1-11

Let the person without sin be the first to throw a stone.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Lent ends on a note of wonder. In the face of all the mighty works that God has already performed for the people, God promises something even more magnificent.

Throughout this season we have reflected on the marvels that God accomplished in the lives of the people, cutting a covenant with Abraham, leading the people out of bondage, revealing God's own personal name, bring them into a land that is bursting with life. Now God says: You haven't seen anything yet.

The first reading proclaims that something new is about to appear. In the gospel, this new thing unfolds before our eyes. Here we see Jesus neither rejecting the law nor changing it. Instead, he shows that the law, as good as it might be, serves something higher. He shows that the mercy and compassion of God exceed the authority of the law. Once again we see that the readings of Lent are less concerned with mortification and penance than they are with divine graciousness and our response of joy and thanksgiving.

Paul is not satisfied with the blessings of the past. In fact, he considers them rubbish when compared with knowing and being united with Christ. Life with Christ transforms us from people who are caught in sin to women and men who have been forgiven. Life in Christ is the new thing that God has fashioned for us. God is the one who creates something new; we are the ones who are re-created.

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MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday:	Mass 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
Wednesday:	Morning Prayer and Communion Service 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
Thursday:	Mass 12:00noon	Rosary 12:30am
Friday:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:00am Mass 12:00noon	
Saturday:	Mass 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
	Vigil Mass 6:00pm	
Sunday:	Mass 9:30am	

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: After Mass when a priest is available

BAPTISM: During Sunday Mass or at 11:00am. Email the Parish office to book.

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

April 9 & 10, 2022	6.00pm Vigil	9.30a.m.
Commentator	Sharon D'Souza	Patrick Van Reyk
Readers Palm Sunday	Thomas Phillips	Roshini Boteju
Special Ministers	Stephen Goss	Maria Prout
Meet & Greet	Roshini Boteju Stephen Goss	Gordon Cramer Christobel Cramer
Data Projector Operator	Phillip Davis	Edwin Gomez
Counting – Sun, 10am	David Forrest, Jos Kulkens, Louise Kulkens	
Church Cleaning	Christine Barcham, Rukmin Silva, Phillip Davis, Cathy Tran	

Any notices that need to be included in the weekly newsletter, email the parish jordanville@cam.org.au by Thursday.

MASSES STREAMED FROM ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, MELBOURNE

Daily Mass: The 1.00pm Mass is streamed live daily (*Mon - Fri*) from St. Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne and is then available as a recording on demand until one hour prior to the next 1.00pm Mass.

On Sundays, the 11.00am Mass is streamed and it is also available as a recording on demand via Channel 44.

Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you. Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom. You are Father of all; we are brothers and sisters. Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS TIMES – HOLY WEEK

14/04/22	Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.00pm
15/04/22	Good Friday – Stations of the cross	9.30am
15/04/22	Good Friday – Service	3.00pm
16/04/22	Easter Vigil	7.30pm
17/04/22	Easter Sunday	9.30am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: The Priest is available on Friday, 8th April 2022 from 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm (after Stations of the Cross).

Please donate to **Project Compassion 2022** and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future for all.

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 boxed and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au or by calling 1800 024 413

INVITATION: Farewell for Colleen Mondon

After a long teaching career and almost 30 years of service at St Mary Magdalen's, we are saying farewell to Colleen Mondon on Thursday 7 April. Mass will be at 12.00 in the church. Parents, friends and parishioners are welcome to attend. Mass will be followed by refreshments. The students will have a special afternoon treat. If you would like to come and share in a celebration, please let us know. We would be grateful for parent help with the serving of refreshments for visitors. Contact Jenny on 98070315 or jjoyce@smmchadstone.catholic.edu.au

Flood Appeal – Society of St Vincent De Paul

The floods in Queensland and New South Wales are having a devastating effect on the people living in these regions of Australia. For those wishing to support the long-term recovery work to be undertaken by St Vincent de Paul Society in Queensland and New South Wales, financial donations can be made either directly to either state through: www.vinnies.org.au – Flood appeal – St Vincent de Paul Society – Good Works (vinnies.org.au) or by calling, Queensland – (07) 3010 1000 or New South Wales – (02) 9568 0262.

Caritas Australia – Ukraine Emergency Appeal

The people of Ukraine are living through a crisis that will impact the country for years to come. Caritas Australia has launched an appeal to support Caritas Ukraine and other partners in the region. The appeal will support the provision of clean water, hygiene and food kits to vulnerable families, as well as safe collection centres for families on the move, emergency accommodation and support for distressed children and families through <https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/ukraine/> or contact 1800 024 413.