

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

38 Guinane Avenue, Hoppers Crossing 3029
Archdiocese of Melbourne

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



28 March 2021 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR MARCH

Year of St. Joseph – 8 Dec 2020 to 8 Dec 2021

Glorious St. Joseph, faithful guardian of Jesus Christ, to you we raise our hearts and hands to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the Heart of Jesus, all the help and graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death and the special favour we now implore (name your request).

Guardian of the word Incarnate and Chaste Spouse of the Virgin Mary, we are animated with confidence that your prayers on our behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

Amen.

Entrance
Antiphon

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

1st Reading
Is 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

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.

Responsorial
Psalm

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

2nd Reading
Phil 2 :6-11

A reading from the letter to the Philippians.

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.

Gospel
Acclamation

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!**

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm

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

Filipino – 4th Sun at 12:00 noon

Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun at 1:15pm

Youth Mass – 3rd Sun at 5:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri – 8:30am

Wed – 8.30am & 7:00pm

Sat – 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Wed: After 7:00pm Mass

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

Stations of the Cross (every Friday in Lent)

Fri 7:00pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Novena

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon to Fri 8:05am

Sat 8:40am

Sun 8:10am

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 9749 4300

Gospel **A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Mark**
 Mk 14:1-15:47

Due to the length of the gospel, we are unable to provide a printed version this week. Instead we offer a Reflection for Palm Sunday taken from a synopsis of Pope Francis' Homily for Palm Sunday 2020.

In his homily, Pope Francis sought to encourage his global audience of countless millions who were following this unique celebration by television, radio or social media. Drawing on the Gospel account of Jesus' passion and crucifixion, he recalled that Jesus "descended into the abyss of our most bitter sufferings, culminating in betrayal and abandonment," and said that from this experience Jesus's message to us today is this: "Do not be afraid, you are not alone. I experienced all your desolation in order to be ever close to you."

"Today, in the tragedy of a pandemic, in the face of the many false securities that have now crumbled," Pope Francis said, "in the face of so many hopes betrayed, in the sense of abandonment that weighs upon our hearts, Jesus says to each one of us: 'Courage, open your heart to my love. You will feel the consolation of God who sustains you.'" He told the small congregation in the basilica of some thirty persons standing at a distance from each other and the larger global audience that Jesus had "served us even to the point of being betrayed and abandoned," and that, "we were put in this world to love him and our neighbours. Everything else passes away, only this remains."

Pope Francis added that "the tragedy we are experiencing summons us to take seriously the things that are serious, and not to be caught up in those that matter less; to rediscover that life is of no use if not used to serve others. For life is measured by love." He continued: So, in these holy days, in our homes, let us stand before the Crucified One, the fullest measure of God's love for us, and before the God who serves us to the point of giving his life, and let us ask for the grace to live in order to serve. May we reach out to those who are suffering and those most in need. May we not be concerned about what we lack, but what good we can do for others.

At this point, Pope Francis turned to young people worldwide. He recalled that for the past 35 years Palm Sunday had been dedicated to them in memory of the fact that young people had welcomed Jesus on his entry to Jerusalem. "Dear friends, look at the real heroes who come to light in these days," he said. "They are not famous, rich and successful people; rather, they are those who are giving themselves in order to serve others. Feel called yourselves to put your lives on the line. Do not be afraid to devote your life to God and to others."

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ends Sunday 4th April 2021. Please remember to turn your Clocks back 1 hour at 3:00am to 2:00am.

LIVESTREAMING OF HOLY THURSDAY & GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES For those who are unable to attend, there will be livestreaming of Holy Thursday and Good Friday services via our parish youtube channel. Links as follows for Holy Thursday mass <https://youtu.be/IW6fC85aUA> and Good Friday 3pm service <https://youtu.be/MYOT9-srxk4>

PRAYERS FOR DEACON CHARLES

Deacon Charles has recently been diagnosed with a condition which requires medical treatment and has taken leave of absence for one month from all parish activities. Kindly keep Deacon Charles and his family in your prayers during this time. Thank you.

ROSTERS

Counters – 4 Apr 2021

Kevin McLoughlin / Tini & Barrie Hope

Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday Readers – 3/4 Apr 2021

7:30pm	C. Skinner / F. Thomas / B. Steinhauer G. Sharman
8:30am	M. Nelthropp / D. Hankins
10:30am	C. Peters / C. Skinner
5:00pm	NO MASS

Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – 3/4 Apr 2021

7:30pm	S. Martis / E. Stowers / J. Poppen / G. Linning/ M. Maple / 2 Volunteers
8:30am	H. Durski / K. Fernandes / E. Angeles / G. Linning
10:30am	E. Mills / R. Johnson / M. Peters / Volunteer
5:00pm	NO MASS

Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday Music Ministry – 3/4 Apr 2021

7:30pm	Renato & Michelle De la Pena
8:30am	St. Philomena Choir
10:30am	Samoan choir
5:00pm	NO MASS

PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY PARISH DATES

Sundays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:15am to 10:25am – Sunday School for children attending non-Catholic Schools. 10:30am Mass – Children's Liturgy held 1st and 3rd Sundays. 6:15pm – Young Adults (18 -29 years) meet in Community Centre every week. 6:15pm – School of Discipleship meet in St. Peter's Church Hall.
Mondays	7:00pm to 9:00pm – Bible Study (St. Peters & St. James). 1 st , 3 rd & 5 th Mondays at St. James' Church.
Wednesdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00pm Mass followed by Mother of Perpetual Succour Novena. 7:00pm to 8:30pm RCIA in Theatre
Fridays in Lent	7:00pm Stations of the Cross followed by Mass.
1 st Fridays	7:00pm to 8:15pm Mass & Adoration
Saturdays	2:30pm to 4:00pm – St. Peter's Charismatic Prayer Community Praise & Worship held in church. Bookings https://www.trybooking.com/BODRD
Baptisms	12 noon – Baptisms held 1 st & 3 rd Sundays. Baptism Preparation Meeting held on the 1 st Monday of the month at 7:00pm in Church.

PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:	\$4515.85
ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:	\$2901.82
CHURCH A/C:	\$1065.20
PRESBYTERY A/C:	\$1394.20
CHAPLAINCY:	\$ --

!! IMPORTANT INFORMATION – PLEASE READ !!
BOOKINGS FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER SUNDAY

Trybooking link for Weekend and Holy week services <https://www.trybooking.com/BNKFG> Bookings for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday are FULL. A reminder that those who have booked via Trybooking are guaranteed a seat in the church & hall (300 seating capacity). **Please have your booking receipt with you as proof of booking.** Those who have missed out on bookings will have to use the QR code on arrival. However, this will be standing room only in the undercover area at the rear of the church. If you come early but do not have a booking and are using the QR code, you will be directed to the undercover area. These steps have been taken to try and accommodate as many people as we can for our Holy Week services. Doors open 1 hour before start of services. Please come early. **Doors shut as soon as services begin.** We thank you for your cooperation.

READINGS FOR EASTER TRIDUUM

<p>HOLY THURSDAY <i>1st Reading</i> Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14 <i>Resp. Psalm</i> Ps 115:12-13, 15-18 <i>2nd Reading</i> 1 Cor 11:23-26 <i>Gospel Acclamation</i> Jn13:34 <i>Gospel</i> Jn 13:1-15</p>	<p>GOOD FRIDAY <i>1st Reading</i> Is 52:13-53:12 <i>Resp. Psalm</i> Ps 30:2,6,12-13,15-17,25 <i>2nd Reading</i> Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 <i>Gospel Acclamation</i> Phil 2:8-9 <i>Gospel</i> Jn 18:1-19:42</p>
<p>EASTER VIGIL <i>1st Reading</i> Gen.1:1-2:2 <i>Resp Psalm</i> Ps103,1-2,5-6,10,12-14,24,35.R.cf.v.30 <i>2nd Reading</i> Gen. 22:1-18 <i>Resp. Psalm</i> Ps 15:5,8-11,R.v.1 <i>3rd Reading</i> Ex 14:15-15:1. <i>Canticle</i> Ex 15:1-6,17-18.R.v.1 Mass of Easter Night <i>1st Reading</i> Rom 6:3-11 <i>Resp Psalm</i> Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 <i>Gospel Year B</i> Mark 16:1-7</p>	<p>EASTER SUNDAY <i>1st Reading</i> Acts 10:34,37-43 <i>Resp. Psalm</i> Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23, R.v.24 <i>2nd Reading</i> Col 3:1-4 <i>Gospel Acclamation</i> 1 Cor 5:7-8 <i>Gospel</i> Jn 20:1-9</p>

HOLY WEEK / EASTER / DIVINE MERCY
TIMETABLE

HOLY THURSDAY, 1 APRIL – NO MORNING MASS
7:30pm – Mass followed by Vigil until 11:00pm
GOOD FRIDAY, 2 APRIL
10:00am – Stations of the Cross 3:00pm – Celebration of the Lord's Passion followed by Divine Mercy Novena
HOLY SATURDAY 3 APRIL – NO MORNING MASS
8:30am – Divine Mercy Novena 7:30pm – Easter Vigil Mass 8:30am to 10:30am – Confessions
EASTER SUNDAY 4 APRIL – NO 5:00PM MASS
8:30am, 10:30am – Masses 1:15pm – Spanish Mass.
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA
2 April – Good Friday (After 3:00pm Service) 3 April – Holy Saturday (8:30am) 4 – 9 April (Sunday to Friday) – After 8:30am Mass 10 April (Saturday) – After 9:00am Mass
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, 11 APRIL
8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm – Normal Weekend Masses 2:00pm – Exposition, Adoration, Confessions 3:00pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Mass
CONFESSIONS
Saturdays – After 9:00am Mass Wednesdays – After 7:00pm Mass Holy Saturday – 8:30am to 10:30am

MASS OF HOLY OILS (CHRISM MASS) TUESDAY 30 MAR, 7:30PM

This special Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Peter Comensoli and concelebrated with Priests and Deacons from the Archdiocese. At this Mass the Oils of the Sick, Oils of Catechumens and Chrism are blessed. The Mass manifests the communion of Priests with their Bishop.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

There will only be one collection on Good Friday with all proceeds assisting missionary work in the Holy Land and providing assistance to parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Brian Connor, P.G. Joseph, Miguel Mauna, Carmen Desira, Margaret Palakkal, Wilmyr Sevilla, Otila Wright, Nelson Dayrit, Marie Adam, Dayan Thumma, Asuncion Evangelista, Doreen Eddison, Mick Gustin, Faye McNerney, Gilbert Norris, Mitran Nettur, Mickey Lyngdoh, Eulalia Rulona, Andres Lucio, Oscar Cruz, Eduardo Leal Mateo, Gliceria Tacata, Milton D'Souza, all who have died due to COVID-19 and all who have passed away recently.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for Fr. Edward D'Souza, Godwin Arandez, Mathilda Lariche, Cecilia Fernandes, Palatty Kuriakkose, Gwenda Henry, Jim Costa, Joseph Korah, Maria Tin and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Dcn. Charles English, Gary Spotswood, Sean Donaldson, Kath Meddings, Jean Cameron, Gordon Newman, Denis Webber, Monique Hoaster, Wilfredo Villareal, Rolando Navarro, Francis Goonting, Anne Deluca, Hellen Bonnici, Filippo Scigliitano, Anthony Hanford, Norma Medina, Christine Hall, Esther Uwase, Steven Smith, Calum Jones, John Murray, Andrew Crowley, Vincent Margaret, Anne Marie Toole, Liss Corado, Helen Smith, Yvonne Norris, Shirley Linehan, James D'Silva, Jack Davies, Mila Africano, Albert Wankhar, Tracey Foss, Leelamma Joseph, Dale D'Souza, Shiranthi Cramer, Melissa Bear and all who are ill in our Parish.