

Parish News

Sacrament of the Eucharist (Year 4 & 5, that is ONLY those who have received First Confession)

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| Lessons 1 & 2 | Monday 30 April at 6.00pm Tuesday 01 May at 3.30pm |
| Lessons 3 & 4 | Monday 14 May at 6.00pm Tuesday 15 May at 3.30pm |
| Rehearsal 1 | Monday 21 May at 6.00pm |
| Rehearsal 2 | Monday 28 May at 6.00pm |
| Celebration of Sacrament | Sunday 03 June at 9am Mass |



For the first time, the Brisbane Archdiocese will host the national Proclaim Conference. **PROCLAIM 2018** will focus on inspiring, equipping and encouraging parishes and Catholic communities to engage in Evangelisation and Renewal. The theme of this year's Conference is "Make your home in me" (Jn 15:4)

PROCLAIM 2018 will run across three days from 12-14 July, 2018 at The Edmund Rice Performing Arts Centre (St Laurence's College, South Brisbane).

"Proclaim 2018 will inspire Catholics to explore new ways of contemplating the face of Christ in community and so empower them to set out on the new paths of mission which the Holy Spirit is tracing for us at this crucial time" said Brisbane Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

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Weekly Diary : 02nd —07th April 2018

Fr John has his Easter break from Monday 02nd to Thursday 12th April

Welcome Fr Stephen Gronow who will celebrate Mass on the weekend of 07th/08th April. May the Risen Lord grant him a wonderful weekend among us.

Friday 13th : 9.30 am Mass followed by Rosary.
Saturday 14th : 9.30 am Mass followed by Rosary.

Saturday 14th : 5.30 pm Mass — 3rd Sunday of Easter Year B
Sunday 15th : 7.00 am + 9.00 am Mass — 3rd Sunday of Easter Year B

The 1st Evening Sunday Mass of May will be on the 6th at 5.30 pm. : 6th Easter Sunday Year B

Last Weekend's Thanksgiving Program

Next Week's Counting Team: No. 1 (02/04/2018)

| 1 st Collection | 2 nd Collection | Piety Shop | St Anthony's |
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| \$984.75 | \$2061.50 | \$115.30 | \$78.30 |

If we are generous in our giving, and if all of us are prepared to share the load, then together we can help our Parish to move forward. (Fr. John Khoai)



Holy Family Catholic Parish
Runaway Bay



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The Lord of the Resurrection

Peter, the first man walked into the empty tomb. He must have come to the tomb with unspeakable hope that Jesus was alive. He must have recalled his betrayal that brought his Master to such a horrible end. He must have said to himself: "Now if he really has been raised up, would he take me back?"

The Lord of the Resurrection is the Lord of a Compassionate Heart. We often are inclined to simply write off a person who is guilty of some infraction. The Risen Lord had a different approach.

He looked inside Peter's heart and saw the love as well as the weakness. Peter must have said: "Master, why do you put up with me? I failed you." As the Good Shepherd, the Risen Jesus would say: "Peter, that's all in the past now. I know your heart and I know your love. When the Spirit comes, you will be strengthened beyond what you can imagine. So be at peace. I want you to feed my sheep."

We all have a little bit of Peter in us. The Resurrection is something that buoys up every moment of life and every aspect of reality. God is always making new life by healing all wounds, forgiving all sins and bringing deadness of all kinds to new life.

On this Easter Sunday, Jesus would ask us to give up all of our negative views of ourselves, and to listen to him as he tells us that he knows how much we love him. Let's allow these loving words from Jesus to move us out into the world to feed his sheep.

READINGS

FIRST READING Acts 10:34a, 36-43 *We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.*

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. "You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. "We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

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Reconciliation at 4.00pm
1st Saturday of the month.
Baptism Preparation at
7pm 1st Thurs of the month.

“He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 R. *This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.*

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever. Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.” **R.**

“The right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.” I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. **R.**

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvellous in our eyes. **R.**

SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-4 *Seek the things that are above, where Christ is.*

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ^{when} Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

SEQUENCE

Christians, praise the paschal victim! Offer thankful sacrifice! Christ the Lamb has saved the sheep, Christ the just one paid the price, reconciling sinners to the Father.

Death and life fought bitterly for this wondrous victory; the Lord of life who died reigns glorified!

O Mary, come and say what you saw at break of day.

“The empty tomb of my living Lord!” I saw Christ Jesus risen and adored! Bright angels testified, shroud and grave clothes side by side! “Yes, Christ my hope rose gloriously.

He goes before you into Galilee.” Share the Good News, sing joyfully: His death is victory! Lord Jesus, Victor King, show us mercy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 Alleluia, Alleluia, Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 20:1-9 *According to the scripture: Jesus must rise from the dead.*

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.”

Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON 1 Cor 5:7-8 Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia!

2018 EASTER MESSAGE FROM FR. JOHN

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today, the day of our Lord’s Resurrection, is the good time for me to offer you my prayerful good wishes of Easter. I want to thank you most heartily for your daily commitment in the service of our Holy Family Parish.

Firstly, I would mention in a particular way those who in the course of the last four years and ten months – from 04th May 2013 to 31st March 2018 – concluded their service for reasons of age, or because they were called to the Father’s house. My thoughts and my gratitude go to them and to their families.

Secondly, together with you, I want to lift up to the Risen Lord a lively and heartfelt thanksgiving for all the good which God has graciously willed to accomplish through your service: an ever greater involvement of the School in the Parish life, the formation of two effectively advisory groups – a committed Parish Pastoral Council as well as a highly creative Parish Finance Committee – a devoted Parish Sacramental Team, a huge group of unnamed benefactors and volunteers in various ministries...

In the last four years and ten months, you have been with me transforming the Parish into a community centred in the Risen Christ, a body alive, healthy, harmonious and united in itself.

All this is strongly affirmed by the truth of this Holy Night: “Jesus is risen.” This greatest News has turned into a truly life-changing event. Nothing remains as it was before in the life of the Parish, in the lives of all of us who are following Jesus.

Because he is the Risen Lord, he is right here. He is in your mind. He is in my heart. He is mysteriously present and active in this Parish until the end of centuries: “*Here, I am with you every day, until the end of the age.*” (Mt 28:20) He brings meaning to our daily Christian life. He leads the entire history of our Parish into a new era. The Joy of Christ’s Resurrection straightens the present state of our Parish that is getting old, to “*a new heaven and a new earth,*” in which whatever we do to the least one among us we are doing to him, the Risen Christ, (Cf. Mt 25:31-46) in which the life of all members is spiritually evaluated according to the criterion of merciful love, and in which everybody is making effort to be courteous, serene, enthusiastic and joyful, a person who transmits joy everywhere he/she goes. A heart filled with God is a happy heart which radiates joy. So, let us not lose that joyful spirit which makes us and others amiable even in difficult situations.

Our Parish will be moving into a new era, when you and me let Jesus enter our life, welcome him as the Lord of our families, worship him as the Head of our parish. Since the Parish is a dynamic body, it cannot without a vital, personal, authentic and solid relationship with the Risen Christ. A member of the Parish who is not daily nourished by that Food will become a bureaucrat, a formalist, a functionalist, a mere employee, a branch which withers, slowly dies and is then cast off. Therefore, daily Mass, daily Rosary Prayer, daily spirituality which translates into lived charity – these are vital nourishment – are daily provided to us in our Holy Family Parish.

Conclusion: The Parish is called constantly to improve and grow in *communion, holiness and wisdom*, in order to carry out fully its mission. Let us seek more intensely the joy brought by the meeting with Christ the Resurrected, and to share this joy with saddened people, by helping the needy and showing solidarity.

In unison with the Risen Lord, let us be promoters of harmony, seeing the face of each member in the light of Christ’s Resurrection, and realizing that every member participates in the sanctification of the Body and its weakening. And so, we are called throughout our time of service to promote the body’s growth in building itself up in love, (Eph 4:15-16) to always sustain the Parish so that it can be healthy and health-giving; holy and sanctifying, to the glory of the Risen Lord for our salvation and the salvation of the entire world. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to make us love the Parish as the Risen Christ loves it.

I offer cordial good wishes for a holy and joyful Easter to all of you, to your families. I pray to God that the Holy Easter Holidays would bring you long, peaceful and happy lives, health and redemption, and I also address you the Easter greeting: “*Christ Has Risen!*”