

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

38 Guinane Avenue, Hoppers Crossing 3029
Archdiocese of Melbourne

Committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of children and vulnerable adults



11 March 2018
4th Sunday of Lent
Year B



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR MARCH

Prayer for Lent

Merciful God, You called us forth from the dust of the earth; you claimed us for Christ in the waters of Baptism.

Look upon us as we enter these Forty Days bearing the mark of ashes, and bless our journey through the desert of Lent to the font of rebirth. May our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; our prayer, the chant of humble and grateful hearts.

All that we do and pray is in the name of Jesus, for in his Cross we proclaim your love forever. Amen

Entrance Antiphon Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

1st Reading *A reading from the book of Chronicles.*

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy. Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.' And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "the Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, his God be with him! Let him go up."' The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!.

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

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Fr. Vincent John CMI
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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm
Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm
Filipino – 4th Sun: 12:00pm
Polish – 1st Sun: 3:30pm
Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun: 12:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:30am
Wed: 8:30am & 7:00pm
Sat: 9:15am

CONFESSIONS

Wed: After 7:00pm Mass
Sat: After 9:15am Mass

DEVOTIONS

First Friday: 7:00pm to 10:00pm
Morning Prayer

Mon to Fri 7:50am
Sat 9:00am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tue to Thu 8:00am
Fri: 9:00am & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sat: 2:30pm

Next Healing Mass

7 Apr 18, 1:30 to 4:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon to Fri 8:10am

Sat 8:40am

Sun 8:10am

BAPTISMS

3rd, 4th, 5th Sunday

10:30am or 2:15pm

Baptism Formation Meeting

1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, HOUSE BLESSINGS & VISITS

Call Parish Office on 9749 4300

ALL QUERIES

Parish Office 9749 4300

ROSTERS

2nd Reading
Eph 2: 4-10

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians.

God loved us with so much that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus. This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it..

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel
Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. **Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Gospel
Jn 3:14-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. John.

Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion
Antiphon

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

Next Week's
Readings

Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-30

Feasts for
the week

St. Patrick

Saturday, 17 Mar

PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:	\$4236.00
ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:	\$3589.45
CHURCH A/C:	\$1476.85
PRESBYTERY A/C:	\$1256.60
CHAPLAINCY	\$ 532.20

Money Counters 18 Mar 18

L. Vasquez / T. Grisancich / S. D'Silva / L. De La Cruz

Readers – 17/18 Mar 18

6:00pm	Sonia Sabu Mathew
8:30am	Romayne Albuquerque
10:30am	Elenoa Eliepa
5:00pm	Indika Fernando

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
17/18 Mar 18

6:00pm	B. Farrugia / E. Mills / Michelle N. / Josie T.
8:30am	K. Fernandes / S. Coelho / L&B Jones
10:30am	S. D. Reyos/L. Ortega/Sally DiB/M. Naufahu
5:00pm	S. Joseph / D&J Etienne / Volunteer

Music Ministry – 10/11 Mar 18

6:00pm	Mater Dolorosa
8:30am	Shirley & Group
10:30am	FilOz
5:00pm	AHFI

PARISH NEWS

COMBINED PARISH RITE II RECONCILIATION will be held on Tuesday, 27 March at 7:00pm in our church.

ROSTERS FOR COMMUNION TO THE SICK, LECTORS & COMMUNION MIISTERS available in the church foyer for pick up.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS every Friday at 7:00pm followed by Mass.

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

As you may be aware, Royden Dsouza an active member of our parish community, is being ordained to the permanent diaconate this year. As part of his formation we have been requested by the Office of the Permanent Diaconate to provide his reflections on the readings at mass. As such he will be providing reflections every Tuesday at our weekday masses. Please do support him with your prayers as he approaches this important milestone. Thank you.

Fr Vincent John CMI

ST. PETER APOSTLE SCHOOL – 2019 PREP ENROLMENTS

St. Peter Apostle School will hold an Information Session for parents interested in enrolling their children at St. Peter's for the year 2019. The information session will be held at the school at 7.00pm on Tuesday, 20th March 2018. It would be appreciated if children do not attend this meeting due to limited space. During the meeting, parents will have the opportunity to make an appointment for their Enrolment Interview, in Term 2.

MOVIE NIGHT – THIS MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018

Our next movie night is scheduled for March 12, 2018 where we will be screening God's Not Dead Part 2 (PG), a movie about a teacher's strong faith in the face of atheism which is becoming more and more relevant in our current times. Sausage sizzle and drinks start at 6:30pm and movie begins at 7:00pm. The event is brought to you by the Young Adult Group to raise funds for their activities so please do come and encourage us as we grow in our faith. The movie is for all ages to bring your family and friends for a night out.

RISE MELBOURNE

One-day event for young people aged from Year 9 to 30 years hosted by youth group, schools and community. Come along to discover and deepen your faith and knowledge of Christ. The day will include talks, live music, prayer experiences, food and a range of entertainment. Entry is free, however registration is compulsory. St Peters Young Adults Contact Angelique - 0420 338 231. To register go to <http://risemelbourne.com/register/>. Date: 17th March 2018 from 10am – 10pm. Location; Mount St Josephs, 133 Maidstone Street, Altona; (opposite Westona train station)
Contact; hello@risemelbourne.com
Website; <http://risemelbourne.com/>

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

MEETS EVERY SUNDAY AT 6:00PM and is for ages 18 to 29 yrs. The group meets in the theaterette (near the parish office) to worship, pray, hear talks, read the bible and learn more about God together. This week there will be a bible study lead by Rhea Dsouza on the original sin of Adam & Eve". New members welcome. Enquiries contact Angelique on 0420 338 231

ALTAR SERVER MEETING in the Church at 5:30pm on Friday, 23rd March 2018 for training. New members Welcome.

WELCOME

We welcome into our Church community **Diesel Jewers** who is to be baptised this Sunday. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the love of Parents, Godparents, family and friends, we pray that this child will lead a life full of happiness, faith and love.

May the Lord give his angels charge over you, to guide you in all your ways. Psalm 91:11

HOLY WEEK / EASTER / DIVINE MERCY TIMETABLE

RECONCILIATION RITE II Tuesday 27 March, 7:00pm in Church
PALM SUNDAY, 24/25 MARCH
6:00pm – Vigil Mass, Sat 24 March 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm – Masses, Palm Sunday 25 March
HOLY THURSDAY, 29 MARCH
7:30pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper including Washing of the Feet and vigil until 11:00pm
GOOD FRIDAY, 30 MARCH
10:00am – Stations of the Cross 3:00pm – Celebration of the Lord's Passion & Divine Mercy Novena
EASTER VIGIL, SATURDAY 31 MARCH
7:30pm – Mass
EASTER SUNDAY 1 APRIL
8:30am, 10:30am – Masses.
NO 5:00PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA
30 March – Good Friday – After 3:00pm Service 31 March – Holy Saturday – 9:00am followed by Confessions 1 – 6 (Sunday to Friday) – After 8:30am Mass 7 April (Saturday) – After 9:15am Mass
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, 8 APRIL
2:00pm – Exposition, Adoration, Confessions 3:00pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Mass 5:00pm – Mass as usual
CONFESSIONS
Saturdays – After 9:15am Mass Wednesdays – After 7:00pm Mass Holy Saturday – At 9:00am

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Rev. Joseph Micallef PE, Jerry Simangan and all who passed away recently.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for Victor Pereira, Pedro Alinea, Alex & Marie, Marie Cordeiro and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Shirley & Leo Linehan, Angela O'Brien, Lydia (Aleida) Van Susteren, Peter McGlade, Gary Spotswood, Stan Walkden, Sean Donaldson, Liam Parr, Carmel Negline, Thelma French, Edith Street, Brian & Irene Jones, Dot Mulquinney, Georgette Maalouf, Jamilton Dabu, Carmen Mifsud, Bob Meehan, Elizabeth Slee, Charlie Xerxen, Kate Harris, Stephen Doyle, Julie Coghlan, Megan Rowe, Peter Wallace, Yvonne Clayton, Lloyd Clayburn, Leeandra D'Souza, Shanthi Dass, Rose Farrugia, James Williams and all who are ill in our Parish.