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SUNDAY 24 MARCH 2024

PALM SUNDAY

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ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm
Closed 12:00pm – 12:30pm

SUNDAY

8:00am Mass
10:00am Mass

MONDAY

No Mass and Office closed.

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY

9:00am Mass
Novena to St. Padre Pio
9:30am Sacrament of Penance
5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

BAPTISMS

11:30am 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
Sundays. Please contact the
Parish Office. Presentation and
Baptism Information mornings
are held every 4th Sunday.

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

8:00pm – 9:00am Saturday Mass
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet

CHILDREN'S YOUTH GROUP

For children: Year 1 to Year 8.
Every 1st & 3rd Saturday
4.30pm-5.30pm in school hall

FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

9:30am – 11:30am 0-6 years
Bethany Catholic Primary School
Hall. Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.

Dear Friends,

This is my last bulletin article as your parish priest. I will be leaving the parish soon after Easter. First of all, I would like to thank you for your love, support and friendship for the past 7 years. We have journeyed together these years in the thick and thin. I look back at these 7 years with a heart filled with gratitude to God. He has been with us all through. Numerous miracles and blessings have been received by our parishioners through the intercession of St. Padre Pio. We have remained faithful though it wasn't easy to be a Catholic these days. As a parish priest, I tried to give you an authentic and genuine Catholic teaching so that I guide your soul towards heaven. I can say that it wasn't easy and it was very fulfilling. As I promised on the day of my installation, my only agenda was to get all the souls into heaven, I would say that I tried to remain faithful to my task.

As I leave this parish, I go with lots of memories (good and bad) and lots of friends who I hope will remain for my lifetime. Though my future is still uncertain, I request you to pray for me so that God clears my path and continues to use me as His instrument in His vineyard. I need a break so I'm going home until mid-June and can be contacted via WhatsApp +61488448844 or email: fr.skumar@gmail.com

I would like to thank all of you who helped me in one way or the other. I would like to thank our parish secretary Annabelle, liturgy coordinator Lynn and Sacramental coordinator Regina for putting up with me all these years. I too thank our past and present parish pastoral council members, finance committee members and all those who are involved in various ministries. I thank each and every one of you for your prayers, love and friendship.

I too ask forgiveness from you for the times, I might have been too strict or harsh in getting the things done or in the way I spoke. Nothing intentional to hurt but purely out of love and concern. Once again, a BIG THANKS TO GOD AND ALL OF YOU.

As we begin our Holy Week today, let us journey with Christ for the next whole week without distraction so that we become witnesses of the Risen Christ and the empty tomb. Jesus died for the love of us. Our salvation was the only motivation for Him to suffer, to die and to rise again.

"Hosanna to the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is He."

God Bless..

Kind regards,

Fr. Suresh Kumar
Parish Priest

The below is from: ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/divine-mercy-12705

NOVENA TO THE DIVINE MERCY – begins on Good Friday



Jesus asked for the Sunday following Easter to be dedicated to His Divine Mercy. He also asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on **Good Friday**.

He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for, on each day of the Novena along with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

To pray each day's prayer intention in full, please go to: ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/novena-13366

DAY 1 (Good Friday) All mankind, especially sinners

DAY 2 (Holy Saturday) The souls of priests and religious

DAY 3 (Easter Sunday) All devout and faithful souls

DAY 4 (Easter Monday) Those who do not believe in Jesus and those who do not yet know Him

DAY 5 (Easter Tuesday) The souls of separated brethren

DAY 6 (Easter Wednesday) The meek and humble souls and the souls of children

DAY 7 (Easter Thursday) The souls who especially venerate and glorify Jesus' mercy

DAY 8 (Easter Friday) The souls who are detained in purgatory;

DAY 9 (Easter Saturday) The souls who have become lukewarm.

THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles Creed.

2. Then on the Our Father Beads say the following: Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins And those of the whole world.

3. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (Repeat step 2 and 3 for all five decades)

4. Conclude with (three times): Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER TIMETABLE



PALM SUNDAY † SATURDAY 23 MARCH

5:30pm Mass (begins outside the church)

PALM SUNDAY † SUNDAY 24 MARCH

8:00am Mass (begins outside the church)

10:00am Mass (begins in the park across the road)

HOLY THURSDAY † THURSDAY 28 MARCH

7:00pm Mass (No 9:00am Mass)

GOOD FRIDAY † FRIDAY 29 MARCH

10:00am Stations of the Cross

3:00pm Passion of the Lord

EASTER VIGIL † SATURDAY 30 MARCH

7:00pm Mass (No 9:00am Mass)

EASTER SUNDAY † SUNDAY 31 MARCH

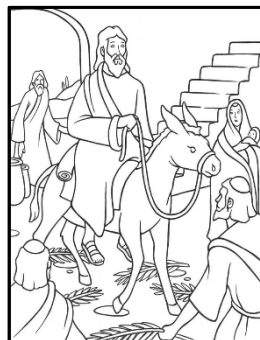
8:00AM Mass & 10:00am Mass

Daily at 3:00pm

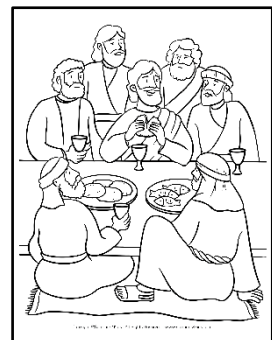
Jesus to Sr Faustina, "At three o'clock, implore My mercy, especially for sinners; and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony. This is the hour of great mercy ...

In this hour I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion". (*Diary 1320*).

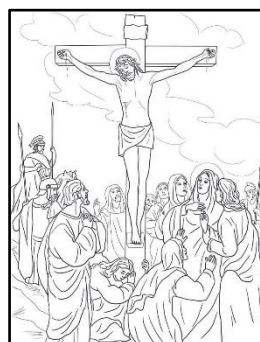
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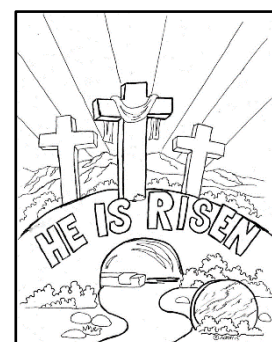
HOLY THURSDAY



HOLY WEEK FEAST DAYS



GOOD FRIDAY



EASTER SUNDAY

ST. PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

THANK YOU!

To all who donated palms and the volunteers who came to the Parish Working Bee, for their time and effort to prepare the Church for Holy Week. God bless..

NOTICE FOR THE ALTARSERVERS

Altar servers who wish to serve at the Holy Saturday 7pm Mass, on 30 March, are required to attend the practice on that day at 2pm in the Church.

FR SURESH

Fr Suresh's last Mass at St. Padre Pio Parish will be the 10am Mass on Easter Day. Many have asked about a farewell for Father. Fr. Suresh didn't want a farewell and has asked for people not to give him gifts, but if anyone would like to do/give something, a donation towards the orphan children that he looks after, in India, is suggested.

With this in mind, there will be a leaving collection next week after Holy Saturday night and the two Easter Masses. If the preferred method is to make an online donation, please contact Annabelle, the Parish Secretary for the details.

HOLY LAND (Good Friday) COLLECTION

When: Good Friday 29 March, 3pm Passion of the Lord
The Franciscans of the Custody of the Holy Land have the unique responsibility of caring for the Holy Places as well as caring for the Christians living in the Holy Land.

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FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

Would you come and spend an hour with Jesus?

When: Friday, 05 April

8:00pm: All-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins

3:00am: The Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00am: Adoration concludes on Saturday with 9:00am Mass & Novena to St. Padre Pio. We encourage all parishioners to add their name to the sign-up sheet on the Welcome table.

Sunday 24 March: Palm Sunday Yr. B

The SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Thursday 28 March: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday 29 March: The Passion of the Lord.

Saturday 30 March: Holy Saturday

Sunday 31 March: Easter Day

HOLY WEEK INFORMATION

- The **Holy Week timetable** can be found on page two of the bulletin, noticeboards & the Parish website.
- **9:00am Mass** on Tuesday & Wednesday only.
- Thursday is the beginning of the Holy Triduum.
- A reminder that **GOOD FRIDAY** is a day of **FAST AND ABSTINENCE**.

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 26 March

Place: Bernadette & Peter Quigley

Date: Tuesday 02 April

Place: Nina and William Cimafranca

PROJECT COMPASSION

Please return the Project Compassion boxes or envelopes to the parish office. Donations can also be made to: caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or 1800 024 413. Thank you.

JANUARY & FEBRUARY'S INCOME & EXPENDITURE SHEET

can be found on the noticeboards.

PRAYER TO OUR JESUS CHRIST CRUCIFIED

Behold, O good and loving Jesus,
that I cast myself on my knees before you
and, with the greatest fervour of spirit,
I pray and beseech you to instil into my heart
ardent sentiments of faith, hope and charity,
with true repentance for my sins
and a most firm purpose of amendment.
With deep affection and sorrow
I ponder intimately
and contemplate in my mind your five wounds,
having before my eyes what the prophet David
had said about you, O good Jesus:
*They have pierced my hands and my feet;
they have numbered all my bones (Ps 22:17-18).*
Amen.



MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

For those souls that have no one to pray for them. **Prayers for the Sick:** Trent Moore, Maribel Harina, Ernesto Modelo, Joselito Canaria, Lynn Navarro, Kim Baluyot, Jasmine Arada, Maricris Palencia, Yvonne Videla, Alejandra Modelo, Emily & Danilo Rosales, Georgina Rastegorac, Maryrose Vella, Catherine Vella. Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered.



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