

St Therese's Parish Essendon

9 & 10 April 2022
Palm Sunday of Lent Year C



First Reading Is 50:4-7 A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

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.

Gospel: Luke 22:14-23:56 The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

INTERCESSIONS

With the Lord there is mercy and redemption. Let us turn to God who hears our every prayer.

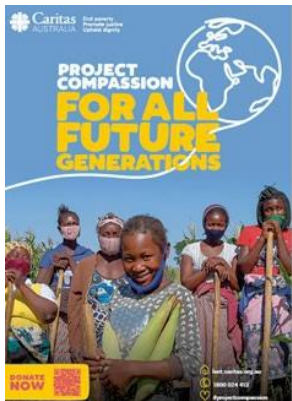
We pray for those who are ill, especially Sr Mary Dennett, Ray Fogarty, Mary Herenson, Dawn Ward and John Hannon.

We pray for those who have died recently especially Jim Ruth and Leone Doolan and for those whom we remember at this time, especially Marco De Angelis, Godfrey Gilmour and Lorraine Perdisat

God of compassion, your Spirit calls all back to life in Christ. Hear our prayers and set us free from the darkness of sin. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen

FR JOHN IN ISOLATION Fr John has tested positive to COVID (with mild symptoms) and is in isolation until Holy Thursday. We are grateful for the continued support of the Columbans in Strathmore who are filling in for Fr John. This weekend we welcome Fr Tom Cleary and Fr George Hogarty to our Masses. Fr Tom will also say Mass here on Wednesday 13 April. A Liturgy of the Word will replace Mass on Tuesday 12 April. We look forward to seeing Fr John back with us for The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday 14 April. Unfortunately there will be no recording of Palm Sunday Mass.



PROJECT COMPASSION

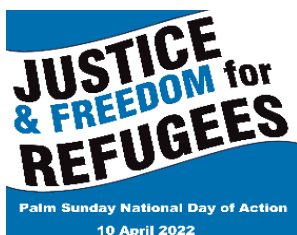
Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water. In recent years, COVID-19 has also devastated vulnerable communities already living in poverty, with the health and economic impacts to reverberate for years to come.

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. Donate today so this transformational program can continue to empower and strengthen vulnerable communities. Donation boxes and envelopes are on entry tables or you can visit lent.caritas.org.au, or call 1800 024 413.

Please return your Project Compassion money boxes and envelopes in the next week or two so that we can tally the parish donations and transfer the funds to Caritas as soon as possible.



EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES We are grateful for your contribution towards the upkeep of our parish priest, sick and retired clergy, and those who serve in poor and/or the new parishes in the Archdiocese who cannot afford to support their local priests. Please place your Easter Offering envelopes in the second collection. There are extras on the side tables if you require one for Easter.



THE WALK FOR JUSTICE TODAY: The 2022 Melbourne Walk for Justice and Freedom for Refugees is this Sunday 10 April at 2pm, commencing at the State Library (music from 1.30pm). People from all faith groups, community organisations and unions are invited to join the Palm Sunday Walk for Justice for Refugees, bringing banners and other messages of support in solidarity with refugees and people seeking asylum. After our speakers, including the Rev Tim Costello AO, the Walk will proceed to the Park Hotel, where around 30 refugees are still imprisoned. There will be an address from one of the refugees still held in the hotel. For more information visit: <https://www.refugeeadvocacynetwork.org.au/>

CHURCH FOYER OFF LIMITS DURING REPAIR WORKS We are nearly at the end of repairs from the storm damage of early this year. On Monday 11 April, builders will close off the church main foyer while they make repairs to the ceiling in the SVDP room. The works will be completed by Wednesday 13 April and we will have full access to the foyer on Thursday 14 April for our Mass of the Lord's Supper.

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED FOR HOLY WEEK Thank you to those who've put their names down for volunteer roles during Holy Week and Easter. We still have some roles that require volunteers including Eucharistic ministers and collectors. If you can help out please add your name to the lists on entry tables.

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES AT CATHEDRAL TO BE TELEVISED

The following liturgies at St Patrick's Cathedral will be shown on Community Channel C31 (channel 44 on TV) and streamed live on the [Archdiocesan YouTube channel](#):

Palm Sunday (10 April) 11:00am
Holy Thursday (14 April) 7:30pm
Good Friday (15 April) 3:00pm
Easter Vigil (16 April) 7:30pm
Easter Sunday (17 April) 11:00am

To view the full schedule of services at St Patrick's Cathedral during Holy Week, visit the [Cathedral page](#).



PARISH DATES

Saturday 9 April	Palm Sunday Mass with Fr Tom Cleary	6:00pm
Sunday 10 April	Palm Sunday Mass with Fr George Hogarty Palm Sunday Procession and Mass with Fr George Hogarty	9:00am 10:15am
Monday 11 April	Repairs to SVDP room in church foyer begin	
Tuesday 12 April	Liturgy of the Word replaces Mass	10:00am
Wednesday 13 April	Morning Mass with Fr Tom Cleary SVDP Essendon Regional Conference in PACE	10:00am 7:30pm
Thursday 14 April	Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper Altar of Repose Enrolments close for RE Confirmation Programme	7:00pm 8:00pm – 10:00pm
Friday 15 April	Good Friday Holy Places Appeal Stations of the Cross Veneration of the Cross	10:00am 3:00pm
Saturday 16 April	Holy Saturday Vigil	6:00pm
Sunday 17 April	Easter Sunday Masses	9:00am & 10:30am
Monday 18 April	Easter Monday Public Holiday	
Tuesday 19 April	Parish office open for reduced hours for the last week of school holidays	
Friday 22 April	Liturgy of the Word replaces morning Mass	10:00am
Sunday 24 April	Parish Baptisms	12:00pm
Monday 25 April	ANZAC Day public holiday parish office closed	
Tuesday 26 April	Term 2 begins (pupil free day) Usual parish office hours resume	
Wednesday 27 April	St Therese's school children back for Term 2	

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Mass Online: Follow this [link here](#)
Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 10:00am **Weekend Masses** Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 10:30am

*St Therese's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.
 We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country of the land on which our church stands and recognize their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to them and to Elders past, present and emerging.*