

## Parish News

### 2019 HOLY FAMILY PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

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

<b>Enrolment night</b>	<b>Monday 13 May at 6.00pm</b>
Lessons 1 & 2	Monday 27 May at 6.00pm or Tuesday 28 May at 3.30pm
Lessons 3 & 4	Monday 03 June at 6.00pm or Tuesday 04 June at 3.30pm
Rehearsal 1	Monday 10 June at 6.00pm
Rehearsal 2	Monday 17 June at 6.00pm
<b>Celebration of Sacrament</b>	<b>Sunday 23 June at 9am Mass</b>

### Weekly Diary : 29<sup>th</sup> — 4<sup>th</sup> May 2019

**Fr John has his Easter break from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April to Saturday 04<sup>th</sup> May**

We welcome Fr Stephen Gronow who will celebrate Mass with us. May the Risen Lord grant him a wonderful week-end among us.

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	: 08.00 am. Memorial St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor followed by Novena.
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	: 08.00 am. Mass, followed by Eucharist Adoration
Wednesday 01 <sup>st</sup>	: 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Rosary
Thursday 02 <sup>nd</sup>	: 09.30 am. Memorial St Athanasius, bishop, doctor followed by Rosary
Friday 03 <sup>rd</sup>	: 09.30 am. Feast Sts Philip and James, apostles followed by Rosary
<b>Saturday 04<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 5.30 pm. : 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter Year C</b>
<b>Sunday 05<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 07.00 am. + 09.00 am. + 5.30 pm. : 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter Year C</b>

**The 1<sup>st</sup> Evening Sunday Mass of June will be on the 02<sup>nd</sup> at 5.30 pm. : Ascension Sunday of Easter C**

### Mass Duty Roster : May 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> 2019

<u>Mass Co-ordinator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</u>	<u>Servers</u>
5.30pm Pierrette & Rino Serra	Pierrette Serra Jean Di Benedetto	Helen Topham, June Molloy, Jean Di Benedetto Pierrette Serra, Rino Serra, Julie Dakin	Mia Braun Tyler Braun
7.00am Michael Nicholson	Michael Nicholson John Carter	Bernadette Swindley, Rose Hessen Danielle Carter, Michael Nicholson	Brianna & Ashley Heal
9.00am Ronnie Wilson	Josephine Vaise Lynne Adamson	Pam Nelson, Rose Lopez, Yvette Valdez Robrigado Ronnie Wilson, Joe Dorego, Averil Dorego	Amber & Naomi Menardo

### Last Weekend's Thanksgiving Program

Next Week's Counting Team: No. 5 (29/04/2019)

	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Collection</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection</u>	<u>Piety Shop</u>	<u>St Anthony's</u>
<b>Palm Sunday:</b>	<b>\$1188.70</b>	<b>\$1779.65</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	<b>\$80.95</b>
<b>Holy Thursday:</b>	<b>\$345.80</b>			
<b>Holy Land Appeal:</b>	<b>\$1589.95</b>			
<b>Easter Sunday:</b>	<b>\$2554.70</b>	<b>\$2243.20</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>	<b>\$117.55</b>

**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)**



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Reconciliation at 4.00pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month.  
Baptism Preparation at 7pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Thurs of the month

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter Year C 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019—Issue No. 330**

**Sunday of Divine Mercy**

### STORY OF LOVE : DWELL IN MY LOVE

**Thomas was present to the true mystery which is Jesus crucified.** Jesus invited Thomas to experience the presence to the mystery, the blissful silence, the mystical loving silence in order that he might cry out with St Paul, *"I live, now not I, but Christ lives in me..."* because actually I dwell in love, I now believe that Jesus was sent by the Father to lay down his life for me and others, that he is the good Shepherd...

*"My Lord and my God"* of Thomas means that I'm now seeing you, I see the Father. I now understand his infinite mercy, because he *"so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."* (Jn 3:16)

St Thomas Aquinas tells that the humanity of Christ - his wounds - is a way to God and that we ought not to rest in it as an end in itself, but through it we should reach out to God, the God of infinite mercy.

**True Christian mysticism always moves through following Jesus to identification with Jesus and union with the Father.** Just as Jesus had the deep conviction of being loved by his Father, so the Christian mystic has the deep conviction of being loved by Jesus. We may cry out with Paul, *"He loved me and gave himself for me."* (Gal 2:20)

It is love for the crucified like that of Paul, who writes, *"I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified."* (1 Cor 2:2) Or it is like the love of Francis, in whose body the wounds of Christ appeared. The climax is transformation when we become Christ. This is closely associated with the Eucharist of which St Leo the Great says: *"the partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ does nothing other than transform us into that which we consume."* Here we are at the apex of the mystical life. This can never be possible except through a sincere gift of self.

In the mystical language of St John of the Cross, the bride goes forth to meet the bridegroom and to be united with him. But this is very important for an understanding of Christian mysticism, the bride is not just the individual person. The bride is the Church, the people of God; the bride is the human family. Jesus came to reveal the destiny of humanity.

**The Risen Lord is the Lord of encounter.** *Whoever sees me sees the Father.* The encounter with the Risen Lord opens our eyes to see him as he is, the Lord who proves his love by laying down his life for me (Gal 2:20). The encounter with the Risen Lord brings about our radical commitment to imitate the Lord in laying down our lives for him. How beautiful you are, my love, how very beautiful." (Song of Songs 4:1) Thomas was fascinated by the blinding beauty he saw in his Lord's wounds.

St John of the Cross spoke ecstatically about the beauty of God: *"Let us rejoice, Beloved, and go forth to behold ourselves in your beauty."* The Risen Lord is the mirror into which we gaze with all-consuming love. What do we see? We see the Lord, the visible face of the invisible Father who is the uncreated beauty, and we see ourselves now participating in that uncreated beauty: *"I shall be you in your beauty, and you will see me in your beauty."* This is ecstasy. This is transforming union. This is a foretaste of eternal life.

Fr. John Khoai



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING Acts 5:12-16** *More than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women.*

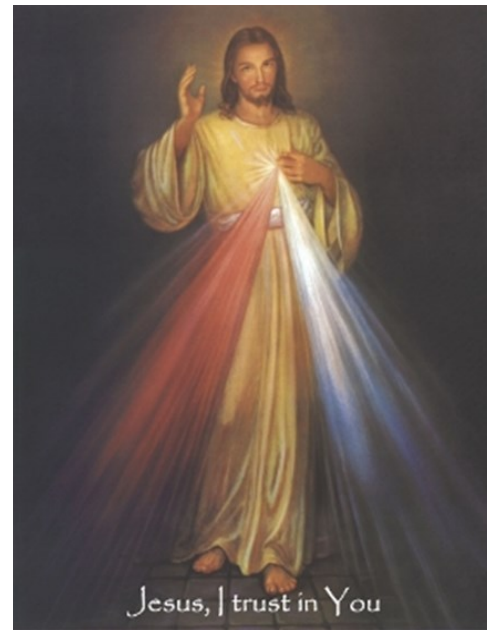
Many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And the believers were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 118:24, 22-27 R.** Give thanks, for the Lord is good, God's love is everlasting.

Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Let those who fear the Lord say, "His steadfast love endures forever." **R.**

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. **R.**

Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he has given us light. **R.**



**SECOND READING Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19** *I was dead, and see, I am alive forever and ever.*

I, John, your brother who share with you in Jesus the persecution and the kingdom and the patient endurance, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, "Write in a book what you see and send it to the seven churches." Then I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands I saw one like the Son of Man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash across his chest. When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he placed his right hand on me, saying, "Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, and the living one. I was dead, but see, I am alive forever and ever; and I have the keys of Death and of Hades. Now write what you have seen, what is, and what is to take place after this."

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION See John 20:29** Alleluia, alleluia! You believed in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe Alleluia!

**GOSPEL John 20:19-31** *A week later Jesus came and stood among them.*

It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the authorities. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas, who was called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON Jn 20:27** Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving, but believing, alleluia.

**EPTPOS facility** is now available for all transactions with the Parish, such as donations, church collections, contributions towards sacraments' reception, purchase from Piety Store. This facility will be available at Parish Office working hours and at all Weekend Masses via Piety Store/Sacristy.

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** James (Jim) Collett

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Angelo de Luca, Molly Kate Topham (Baby), Glenn Ivan Winstanley,

**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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