

*We Remember those in
God's Care*



* *all who have died recently;*
* Peter and Mary Josephine
Murphy, James J. O'Leary,
Henry and Catherine Geary, *and
all whose anniversaries occur now.*

We Pray for

*Steve Clark Ryan,
Sebastian Geisler, Tim O'Neill,
Leo Caffery, *and all our sick*

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This weekend – available in the
foyer of the Church

RCIA

At our Easter Vigil we will be baptizing Kirk Pascoe and welcoming into full communion, Courtney Gwilliam who have journeyed through the RCIA Program over the past six months. After the Vigil Mass we invite you to join us in the Carmel Community Room to celebrate this wonderful occasion with Kirk and Courtney. Could you please bring a plate of finger food for supper. Tea/Coffee will be provided.

Help Wanted!

We need assistance helping with the serving of tea/coffee etc and also with cleaning up after supper. If you are willing to assist in this regard place your name on the form in the side entrance of the church. Many Thanks!

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or renewing
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Passion [Palm] Sunday 5 April 2009

Today's liturgy begins with the blessing of palms and procession into the church. The Gospel reading tells of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, riding on a donkey and surrounded by crowds waving palms and crying "Hosanna".

Only five days later, so we hear in the Gospel of the Mass, the same crowds are demanding for Jesus to be put to death.

Mark describes Jesus, standing before Pilate, being questioned. Pilate asks, "are you the King of the Jews?" "It is you who say it", Jesus replies. From then on Jesus remains silent, leaving the accusations and questions of the chief priests unanswered. Pilate tries again, with no success.

At that festival time it was customary for a prisoner to be released at the people's request. When Pilate asked if they wanted Jesus, they insisted they wanted Barabbas, a hardened criminal. In response to Pilate's questions asking what should happen to Jesus, they answered "Crucify him!" So Jesus was led off to be scourged, then crucified.

Mark describes vividly how the soldiers mocked Jesus, robing him in purple and kneeling before him. When they had had their fun, Jesus was led out to his death.

It seems to us a strange sort of justice which enables a hardened criminal to be freed, while a man who has done little but teach and help people is allowed to be tortured and ridiculed before being forced to carry his own cross to the site of his crucifixion.

Jesus was crucified at the third hour and spoke for the first time, since his only answer to Pilate, at the sixth hour as he was dying. He called on his Father to come to his aid, then he died.

The idea of crucifixion is to us horrific, but in Jesus' day, it was commonplace. As we know, two criminals were crucified with him. Mark says that the world had been in darkness for several hours before Jesus died. A centurion who witnessed his death, said "In truth this man was a son of God."

*Moya Hickey
Parishioner*

PARISH MASS TIMES

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil ó 6 pm;

Sunday - 7.30 am, 9.30 am, 5.30 pm

Weekdays *this week*:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 9 am

RECONCILIATION

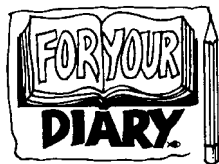
Saturdays 9.30 am ó 10 am

MEDITATION

Wednesdays 6.30 am ó 7 pm

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

by appointment



This week at Mt Carmel

Today is 5 April

Palm [Passion] Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-7

Philippians 2:6-11

Mark 15:1-39

CLOW at 9.30 am Mass

Monday 6 April

Rosary after 9 am Mass

St Vincent de Paul meeting in Carmel

Community Room, 7 pm

*Communal Celebration of God's
Forgiveness, 7.30 pm in the church*

Tuesday 7 April

Readers Preparation for Holy Thursday,
7.30 pm and Good Friday 8 pm

Wednesday 8 April

RCIA meeting in Carmel Community Room,
7.30 pm

Readers Preparation for Easter Vigil, 7.30 pm

Thursday 9 April [Holy Thursday]

Mass of Lord's Supper, 7.30 pm

Friday 10 April [Good Friday]

Stations of the Cross, 10 am

First Rite of Reconciliation, 10.30 am

*Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
and Death, 3 pm*

Saturday 11 April [Easter Vigil]

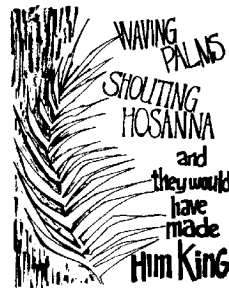
First Rite of Reconciliation, 10 am

Easter Vigil, 7 pm

Sunday 12 April [Easter Sunday]

Mass 7.30 am & 9.30 am

(Note: There is NO 5.30 pm Mass)



What's Happening?

Obviously, the season of Easter looms large. Things kick off on **Monday April 6th** with our communal rite of reconciliation in the church at **7.30 p.m.** followed by supper. This will follow the *Wonder and Terror* theme which has been a characteristic of the readings of Lent. Hopefully the wonder will outweigh the terror!

Please remember to pick up some of those yellow slips from the table in the foyer containing the Easter ceremonies and times and try and think of a neighbour that you might be able to give one to, a bit of easy evangelisation.

Thanks to the readers who have volunteered for Easter. Please note that there is Readers Prep in the church on **Tuesday April 7th** at **7.30 p.m.** for Duncan Stuart and Mark Sayer (Holy Thursday) and **8.00 p.m.** for Joy Darby, Patricia Mitchell, Michael Barry, Therese Murchison and Leon Capra (Good Friday) and on **Wednesday April 8th** at **7.30 p.m.** for Patricia Mitchell, Brenda Fennel and Jenny Wallis.(Easter Vigil)

Easter is also the special time for Kirk Pascoe and Courtney Gwilliam who are to enter into full communion in the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. We congratulate them and assure them of our prayers and support.

Finally, next week, letters are being sent out inviting parents of children in Grade 4 or above to enrol in the process for First Eucharist and Confirmation. These will be available in the parish office or school office on and after April 6th.

Ministers of Communion Voluntary Roster

We still need ministers 7.30 am & 9.30 am Easter Sunday.

If you are able to assist, please place your name on roster in the side entrance of the church.



As a world financial crisis continues to affect the lives of many, it is the people in the financially developing countries who suffer most. Please remember them by donating to Project Compassion -09