

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

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Archdiocese of Melbourne

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6 Apr 2025
5th Sunday of Lent
Year C



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR APRIL 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

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

1st Reading
Is 43:16-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea, a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in the field and a powerful army which lay there never to rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick: No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds. The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and ostriches, because I am putting water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my chosen people drink. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises.
The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial
Psalm

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

2nd Reading
Phil 3:8-14

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

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.
The Word of the Lord.

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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm

Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun at 1:15pm

Filipino – 4th Sun at 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue, Thu, Fri – 8:30am

Wed – 7:00pm

Sat – 9:00am

LITURGY OF THE

WORD/COMMUNION SERVICE

Mon – 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

Wed: 6:00pm

Sat: After 9:00am Mass

DEVOTIONS

First Friday: 7:00pm to 8:15pm

Exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament

Fri 9:00am & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sat 2:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual

Succour Novena

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri - 8:00am

Sat 8:30am

Sun 8:00am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sundays at 12 noon

Baptism Preparation Meeting

1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, HOUSE BLESSINGS, VISITS & QUERIES

Parish Office on (03) 9749 4300

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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
Jn 8:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them. The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and do not sin any more.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion
Antiphon

Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord. Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.

Next Week's Readings

Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 - 23:56

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTISED

We welcome into our Church community **Tiffany Agatep, Evander, Lachlan & Luciana Snee** who are to be baptised this Sunday. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the love of Parents, Godparents, family and friends, we pray that these children will lead lives full of happiness, faith and love.

PALM SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

A reminder that next Sunday is Palm Sunday. Palms will be blessed at all weekend Masses next weekend 12/13 April.

MASS OF THE HOLY OILS (CHRISM MASS) – TUESDAY 15TH APRIL 10:00AM AT ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

All parishioners are invited to attend this special Mass celebrated by Archbishop Peter Comensoli and concelebrated with Priests and Deacons from the Archdiocese. At this Mass, the Oil of the Sick, the Oil of Catechumens and the Chrism are blessed. This Mass manifests the communion of the Priests with their Bishop in a leadership of service. **Kindly note that there will be NO 8:30am Mass on this day.**

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ends this Sunday, 6th April. Please remember to **turn your clocks BACK 1 hour the night before** so you are on time for Mass!!



ROSTERS

Money Counters – 13 Apr 25

K. Stuttard / E. Lewis / B. D'Souza / R. Hibbert

Roster for Readers – 12/13 Apr 25

6:00pm	Adele Vesty – D. Roga
8:30am	Sandra Graham – M. Nelthropp / F. Thomas
10:30am	Meresiana Peters – Savita D / J. Poppen
5:00pm	Romayne Albuquerque – Sherwin & Iris Simangan

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – 12/13 Apr 25

6:00pm	J. Roga / G. Linning / S. Craven / K. Pham
8:30am	P. Beasley / K. Fernandes / N&N Gooneratne
10:30am	N. Golaw / B. Fernandes / Praful A. / E. Mills
5:00pm	E. Chio / Sunita D / E. Angeles / S. Albuquerque

Music Ministry – 12/13 Apr 25

6:00pm	Footsteps
8:30am	St. Philomena
10:30am	Youth Band
5:00pm	Shepherds of Christ

PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY PARISH DATES

Sundays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30am Mass – Children's Liturgy held 1st and 3rd Sundays. After 5:00pm Mass in Hall – Youth Group for youth 12 to 17 years on 2nd and 4th Sundays. 6:00pm in Community Centre – Young Adults (SPYA) meeting on 1st & 3rd Sundays. 6:30pm to 8:30pm – Alpha sessions in the Hall.
Mondays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Peter's Men for Christ Ministry meetings on 2nd Mondays in the Community Centre from 7 to 9pm
Tuesdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00pm Online Zoom Rosary - Meeting ID: 893 5477 8556. Passcode: rosary. 7:00pm – RCIA Meeting in Theatre, contact Francis Thomas 0401787372.
Wednesdays	7:00pm Mass followed by Mother of Perpetual Succour Novena.
1 st Fridays	7:00pm to 8:15pm Mass & Adoration
2 nd Fridays	7:30pm to 8:30pm Shalom Kids Holy Hour with Exposition & Benediction.
Saturdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:30pm to 4:00pm St. Peter's Charismatic Prayer Community Praise & Worship. 1.30pm to 4:00pm - Healing Mass on 1st Saturday of the month. Next Healing Mass on Saturday 5th April 2025.
Baptisms	12 noon – Baptisms held 1 st & 3 rd Sundays. Baptism Preparation Meeting held on 1 st Monday of the month at 7:00pm. Next Baptism Preparation Meeting Monday 7th April 2025 at 7:00pm in Church.

PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT: \$5297.35
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CHURCH A/C: \$2131.55
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CHAPLAINCY (FILIPINO): \$ 140.70

**LENT RITE I RECONCILIATIONS – TUESDAY 8TH APRIL
6:30PM TO 8:30PM IN CHURCH**

Multiple Priests will be available to hear confessions. This is a great opportunity to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Paschal Mystery.

RETURN OF PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

Parishioners, please note that from Palm Sunday, there will be a plastic box placed under the table by the Sacristy door for anyone who would like to return their project compassion boxes.

ALPHA CELEBRATION, SUNDAY 13 APRIL 2025, 6.30PM

Our parish has been running an Alpha Experience which completes on Sunday 13 April. If you are interested in joining the next Alpha Experience, we invite you to our final Alpha Celebration session at the Church Hall at 6:30 pm. The session will start with a meal and showcase the Alpha Experience where we explore life, faith and meaning in a fun, friendly and welcoming atmosphere. There will also be testimonies from participants of how Alpha has impacted them. Limited spaces, please register early by filling in the form at <https://bit.ly/alphahc> Enquiries, contact Joel on 0433167180.

‘FORGIVEN, NOT FORGOTTEN’

The words Jesus speaks to the accused woman could as easily be addressed to each of us. We all feel at times that we’ve done the wrong thing – something we don’t deserve to be forgiven for. However, Jesus says to us, I know you’ve done the wrong thing, and you are already forgiven, but you need to make a commitment to change and not repeat the error. It is Jesus’ promise not to give up on us – not to forget about us – that we can draw strength from as we try to respond to his challenge to change.



*Has no one condemned you?
‘No one, sir,’ she replied.
‘Neither do I condemn you,’ said
Jesus ‘go away, and don’t sin
any more.’ Jn 8:11*

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MONTHLY HOLY MASS & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Join us on **Thursday 10th April 2025**, for an evening of prayer and reflection. Rosary, Praise & Worship, followed by Holy Mass & Eucharistic Adoration: 6.30pm to 9:00pm. Celebrant: Fr. Rojan George VC. All are welcome!

MEN ALIVE WEEKEND RETREAT, May 17th & 18th 2025

All Men in our parish are invited for a transformational weekend designed by men for men. *Save the date in your calendar: **May 17th and 18th 2025** at the Thomas Carr building at St Peter’s Primary School*. More details to follow over the coming weeks.

LENTEN/EASTER TIMETABLE 2025

RECONCILIATION RITE I Tuesday, 8 April, 6:30 – 8:30pm in Church
PALM SUNDAY, 12/13 APRIL Normal Weekend Masses
HOLY THURSDAY, 17 APRIL (NO Morning Mass) 7:30pm – Mass of the Lord’s Supper including Washing of the Feet and Vigil until 11:00pm
GOOD FRIDAY, 18 APRIL 10:00am – Stations of the Cross 3:00pm – Celebration of the Lord’s Passion followed by Divine Mercy Novena 7:00pm – Spanish Good Friday Service
HOLY SATURDAY, 19 APRIL (NO Morning Mass) 10:00am to 11:00am Confessions 7:30pm – Easter Vigil Mass
EASTER SUNDAY, 20 APRIL 8:30am & 10:30am Masses 1:15PM – Spanish Mass
NO 5:00PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA TIMETABLE
Good Friday, 18 April – After 3:00pm Service Holy Saturday, 19 April – 7:00pm (before Easter Vigil Mass) Sunday 20 April – 8:00am (before 8:30am Mass) Monday 21 April – After 8.30am Communion Service Tue 22 April, Thu 24 April, Fri 25 Apr – After 8:30am Mass Wednesday 23 April – 6:45pm before 7:00pm Mass Saturday 26 April – After 9:00am Mass
DIVINE MERCY FEAST, SUNDAY 27 APRIL
8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm – Normal Sunday Masses 2:00pm – Exposition, Adoration, Confession/Chaplet 3:00pm – Mass, Celebrant: Fr. Aurelio Fragapane
CONFESSIONS
Every Saturday – After 9:00am Mass & 5:00-5:30pm Every Wednesday – 6pm Holy Saturday 19 April – 10:00am to 11:00am

ST PETER’S MEN FOR CHRIST MINISTRY MEETING


An invitation to all men in our parish to come join St. Peter’s Men for Christ **at the Community Centre on Monday 14th April from 7pm to 9pm** for a special event focused on reflecting on life’s journey. This gathering will feature dinner and fellowship, an inspiring talk by Anthony Buttigieg as he shares his personal journey, and uplifting P&W songs to enrich your spiritual experience. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to connect, reflect, and grow! If you have not registered before, please register at <https://bit.ly/4b2X8M7> or contact Francis Thomas at 0401787372 for more information.

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Robert Hart, Marcia King, Mavis D’Cruz, Arsenio Mendoza Snr, Leslie Ferdinands, Rufino Montes, Karen Schoner, Giuseppe Forgione, Carmela Tramontana, Honey Bulbrook, Ivor Collom, Fr Peter Carrucan PE, Ben Fletcher, Glenda Pace, and all who have passed away recently.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for Pedro Lopez, Diego Lopez, Elena dela Cruz, Edgar Bersabe, Antonio Grisancich, Fred Dearing, Angelo Piscopo, Agata Raveneschi, Mathilda Lariche and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Violet Lawrence, Elaine & Jeffrey Dalton, Sean Donaldson, Dale D’Souza, Stephen Beaton, John O’Regan, Draga Vekic, Ollie Orlinski, Gina Linning, Teresita Grisancich, Roland Arigadas, Delflor Fernandez, Wilfrid D’Cruz, Bettina Coli, Conchita Jones, Tony Don Paul, Christopher Fernandez, Carmela Saragozza, Navin Nicholas, John Galea, Nathan Pimenta, Annie Ico, Mary Harlow, Lynne Worsley, Joseph Zanatta, Kelly Jennings, Hung Van Truong, Patricia Hegarty, Linda Wareham, Romano Apostoli and all who are ill in our Parish.

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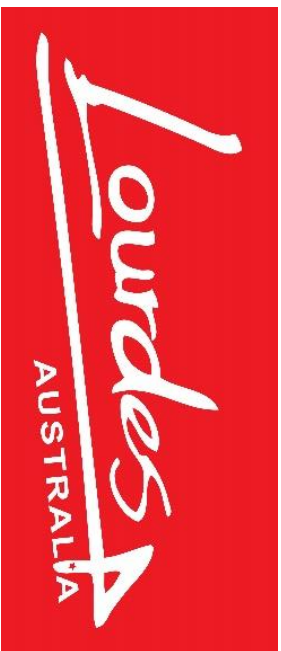


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Filipino Mass 2025

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish
 Fourth Sunday 12 noon

27 April 2025
25 May 2025
22 June 2025

Hair Talk – Irene's

* Ladies, Men's &
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