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SUNDAY 29 MARCH 2026

PALM SUNDAY YEAR A

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm
Closed 12:30pm – 01:00pm

SUNDAY

8:00am & 10:00am Mass

MONDAY

7:00pm Mass

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

WEDNESDAY

7:00pm Mass (includes Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help)

SATURDAY

9:00am Mass & Novena to St. Padre Pio & Blessing with his Relic
9:30am Sacrament of Penance
5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Tuesday – Friday

Before & after Mass (*depending on priests' availability*).

BAPTISMS

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sundays.
Minimum booking time: two months in advance.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

7:00pm Mass, Adoration begins.
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet
9:00am Saturday Mass

SOM YOUTH GROUP

Every Saturday 4:00pm
Ages 5-17 (during school terms)

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Every Wednesday, 7pm Mass, then YA meeting for 18-35yrs.

FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.

In preparation for:

PALM SUNDAY AND HOLY WEEK

Holy Week honors the week that changed the world. From Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday, there were many events that are vital to our faith, including the Institution of the Eucharist, the Passion of Jesus, and His Resurrection from the dead.



What is the meaning of Holy Week?

Holy Week, particularly Christ's Passion and Death, is a great reminder of God's Love for humanity. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (paragraph 604) says, By giving up his own Son for our sins, God manifests that his plan for us is one of benevolent love, prior to any merit on our part: "In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins." God "shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us."

What are the Five Days of Holy Week?

The days of Holy Week include Palm Sunday (Passion Sunday); Holy Monday, Holy Tuesday, Holy Wednesday (sometimes called Spy Wednesday, in reference to Judas' betrayal), Maundy Thursday (Holy Thursday), Good Friday (Holy Friday), and Holy Saturday – the days immediately preceding Easter Sunday.

Beginning with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, the Church also refers to the period that includes Easter Sunday as the Sacred Triduum.

Why is Palm Sunday also called Passion Sunday?

Although the Gospel account of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem is read at the beginning of Mass when the palms are blessed, the Gospel of the Passion is then read at the usual place for the Gospel during the Liturgy of the Word. This marks the solemn beginning of the commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Death.

Why did Jesus go to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday?

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (paragraphs 559-560) explains the following:

How will Jerusalem welcome her Messiah? Although Jesus had always refused popular attempts to make him king, he chooses the time and

prepares the details for his messianic entry into the city of “his father David.” Acclaimed as son of David, as the one who brings salvation (Hosanna means “Save!” or “Give salvation!”), the “King of glory” enters his City “riding on a donkey.” Their acclamation, “Blessed be he who comes in the name of the Lord,” is taken up by the Church in the “Sanctus” of the Eucharistic liturgy that introduces the memorial of the Lord’s Passover.

Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem manifested the coming of the kingdom that the King-Messiah was going to accomplish by the Passover of his Death and Resurrection. It is with the celebration of that entry on Palm Sunday that the Church’s liturgy solemnly opens Holy Week.

What was the reason for Jesus’ Passion? Why do we call it Good Friday?

...This sacrifice of Christ is unique; it completes and surpasses all other sacrifices. First, it is a gift from God the Father himself, for the Father handed his Son over to sinners in order to reconcile us with himself. At the same time it is the offering of the Son of God made man, who in freedom and love offered his life to his Father through the Holy Spirit in reparation for our disobedience.

It is called “Good” because through the horrific Passion and Death of Our Lord, He brought about mankind’s greatest good—our redemption and the possibility of eternal life with the Holy Trinity.

What does the Passion of Jesus mean?

The Passion is the greatest act of love in the history of mankind. Jesus sacrificed Himself for the sake of each one of us. Romans 5:8 says, “God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.” The most important events in Christianity are the death and later Resurrection of Jesus Christ. On Good Friday, we mourn the death of our Savior. On Easter Sunday, we joyously celebrate His triumph over death.

Above extract from: ewtnmission.com/seasonsandfeastdays/holyweek/ Picture of Jesus Crucified from: <https://au.pinterest.com/marychuduk/jesus-crucifixion-pictures/> Picture from: au.pinterest.com/pin/566609196887662368

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.



HOLY WEEK & EASTER TIMETABLE 2026



PALM SUNDAY 28 MARCH

5:30pm Mass (begins outside the church)

PALM SUNDAY 29 MARCH

8:00am Mass (begins outside the church)
10:00am Mass (begins in the park across the road)
(weather permitting)

RECONCILIATION

After 7:00pm Mass: Monday 30 March
Before & after 9:00am Mass: Tues 31 March & Wed 01 April
9:00am-11:00am: Holy Thursday 02 April
9:00am-11:00am: Holy Saturday 04 April

HOLY THURSDAY 02 APRIL

7:00pm Mass (No 9:00am Mass)
Adoration in the Hall till 12:00am midnight.
Resumes on Good Friday from 06:00am till 03:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY 03 APRIL

10:00am Stations of the Cross
3:00pm Passion of the Lord

EASTER VIGIL ☩ SATURDAY 04 APRIL

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

EASTER SUNDAY 05 APRIL

8:00AM Mass & 10:00am Mass

HOLY LAND (Good Friday) COLLECTION on Good Friday 03 April, 3pm. This collection supports the Franciscans of the Custody of the Holy Land who have the unique responsibility of caring for the Holy Places and for the Christians living in the Holy Land.

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTER FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 04/05 APRIL

MASS TIME	5:30PM VIGIL MASS	8:00AM MASS	10:00AM MASS
COORDINATOR	Trudi Almeida	Lynn Young	Regina Rossetto
ACOLYTE	Billy Layug	Chris Hersey	Aiman Jajo
SENIOR SERVER		Khalid Younan	Manny Medel
READER	1. Trudi Almeida 2. Maz Lirio	1. Trish Warda 2. Denise Robens	1. Zon Lupisan 2. Regina Rossetto
MUSIC	Mitchell’s Group		Children’s Choir
MORNING TEA			Zon Lupisan & Deb Vella
CLEANER	Mel Gaudoin, Dominic Dimech		

ST PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Thursday 02 April: Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday 03 April: The Passion of the Lord.
Saturday 04 April: Holy Saturday
Sunday 05 April: Easter Day

PARISH RECONCILIATION FOR LENT AND EASTER

Please see timetable on page 2.

HOLY WEEK INFORMATION

- The Holy Week timetable can be found on page two of the bulletin, noticeboards & the Parish website.
- 9:00am Mass this Tuesday & Wednesday only. No 7pm Mass this Wednesday, due to the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral.
- This Thursday is the beginning of the Holy Triduum.
- Prayers for the RCIA Candidates who will be baptised on Holy Saturday.

A reminder that GOOD FRIDAY is a day of FAST AND ABSTINENCE.

CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

To consecrate ourselves to the protection of St. Joseph we can pray from 29 March to 01 May. Material will be available online. If interested, please send an email or call the parish office.

5PM HOLY MASS & FAMILY GATHERING

When: Monday 06 April.
PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN MASS TIME: 5pm, followed by the gathering. All are welcome. Please bring a plate to share.

ACT OF CONTRITION (to be used at Confessions)

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of Thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasions of sin. Amen. **OR** O my Jesus, I am very sorry that I have sinned against You because You are so good and with Your help, I will not sin again. Amen.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES AND ENVELOPES

Kindly return them as soon as possible. Thank you for your generosity!

SUNDAY 29 MARCH: Palm Sunday Year A

NEXT SUNDAY: Easter Sunday Year A

Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43, Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24, Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-9

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 31 March: Bernadette & Peter Quigley
Date: Tuesday 07 April: Maria & William Cimafranca

NOVENA TO THE DIVINE MERCY, begins on Good Friday, DAY 1 to Day 9 (Easter Saturday)

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, please go to: ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/novena-13366

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.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: SUNDAY 12 APRIL

Join us to celebrate Jesus Infinite Mercy.

2pm Holy Hour with Confession available,

3pm The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed, followed by Mass.

MASSSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS: Deceased: David Forwood, Joseph Pulikkal, Tarcisio & Helen Cauchi, Mario Cauchi, Jennifer Modelo, Eileen McGann. **For the Sick:** Justino Pasia, Bridgette Grech, Liam O'Shea, Jose Joaquin De Sousa, Vida Smith, Beaulah Frankson and Roger Ayo, Lillian Astorri, Pauline Azzopardi, Elise Girdlestone, Daniel Varlow, Pamela Severino, Illuminada Shackleton, Kim Baluyot, Chris Shihada, Maria Joseph, Andrea Lopez, Christian Casulla, Xara Kaye, April Cataroja, Susan, Molly Poulouse, Kyla Aggar, Eric Norman Santos, Jimmy Zacharias, Alona Alcaraz, Trent Moore, 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 office to offer a Mass.**

PALM SUNDAY YEAR A

FIRST READING Isaiah 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their heads.

'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend.' **(R.)**

Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.

They tear holes in my hands and my feet.
I can count every one of my bones. **(R.)**

They divide my clothing among them.

They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me! **(R.)**

I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.

Revere him, Israel's sons.' **(R.)**

SECOND READING Philippians 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine,
yet Christ Jesus did not cling
to his equality with God
but emptied himself
to assume the condition of a slave,
and became as men are,
and being as all men are,
he was humbler yet,
even to accepting death,
death on a cross.

But God raised him high
and gave him the name
which is above all other names
so that all beings in the heavens,
on earth and in the underworld,
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus
and that every tongue should acclaim
Jesus Christ as Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Philippians 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Christ became obedient for us even to death
dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high
and gave him a name above all other names.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel Matthew 26:14 – 27:66

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.



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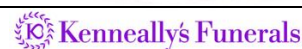
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