



# St Patrick's Parish Newsletter

## Stawell and Landsborough

Easter Sunday Year C—April 21, 2019



**RECENT DEATHS:** Maureen Lynch (Portsea)

**THIS WEEK:**

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**WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK: TUES, 10.00AM**  
**WEDNESDAY—Eventide Mass 10.30am**

No Centering Prayer Gathering during school holidays



**THURSDAY ANZAC DAY—MASS**  
**9.00AM**

**CONFESSIONS** —Before or after 10.00am weekday Masses by request (i.e. – just ask Fr Eric.) ; 10.00am Saturdays; Landsborough—before Sunday Mass. Any other time contact Fr Eric 0419 597 063



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**FR ERIC AWAY:**

I will be leaving the parish after Masses next Sunday, and will be flying to Rome on Monday evening. I return to Australia on May 17, the day before my 45th anniversary of ordination, and will return to the parish early the next week.

I will be attending a week long course starting on May 6 at the Pontifical University of Mary, Queen of the Apostles. I believe that there will be about 200 in attendance from around the world. Fr John Corrigan from Koroit/Port Fairy will be travelling with me, and we will be meeting up with some younger priests from the Adelaide Archdiocese. In the spare time, we will sightsee Rome, and travel to Naples, Venice, Pompeii and Assisi, hopefully. The course is entitled “Exorcism and Prayer of Deliverance” - A subject taken much more seriously in other parts of the world than in Australia.

**Fr John Pothiyittel will celebrate Masses on the weekends, and will celebrate Mass on weekdays when he is available.**

Fr John celebrated his 40th anniversary of ordination last week, and will be returning to India to celebrate with family and friends. He leaves a couple of days after I return.



**CONGRATULATIONS FR JOHN ON YOUR 40TH ANNIVERSARY. MAY GOD BLESS YOU ABUNDANTLY.**

**FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:**

Presbytery Collection \$ 438.25  
Parish Collection: \$ 532.00  
Loose Collection: \$ 122.25

*Collection is for the clergy stipend, presbytery costs and support of the bishop and sick and retired priests. The 2nd collection is for the upkeep of the*

**SICK LIST**

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Lourdes de la Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; Lynn Wright; John Jess; Simon Monas; Angela Moore; Peter Duffy (Canada); Kate Sargent; Yvonne Evans; Margaret Boag; Nigel James (Canberra); Ian Kindred; Sharron Pickering; Andrew Van Diezen; Benjamin Wolfson; Bernie O’Callaghan; Patty Fenwick; Robbie Loxton; Nicole Lee (Horsham); Brian O’Loughlin; Beryl Walsh; Shirley Gerritsen; Jordan Young; Steven Oates; Doreen Duffy; Barry Larkin

**NB: A Family member of the sick person must contact the Parish Office to have names added.**

**HUMOUR:**

**Divine Intervention?** One Easter afternoon Jasper, a little boy, was playing outdoors. He used his mother's broom as a horse and had a wonderful time until it was getting dark. He left the broom on the back porch. His mother was cleaning up the kitchen when she realized that her broom was missing. She asked Jasper about the broom and he told her where it was. She then asked him to please go get it. Jasper informed his mother that he was afraid of the dark and didn't want to go out to get the broom. His mother smiled and said, 'The Lord is out there too, don't be afraid.' Jasper then opened the back door a little and said, 'Lord, since you're out there, please pass me the broom.'

hospitals, aged care homes and hospices, organisations supporting the needy and homeless.

He said they are all works of Easter, raising people up, and all were declarations of love, especially for the weak and powerless.

“By these works of mercy, more than our words, will people judge whether we are serious, whether we really believe in the Resurrection, whether Easter is for us and them,” he said in his Easter video address,.

Brisbane Archbishop Mark Coleridge reflected on the difficulties facing the world and the Church and the recurring messages of hope in the Old and New Testaments.

“Facing into the darkness of the world and the Church, we too turn to the Cross,” he said.

“Evil is powerful and the darkness is real. But the greater power which raised Jesus from the dead – we call it the love of God – will bring good from evil, light from darkness.”

Catholic Religious Australia president Sr Monica Cavanagh RSJ urged Catholics to use the Easter Triduum to pause, reflect and ask: “Where is the God of Easter wanting to break through in my life?”

“Each one of us walks this journey of suffering in solidarity with Jesus each time we allow ourselves to be moved by the atrocities occurring around our world,” she wrote in her Easter message.

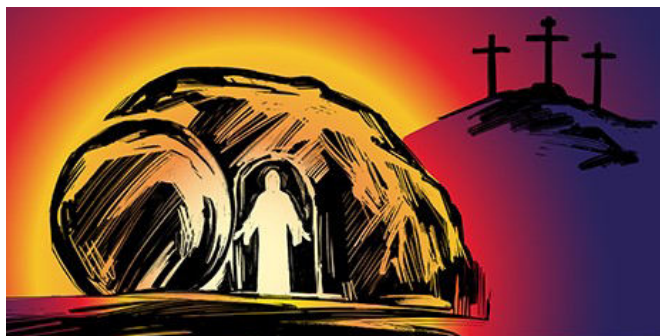
Melbourne Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli described how the risen Jesus’ transfigured wounds brought new hope.

“Today begins my first sharing of the Easter season with you as your Archbishop. We have been walking through loss and grief in the Church here in Melbourne and we are so in need of the Lord, who wants us to share in his Easter joy. Christ is alive and he wants us to be alive,” he said in his Easter message.

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**NEWS**

**DRAW STRENGTH AND HOPE FROM CHRIST THIS EASTER**



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*Easter reminds that the love of God brings good from evil and light from darkness (Bigstock)*

Australia’s Catholic leaders have called on the faithful this Easter to be filled with hope for the future while encouraging Church organisations to continue providing great works of love, care and mercy. Source: ACBC Media Blog.

In their Easter messages, the bishops reflected on local and global issues, including the effects of sexual abuse revelations, the rise of ideologies of hate and the financial and social pressures on families, especially in regions crippled by natural disasters.

They called for Catholics to draw strength from the transformative power of Jesus by using the teachings of Christ to help navigate a path through problems facing families, communities, the Church and the world.

Sydney Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP said millions of Australians encounter Christ and the Church every day through various ministries, including parishes, schools,

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**NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS:**

**(A chance to prepare ahead for next week's Liturgy of The Word)**

Sunday, 28 Apr 2019: Second Sunday of Easter - (Divine Mercy Sunday) - Year C

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Acts 5:12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.*

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:2-4. 22-27. R. v.1

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

1. Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say:

'His love has no end.' (R.)

2. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. (R.)

3. O Lord, grant us salvation;

O Lord grant success.

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord; the true God is our light. (R.)

Second Reading Rv 1:9-13, 17-19

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

*I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.*

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all

that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

Gospel Acclamation Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

**ROSTERS:**

**LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):**

**This Week** THERE IS NO MASS AT LANDSBOROUGH EASTER WEEKEND—APOLOGIES

**Next Week** ( April 28)

**Readers:** J Murphy/C Browne

**Procession of Gifts:** R & C Brown

**Ext Minister:** J Murphy

**Church Care:** April 28 C Browne

**Church Grounds—** May—R Brown

**STAWELL:**

**This Week** (Saturday, April 20) 7.00PM Easter Vigil

**Welcomer:**

**Readers:**

**Please ignore the ROSTER for this week (Easter). Volunteer on sheet at front of the church, thank you.**

**Ext Ministers:**

**Procession of Gifts:**

(Sunday, April 21) 10.30AM Easter Sunday

**Welcomer:**

**Readers:**

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**Ext Ministers:**

**Procession of Gifts :**

**Next Week**

( Saturday) April 27) 6.00PM

**Welcomer:** N Rathgeber

**Readers:** D Jones/A Ellis

**Ext. Ministers:** L Moloney/C Barker

**Procession of Gifts:** I Robinson

(Sunday , April 28) 10.30AM

**Welcomer:** M Rowe

**Readers:** K Dalton/J Van Diesen

**Ext. Ministers:** H Potter/G Comitti/I Sturt

**Procession of Gifts:** L & M Habben

**Counters: Today:** J Raeburn

**Next Week:** M & L Habben

**ALTAR SOCIETY :** Next week: Gabrielle & Pat

**MARY'S STATUE:**

April 21-27 J Launder; 28—May 4 P & H Rathgeber; 5-11 D Duffy; 12-18 D McIntosh; 19-25 B Walsh; 26-June 1 E T Driscoll.

**NOTES FOR MINISTERS AT MASS:**

*Extraordinary Ministers, part of your duty is to clean the Sacred Vessels in the sacristy after Mass and prepare them for the next Mass—fill wine and water cruets, etc.*

*Put filled cruets in the fridge.*

*Scripture Reader and Extraordinary Ministers are meant to process with the priest at the start and end of Mass. Reader Carries the Lectionary to the Sanctuary at the start of Mass, but does not carry it out at the end.*

**ALL MINISTERS SHOULD TRY TO BE AT THE CHURCH AT LEAST TEN MINUTES BEFORE MASS AND ADVISE THE PRIEST THAT YOU ARE THERE. THIS GIVES HIM TIME TO ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE IF THAT HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN DONE.**



**He Is Risen! Alleluia!**



**WEEKEND MASSES YEAR B:**

**Stawell:** Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday at 10.30am.

**Landsborough:** Sunday Mass at 8.30am.

**WEEKDAY MASSES (YEAR 2):**

Tues; Wed; Thurs; Fri 10.00am. 2nd & 4th Wednesday of Month-Eventide-10.30am. **(Check front of Bulletin for any changes to this routine. Funeral Masses take the place of weekday Mass)**

**RECONCILIATION:**

Stawell: Saturday 10.00 am, before or after each weekday Mass (by request) or by appointment at any time. At Landsborough: Before 8.20 am Sundays

**MEETINGS & GATHERINGS:**

Prayer Group: every Monday, 1.30pm.

Cuppa tea Stawell—2nd Sunday after Mass; Landsborough—3rd Sunday after Mass.

St Vincent de Paul: 2nd Monday 2.30pm in Parish Hall.

CWL: 3rd Wednesday commencing with 10.00am Mass.

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