

Mass Roster

Please note that there is no roster as the Mass Coordinators will organise the EMC's, collectors and readers for that day.

Weekly Diary : 12th April - 18th April 2021

Monday 12th : 8.00 am. Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 Thursday 15th : 9.30 am. Mass followed by Rosary
 Saturday 17th : 5.00 pm. : 3rd Sunday of Easter Year B/1
 Sunday 18th : 7.00 am. + 9.00 am. : 3rd Sunday of Easter Year B/1

2nd Sunday of Easter - B

A VOCATION VIEW: Easter: resurrection and new life; to be begotten by God. A new life achieved from a conquered tomb. Meaning for life for people for thousands of years. Nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. "As the father sent me, so I am sending you...". To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane: 1300 133 544

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**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED**

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)

Prayers have been requested for the following :

RECENTLY DECEASED: Doris Holborrow, Gloria Lugares, Eileen Thornton, Irene Mary Warde, Lila McAloon

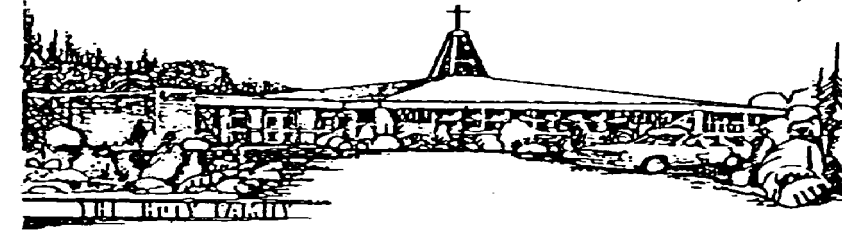
ANNIVERSARIES: James Leslie Collett, Michael Penridge, Peter Crowe

SICK LIST: Beverly Holley, Lilly Clancey, Orazio Smeralda, Darren Pascoe, Peter Smith (Ashmore), Joe McAloon, Len Crowe, Madeline Hodgetts, Marie Turnbull, Tom Edgar, Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, Zaldy F Cadayona, John Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, Sofia Bean, Vivienne Mitchell, Shingo Sawabe, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Juliet Wee, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donnell, Terry Owsnett, Ronald Sincock, Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Bill Walker, Courtney Blount, Reginald Cox, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Letty O'Sullivan, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Frans & Dolores Kilian, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Harry Hunter, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Stephen Deshaies, Ken Hannam, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY

...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10.14

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY

2nd Sunday of Easter Year B/I

Sunday 11th April 2021

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Hours:
8.30am—3.00pm
Monday—Tuesday
8.30am-1.00pm
Wednesday-Thursday
(closed FRIDAY)

Reconciliation:
Please contact the Parish Office.

Baptisms
Every 2nd & 4th
Saturday & Sunday at 11am.
Please contact the Parish Office.

St Francis Xavier School:
Principal : Kathy Fuller
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2nd Sunday of Easter Year B/I
11th April 2021

1st Reading : Acts 4:32-35
2nd Reading : 1 Jn 5:1-6
Gospel : Jn 20:19-31

3rd Sunday of Easter Year B/I
18th April 2021

1st Reading : Acts 3:13-15,17-19
2nd Reading : 1 Jn 2:1-5
Gospel : Lk 24:35-48

HELLO! From Fr Marty

THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR YOUR BEAUTIFUL PRESENCE AND REVERENCE AT THE EASTER TRIDUUM!

Firstly, to thank our beautiful choir and musicians and all those people who read and gave out communion. A particular thank you to all our marshals and all those people who assisted outside. We had large crowds, so thank you to those who helped prepare our congregation for entering into the church. Thank you to our Sacristans who go so un-noticed in their giving ministry. Thanks to Audrey who has had to do a huge amount of admin to get this all to work. Thanks to our Finance team for all their help and for helping to organize the structure of the event. Thanks to Fr Stephen and Deacon Gary for assisting as well. As you know, they do a wonderful job.

Just be reminded, we only had half a days notice to get this all up and running. Since I had to lock down, I was worried we may not even get back into the church! So there was a lot of pressure from myself to make sure everything went smoothly. I may have looked like a duck on a smooth pond of water, but my legs were going nuts under the surface.

A big thank you needs to go to Jan for her decor. She is extremely talented when it comes to setting up our sanctuary. All through Lent, Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and then the Easter Season.

Let us hope and pray that the successful lockdown and the facemasks and the continual hand sanitizer will put us in good stead for the future and a return to a more fuller experience of church.

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Apology

On behalf of one of our coordinators, I would like to apologize to families for asking them to distance from sitting next to each other and for doing this publicly. It was not our intention to upset people, yet we were trying to maintain a social distance while keeping people safe. Any directions from the altar must come from me, unless otherwise directly scripted by me.

I pray that we can go back to a full church with chairs soon. Thank you for your understanding at this time.

Anniversaries

I am mindful of all our families who are celebrating the anniversaries of their loved one's who are now in the loving embrace of God. Especially for those who lost family during lockdown last year. We pray for their souls and for those families who must still walk the slower path.

For the sick

I am conscious of all those who are sick at the moment and who cannot make it to church. We still live stream on a Sunday at 9am.

Holidays

It looks like the rain is letting up, so for those of you who are travelling at this time, go gently on the roads. I am praying you get to see family and friends in this small window of holiday time!

What are you grateful about today/this week?

A big thank you to everyone who participated in the Easter Triduum.



How to live the Gospel out this weekend.



The scene with Thomas occurs a week later and follows on Thomas' declaration that he cannot bring himself to believe unless, like the others, he sees and touches Jesus. Referring to his disciple as 'doubting Thomas' is probably not fair. The other disciples went through a similar reaction when Mary reported that she had seen Jesus. It was only when Jesus actually appeared to them that their fear turned to joy. It is as if Jesus is giving Thomas a definitive answer to the questions he and Philip raised at the Last Supper (John 14:5-8). Thomas utters the statement that brings out the full force of the whole of John's gospel. The Johannine community of the 90s CE would hear in Thomas' declaration an echo of the title that the emperor Domitian (reigned 81-96) claimed for himself, *dominus et deus noster*, our lord and god. The irony is that the Christians could appreciate the identity of the real Lord and God.

Thomas has always represented those who cannot come to faith unless they see for themselves. The Johannine writer makes the point that those who commit to Jesus without having seen or touched him physically are truly blessed.

This is really not a story about 'doubting Thomas' nor is it about creeds and confessions of faith. It is primarily about Jesus coming to us and delighting to be with us. Notice how he said at his final meal, 'I have eagerly longed to have this meal with you'. Now he returns to his friends in the setting of a meal with an exchange of intimate friendship over food and hospitality. Here is relationship, the unity of spirits and personal connection at its best. This is grounds for deep gratitude. Fear and gratitude cannot exist in the brain at the same time. Thankfulness drives out fear and gratitude replaces grief. (Laurie Woods, 2021)

TASK:



Thankfulness drives out fear and gratitude replaces grief. How can you make this a part of your life?

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

