

ST MARY'S PARISH, ROBINVALE



Incorporating St Patrick's Manangatang

YEAR C SATURDAY 9TH & SUNDAY 10TH APRIL 2022
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD YEAR

Robinvale and Manangatang Catholic Communities are committed to ensure the safety of all children and vulnerable people in our care. Child Safety Officers: Arthur Cassidy (Robinvale) 0437 576 730 and Noreen Morris (Manangatang) 0448 194 513

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St. Mary's, 19 Watkin St. Robinvale; St. Patrick's, 33 Pioneer St. Manangatang**

Please remember these people in our prayers

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Edna Nolen; Patricia Dillon; Jaxon Brigante; Ann Naus;
Jane Giardina; Anna-Maria Dichiera; William Rogers;
Maria Vespucci; Dominic Puleio

Sick:

Rowena Nolen; Josie Ferrinda; Sam Giampaolo; Gai Thi Tran;
Therese Cummins; Carmela Garreffa; Louise Manna;



Parish Administrator

Fr Anthony Nagothu

Visiting Priests:

Fr Matthew Thomas &

Fr Shaiju Matthew

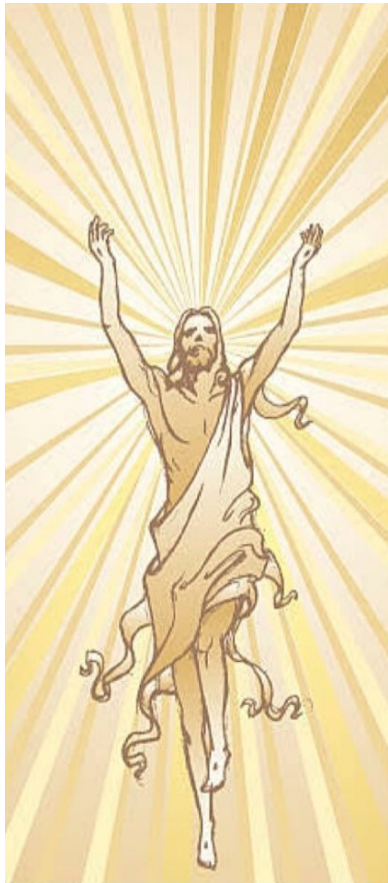
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HOLY WEEK & EASTER

MASS TIMES

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HOLY THURSDAY

6:00PM ~ ROBINVALE

GOOD FRIDAY

10:00AM ~ ROBINVALE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

3:00PM ~ ROBINVALE

EASTER VIGIL

5:30PM ~ MANANGATANG

7:30PM ~ ROBINVALE

EASTER DAY

9:00AM ~ ROBINVALE

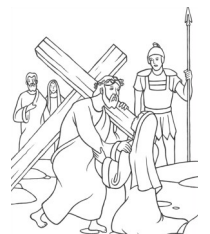
**ST. MARY'S PARISH
19 WATKIN STREET
ROBINVALE**



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with mobile camera to access
our parish web-page.**

There will be stations of the Cross and Mass each Wednesday in Lent at 6pm.

Stations of the cross sheets are available in the Narthex.



Mass Roster April

Monthly Roster	Robinvale	Manangatang
Week 1 2nd & 3rd	6pm Sat. Vigil Mass	9am Sunday Mass
Week 2 9th & 10th	6pm Sat. Vigil Mass 9am Sunday Mass	Lay-led 9:00am Sunday
Week 3 16th & 17th	7:30pm Sat. Vigil Mass 9:00am Sunday Mass Easter Day	5:30pm Easter Vigil Saturday
Week 4 23rd & 24th	6pm Sat. Vigil Mass	Lay-led 9:00am Sunday
Week 5 30th & 1st May	6pm Sat. Vigil Mass	9am Sunday Mass



Our Year 3-4 students attended camp this week. They explored Pioneer Settlement at Swan Hill. While on camp, our students learnt about life in years gone by, watched the laser light show and saw a movie. Everyone had a great time.

Our last day of school saw us hold an Easter Liturgy.

Thank you to our School and House Captains for leading this celebration. Later in the day, we held our annual Easter Egg Raffle. Thank you to the families who donated all the Easter eggs. Many prizes were given out.

Just a friendly reminder that school returns on Tuesday, April 26th. Monday is ANZAC Day. Finally, we would like to wish all our families a safe and happy Term 1 holiday.

FINANCES

Presbytery: \$400.85

Parish: \$321.70



Local News:

- ♦ **Masses this weekend:**
 - Saturday 9th April ~ 6pm Robinvale**
 - Sunday 10th April ~ 9am Robinvale**
 - Sunday 10th April ~ 9am Manangatang (Lay Led)**
- ♦ **The next Parent Baptism Information Meeting will be Wednesday 13th April at 7:00pm.**
- ♦ We have 19 students preparing for their First Eucharist in May. With the support of their parents they are completing 4 workbooks. These books are required to be finished and signed off. There is also the expectation of attendance at 4 Masses prior to 7th/8th May before the sacrament can be celebrated.
- ♦ **Many thanks to Frances Bulzomi who has made and donated palm crosses, yet again, for parishioners to use on Palm Sunday this weekend.**
- ♦ We trust that staff, students and parents enjoy the coming break from school routine. School holidays commenced on Friday 8th April.
- ♦ **Please return your Project Compassion Boxes this weekend**



REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Lowly Prince of Peace

Jesus entered Jerusalem, not as a warrior in the tradition of King David as many had hoped for, but riding simply on a donkey. The disciples and the crowd applauded him, but they proved fickle in their support.

On the other hand, Jesus remained steadfast in his commitment to *non-violent* revolutionary change of the religious and political systems so as to establish the reign of God. Why did he renounce marshalling human and angelic warriors to further his cause?

First, Jesus embodied God-for-us, and God does not want the destruction of those he has created out of love. Second, Jesus had a premonition that an armed revolt would lead to the destruction of Jerusalem and the dispersal of the Jewish people (as occurred in 70AD).

Third, Luke's Gospel recounts that as Jesus laboured up Mount Calvary he turned to some weeping women and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, weep rather for yourselves and for your children.' He knew that they suffer grievously in armed uprising. This is seen in barbaric reality in our own time with women being tortured and raped in campaigns of terror, trafficked into sexual slavery, suffering the loss of sons, husband and lovers.

We could take a moment to pray that the Church of the 21st century, successor of the pacifist Church of the first three centuries, may enter on a new period of reflection on these issues, grappling with the desire to protect the innocent, yet always challenged by the man on a donkey, Divine Prince of Peace

FIRST READING

Is 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear,

to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me,

my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.'

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me!

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.'

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

SECOND READING

Phil 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high. His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself

to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings

in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF ENDLESS GLORY!

GOSPEL

Lk 23:1-49

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

The elders of the people and the chief priests and scribes rose, and they brought Jesus before Pilate. They began their accusation by saying, 'We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of tribute to Caesar, and claiming to be Christ, a king.' Pilate put to him this question, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' 'It is you who say it' he replied. Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd, 'I find no case against this man.' But they persisted, 'He is inflaming the people with his teaching all over Judaea; it has come all the way from Galilee, where he started, down to here.' When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man were a Galilean; and finding that he came under Herod's jurisdiction he passed him over to Herod who was also in Jerusalem at that time. Herod was delighted to see Jesus; he had heard about him and had been wanting for a long time to set eyes on him; moreover, he was hoping to see some miracle worked by him. So he questioned him at some length; but without getting any reply. Meanwhile the chief priests and the scribes were there, violently pressing their accusations. Then Herod, together with his guards, treated him with contempt and made fun of him; he put a rich cloak on him and sent him back to Pilate. And though Herod and Pilate had been enemies before, they were reconciled that same day. Pilate then summoned the chief priests and the leading men and the people. 'You brought this man before me' he said 'as a political agitator. Now I have gone into the matter myself in your presence and found no case against the man in respect of all the charges you bring against him. Nor has Herod either, since he has sent him back to us. As you can see, the man has done nothing that deserves death, so I shall have him flogged and then let him go.' But as one man they howled, 'Away with him! Give us Barabbas!' (This man had been thrown into prison for causing a riot in the city and for murder.) Pilate was anxious to set Jesus free and addressed them again, but they shouted back, 'Crucify him! Crucify him!' And for the third time he spoke to them, 'Why? What harm has this man done? I have found no case against him that deserves death, so I shall have him punished and then let him go.' But they kept on shouting at the top of their voices, demanding that he should be crucified. And their shouts were growing louder. Pilate then gave his verdict: their demand was to be granted. He released the man they asked for, who had been imprisoned for rioting and murder, and handed Jesus over to them to deal with as they pleased. As they were leading him away they seized on a man, Simon from Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and made him shoulder the cross and carry it behind Jesus. Large numbers of people

followed him, and of women too, who mourned and lamented for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep rather for yourselves and for your children. For the days will surely come when people will say, "Happy are those who are barren, the wombs that have never borne, the breasts that have never suckled!" Then they will begin to say to the mountains, "Fall on us!"; to the hills, "Cover us!" For if men use the green wood like this, what will happen when it is dry?' Now with him they were also leading out two other criminals to be executed. When they reached the place called The Skull, they crucified him there and the two criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left. Jesus said, 'Father forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.' Then they cast lots to share out his clothing. The people stayed there watching him. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it; we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied 'today you will be with me in paradise.' It was now about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed, a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle; and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said, 'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.' With these words he breathed his last.

All kneel and pause a moment.

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he gave praise to God and said, 'This was a great and good man.' And when all the people who had gathered for the spectacle saw what had happened, they went home beating their breasts.

All his friends stood at a distance; so also did the women who had accompanied him from Galilee, and they saw all this happen.

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Creed is said, and the Universal Prayer takes place.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Mt 26:42

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.