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*"Come to worship
Go to proclaim"*

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22nd March, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year A

Wed 25th March Annunciation of the Lord

FIRST READING:

Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

In the presence of the Lord God, they anointed David, King of Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 22, R.v.1

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING:

Ephesians 5:8-14

Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 8:12

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

I am the light of the world, say the Lord;

Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL:

John 9:1-41

The blind man went off and washed himself and came away with his sight restored

St. Michael's Parish Notice

Sick: Amanda & Stephano Guidone, Joe, Steve Delgado-Reves.

Special Intentions: Sun 8am Midan Torrecilla

Sun 10am Jason Howard Leng

Happy Birthday: Patricia Low (25th), Rose Capecci (27th)

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE IN RESPONDING TO THE ISSUE OF CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference as well as Sydney Archdiocese recommend that we should take caution to the possibility of spreading coronavirus. For this reason, at our parish from now on until further notice, will distribute Holy Communion under one kind (The Body of Christ only). When receiving Holy Communion, it is advised that the recipient should receive by hands. When exchanging the sign of peace, it is recommended that individuals should avoid shaking hands but say "peace be with you" or by giving a little bow to each other. Holy Water at the doors of the Church will be removed and replaced by hand sanitiser. The faithful who are too unwell to attend Sunday Mass – whether due to coronavirus or some other condition – or are at particular risk of contracting the COVID-19 virus can honour their Sunday obligation by participating in a time of prayer within the home, reading the Scriptures or watching Mass on television or online (<http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>).

LENTEN RECONCILIATION TIMES:

Sat, 21st March: 4.00pm - 4.45pm

Sun 22nd March: 7.15am – 7:45am,
9.00am - 9.45am

Sat 28th March: 4.00pm - 4.45pm

Sun 29th March: 7.15am - 7.45am,
9.00am—9.45am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday During Lent at 7pm

Collections

1st: \$659.40

2nd: \$394.10

Planned Giving: \$255.00

Palm Sunday 5th April

Any Palm or Olive Branch Donations would be greatly appreciated. Please bring to the Parish Office by Friday 3rd April.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

Option 1:

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or by email on safeguarding-enquiries@sydneycatholic.org

The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support & discuss the options you have available to you.

Option 2.

Contact the Parish via 9349-1292 and please speak to Myrna Sarmiento or Fr Phan who will provide support and guidance.

***Please observe silence in God's house.
Please turn your mobile off or put it on silent.***



Holy Week Program:

Palm Sunday Mass as usual-

Saturday 5pm Vigil.

Sunday 8am, 10am & 5pm

Holy Thursday (9th April):

No Mass in the morning.

7pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday (10th April):

10am - Stations of the Cross. And

3pm - Celebration of the Passion of the Lord.

****Holy Land Appeal collection at both services****

Easter Saturday (11th April):

6:30pm - Easter Vigil Mass.

Easter Sunday (12th April):

8am & 10am ONLY.

A Prayer for Lenten Grace

Loving God,

During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you.
Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and
solitude, so that I may re-discover the grace
of a prayer-full life.

Enlarge my heart so that I give to those
in need and, in so doing, re-discover the grace
of gratitude and generosity.

Help me to fast from those things that
threaten the well-being of body and soul,
remind me of the grace and simplicity.

May this season be grace-filled time to
rekindle my love for and faith in you.

Amen.



EASTER SATURDAY VIGIL 11th April – TIME CHANGE:

Holy Saturday Vigil Mass will now commence at **6:00pm**.

Morning Tea

Morning Tea at 8am Mass and 10am Mass will be cancelled until further notice. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Sacrament of Confirmation in May is cancelled until further notice.
Apologies for any inconvenience caused

Annunciation of the Lord –25th March

The feast of the *Annunciation* marks the visit of the angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary, during which he told her that she would be the mother of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is celebrated on 25 March each year.

Parishioners wishing to apply for any of the Ministries, please contact the Parish Office.
Thank you!