

# NEWSLETTER

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## *Sunday of the Resurrection*

### Happy Easter

Even the long lingering effects of the Covid pandemic cannot diminish the truth and power of the Resurrection of Jesus.

The pandemic can indeed negatively impact our ability to gather and celebrate but never can it overcome the hope which is now the foundation of human existence. God in Christ has conquered death and brought light where before there was only darkness. Yes, the threat of Covid is stubborn and all pervasive but there is a greater and more important truth to the human experience. Whatever we face we do so knowing that the eternal love of God accompanies us. God is with us now and always, not in a way that is beyond us, but rather in the humanity of Jesus who is ever faithful and who is the source of eternal life.

Even as I write this there is much uncertainty as to whether we will gather to celebrate and remember most powerfully the events in the life of Christ which are the basis of our faith. But there is no uncertainty as to our belief that Christ is risen and that our life in Christ makes a difference to us and the world in which we live and work and play.

I hope the baptism of Kunniga Mayson is able to take place at the Easter Vigil and if so we wish her every blessing as we welcome her into the Christian family and celebrate with her the Sacraments of Christ's life and love.

To all parishioners, your families, neighbours and friends a very Happy Easter. Stay safe and well and if you are travelling please return safely to family and friends.

On behalf of those who work in the Parish Office I would also like to extend their Easter wishes and their thanks for your continued cooperation and support of the Parish.

With my prayers for Easter blessings to you and all who are dear to you,  
Fr Kevin.

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.



#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Acts 10:34, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4*

*John 20:1-9*



**Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially Oliver Zhu and Sr Mary Howard SGS recently deceased and also for Bill Hanley, Vincent Long, Patrick and Eve Long, Arthur and Mavis Wilson, Norman and Katie Timmins, Patrick and Pat Boyle, Norman, Patricia and Daniel Timmins, Karen Baker, Mike West, John Fletcher, Gary Fletcher, Stan Grzegorzolka, Keith White, John Lugowski, Attilio and Ida Michieletto, Ferruccio Semenzato, Mary Hooper, Begley and Bourke families.**



**Please remember the sick in your prayers –** Patricia Desbrow, Harold O’Connell, Therasa Evans, Brian and Catherine Kearney, Noel Thatcher, Pat Dugger and Zoe Searle.

**DATE CLAIMERS 2021**

- Thursday 15 April** St Vincent de Paul meet at 6pm
- Wednesday 21 April** SACRAMENT OF PENANCE rescheduled for Year 5 children
- Wednesday 21 April** PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL meet 7.30pm
- Thursday 22 April** PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS Sacrament of First Communion 7.30pm in the parish hall
- Friday 23 April** PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS Sacrament of First Communion 9.30am in the parish hall

**PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2021**

*Please mark these important dates in your diary for next year.*

**FIRST COMMUNION** (Year 4 children)

**Parent workshop sessions**

22 April 7:30pm OR 23 April 9:30am

**Celebration of First Holy Communion 29 May - 6 June**

**CONFIRMATION** (Year 3 children)

**Parent workshop sessions**

29 July 7:30pm OR 30 July 9:30am

**Celebration of Confirmation 7 or 9 September**



**CALLING ALL CATHOLICS CAMPAIGN** – Have you seen international cricketer Matthew Hayden in the Brisbane Archdiocese advertising campaign? He is inviting all Catholics to reflect upon what it means to be baptised. We’re looking for your help to:

- Pray for the opening of hearts
- Accompany those who are seeking
- Welcome new faces

There are fliers in the church that you can give to family, friends, or colleagues who might be interested.

To sign up to join the prayer, or to find out more about the campaign, please visit Evangelisation Brisbane.

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH**

- **Collection Boxes at the church doors** - cash donations
- **Giving App** - <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>
- **Give via direct debit or your Credit Card** - please call the parish office or find the form on the website (Quick Links)
- **Direct deposit donation to our bank account** - BSB 064 786 A/C 100016732 (Ref: surname)

**PLEASE BOOK FOR WEEKEND MASS** online by using the link or QR code. Select your preferred Mass, choose number of people attending and fill in each person’s details. Marshals at the church door will mark off your name on arrival.



**Bookings for Weekend Masses opens Monday at 9am and close Friday morning at 9am.** Please book for **Masses** via - <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=686140&embed=true>

PLEASE NOTE THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY (2/4) AND EASTER MONDAY (5/4) AND WILL REOPEN TUESDAY 6 APRIL FOR ENQUIRIES.

**VOCATION VIEW:** Christ has become our Paschal Sacrifice. Your ultimate purpose, to live and to breathe, is the eternal Jesus. Go forth to announce to the world – Christ, our hope, has risen, Alleluia! Pray for vocations. To speak to someone about your vocation, call 1300 133 544.



**A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us TO THE THIEF WHO STOLE MY GLASSES. I WILL FIND YOU.... I HAVE CONTACTS!**

**CAN YOU SERVE?** Serving on the altar is a unique and engaging way of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist at Mass on Sundays. The parish is seeking young people who have already made their First Communion who would like to be a part of the Altar Servers’ Team. All that is involved is a commitment to be part of this beautiful ministry and a brief training session. Altar servers are then put on a roster (generally once a month). Parents, if you think your son or daughter would benefit from participating in this important ministry, please contact the Parish Office 3399 2386. Fr Kevin would really appreciate hearing from you!

**VINNIES NEED YOUR HELP** – During this Easter season, St Vincent de Paul is putting out a call for much-needed support. The unemployment crisis caused by COVID and the end of the Federal Government’s Job Keeper program mean that there are many people who are struggling to make ends meet. Our parish’s St Vincent de Paul branch is working hard to provide financial and other assistance to the many people who are in dire need of it. Please consider making a donation. This can be done either in person at the Parish Office or by direct deposit to their account:

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED ASSISTANCE

**THANK YOU** to the Duncan and Adraincem families for their generous donation towards the Easter flowers.

**THANK YOU TO OUR EASTER VOLUNTEERS** – We are very grateful for all those who have undertaken special ministries in our liturgy assisting with music, reading, communion and marshalling. People have also done a lot of extra work in preparing the church, Vigil fire, church décor and flowers, etc. THANK YOU to everyone who has helped. **HAPPY EASTER!**

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION** – celebrated each Friday in the church. Please join us after the 8am Mass. All welcome.

**CARITAS AUSTRALIA** would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2021. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) to make your donation online. Through your generosity you will be empowering the world’s most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty.

**IONA COLLEGE** advise Year 5 in 2023 enrolment applications will close on Friday 4 June 2021 (boys who are currently in Year 3). A parent information evening for prospective families will be held on Tuesday 11 May at 7pm in the Iona Performing Arts Centre. For further assistance contact [enrol@iona.qld.edu.au](mailto:enrol@iona.qld.edu.au)



**STS PETER AND PAUL’S SCHOOL**

**2022 PREP ENROLMENTS** - Please be aware that Prep Enrolments for 2022 are now due. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please get in touch with the office immediately or download an enrolment form from our website. Interviews for new families will occur in May, with offers for 2022 sent out in June 2021.

**PRAYING FOR LOVE AND JUSTICE**

This week’s article attached to the emailed Newsletter is entitled *Praying for Love and Justice*. Easter is the ideal time to pray for fundamental rights – Pope Francis’ prayer intention for April. While Good Friday is given over to expediency and death, the last word belongs to Easter Sunday, when love, justice and reconciliation triumphed.

Earlier this week, the documentary *Francesco* screened on television. Directed by Evgeny Afineevsky, the film is a remarkable insight into the life and teachings of Pope Francis, highlighting his views on issues such as climate change, immigration, religious tolerance, etc, Look out for it!



## Liturgy this Week 5 April – 11 April 2021

MONDAY	-	-
TUESDAY	-	-
WEDNESDAY	7:00pm	Mass
THURSDAY	9:00am	Mass
FRIDAY	8:00am 8:30am	Mass Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
SATURDAY	9:00am	Mass
SUNDAY	6:00pm (Saturday) 8:00am; 5:30pm	<b>Mass: Second Sunday of Easter</b>
<i>Readings – Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31</i>		

### OTHER LITURGY AND PRAYER

RECONCILIATION	Saturday at 9:30am and 5:00pm
ROSARY and ANGELUS	Saturday before the 9:00am Mass
MEDITATION	Tuesday at 4:00pm – Good Samaritan Convent, 50 Hawthorne Road, Hawthorne.

### ENTRANCE HYMN

#### SING A NEW SONG

*Sing a new song unto the Lord;  
Let your song be sung from mountains high.  
Sing a new song unto the Lord,  
Singing alleluia.*

All God's people dance with joy!  
O come before the Lord.  
And play for God with glad tambourines,  
And let your trumpet sound.

Rise, O children, from your sleep.  
Your Saviour now has come.  
He has turned your sorrow to joy,  
And filled your soul with song.

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**GLORIA** *Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.*

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,  
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us

For you alone are the holy one, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and  
Resurrection you have set us free.

### RENEWAL OF BAPTISM PROMISES

#### UP FROM THE WATERS

Up from the waters God has claimed you  
Up from the waters, child of light.  
Praise to the One who called and named you  
Up from the waters, into life.

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### COMMUNION HYMN

#### WE COME TO YOUR FEAST

We place upon your table a gleaming cloth of white,  
The weaving of our stories, the fabric of our lives;  
The dreams of those before us, the ancient hopeful cries,  
The promise of our future, our needing and our nurture  
Lie here before eyes.

We come to your feast, we come to your feast,  
The young and the old, the frightened, the bold,  
The greatest and the least.

We come to your feast, we come to your feast,  
With the fruit of our lands and the work of our hands  
We come to your feast.

We place upon your table a humble loaf of bread,  
The gift of field and hillside, the grain by which we're fed;  
We come to taste the presence of him on whom we feed,  
To strengthen and connect us, to challenge and correct us,  
To love in word and deed.

We place upon your table a simple cup of wine,  
The fruit of human labour, the gift of sun and vine;  
We come to taste the presence of him we claim as Lord.  
His dying and his living, his leading and his giving,  
His love in cup outpoured.

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### RECESSIONAL HYMN

#### CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people.  
Light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.  
Make us your living voice.

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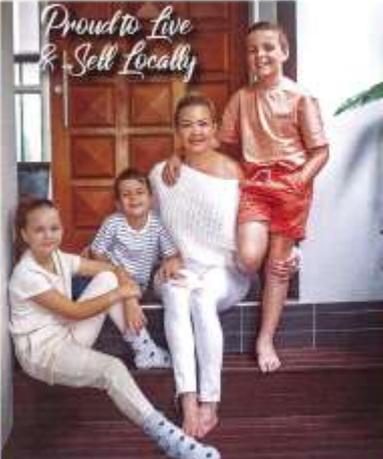
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