

# St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Ballarat

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Year C – 13<sup>th</sup> April



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**Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday, 10.00am – 3.00pm**

The phone will be transferred to the on-call priest so that Hospitals, Aged Care facilities, Funeral Directors or others seeking the services of a priest may be responded to in a timely manner.

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*St Patrick's Cathedral Parish acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wadawurrung People of the Kulin nation.*

*We are a child safe Parish following the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government, implementing procedures and standards as directed by the Professional Standards Office of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat.*

**Bishop of Ballarat:**

Most Rev Paul Bird CSsR

**Parish Administrator:**

Fr Ed Moloney

**Assistant Priests:**

Fr James McKay

Fr Francis Kureeckal MST

Fr Abraham Thomas

**Priest in Charge of Syro**

**Malabar Community:**

Fr Alex Valliyamthadathil

**Parish Coordinators:**

Tony Beggs

Lia Andanar Yu

**Finance Officer:**

Jackie Wrigglesworth

**Safeguarding Officers:**

Tony Beggs/Maria Noonan

## **Readings this week: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Year C (13<sup>th</sup> April)**

**First:** Isaiah 50:4-7

**Second:** Philipians 2:6-11

**Gospel:** Luke 22:14-23:56

## **Readings next week: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Year C (20<sup>th</sup> April)**

**First:** Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43 **Second:** Colossians 3:1-4 **Gospel:** John 20:1-9

## **RECENT DEATHS:**

Fr Kevin Murphy, Sr Mary Wright IBVM

## **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Carole Breen, James Rieniets, Lawrence Alexander, Frank Benson, Eilin O'Siochain, Edmund Baker, Margaret Cowan, Robert Dobson, Kevin Foley, Joan Hardbottle, Kathleen Shelley, Marlene Bruhn, Angela Loader, Suzanne Donnelly, James (Geordie) Hayes, Jodie Hughes, Elizabeth Lumsden, Joseph Tobin, Veronica Widdison, Paul Anderson, Peggy Brooks, Kevin Cunningham, Veronica Re, Andries Van Der Horst, Basil Maher, Sr Eileen Riley IBVM, Patrick Thompson

**Responsorial Psalm: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

## **HOLY WEEK/ EASTER AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL**

### **Palm Sunday:**

All Masses will begin outside near the south side door, for the blessing of palms and procession into the church. (Dependent on weather)

### **TRIDUUM**

**Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper** will begin at 7.00 pm. This will include the Washing of the Feet and the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose, in St Patrick's Hall. Night Prayer will be held at 9.00 pm in the Hall.

**Good Friday – The Passion of the Lord** at 3.00 pm.

**Easter Vigil** will begin with the Service of Light outside at 7.00 pm.

### **Easter Sunday Mass times:**

8.00 am, 10.30 am and 5.00 pm

Please note – Morning Prayer (Divine Office) of the Church will be held at 7.30 am Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

There will be no Masses celebrated on Holy Thursday other than the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm; on Good Friday The Passion of the Lord at 3pm and Holy Saturday morning there is no Mass.

### **Liturgies and Easter Mass Times at St Columba's church:**

**17th April, 7:00pm, Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**18th April, 10:00am Way of the Cross starts at St Columba's Church to Black Hill  
3:00pm, Good Friday: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord**

Good Friday Mass at St Columba's - all parishes are very welcome to attend.

**20th April, 10:00am, Easter Sunday: Resurrection of the Lord**

### **RCIA**

On Saturday morning (19<sup>th</sup> April) those who will be welcomed into the Church will join with Bishop Paul, their sponsors and members of the RCIA Team for a time of Preparation prior to the Easter Vigil Saturday night, where they will receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist).

### **St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat - A Place of Pilgrimage**

Bishop Paul has designated St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat as a place of pilgrimage for this Jubilee Year. Pilgrims are invited to take a self-guided tour of the Cathedral. A booklet is available for pilgrims to follow. This includes suggestions on how to be a pilgrim, a brief history of St Patrick's Cathedral and information about the beautiful stained-glass windows. As well as visiting the Cathedral for the self-guided tour, pilgrims are welcome to spend some time in the Cathedral in prayer. This could include joining in the celebration of Mass. Masses are held on weekdays at 12.05pm and on Saturday mornings at 10.00am. Sunday Masses are celebrated on Saturday evenings at 5.30pm and on Sundays at 8.00am, 10.30am and 5.00pm. There are also opportunities for daily adoration and devotions. Please check the Cathedral bulletin for information <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/parish/ballarat-cathedral>. A self-guided tour is best done in quiet times, when there is no Mass or other event happening. Pilgrims are welcome to come as individuals or you could arrange for members of your parish to come as a group.

### **Australian Pilgrims of Hope website**

The ACBC Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry have launched a website for the 2025 Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope. This site provides details of cathedrals, shrines, churches and pilgrimages identified by local churches across Australia as fulfilling the requirement for obtaining a plenary indulgence <https://pilgrimsofhope.catholic.org.au/>

### **Easter Prayer in St Patrick's College Chapel**

You are invited to prayerfully participate in a Holy Week Vigil, to be held at the St Patrick's College Chapel. The Vigil will commence with Mass at 7pm on Wednesday 16 April and conclude with Stations of the Cross commencing 6.30am Thursday 17 April.

One goal is to have the Chapel prayerfully occupied the entire night. You can register your attendance via <https://www.trybooking.com/DALEY>, or simply come along when you can, whether for 5 minutes or 30 minutes. May God bless our prayer.

### **PALM SUNDAY – Ecumenical gathering**

The Ecumenical Palm Sunday Gathering will be held at the Sturt Street Bandstand between Dawson and Doveton Streets, on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 9.00 a.m.

Members of the St Patrick's Cathedral community are invited and encouraged, to attend this special gathering to mark the beginning of our journey in Holy Week.

### **Palm Sunday - Ballarat Rural Australians for Refugees**

You are invited to join members of Ballarat Rural Australians for Refugees in Melbourne this year to show your kindness and solidarity with refugees and people seeking asylum. We will be travelling by train from Ballarat. 1 pm meeting on Princes Bridge, walking with many others to Tom's Block St Kilda Road opposite Victorian College of the Arts. 2pm Speakers, music and more  
Program details on Refugee Advocacy Network website [//refugeeadvocacynetwork.org.au/?p=4730](https://refugeeadvocacynetwork.org.au/?p=4730)  
For other details contact Margaret our Convenor via [rarballarat@gmail.com](mailto:rarballarat@gmail.com)

### **ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 1pm to 3.45 pm**

1 pm Exposition and Rosary

1.30 pm Divine Mercy Prayers and Benediction

2.30 pm Celebration of Eucharist

After Mass Blessing with First Class Relics

Final Blessing and Conclusion 3.40 pm

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available from 1 pm*

A Novena for Divine Mercy will commence Good Friday morning after Morning Prayer (Divine Office) 7.30 am and continue each morning,

concluding Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April at after 5.30 pm Mass with Benediction and Sacred Music.



### **Project Compassion 2025 Week 5: Unite against poverty this Lent**

**Fight against poverty this Lent. Project compassion boxes, envelopes, and prayer cards are available at the front foyer and in the south transept for you to make your Lenten donation which will assist the most vulnerable people in our world.**



As Project Compassion 2025 draws to a close for another year, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support throughout this Lenten Season. This year, we shared the inspiring stories of 3 individuals whose lives have been transformed through compassion and generosity. But the work isn't done yet. There is still time to

donate! Together, we can Unite Against Poverty and help transform lives this Lent. Please donate today: You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes and envelopes, or by scanning or clicking on the QR code, or online at

[caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/project-compassion-2025/) or by calling. 1800 024 413. Download the weekly reflection from the website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/project-compassion-2025/>



**Choir for Mass of the Oils 2025** Singers and musicians in the diocese are invited to join the music group which is being formed for the Mass of the Oils on Monday, April 14, 2025. Final practice time will be April 13 at 6.15pm (following 5.00pm Mass). Please contact Julie Boyd ph. 5337 7159 in the Pastoral Ministry Office to register your interest or email [julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## Mass of the Oils 2025

All are welcome to attend the Mass of the Oils this year on Monday, April 14 at Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 1.00pm. Afternoon tea will follow in the Hall. The Mass will also be livestreamed

[//youtube.com/live/qUVA7OFoZ9c?feature=share](https://youtube.com/live/qUVA7OFoZ9c?feature=share)

## Jubilee Year 2025:

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## Taking Holy Communion to the Sick

Those who are unable to attend the Eucharist/Mass through sickness or advanced age are still very much part of our faith community. Taking Holy Communion to the sick was part of the earliest Liturgies the Church. The ACU Centre for Liturgy has developed a new online training program for lay ministers of Holy Communion of the Sick (COS) in response to an increased demand for good formation opportunities for those who minister in aged care communities and hospitals in particular, for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHCs). The next program (two sessions) will be run from 24 April and the fee is \$60 per person. If any person feels they are called to this very important Ministry, please contact Fr Ed.

## Catholic Theological College

CTC invites you to "Engaging Your Faith" online presentations from \$25.00 per session.

For more information and to register go to

[//ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/engaging-your-faith/](https://ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/engaging-your-faith/)

## PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

**First Collection** - \$ 2275.10

(Blue bag Presbytery – Priest support)

**Second Collection** - \$ 1373.70

(Red bag Parish – buildings, office, admin, grounds and maintenance)

**Tap n go** \$ 726.50

## WEEKDAY MASSES

**Monday –**

**1.00pm Mass of the Oils**

**Tuesday – 7.00am, 12.05pm**

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**Thursday –**

**7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**Friday –**

**3.00pm The Passion of the Lord**

**Saturday - NO morning Mass**

## WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday 7.00pm Easter Vigil**

**Sunday 8.00am, 10.30am, 5.00pm**

## DEVOTIONS

**Monday-Saturday Morning Prayer 7.30am**

**Monday-Wednesday Evening Prayer 5.00pm**

**Monday/Tuesday**

11.15am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

**Wednesday**

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Litany of St Joseph

6.00pm-7.00pm Holy Hour & Benediction

**Thursday**

**Friday**

**Saturday**

## PARISH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

**Tuesday**

2.00pm Sons and Daughters

7.00pm Life in the Spirit

**Wednesday**

1.00pm Legion of Mary