



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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5TH SUNDAY OF LENT (B) | PASSIONTIDE

21 MARCH 2021

Entrance Antiphon | Cf. Ps 42: 1-2

Give me justice, O God,
 and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
 From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
 for you, O God, are my strength.

First Reading | Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel (and the House of Judah), but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, ‘Learn to know the Lord!’ No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm | Psalm 50(51):3-4,12-15

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
 In your compassion blot out my offence.
 O wash me more and more from my guilt
 and cleanse me from my sin.

A pure heart create for me, O God,
 put a steadfast spirit within me.
 Do not cast me away from your presence,
 nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

Give me again the joy of your help;
 with a spirit of fervour sustain me,
 that I may teach transgressors your ways
 and sinners may return to you.

Second Reading | Hebrews 5:7-9

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation | John 12:26

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
 If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord;
 and where I am, my servant will also be.
 Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel | John 12:20-33

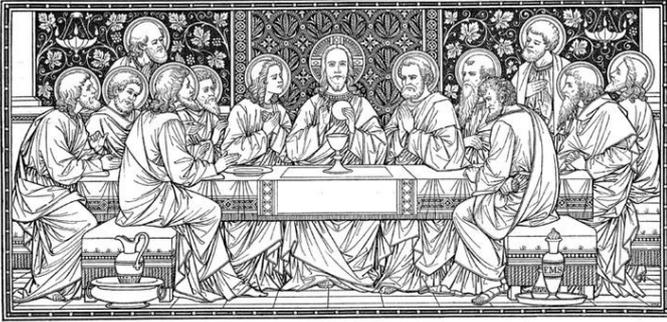
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, ‘Sir, we should like to see Jesus.’ Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

‘Now the hour has come
 for the Son of Man to be glorified.
 I tell you, most solemnly,
 unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies,
 it remains only a single grain;
 but if it dies,
 it yields a rich harvest.

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PARTS OF THE MASS



Penitential Rite

✠ Have mercy on us, O Lord.
✠ For we have sinned against you.
✠ Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
✠ And grant us your salvation.

Credo | The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

*At the words that follow, up to and including
'the Virgin Mary', all bow.*

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Orate fratres

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
that my sacrifice and yours...

The people will stand and reply:

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Mysterium fidei

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.

Libera nos

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days...

The people conclude the prayer, acclaiming:

For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

After the Lamb of God, the people kneel.

Ecce Angus Dei

Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

And together with the people, the priest adds:

Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Prayer for the Year of St Joseph



*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace,
mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.*

TV / ONLINE MASS

TV Mass - Channel 10, every Sunday 06.00am
St Mary's Cathedral (Sydney) | Sunday 10.30am
<https://www.stmaryscathedral.org.au/>

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

08 December 2020 to 08 December 2021
150th Anniversary of the Proclamation of
Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church



NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PP Diary

22/03	9am	First Reconciliation St Edwards Infants Campus
	11am	Graveside Funeral
23/03		Council of Priests Meeting College of Consultors Meeting
24/03	9am	First Reconciliation St Edwards Infants Campus
	12nn	Parish Lenten Reconciliation
25/03		Sesquicentenary Mass— Armidale

Invitation | Bishop O'Mahony Sesquicentenary Mass

Bishop Kennedy invites all parishioners to join with him on Thursday 25th March at 11am for a Celebratory Mass and Blessing of the Memorial Stone for the 150 year Anniversary of Bishop O'Mahony's installation as first Bishop of Armidale. Bus departure: 7.30am

Invitation | Mass of Holy Oils

Bishop Kennedy invites all parishioners to join him and the priests of the Diocese at the Chrism Mass 30th March, 2021 at 11.00 am in the Cathedral and for refreshments afterwards in the Torreggiani courtyard. For catering and Cathedral seating (COVID-19 safety) purposes, booking is a must. Please complete the sheet in the foyer on or before 21st March.

LENTEN SEASON

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday 9.00am

Parish Lenten Reconciliation

St Edward's Parish South Tamworth	Wednesday	24/03	12.00 noon
St Nicholas' Parish East Tamworth	Wednesday	31/03	06.00 pm

LENTEN PENANCE

During Lent and on the Fridays of the year, we do penance, not only on our own account, but also in the name of the Church and of the world. We must take seriously our penitential obligations and be sure to carry them out. The Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference has not restricted our penance to fast and abstinence in all cases, it has left room for our own responsible choices. We should carefully select the form of penance that we consider most appropriate for our own circumstances and growth in the Christian life.

1. Abstinence from meat, and fasting, are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. All who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to fast. All who have completed their 14th year are bound to abstain.

2. On all other Fridays of the year including the Fridays of Lent, the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:

(a) prayer – for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary.

(b) self-denial – for example, not eating meat; not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country.

(c) helping others – for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened.

PASCHAL TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.00pm
Good Friday	Stations of the Cross	TBA
	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	3.00pm
Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil Mass	6.00pm
Easter Sunday	Holy Sacrifice of the Mass	8.00am 9.00am 5.30pm

*In your charity,
please pray for*

Our sick

Fr John Willis
Harryson Ritz
Chris Fardy
Petrina (Fardy) Keys
Baby Isabelle Mathew
Addison Peachy
Narelle Albans
Julien Ryan
Patricia Owen

Our Deceased

+Sr Joan Twite, RSJ
+ Sr Mary Roche, RSJ
+ Sr Rosalie Corrigan, RSJ
+ Stephanie Cayley
+ Dale Herden
+Therese Post
+ Matthew Pearson

Death Anniversary

26/3 +Tom Gorman

Roman Martyrology

22/03 St Basil, *priest & martyr*
23/03 St Fidelis, *martyr*
24/03 St Epigmenius, *priest & martyr*
25/03 Annunciation of the BVM
26/03 St Castulus, *martyr*
27/03 St John Damascene, *doctor*

MASS THIS WEEK

Monday & Wednesday 07.00am
Tuesday & Thursday NO MASS
Friday 09.30am
Saturday 05.30pm
Sunday 8am, 9am, 5.30pm

BAPTISM

by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

by appointment

CONFESSIONS

Saturday & Sunday 04.45 - 05.15pm

Weekly Collection

14/03/21

1st Collection \$ 741.40
Envelopes PG \$ 883.00
Loose \$ 21.20

Home Visitation

If there is a parishioner in hospital, nursing home, or homebound who you know would appreciate a visit from our priest, deacon or SVdP members please contact the Parish Office.

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Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!

A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.'

People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours.'

'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.'

By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon | John 12:24

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.



Please take home a Project Compassion box and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed **"Be More"**. Through your generosity and by aspiring to be more, you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities.

LITURGICAL NOTES
THE KISS OF PEACE (Part 2)

"After further reflection," the letter said, "it was considered appropriate to retain the rite of peace in its traditional place in the Roman liturgy and not to introduce structural changes in the Roman Missal."

But that did not exclude the need for new or renewed efforts to explain the importance of the sign of peace so the faithful understood it and participate in it correctly, the congregation's letter said.

It asked bishops to study whether it might be time to find "more appropriate gestures" to replace a sign of peace using "familiar and profane gestures of greeting".

And, it said, they should do everything possible to end "abuses" such as:

- "The introduction of a 'song for peace' which is non-existent in the Roman rite."
- "The movement of the faithful from their places to exchange the sign of peace amongst themselves."
- "The departure of the priest from the altar in order to give the sign of peace to some of the faithful."
- People using the sign of peace at Christmas, Easter, baptisms, weddings, ordinations and funerals to offer holiday greetings, casual greetings, congratulations or condolences.

"Christ is our peace, the divine peace, announced by the prophets and by the angels, and which he brought to the world by means of his paschal mystery," the letter said. "This peace of the risen Lord is invoked, preached and spread in the celebration (of Mass), even by means of a human gesture lifted up to the realm of the sacred."

In some Catholic liturgical traditions, it said, the exchange of peace occurred before the offering in response to Jesus' exhortation in Matthew 5:23-24: "If you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift."

But in the Latin rite, the letter said, the exchange of peace came after the consecration because it referred to "the 'paschal kiss' of the risen Christ present on the altar". It came just before the breaking of the bread during which "the Lamb of God is implored to give us his peace".

Source: <https://catholicleader.com.au/news/sign-of-peace-at-mass-vatican-says-it-stays-put-but-urges-education>

WEEKLY ROSTER

Palm Sunday of Lent B | 28 March 2021

		Reader	EMHC	Piety	Counters this week
Saturday	5.30pm	J Doyle	B Gordon	Volunteer	J MacRae & J Milne
Sunday	8.00am	J Manalastas	-----	Volunteer	
	9.00am	A Soehlakaw	Y Benning	O Robson	Counters next week
	5.30pm	M McKenzie	-----	Volunteer	G Smith & B Gordon