

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES Only available by appointment**

Saturday Evening Vigil masses 5.00pm  
Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 5.00pm

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**RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

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**From Father Raning**

Let us stop the world for just one minute and think back. Think back to the first century. Think about those 50 years after Jesus' death and what it must have been like for Jesus' disciples. Before the last one died their efforts had brought 500,000 men, women, and children into the ranks of the church. But what they had to suffer in order to accomplish this task is seldom discussed. We like the outcome of their discipleship but we don't want to hear the cost of discipleship.

So for the record here is the cost: History tells us...

1. John died of extreme old age exiled to the island of Patmos.
2. Judas Iscariot, after betraying his Lord, hanged himself.
3. Peter was crucified; head downward, during the persecution of Nero.
4. Andrew died on a cross at Patrae, a Grecian Colony.
5. James, the younger, son of Alphaeus, was thrown from the pinnacle of the Temple, and then beaten to death with a club.
6. Bartholomew was flayed alive in Albanopolis, Armenia.
7. James, the elder son of Zebedee, was beheaded at Jerusalem.
8. Thomas, the doubter, was run through the body with a lance at Coromandel, in East Indies.
9. Philip was hanged against a pillar at Heropolis.
10. Thaddeus was shot to death with arrows.
11. Simon died on a cross in Persia (Iran)
12. Matthew was first stoned and then beheaded.

What sacrifices! Why? Why did they choose to die this way? Why left father and mother, wife, and children, and home? Why put up with constant humiliation, and hunger, and persecution, and defeat town after town?

It's because, in the words of St. Paul, they were held captive by the words and teachings of Jesus Christ. It's Paul's way of saying they were slaves of Christ...

First reading: The messianic King is a gentle ruler who brings peace.  
*When have you experienced the peace of Jesus?*

Second reading: St. Paul reminds us that God's spirit dwells in us.  
*When have I been most aware of the presence of the Holy Spirit in me?*

Gospel: Jesus invited us to put our burdens on him.  
*What burdens do I most want to give to Jesus today?*

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

Daily at 9.10am  
Saturday 9:00am Followed by the Rosary  
No Tuesday Evening Mass at this stage



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**Holy Hour for Vocations**

Jesus speaks on Vocations:  
"You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world. Your light must shine before people so that they may see your goodness in your acts, giving praise to your heavenly Father."

**Moments of Mercy**

I need sacrifice lovingly accomplished, because that alone has meaning for Me. Enormous indeed are the debts of the world which are due to Me; pure souls can pay them by their sacrifice, exercising mercy in spirit. (Diary 1316)

**Catholic Weekly**

The Catholic Weekly Digital Edition for issue 28th June 2020 is now available.

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**Church cleaning**

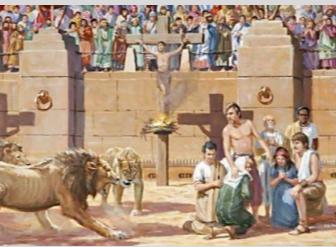
Minda Chumroonridhi, Warren D'Costa, Jhun Balagtas, Charlotte Dos Remedios and Lourdes & Fidel Zaballa

Due to the Corona Virus all other ministries will now be suspended until further notice.

Thank you for your continued commitment.

**Feast Days**

30th The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church



These holy men and women were burned as living torches at evening banquets, some crucified, others fed to wild animals

**3rd St Thomas**

"He who is humble easily obeys everyone, fears to offend anyone, is at peace with everyone, is kind with all".

**4th St Elizabeth of Portugal**

"How could I bear a crown of gold when the Lord bears a crown of thorns? And bears it for me!"

**5th St Anthony Zaccaria**

"That which God commands seems difficult and a burden. The way is rough: you draw back; you have no desire to follow it. Yet do so and you will attain glory."

**Call out for Readers and Overhead Operators**

Thank you to those who responded. We still require readers and overhead projector operators for all our masses held in the church. If you are able to assist with any mass please contact the office with your availability.

Many thanks in advance.

**Parish Update**

Please note the updated schedule for our Mass celebrations:

- Every weekday at 9:10am - (live streamed)
- Every Saturday at 9:00am (followed by the Rosary) - (live streamed)

The following times are for weekend masses:-

- Saturday 5:00pm vigil
- Sunday 8:00am
- Sunday 9:30am - (live streamed)
- Sunday 5:00pm

For weekday Masses you no longer need to reserve a spot in advance.

If you are interested in attending Saturday vigil or any of the Sunday Masses, you will need to make arrangements in advance by telephoning our parish office.

Please telephone only between the hours of 10am and 1pm any weekday except Tuesday.

Reconciliation is available 4:00pm until 4:45pm every Saturday.

No mass or Novena will be held on Tuesday evening at this stage.

Any further changes will be advertised as they develop.

**Planned Giving & Catholic Foundation Receipts**

Many thanks to everyone who has contributed. Receipts for the 2019/20 F/Y are only available upon request by email to the office. If you don't have an email address please contact the office. Receipts will not be issued unless requested.

**Planned Giving Envelopes**

Thank you for your active contributions through the Planned Giving programme. Envelopes for the new financial year are available from this weekend and can be collected from the foyer.

The programme supports the Parish in its general running and maintenance and if you are not yet taking part, please consider joining this important programme. We also encourage the use of direct debit as it reduces the cost of using printed envelopes. If any existing contributors want to change to direct debit please complete the authority card in your pack.

As always your financial support to our Parish is deeply appreciated.

**Please pray for our sick**

Antonio Abulad, Maroun Ayoub, Elly Bejma, Danielle Brown, Kay Bull, Helen Butler, Ron Cini, Richard Cassin, Christine Coorey, Camarillo Cossid, Gus DelVillar, Favouira Daroy, Selene Daroy, Joseph Daroy, Frederick de Silva, Rebecca Duncum, George El-Bayeh, Reuben Ferrero, Josephine & Chafic Filfil, Nick Galea, Ma Juana Gaueta, Patricia Gleeson, Piper Hastings, Brian Horan, Anthony Iannuzzi, Ludie Irrulbandra, Jacqueline Kelly, Josephine Mamari, Sonia Merhi, Maria Micallef, Tess & Charlie Micallef, Dennis Murray, Lesleu Palaki, Arun Papali, Lina Pereira, Silvi Perumal, Judy Phillips, Des Prendergast, Shaista Quraishi, Emely Reyes, Joe Stagnitta, Marty Stockford & Patrick Wheeler.

*Heavenly Father, We pray that you will lay your healing hands upon all those who are sick. We ask you to have compassion on all who are suffering so that they may be delivered from their painful circumstances.*

*May they know that you are always with them, especially through difficult times. Amen*

**Please pray for**

Jack & Gladys Scott, Father David Scott, Josephine Clayton, Saverio & Rosa Marotta, Paul Beck, Brian Hurney, Lottie & Fredrick Gibbs, Anna Mary Joseph & Ratnam John Joseph, Maurice & Yvonne Sequeira, Andrew Busuttil, Kerry Cini, Aurelio & Connie Lopez, Michael & Julia Sherman, Chammouni Frangi, Madeleine Adolphe, Brian Baker, Mary & John Ford, John Ford Junior, Rosy Attard, Jim Rowan, Bal & Jennifer Villanova, Donald Ramage, Dex Habito. *May the souls of our dearly departed rest in peace*