

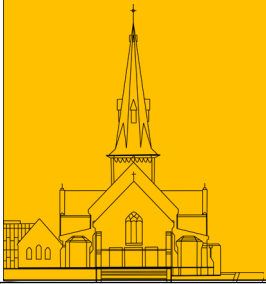
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From the Dean's Desk



The Easter story which begins with celebration of the great Vigil of the Church, is a time when the Church awaits its Risen Lord. What we celebrate at the Vigil is not an event in isolation of all others. For us to truly appreciate the impact and significance of this Easter Vigil, we need to see it as an essential part of what we call Salvation History – the entry of God into our human story and condition.

God recognised that certain elements of His good creation had gone astray through the choices made by humanity and that humanity required redemption. This is beautifully captured in the first eleven chapters of the Book of Genesis, that sees the divine creation being spoiled firstly by the presence of self-centred sin, as Adam and Eve try to forsake their human origins and are tempted to be like God, to the incident of the first murder in the story of Cain and Abel through to the corruption that saw the waters of the flood almost wipe out humanity, with God relenting having created humanity. In all this we have people who allow the salvific presence of God to be witnessed and experienced – Noah, and in the later chapters of Genesis and the Book of Exodus – Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses and the ensuing prophets: Ezekiel, Isaiah and Jeremiah.

As good and acceptable as these people were, God saw it necessary to enter into our story in an intimate and profound way – in the person of Jesus of Nazareth. God took on our human condition in order to not only experience our condition but to redeem it. The Resurrection cannot be appreciated without the Incarnation – the birth of God in our human story. The Incarnation (the Christmas story) stands as one of the two pillars of faith along with the Resurrection (the Easter story).

The Easter Vigil liturgy has immersed us in the story of our God's great love and mercy. Beneath this pillar of fire, the Light of Christ, we have remembered the wonder of creation. God looked at everything he had made and found it very good. We have sung the praises of God as we walked with God's people through the waters of the Red Sea. We have heard God's promise to feed his people without cost. And, we have remembered that God's loving mercy has redeemed us through the death and rising of Jesus.

These past few days, we have eaten with Jesus at table and shared in his passion and death. With the

**ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL
WEEKLY MASS TIMETABLE**

SUNDAY

- ◆ 6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass
- ◆ 7.30am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 8.00am Mass
- ◆ 9.30am Mass
- ◆ 11.00am Solemn Mass *with Cathedral Choir*
- ◆ 6.00pm Mass

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

- ◆ 6.15am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 6.30am Mass
- ◆ 11.15am Exposition
- ◆ 11.15am Sacrament of Penance (till 12.20pm)
(Mon, Wed & Fri)
Rosary after Angelus at midday
- ◆ 12.30pm Mass

SATURDAY

- ◆ 7.30am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 8.00am Mass
- ◆ 9.30am Mass in ExtraOrdinary Form
- ◆ 8.30am Sacrament of Penance (till 9am)
- ◆ 5.00pm Sacrament of Penance (till 5:30pm)

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Mass at 8.00am (No Adoration or Confession)

WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS

- ◆ Monday 6.30pm Legion of Mary
- ◆ Tuesday 9.30am Christian Meditation
- ◆ Tuesday 7.00pm RCIA
- ◆ 4th Thursda of the month – Novena to Mary Full of Grace
- ◆ Friday 1pm Cenacle Prayers
- ◆ 1st Fridays 6pm Adoration

OTHER CONNECT GROUPS

Playgroup: Wednesdays 9.30am-11.00am
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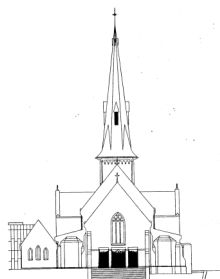
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Easter liturgy we are here to celebrate the final glorious words of good news: Jesus is risen. He has conquered sin and death.

Faith is the basic response that Jesus' Resurrection asks of us. The Vigil Gospel [Luke 24:1-12] shows us the gradual unravelling of that faith, beginning with the women at the tomb on that first Easter morning. Luke reminds us that they in their grief over Jesus' death have remained faithful to what the Law asked of them; they observed Jesus' burial place but did not participate in it, so as not to defile themselves for the celebration of the Sabbath. This is a reminder for us by Luke that from Jesus' birth to his death, those who participated in his life have remained faithful to the Law [Luke 1:6.8-9; 2:21-25.37.39.41-42]. They return with the spices and find what they do not expect – an open tomb with the stone rolled away from its entrance, and not finding what they were expecting – the body of Jesus. Fear becomes their first response as it mixes with the perplexity of the moment, added to by the presence of two angelic figures, similar to the angelic figures present at the birth of Jesus to the stunned and fearful shepherds at the news of Jesus' birth. The beginning and the end of Luke's gospel has the same divine assistance present in order to supply an explanation of the significance of both the Incarnation and the Resurrection. Both events are seen as being part of God's divine plan.

In fear the women bow to the ground and are asked by the angelic figures: 'why do you seek the living among the dead?' This becomes evidence that despite the Crucifixion, Jesus is alive. They go on to say: 'He is not here; he has been raised.' The women see, but they are invited to a deeper faith. They are invited to recall Jesus' predictions given to the disciples while he was with them in Galilee (v. 8). The fact that Jesus lives becomes the heart of the Gospel message.

The women return to the Eleven with the news that the Lord is alive, only to receive a rather cold reception from the disciples. In fact, we have the impression from Luke that the women insisted on relating their story as they 'kept telling' the disciples what they had experienced. It was only until Peter actually visits the sight of Jesus' burial – where he sees the burial wrappings and not the body – that he comes to a partial belief of the women's story, as he returns from the tomb in amazement and not joy.

As we contemplate the significance of the Resurrection in our lives and begin to deepen our faith in it, we recognise and appreciate that life has indeed changed for us completely and totally, forever. It calls for a new way of living on our part. This stems from the fact that we have been baptized into the death of Jesus and have risen with him to share his new Risen life. St. Paul reminds us of this fact as he states: "Consequently you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus." Something new has happened to us as we share in the Resurrection of Jesus. It reminds us that we have been plunged into the waters of Baptism, allowing us to rise with Christ to this newness of life. At our Baptism we publicly proclaimed our 'no' to Satan, his evil ways and the presence of sin in our lives. We proclaimed our faith in God's creative and everlasting life and love for us, shown to us in Jesus Christ and we were empowered through the presence of the Holy Spirit as we began to live in communion with the Catholic Church.

Being part of Christ's Mystical Body, we must take seriously the renewal of our baptismal promises: to reject sin so as to live in the freedom of God's children. We cannot let these be idle words, easily repeated. They are our commitment, made in love, as a return for all that Jesus has done for us. Our daily efforts to let Jesus live in us more fully are our humble and grateful response to Jesus who has died and risen for us. This celebration of Jesus' Resurrection is a powerful reminder of God's great love for us. May our celebration lead us to a more faithful living out of the new life Jesus has won for us. The Lord Jesus is risen. May we rejoice and be glad in the Good news. Alleluia.

Fr Bob Bossini,

Dean and Parish Priest

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Congratulations to the newly initiated members of our parish who were baptised and received into the church this weekend.

Detine Moyi and Jasmin Krol, Joseph Khoury, Mitchell Levick and Barbara Chaplin.

We welcome you to our Cathedral community.

Project Compassion

Many thanks to those who took home project compassion boxes in support of the work of Caritas. If you have a Project Compassion box at home, could you please return it in the coming weeks. Many thanks for your continued support.



Lenten Foodbank – Thank You

Your contribution and support of the Jesuit Refugee Service's food bank has been amazing. Thank you for sharing your blessings with our brothers and sisters who have come to our shores due to unfortunate circumstances. Thank you for being their Simon of Cyrene this lent.

Easter Gifts: Chocolate Paschal Lamb

These are now available from the Gift Shop. Choose between white or dark chocolate. The sale of the chocolate lambs is an initiative of the Congregation of St Michael the Archangel (CSMA) to support their mission work in Papua New Guinea. **Pick up yours today.**

Sunday Morning Tea

Cancelled for today due to the Vigil festivities. The hospitality team wish everyone a blessed Easter and look forward to our return on Sunday April 28.

Novena To Mary Full of Grace

This is held on the last Thursday of the month at 7pm in the chapel. Our next gathering to pray the Rosary.
Date: Friday 26th April, 2019, 7.00pm—8.00pm.
Note: Thursday postponed to Friday due to Anzac Day.

Credo Youth Events

Teen Credo and Young Adults

Friday 3rd May - 6:30pm, Adoration followed by a Marian talk by Steven Buhagiar.

Junior Credo

For Primary school children

Will resume on Friday 10th May, 5pm, Cathedral Hall.

ANZAC DAY April 25

Anzac Day is one of Australia's most important national days of commemoration and is observed on 25 April each year. Anzac Day marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by the ANZACs (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps) at Gallipoli in Turkey in 1915, during WWI.



However, the importance of Anzac Day goes beyond the anniversary of the landing on Gallipoli. It is a day to reflect on the sacrifices made by service women and men of both Australia and New Zealand who have participated and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations and to send our thanks to those currently in service.

The following event will be hosted by Parramatta RSL Sub Branch on ANZAC day:

4:15am - Service March from Parramatta RSL Club to the Cenotaph, Prince Alfred Square.

4:30am - ANZAC Day Dawn Service, Prince Alfred Square
Mass at the Cathedral will be at 8 am.

IFM Workshop: 24 April

The second half of life enrichment at the Institute for Mission offers an encouraging workshop for men and women who are over 50 years of age "From Invisible to Invincible - Embracing God's gift of years." Held on 24 April from 10am to 1pm and 1 May from 6pm to 9pm. Registration and questions welcome to Sr Grace 02 9296 6369 or grace.roclawska@ifm.org.au.

For the sick: Cheribeth Tan-Schriner, Margaret Smith, Paul E, Shane, K Donovan, Pat Andrews, Paul Peters, Lina Sanawe, Milly Scott, Georgette Fadel, Z Avila

Special Intentions: Raveen, E Siaguinto, K Donovan, All memers of Senjak & Dadic family, R Chmielewski family, Tan & Haque fam, June Barratt, B Ramirez, Maria Lipec, Mary Lipec, M Lovett, S.E. Foo, P.S. Chen, N Senjak, A Bugo, R Rodricks, D Rodricks, Van, Fr Bob, P & M Lombardi, Toole family, P Toole,

Rec. Dec: J Capoor, Rose Preca, C Baker, Michelle Crothers,

Deceased: Jiareng Wang, M Nowlan, M Smith, Dr J Park, S & F Martlew, Sherwood family, Sr V Earls, A & S D'Cruz, J Park, M Smith, All Benefactors, F Cabezas, V Cabuenos, A Cabezas, Family, Relatives and Friends, P Loto'aniu, Don Andrews, Andrews & Royan fam, Annie Ellich, V Bavilla, YT & Deanna Hsu, Carla Indorato, Juliet Noronha, Maroun & D Maait, Zeaiter families,

Death Anniversaries: E.B. Herrera, E Savet, H Tomsic, J Toohey, John Noronha, M Melide, S Hepper, I Pavlovec, J Lipec, A Ramirez, L Quinalayo, A Limbo, P Hartman

Perpetuals: Margaret Angela Roberts, Norm Hector, Sally & Frank Martlew, Sherwood Family, Pat & Jim Hartman, Norm Hector, Ryan & Andrews families, Don Andrews, Juliet Noronha, Dr Joseph Malouf, Abel Moses, Jimmy & Anna & Frank Grainda, Frank Agostino, Bernadette Melhen and Sally Boujandy, Jack Barrett, Ann O'Brien, Ian & Pat Sanders, Bill & Alice Kendall, Allan Kendall, Maria Patterson & Ellen Bancan, Giuseppina & Giovanni Rechichi, Mary Coady, Mary & Jack White, Vincent & Rebecca Vella, Walter Townsend, Watson Lee, Ferris Grugeon, McInherny, White, McWilliam and McGuckin families, Mary Abela, Robert Andrews, Sylvester Family, Rogan Family, Adcock, McMillan families, Love family, Hooper family, Gabrielle Baker, Paula Cowling, McDermott & Starr families, Repose of the Souls in Purgatory, Deceased Parishioners of St Patrick's and St Monica's.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen..



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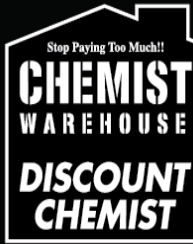
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