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2019



Third Sunday of
Lent
(Year C)

The Way of Another Chance

The horror of the Christchurch massacre continues to dominate our thoughts and prayers. What can we learn from such an atrocity and how can God work through us because of what we have learnt?

Perhaps we should turn to the words of Farid Ahmed, a paraplegic who was attending the Al Noor Mosque on that fateful day, whose wife, Husna, was killed after she had led several people to safety. Asked if he forgave his wife's killer, Farid said: "Of course. The best thing is forgiveness, generosity, loving and caring, positivity.

"I want him to look for that positive attitude in him, and I hope and I pray he would be a great civilian one day. I don't have any grudge."

Wow! How many of us could show such an example of God's mercy in the face of such evil?

On a much more personal and mundane level, how often do we react with a desire for revenge when we encounter resistance to our plans or ideas? How often do we allow ourselves to repeat gossip, to believe the worst of others, to categorise people into desirables and undesirables on the flimsiest of evidence? How often do we refuse to forgive others, to hold on to our prejudices and misconceptions?

Despite the many ways that humanity has fallen short of God's hope for us over so long, we are constantly given another chance. God, the gardener, could have given up on us, the fig tree, but it is not in God's nature. That nature is boundless forgiveness, boundless mercy, boundless love.

Consequently, we need to make the most of the second chance we have been given. Like Farid, we are called to be people of radical compassion, to be examples to others of forgiveness, mercy and love. Following his example, we can change the world.

Loving God, thank you for your many examples of forgiveness. Help us to be people of compassion and generosity, striving to bring to reality your vision for humanity. Help us always to be our best selves, to give ourselves and others a second chance.

John Clarke, Parishioner

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PARISH MASS TIMES

Weekends

Saturday Vigil: 6pm

Sunday: 8:30am & 5:30pm

Weekdays

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
and Friday 9:00am**

**Tuesday: Liturgy of the Word and
Communion in the Sacristy 9am**

*A Mass of Anointing is held on the first Wednesday
of the month (except Mar and Dec) at 10am followed
by morning tea.*

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:30-5:00pm

Rosary: Mondays after 9:00am Mass

*Our Church is always open during daylight hours, to allow
you the opportunity to come in and spend some quiet time.*

Parish Diary Dates



- Sun 24** RCIA Presentation of the Lord's Prayer at 8:30am Mass
- Wed 27** BED Meeting at Sts Peter and Paul, Bulimba at 7pm for 7:30pm start
- Thur 28** Mass and Anointing of the Sick at Casa at 11am
Carmel Cellars meet at 7:30pm in CCR
- Sun 31** RCIA Rite of Healing and Strengthening during Mass
- April**
- Mon 1** St Vincent de Paul meet in the CCR at 7:30pm
- Wed 3** Mass of Anointing at 10am—no 9am Mass
RCIA
- Wed 10** Mass of Forgiveness at 7pm
RCIA meet at 7:30pm in CCR

ROOF RESTORATION PROJECT

The safety of our community has been paramount to the Finance Council's decision to approve the replacement of our Church roof tiles with Colourbond sheeting.

The Plant and Resources Committee discovered that the previous roof tiles were unsafely positioned on the Church roof, and there was a serious possibility of major damage occurring to either the building or more importantly to people.

The removal of them revealed how serious the situation was and it required immediate action, for the protection of the safety of our children and families.

The cost of the restoration of our Church Roof, including for skylight repairs (which incidentally still needs to be done) was \$370,000.

We have been able to pay a certain amount from our Parish Investment Account, which has left the remaining \$123,000 still outstanding.

The Current Loan amounts to \$123,000, which we are required to repay to the Archdiocese. The outstanding loan will increase to a range between \$180-185,000 when the skylight repairs are complete.

I am appealing to ALL PARISHONERS to contribute in whatever way you can to the repayment of this outstanding Loan.

Some people have already given generously to this appeal.

PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A CONTRIBUTION, ANY AMOUNT IS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

This is about the SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN and FAMILIES.

Thank you
Fr. Wayne





ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE

Invites you to the Annual
CHRISM MASS

Thursday 11th April at 7pm

THE CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN
249 ELIZABETH STREET
BRISBANE

**A celebration for the entire Archdiocese
ALL WELCOME**

Safeguarding Training Level 2—

CLOW, St Vincent de Paul and Communion Ministers to the Sick and Sacristans

If you missed the training on Wednesday night, the next training will be as follows:

Event: Applied Safeguarding Training Level 2

Venue: Bulimba Parish Hall, Sts Peter and Paul, 25 Main Ave, Bulimba.

Session Time: Tuesday 7 May, 7-9pm

Please register online for this training.

PLEASE NOTE: you must complete Safeguarding Essentials Presentation (Level 1) before you attend Applied Safeguarding Training Level 2.

If you attended the face to face Safeguarding Training last year then you are welcome to attend, however you are not required to attend this training at this point in time.

Please contact the Parish office if you have any questions.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

PALM SUNDAY—13/14 April

Please bring your own Palms to Mass.

Please return all Project Compassion Envelopes by Palm Sunday.



PROJECT COMPASSION



Peter is thrilled to now have clean water on tap at his boarding school. Long walks to unsafe water sources were tiring for Peter, who is living with a disability. With more free time and fewer illnesses caused by dirty water, Peter can fulfil his hope of focusing on his studies, providing him with brighter future.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help lift communities in Indonesia out of poverty, and give them hope to protect our common home. Lives change when we all give 100%.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

EASTER VIGIL—Saturday 20th April, 7pm

After the Easter Vigil celebration there will be a supper, and an occasion to congratulate our RCIA candidates.

Please bring a plate. All Welcome!

Please contact the Parish Office on 3397 1587 if you are able to assist at the supper.

EASTER MASS TIMES

Date	Mass	Time	Additional Information
Wed 10th April	Mass of Forgiveness	7pm	No 9am Mass that morning.
Sat 13th April Sun 14th April	Palm Sunday	Regular Weekend Mass Times	Please bring your own palms and return all Project Compassion envelopes by Palm Sunday.
Thurs 18th April	Mass of the Lord's	7:00pm	No 9am Mass that morning.
Friday 19th April (Good Friday)	Stations of the Cross Passion of the Lord	10:00am 3:00pm	
Sat 20th April (Holy Saturday)	Easter Vigil	7:00pm	Supper after this Mass; please bring a plate if attending.
Sunday 21 st April	Easter Sunday	8:30am	No 5:30pm Mass.

Mass Intentions

Recently Deceased:

Belinda Rigg, Colleen Bellett, Daniel Martin, Una Reilly, Fr Adrian Meaney MSC.

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord ...

Anniversaries and Memorials:

Alphonsus Kindelan O.Carm, Aloysius Farnsworth O.Carm.

We pray for our sick...

Jim Clifford, Ava Pearce, Peter Delaney, Sarah Hill, Daniel Hill, Muriel McNab, Phoebe OConnell.

There are envelopes at the back of the Church for your Mass intentions.

Names will be removed after one month.

Please advise the Parish office if you would like a name to remain or be removed.

We cannot ignore the fact that there is as much slavery in the world today, as there was before, or perhaps more—said Pope Francis last month.

Can't find slavery-free Easter eggs in your supermarket?

Ten years ago there was almost no slavery-free chocolate in our supermarkets in Australia. Now, because of public pressure and consumer demands, most supermarkets will sell some. Thank you for contributing to the demand for slavery-free chocolate, but we have a long way to go.

Good News: There is now slavery-free chocolate available in so many places. It tastes delicious and is no more expensive than other chocolate. Try ALDI, Haighs, OXFAM and leading supermarkets. The Catholic Archdiocese Melbourne is also converting to slavery-free tea and coffee. Get on board!

Action: When you go to your local supermarket, look for chocolate that has one of these three symbols. If you can't find any, ask the manager if they stock any.

<https://acrath.org.au/take-action/slavery-free-easter/>

For information and resources.



www.acrath.org.au
People are NOT for sale



Rosters for weekend of 30/31 March - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Ministers of the Word

6.00pm: Brian Kennedy, Erica Kennedy.

8.30am: Patricia Mitchell, Peter Woods.

5.30pm: Lidwina Ahdar, Brian Egan.

(Facilitator: Mark Sayer)

Ministers of Communion

6.00pm: Madeleine Sayer, Mark Sayer, Geoff Brown, Steph Capra, Leon Capra, Libby McGahan.

8.30am: Tricia Eckersley, Carla Sheehy, Lorraine Andrew, Michael Martin, Georgia Marrion, Stephanie Smrecnik, Paddy Boyd.

5.30pm: Peter Leighton, Ros Kelly, Sandra Beiers, Rosemary Dall'alba, Heather O'Brien, Harry O'Brien, Sue Mulligan.

Communion to the Sick

Mike Dale, Maggie Crowe, Anne Worn.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Kathryn McDougall, Rebecca Finn, Jenny Draper.

Reflection

Catherine Allen.

Musicians

6:00pm: Paul, Helen, Michael

8:30am: Cara and James.

5:30pm: Garry and Mark.

Data Projection

6:00pm: Alison Buchhorn.

8:30am: Aurea Taylor.

5:30pm: John Stuart.

Mass Welcoming - Hospitality

6:00pm: Leysia Moore and Family.

8:30am: Luke Thomson.

5:30pm: Michael and Oliver Kearney.

Sunday 31st March—Fourth Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5:9-12

Ps 33:2-7 (Responsorial Psalm)

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32