



SACRED HEART PARISH

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

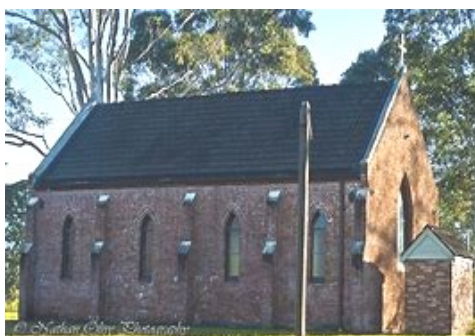
THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

YEAR 1/A

2 April 2023



Holy Family Church - Luddenham



St Mary Church - Mulgoa



Sacred Heart Church - Warragamba



St Francis Xavier Church - Greendale

PARISH TEAM

PARISH PRIEST:	Fr. Giovanni Presiga Gaviria
DEACON:	Deacon Charles Abela
PARISH SECRETARY:	Bernadette Morton
ADMIN ASSISTANT:	Colleen Nicholas
SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR:	Janet Borg
PASTORAL PLACEMENT:	Menard Gaspi

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00 am - 3.30pm

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PARISH BARGAIN CENTRE

16/18 Weir Road, Warragamba

Tuesday & Thursday: 9:30am - 4:00pm

HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal:	Ms Donna Mc Fadzean
Assistant Principal:	Ms Andrea Martin
Contact Number	02 4773 7100

HOLY MASS TIMES AND SACRAMENTS

Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil) at Luddenham

Sunday: 7.30 am at Luddenham

9.30 am at Warragamba

Italian Mass: 11.00 am at Luddenham (*3rd Sunday of the month*)

Spanish Mass: 7.30 pm at Luddenham (*4th Saturday of the month*)

Weekday Mass: 9.00 am at Warragamba - Wednesday

7.00 am at Mulgoa - Thursday

9.30 am at Luddenham - Friday

9.00 am at Luddenham - Saturday (*except 3rd Saturday*)

9.00 am at Greendale - 3rd Saturday of the month

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

8.30 am at Luddenham - Friday

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

Baptisms are held 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month by appointment only.

Marriages by appointment only at least 6 months prior to marriage.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after 9.00am Mass & from 5.00pm till Vigil Mass

ANointing OF THE SICK

By appointment. Please contact the Parish Office.



Please join us to celebrate the *Passion and Resurrection of Jesus.*

HOLY THURSDAY (6th April)

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7.00pm
Holy Family Church, Luddenham

GOOD FRIDAY (7th April)

Stations of the Cross, 10.00am
Sacred Heart Church, Warragamba
The Passion of the Lord, 3.00pm
Holy Family Church, Luddenham

EASTER VIGIL MASS (Saturday 8th April)

7.00pm, Holy Family Church, Luddenham

EASTER SUNDAY MASS (9th April)

8.30am, Sacred Heart Church, Warragamba
10.00am, Holy Family Church, Luddenham

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently deceased:

Marija Marusic, Roberto Ramilo

Anniversaries:

David Clarke



Always remembered:

Michael Buttigieg, Grace Buttigieg,
Joseph Muscat, Jim Muscat,
Phillippa Muscat, Charles Muscat,
Josephine Muscat, Jim Vella,
Margaret Elias, Liam Canterella

Sick:

Michelle Muscat, Michael Pace,
Gaetano Mandarano, Mary Attard,
Charlie Vella, Marcia Marmulla,
Elia Muscat, Margaret Condon,
Paul Attard, Josephine Bartolo,
Therese Felli, Emmanuel Bauso,
Charlie Cutajar, Lee Casaselli,
Rose Lopreiato, Monica Muscat,
David Allison Huerta, Guillermo
Delcastillo, Trudi Darley-Jones

Jesus Christ, we glorify you and we exalt your holy name.

You are our redeemer. You are the ransom paid for our freedom.

Thank you.

*As we honour you on Palm Sunday,
the day you set out to save us, we ask for humility;
the kind of humility you displayed*

when you rode on a donkey on your way to Jerusalem.

Crush the pride in our hearts.

*Let our hearts be filled with gratitude for all you have
done for us, and for who you are, Lord.*

Amen.



	THIS WEEKEND			NEXT WEEKEND /EASTER		
	<i>Vigil</i>	<i>7.30 am</i>	<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>Vigil/7.00pm</i>	<i>8.30 am /Warr</i>	<i>10.00 am/Ludd</i>
Minister of the Altar	Michael Tolentino	Grace Buda	Colleen Nicholas	Br Joe Vassallo	David Egan Fiona Clarke	Paul Rohan Grace Buda
Altar Servers	Anyone to Serve	Elisa Camilleri	—	Anyone to Serve	—	Elisa Camilleri
Ministers of the Word	Liz Murko Br Vassallo	Moira Bryan Mary Powell	Stephanie Marsh Rosemaree Marsh	—	Carmel Fenton Theresa Lia	Benedetta Massignani Mel Elmer
Extraordinary Minister of Communion	Grace Cutajar	Debbie Brown	Angela Franich	Rose Gauci	—	Moira Bryan
Data Projector	Janet Borg	Lilly Attard	Theresa Lia	Janet Borg	Colleen Nicholas	Janet Borg
Housekeepers	Esther Buttigieg, Rose Muscat & Moira Bryan					

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

Project Compassion Boxes should be returned by Holy Thursday to be offered in our Offertory Procession as a gesture of the Almsgiving we have carried out during Lent. There will be a basket in the foyer of the Church for your Project Compassion boxes when you return them.



Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water. In recent years, COVID-19 has also devastated vulnerable communities already living in poverty, with the health and economic impacts to reverberate for years to come.

It's through the generous support of people like you that we are able to continue to help lift vulnerable communities out of poverty – support that is needed now more than ever.

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow.

Please return your Project Compassion boxes to your parish by Holy Thursday.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Please note: Daylight saving ends at 3am, Eastern Daylight Saving Time on Sunday 2 April 2023.

Clocks will be put back one hour.

Our vigil Mass on Easter Saturday 8 April will begin at 7.00pm but from the following week, Saturday 15 April the vigil Mass will start 5.30pm.

OLMC PARRAMATTA MUSICAL – THE LITTLE MERMAID

You are warmly invited to join us for our College Musical, The Little Mermaid to be held over three nights in May.

Come along before the show and enjoy dinner from a variety of food trucks available from 5.30pm!

Performance Dates:

Thursday 18 May, Friday 19 May & Saturday 20 May

Time:

7.00pm (food stalls from 5.30pm)

Venue:

Edith Angel Hall (enter via Gate 7 Ross Street)

Parking:

Free parking at Parramatta Leagues Club

Tickets - \$25 each. To purchase, visit olmc.nsw.edu.au

REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL

Palm Sunday is a strange festival anyway. It's a celebration of Jesus as King, but even as we celebrate, we are conscious that the next part of the story gives us some extra perspective. The crowds cheered and lauded Jesus as he entered Jerusalem; the same crowds seemed to turn on him when he was not the military conqueror they expected.

There is a bigger story going on at Palm Sunday than most people at the time could see. We have the benefit of the bible telling us the rest - we can see the journey of Jesus to the cross. But the clues were all there at the time: the King arriving into Jerusalem was on a donkey, not a war horse. As the crowd waved their palm branches and shouted "Hosanna", many were expecting a leader who would fight their battles and liberate them from the Roman Empire. What they got was a different kind of king - infinitely more powerful, yet vastly more humble. The week took a very different turn: in just a matter of days, Jesus would be executed as a criminal, silent before his abusers, humiliated and tortured.

Palm Sunday confronts us with God being disruptively different. God the revolutionary. We see God who takes on the pain, who walks the journey of Holy Week, deeper and deeper into a darkness we cannot enter. God in Jesus lets his friends deny and betray him. God, in Jesus, suffers rejection and abuse, and the ultimate desolation of a lonely yet innocent death. All the worst of human experience is heaped on Jesus.

So, this Palm Sunday let us ask ourselves: what are we praying for? What are we expecting of God? The thing is, God is so infinitely loving and generous that he comes to meet us wherever we are at, because he knows and understands our sufferings. On that first Palm Sunday, Jesus criticised those who would seek to silence the cries of the crowd. Bring all you are – your hopes, fears, sadness, uncertainty – to Jesus. He never turns anyone away.

And because of the life and death of Jesus, we can trust in the forgiveness of God and his victory over death. But here is the challenge of Palm Sunday: in trusting in Jesus, the Servant King, we are set on a path of following his life and pattern, right to the cross, so we too might experience the glorious resurrection.

Resurrection requires that we carry a cross. And that means turning away from what is wrong and putting our selves, our self-obsession and our selfishness on the cross. Putting self on the cross leads straight to resurrection.

Adapted - Archbishop Justin Welby

Gospel

Matthew 21:1-11

When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me.

If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, "The Lord has need of them," and he will send them immediately'.

This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

'Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass'.

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon.

Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted,

'Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

And when he entered Jerusalem all the city was stirred, saying, 'Who is this?'

And the crowds said, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee'.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue.

So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech.

Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple.

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;

I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults.

So, too, I set my face like flint;

I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 21:8-9,17-20,23-24

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their heads.

'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' **R.**

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me.

They tear holes in my hands and my feet.

I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

They divide my clothing among them.

They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise;

all sons of Jacob, give him glory.

Revere him, Israel's sons.' **R.**

Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine,

yet Christ Jesus did not cling

to his equality with God

but emptied himself

to assume the condition of a slave,

and became as men are,

and being as all men are,

he was humbler yet,

even to accepting death,

death on a cross.

But God raised him high

and gave him the name

which is above all other names

so that all beings

in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,

should bend the knee at the name of Jesus

and that every tongue should acclaim

Jesus Christ as Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Philippians 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death,

dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high

and gave him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!