



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

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Sunday 15th  
March  
2020



Third Sunday of  
Lent  
(Year A)

## Be Open To Living Water

As I write this reflection, a monsoon low is developing in North Western Australia and over the week drift south east bringing with it sustained rain once again to our Central interior.

As someone that has been working in coordinating mental health support for drought and disaster impacted communities in Queensland I have developed a keen professional interest in the weather, with twice daily reports sent to my email 365 days a year.

As part of my job I have had the privilege of visiting our main western towns like Longreach, Charleville and Mt Isa on a regular basis and for most of last year was saddened by how painfully parched and dry they were. You could see how everything around you was dying a slow and painful death.

Contrast that to the scenes that greeted me on my last two visits in February to Mt Isa and Charleville and how the land had been brought back to life with the decent rains we've had since late January. This week's forecast is again for good rain, the type that soaks into the soil, with the ground being drenched from previous rains, it makes it all more receptive.

And so we turn to this weekend's readings and the theme of living water. In faith Moses pleads to the Lord to give water to his people and God commands him to strike a rock to release this living water. In the psalm, which references this first reading, we are told to harden not our hearts. Just as hard baked soil is unable to accept the life giving rain that instead runs off elsewhere, a hardened heart is not receptive to the love of God.

The other thing I noticed about the recent rains in the South West a couple of weeks ago was how water does find its level. Rain falling on parched cracked land will quickly fill up all the little cracks and heal the land with new growth.

So we see in Jesus's encounter with the Samaritan woman by Jacob's well. It starts with a simple request for a drink of water and ends with her conversion and that of her whole village as she bears witness to his claim of Messiah. Like the living water that can find and fill every little nook and cranny, she has allowed Jesus to come in and fill her life.

In this Lenten season we are asked by Archbishop Mark Coleridge in his pastoral letter to 'make room for the Risen Christ' and here at Mt Carmel we are on a Lenten journey of 'Being Open', this week its being open to the Living Water.

So let us start by softening our hearts so that we may be more receptive to the Word of God. Let us let his Living Water flow into all the little cracks and crevices in our life and heal us with his loving Grace. Let this Lent be that time in our life where we can be reborn again with a new life in Jesus Christ.

Have a great week and God Bless

**Ben Norris, Parishioner**

## CARMELITE COMMUNITY

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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 will be held on 4th March, 3rd June, 5th August and 7th October 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



## March

**Mon 16** St Vincent de Paul meet at 7:30pm in the CCR

**Thur 19** Mass and Anointing of the Sick at Casa d'Amore at 11am

**Sun 22** Our Lady of Mt Carmel Community Working Bee 2-5pm

**Thur 26** Carmel Cellars meet at 7:30pm in the CCR

## April

**Mon 6** St Vincent de Paul meet at 7:30pm in the CCR

**Wed 8** Mass and Anointing of the Sick at Casa d'Amore at 2pm

## THANK YOU

Thank you to Carmel Cellars and to all those who generously donated at the Australia Day BBQ! As a result of your generosity \$503.00 was raised for Timor Leste. A special thank you to Ron Kreger for all his efforts. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

## EASTER MASS TIMES 2020

Date	Mass	Time	Additional Information
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Mass of Forgiveness	7pm	No 9am Mass that morning.
Sat 4th April Sun 5th April	Palm Sunday 	Regular Weekend Mass Times	Please bring your own palms and return all Project Compassion envelopes by Palm Sunday.
Thurs 9th April	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7:00pm	No 9am Mass that morning.
Friday 10th April (Good Friday)	Stations of the Cross Passion of the Lord	10:00am 3:00pm	
Sat 11th April (Holy Saturday)	Easter Vigil	7:00pm	Supper after this Mass; please bring a plate if attending.
Sunday 12th April	Easter Sunday	8:30am	No 5:30pm Mass.



**Mt Carmel Senior Social Club—First Bus Excursion for 2020, Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

Shopaholics take note – we're

off to Mt Tamborine, (ample time to browse the many fascinating shops there.)

As always, a sumptuous morning tea will be provided en route,

With lunch at Tamborine Mountain Memorial Sports Centre.

Bus will leave from the church 8.30am. Cost \$50.

*Transport is available to collect you from home and take you to the bus if needed – please advise if you require this service.*

For bookings please call Pauline 3429 4497 / 0422 206395 or Paddy 3343 9424 / 0414 334389



Barry grew up in a tough environment. With the support of a program from Caritas Australia's partner, Red Dust Healing, Barry has overcome many of life's challenges. He is now an inspirational father to his four girls and a leader in his community.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help vulnerable people like Barry, so that they are empowered to assist members of their communities in Australia.**

**Let's Go Further, Together.** You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

Lent is a time for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. The purpose is to practise a simpler, more positive life for a time in order to free us, to see and experience life in a new dimension. We undertake things that are difficult or refrain from getting too comfortable for these forty days to give ourselves this annual chance to be completely alive to God's call to us in the Mystery of the Easter Feast. So we choose to:

**Fast From**

- Discontent
- Anger
- Complaining
- Worry
- Loneliness
- Fear
- Rigidity
- Prejudice
- Pretence
- Busyness

**Feast on**

- Gratitude
- Patience
- Congratulating
- Trust
- Hospitality
- Confidence
- Tolerance
- Justice
- Sincerity
- Silence

You may choose another attitude if that is more suitable. I suggest one or two attitudes so you can make a concerted effort.

Happy Feasting!

Fr Wayne



*Sunday on the Green*  
A FRIENDS OF ZUMALAI FUNDRAISER

**RAISING FUNDS TO SUPPORT MT CARMEL'S SISTER COMMUNITY IN ZUMALAI, TIMOR-LESTE**

at Coorparoo Bowls Club  
32 Riddings Street Coorparoo  
Sunday March 29  
2pm until 7pm

LIVE MUSIC BY  
**CRAZY CHESTER**

**DRINKS (AT CLUB PRICES!)  
BAREFOOT BOWLS  
COMPETITIONS, RAFFLES AND MORE!  
FREE ENTRY**

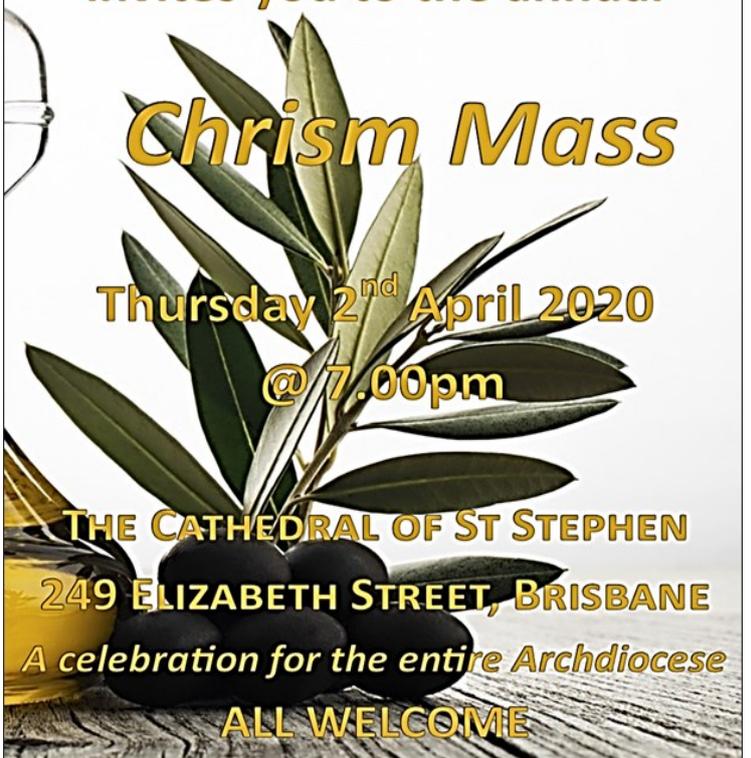
Please come along with some spare change to help make a positive change for our friends in Zumalai



**ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE  
invites you to the annual**

*Chrism Mass*

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020  
@ 7.00pm**



**THE CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN  
249 ELIZABETH STREET, BRISBANE  
A celebration for the entire Archdiocese  
ALL WELCOME**

## Mass Intentions

### Recently Deceased:

Gavan Carrol, Archbishop John Bathersby, Fr Joseph Colman Walsh OSA, Maeve Murphy, Keith Anderson, Joy Capra, John Donnelly, Carmel Holmes, Sr Mary Foster, Andrew Jones, Bruce James, Judith Hempel.

*Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord ...*

### Anniversaries and Memorials:

Bill Carroll, Ethel Carroll, Enda Carney O.Carm, David De Loughrey O.Carm.

### We pray for our sick...

John Feltoe, Dean Hall, Tricia Alexander, Judy Gray, Erwin Zerbe, James Clifford, Athol Logan, Peter Nunan.

*There are envelopes at the back of the Church for your Mass intentions. Names will be removed after one month.*

## **Enrolments for Prep at Our Lady of Mt Carmel—2021**

Enrolments are now being accepted at Our Lady of Mt Carmel for Prep in 2021. Enrolment forms can be downloaded from our website ([www.mtcarmelcoorparoo.qld.edu.au](http://www.mtcarmelcoorparoo.qld.edu.au)) or collected from the school office. Our enrolment policies can be viewed on our website.

Enrolment applications are due **Friday 20 March 2020**.

Interviews for places for next year will commence Monday 6 April 2020.

The table below indicates age eligibility dates for Prep for 2021 enrolments. Please contact the school should you have any further

<b>Children born</b>	<b>Eligible for Prep Year in</b>
<b>1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017</b>	<b>2022</b>

## **Rosters for the weekend of 21/22 March — Fourth Sunday of Lent**

### Ministers of the Word

**6:00pm:** Mark Sayer, Madeleine Sayer.

**8:30am:** Leonie Malouf, Lucy Siebert.

**5:30pm:** Christine Clarke, Jenny Wallis.

(Facilitator: Mark Sayer)

### Ministers of Communion

**6:00pm:** TBC.

**8:30am:** TBC.

**5:30pm:** TBC.

### Communion to the Sick

Trish Sim, Teresa Tong, Mike Dale.

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Kathryn McDougall, Jenny Draper.

### Reflection

Kathy/Paul Asnicar.

### Musicians

**6:00pm:** Paul and Michael.

**8:30am:** Kelly's Group.

**5:30pm:** My Inheritance.

### Data Projection

6:00pm: Mary Tom.

8:30am: Peter Johnson.

5:30pm: Michael Hart.

### Mass Welcoming - Hospitality

6:00pm: Trish McGregor.

8:30am: Kay Phillips

5:30pm: The Sullivan Family.

## **Sunday 22nd March—Fourth Sunday of Lent**

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

Ps 22 (Responsorial Psalm)

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41