

SACRED HEART PARISH

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD **YEAR B** 31 March 2024



Holy Family Church - Luddenham

PARISH TEAM

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HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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St Francis Xavier Church - Greendale

HOLY MASS TIMES AND SACRAMENTS

Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil) at Luddenham

Youth Mass - 1st Saturday of the month.

Children's Liturgy - 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month

Sunday: 7.30 am at Luddenham

9.30 am at Warragamba

11.00 am at Luddenham (3rd Sunday of the month) Italian Mass: 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 KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS **Recently Deceased:**

Patrick Darley-Jones, Rita Muscat, Alfred Attard

Anniversaries:

Davey Clarke - 2nd ann, Charlie Borg - 4th ann.

Richard Curtis, Lynne Clarke, Fr Bob Bossini

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

Wishing all our parishioners a very happy, blessed and safe Easter.

Holy Family Youth MassOur Vigil Mass every 1st Saturday of the month is dedicated as a Youth Mass and is followed with a light supper. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the parish office.

Children's liturgy

We have Children's Liturgy at our Vigil Mass on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at Holy Family Church.

Please contact the parish office if you would like to help with Children's Liturgy at either the Vigil Mass at Luddenham or the 9.30am Mass at Warragamba.

SYNOD 2023 UPDATE: DECREE ISSUED AND DEVELOPMENT OF DIOCESAN PLAN BEGINS

In January, the Synodal Decree from our inaugural Diocesan Synod was issued, enabling us to move forward in the development of a Diocesan Plan. Join us in the next phase of our journey, as we discern a new path forward for our local Church in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains. The Diocesan Plan for a Synodal Church will launch at the Diocesan Gathering on Saturday 10 August.

Learn more at parracatholic.org/synod

Easter | Autumn 2024 **Catholic Outlook Magazine out now!**

The Easter | Autumn 2024 edition of the Catholic Outlook Magazine is out now! This edition invites us to practise silence, deepen our interior lives and pray for a Gospel change of heart, how our communities celebrate Easter, seminarians preparing to 'go out into the deep', a handy Holy Week Mass Times guide, plus so much more. Pick up your free copy from parishes and offices across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains today or read it online via

catholicoutlook.org/magazine

	30/31 MARCH EASTER SUNDAY			6/7 APRIL		
	Vigil	8.30 am	10.00am	Vigil	7.30 am	9.30am
Minister of the Altar	Fiona Clarke Paul Rohan		Grace Buda	Trish Kelly	Grace Buda	Colleen Nicholas
Ministers of the Word	Sandy, Karen, Marta & Alicja	Rosemaree Theresa	Angela Georgia	Youth	Marta Jennings Christian Pervan	Stephanie Rosemaree
Data Projector	Janet Borg	Colleen Nicholas	Janet Borg	Youth	Lily Attard	
Housekeepers	1-5 April: Esther, Rose & Moira			8-12 April: Karen Buda & John Cutajar		
Flowers	1-5 April: Sylvia			8-12 April: Donna		

Bishop's Easter Message 2024

Dear sisters and brothers.

Once again, we are entering the most sacred, grace-filled and transformative time in the Church's liturgy. The long and sombre Holy Week ceremonies that culminates in the celebration of Easter is a powerful re-enactment of the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus. Everything we believe and hold dear is grounded in this paschal mystery.

Easter gives us the meaning, strength and power to transform the world in which we live. Easter provides us with the horizons of hope within which we strive for the full realisation of the reign of God.

At the heart of the Easter message is the summons to a new future against the background of entrenched hopelessness. As with Mary and the disciples, who were emboldened to move from the shadows of crucifixion into the light of the resurrection, the Church today must be a pioneer leading humanity to new dawn of greater justice, equality and fraternity.

We cannot be an inward-looking institution but a missionary and prophetic community of disciples. The God who raised Jesus from the dead leads us beyond our limited horizons to a new future of life to the full. This life to the full is not static or a closed system but ever expanding and evolving.

In fact, the essence of Christian hope is contained in the abundant life that Jesus brought about through his death and resurrection. The whole point of the Risen Christ is our human capacity to become a new type of person who can do new things for a new heaven and a new earth. Hence, we must release ourselves from religious individualism and confront the general religious experience, which is cosmic and evolutionary, and involve ourselves in the divine mandate of the flourishing of the whole of life. Without bringing these understandings into a new religious story that animates our lives and focuses our energies in a new direction, we will have diminished our mission.

Easter is not merely about our own salvation and the afterlife bliss. Easter is God conquering the forces of evil and darkness. Easter is God reconciling the estranged creation. We are called to partner with God in bringing the victory of the cosmic Christ to fulfilment. Easter therefore obliges us to work for both personal and cosmic transformation.

"Cosmic transformation" means working for the community of life of which we are a part. It means working for the whole of creation that God created, sustains and destines for flourishing. It means that we become a place where the poor and the forgotten can be brought into a new unity; a Church that advocates life at all costs and promotes peaceful life in a war-torn and violent world; a Church that models justice in an age of greed, consumerism and power; a Church centered on the risen Christ, empowering a consciousness of the whole.

In the words of Pope Francis, let's pray in Easter 2024 that the risen Jesus of Nazareth: "May open us to the newness that transforms, to the beautiful surprises of God. May he help us to feel his presence as the one who is alive and at work in our midst. And may he teach us each day, dear brothers and sisters, not to look among the dead for the Living One." Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv Bishop of Parramatta

"The great gift of Easter is hope - Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake." Basil Hume.

Mount Schoenstatt Shrine Time Holy Hour for Youth and Young Adults

The Mount Schoenstatt community invite young and young adults for Holy Hour every fourth Sunday of the month from 7pm to 8pm at the Mt Schoenstatt Shrine, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa, followed by a social gathering afterwards. There will be opportunities for praise and worship, prayer, reflection, confession and benediction. For more information, please contact Sr M Rita on 0493 026 628 or srrita@schoenstatt.org.au

Fred Attard's funeral will be at 11am on Monday 8th April at Holy Family church, Luddenham.

The Rosary will be prayed at 5pm on Friday 5th April at Holy Family Church, Luddenham.



Daylight Saving ends on Sunday 7th April. Our Vigil Mass will be at 5.30pm, commencing Saturday 13th April. Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: You must have heard about life with Christ, you must look for the the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing have died, and now the life you have is good and curing all who had fallen into the hidden with Christ in God. But when power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a The word of the Lord. tree, yet three days afterwards God raised Thanks be to God. him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain Gospel Acclamation witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say: "His love has no end." R.

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. R.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. R.

Since you have been brought back to true things that are in heaven, where Christ is. sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you Christ is revealed - and he is your life you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head: this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.