

2019 Holy Week

Palm Sunday 13/14 April : 5.30 pm. Saturday - Solemn Mass of the Passion of the Lord
: 7.00 am. Sunday - Solemn Mass of the Passion of the Lord
: 9.00 am. Sunday - Solemn Mass of the Passion of the Lord

Holy Thursday 18 April : 7.30 pm. Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 19 April : 10.00 am. Stations of the Cross
: 3.00 pm. Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Easter Vigil 20 April : 6.00 pm. Easter Solemnity

Easter Sunday 21 April : 7.00 am. Solemnity of the Resurrection
: 9.00 am. Solemnity of the Resurrection
: 5.30 pm. Solemnity of the Resurrection

Weekly Diary : 08th — 13th April 2019

Monday 08th : 08.00 am. Mass, followed by Novena.
Tuesday 09th : 08.00 am. Mass, followed by Eucharist Adoration
: 10.30 am. Anointing Mass at Arcare Center Hope Island

Wednesday 10th : No Mass - Fr. John to attend Convocation Day & Chrism Mass in Brisbane
Thursday 11th : No Mass - Fr. John to attend Chrism Mass in Cathedral, Brisbane

Friday 12th : 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Rosary
: 5.30 pm. Stations of the Cross

Saturday 13th : 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Rosary.

Saturday 13th : 5.30 pm. : Palm Sunday Year C
Sunday 14th : 07.00 am. + 09.00 am. : Palm Sunday Year C

The 1st Evening Sunday Mass of May will be on the 05th at 5.30 pm. : 3rd Sunday of Easter C

Mass Duty Roster : April 13th/14th 2019 Palm Sunday

<u>Mass Co-ordinator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</u>	<u>Servers</u>
5.30pm Pierrette & Rino Serra	1) Jean Di Benedetto & 2) Rachelle Broughton N) Josephine Vaise & S) Lynne Adamson	Helen Topham, Clive Broughton, Julie Dakin Rino Serra, Rachelle Broughton, Joe Dorego	Mia
7.00am Michael Nicholson	1) Danielle Carter & 2) Asha Cameron N) Michael Nicholson & S) Bernadette Swindley	Rose Hessen, Antona Brown Danielle Carter, Bernadette Swindley	Brianna & Ashley
9.00am Ronnie Wilson	1) Peter Fox & 2) Gina Abra N) Julius de Luna & S) Rose Lopez	Antona Brown, Averil Dorego, Chona Lopez Joe Dorego, Ramon Lopez, Marie Roberts	Naomi & Amber

Last Weekend's Thanksgiving Program

Next Week's Counting Team: No. 2 (08/04/2019)

<u>1st Collection</u>	<u>2nd Collection</u>	<u>Piety Shop</u>	<u>St Anthony's</u>
\$940.60	\$1609.65	\$32.20	\$72.80

God is more moved by the offering of our heart, than by the gifts we bring to the altar.
Let's give with happiness and we will receive more in joy.



Holy Family Catholic Parish
Runaway Bay



5th Sunday of Lent Year C 07th April 2019—Issue No. 324

NEITHER DO I CONDEMN YOU

Our Gospel reading is meant to lead us into a reflection on what it really means to be merciful. The Scribes and the Pharisees ask Jesus: *“Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?”*

The Scribes and the Pharisees try to force Jesus to choose between obedience to God's law and the life of a vulnerable woman. Whichever way he chooses, they plan to condemn him afterwards. They have not understood that, as Jesus himself teaches, love of God and love of neighbor sums up and fulfills the Law and the prophets, and that whilst mercy does indeed go further than justice demands, it does not contradict or exclude justice being done. The exploitation of the adulterous woman's predicament for political ends by the Scribes and the Pharisees is therefore an abuse of God's Law and Jesus will not co-operate in their game.

As they continued asking him, he said to them, *“Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.”* And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders.

The scribes and Pharisees came to accuse the woman and entrap Jesus, and instead found themselves accused. Unsurprisingly perhaps, when confronted with their own sin and their own need for forgiveness, the scribes and the Pharisees became inclined to be merciful towards their fellow sinner and went away without stoning the woman.

If, like the Pharisees at the beginning of our Gospel reading, we too are inclined to be somewhat judgmental in our dealings with others then we probably need to remind ourselves of our own sin and our own need for forgiveness lest, like the Pharisees at the end of our Gospel reading, Jesus himself has to show us that we are not quite as good as we think we are.

Jesus' mercy goes further than the Pharisees who simply walk away. Because Jesus loves the adulterous woman he wants what is best for her, he wants to remedy her misery. And what is best for this woman is that she turns away from evil and does good. Jesus' mercy, because it is founded on love, does not simply let this woman off but demands that she change. When he was left alone with the woman before him, Jesus said to her, *“Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore.”*

Jesus' response to the woman caught in adultery is one of justice perfected through love. In this way the mercy of Jesus is ordered to the same end as his justice: both are directed towards love of God and love of neighbor, but mercy goes further in its attempts to make that love manifest. Like the adulterous woman, all of us are recipients of God's mercy offered to us in Jesus Christ. In gratitude for this great gift, let us be converted. Let us use this season of Lent to open our hearts and minds to God that his grace might transform us, that we might become Christlike in our love and mercy.

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 43:16-21 *I am about to do a new thing: I will give drink to my chosen people.*

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 126:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5, 6 R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy. **R.**

Then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them." The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced. **R.**

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the desert of the Negev. May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy. **R.**

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. **R.**

SECOND READING Philippians 3:8-14 *I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, so that I may attain Christ.*

I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Joel 2:12-13 Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! With all your heart turn to me, says the Lord, for I am tender and compassionate. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL John 8:1-11 *Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone.*

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him and he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery; and making her stand before the people, they said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. In the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" They said this to test Jesus, so that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. When the scribes and Pharisees kept on questioning him, Jesus straightened up and said to them, "Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." And once again Jesus bent down and wrote on the ground.

When the scribes and Pharisees heard what Jesus had said, they went away, one by one, beginning with the elders; and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She said, "No one, sir." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again."

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Jn 8:10-11 Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord. Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.



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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

RECENTLY DECEASED: James (Jim) Collett

ANNIVERSARIES: Molly Kate Topham (Baby), Glenn Ivan Winstanley, Molly Lawton

SICK LIST: Colin Munsie, Richard Laidler, Olga Faustina, Irene Warde, Pam Hopsick, Manuel R Llaguno, Ron Sincok, Ralph D'Agostino, Joy Gronow, Jevon Gronow, Val Mai McErlean, Theresa Pinto, Bill Walker, Aaron Murphy, Courtney Blount, Reginald Cox, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Letty O'Sullivan, Tony Collett, Val Wolfenden, Ben Cebuliak, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Robert Duff, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Harry Hunter, Margaret Wiersma, Madeline Hodgetts, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Stephen Deshaies, Patricia Ryder, Ken Hannam, Kelly Blount, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston

PRAYER: O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, pity your afflicted ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love's sake. Amen. (St Augustine)



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