

WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH TATURA

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We acknowledge the Yorta Yorta nation, the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, as they have occupied and cared for this country for many generations. We also celebrate their continuing contributions to the life of the region.



**Sacred
Heart
Parish**
TATURA

Readings -
Year B
Mark
Weekday Year 2

*Parish Pastoral Council
In recess until March 2018*

As Christ's disciples our mission is:

- * to be inspired by Christ
- * to actively live out Christ's message and the Gospel values by respecting, celebrating and honouring our Catholic traditions
- * to provide welcome and sanctuary for all
- * to foster a sense of social justice and to protect, nurture and support our Catholic community and the wider community by respecting life, self, others and the environment.

Palm Sunday - 25th March 2018

Easter Timetable 2018 Sacred Heart Tatura

Parish Reconciliation 27th March Tuesday 7.30pm

29th March – Holy Thursday
6pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

30th March – Good Friday
10am Stations of the Cross

30th March – Good Friday
3pm The Passion of Our Lord

31st March – Easter Saturday
6pm Easter Vigil

1st April – Easter Sunday
9.30am The Resurrection of the Lord

Chrism Mass for 2018

The Chrism Mass will be at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Bendigo on Tuesday, 28th March, at 11.00am.
Parking around the Cathedral can be limited so please allow time to find a suitable park in the nearby streets. If you have a disabled person or one of limited mobility, you are welcome to drive in the cathedral driveway on the McKenzie Street side to leave your passenger near the North Transept door where there is a wheelchair-friendly entrance (no steps). You will then need to find a suitable car park outside the cathedral grounds.
All parishioners of the diocese are warmly invited to this very significant Mass.

HOLY THURSDAY 2018

Commentator: Carol Coulston
Minister of the Word: Simon Cowan
Gospel Procession: Denise Woodman
Offertory Procession: Trish & Bryan Miller
Altar Server: Carsley Kelly
Screen Operator: Judith Steele
Special Ministers: D Worm, S Finlayson, E Worm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 10AM

GOOD FRIDAY THE PASSION 3PM

Commentator: Denise Woodman
Minister of the Word: Carol Coulston
Passion Readers:
J Fr Michael O Debbie Worm N Simon Cowan
C congregation
Altar Server: Carsley Kelly
Screen Operator: Marli Kelly
Special Ministers: L Cowan, E Worm, M Gale
Reflection reader: Marli Kelly
Carry the Cross: Lou Worm, Luke & Petra McNamara

EASTER SATURDAY VIGIL 6PM

Commentator: Debbie Worm
Ministers of the Word: Debbie Turvey, Judith Steele, Denise Bourke, Kaye Gaffy
Gospel Procession: TBC
Offertory Procession: Sheila Gregg
Altar Server: TBC
Screen Operator: TBC
Special Ministers: C Serra, A Ciavarella, J Webster

EASTER SUNDAY

Commentator: Carol Coulston
Minister of the Word: Sacha Finlayson
Gospel Procession: Denise Woodman
Offertory Procession: McNamara Family
Screen Operator: Anne Hutchison
Special Ministers: T Miller, E Worm, G Ranson

We pray for



Our recently deceased and those who are grieving	
For those whose anniversary occurs	Colleen and Gabrielle Feehan, Kevin Webster, Kath Webster, Michelina, Michele and Carolina Serafina Pietropaolo
Our sick and their carers	Eileen Ryan, Anne Heathman, John Harford, Margot Kerrins, Lisa Wagner, Sue MacDonald

(Our practice is to leave the names on the sick list for a month. To extend the time, please contact the parish office.)

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:		
DAY	DATE	
Monday	26 Mar	No Mass
Tuesday	27 Mar	No Mass
Wednesday	28 Mar	9.15am Mass
Thursday	29 Mar	Refer Easter Timetable
Friday	30 Mar	
Saturday	31 Mar	
Sunday	1 Apr	
Saturday Reconciliation		No Reconciliation
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before weekday Mass	

MARCH / APRIL DIARY DATES		
Mon	26 Mar	
Tues	27 Mar	11am Chrim Mass Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish Reconciliation 7.30pm
Wed	28 Mar	7pm School Board meeting Staff Room
Thurs	29 Mar	School Term ends Holy Thursday 6pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Fri	30 Mar	10am Good Friday Stations of the Cross 3pm Good Friday The Passion of Our Lord
Sat	31 Mar	6pm Holy Saturday Easter Vigil
Sun	1 Apr	9.30am Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Mon	2 Apr	
Tues	3 Apr	
Wed	4 Apr	CWL 2pm Parish Hall
Thurs	5 Apr	
Fri	6 Apr	
Sat	7 Apr	
Sun	8 Apr	

PASTORAL CARE

- Pauline Hindson 5824 1841; Marli Kelly 0457 772 869
- Anne Hutchison 5824 3460 Debbie Worm 5824 1841

PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified.

Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect.

Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday.

The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed in war.

A week later, Christ would rise from the dead on the first Easter.

March 25, 2018 - Palm Sunday

"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'" – MARK 15:12-13

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Pray for the strength and courage to stand up for those in need of our help.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

When: Sunday 8th April

Where: St Brendan's Church
121 Knight Street, Shepparton

Time: 1pm

Enquiries: Parish Office 5821 2633 or
Tom Melis 0431 706296

NOTICE BOARD

These notices are not on the bulletin so please check the notice boards.

Ablaze Youth Day March 28, April 19, Sept 5

SLAVERY FREE CHOCOLATE

Pope Francis said that every person ought to have the awareness that 'purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic – act'.

When purchasing your easter eggs this year please look for the labels below.

Chocolate with these labels mean that the chocolate has not been produced through forced labour – mostly children who work in dangerous conditions at a young age for little or no money.

The International Labor Rights Forum estimates that there are up to 1.5 million children working in the cocoa sector in West Africa.

Get the message out there – tell your friends – slavery-free chocolate is the go!



MORNING OFFERING

God, our Father, I offer you my day. I offer you my prayers, thoughts, words, actions, joys, and sufferings in union with Jesus.

Help me to discern the movement of the Spirit in my heart, that I may respond generously to your call.

May the Holy Spirit, who guided Jesus, be my guide and my strength today so that I may witness to your love.

Amen

CHILD SAFETY UPDATE

Anne McIntosh, the Child Safety Officer for Sandhurst Diocese visited the Parish this week to provide an update on recent changes to the legislation and how this will impact our activities.

The key outcomes from the meeting included:

- Anybody who will have an interaction with a child while undertaking Mass or Parish duties must hold a current Working with Children Check (WWCC). It is the Parish's responsibility to ensure this is adhered to. A register and copies of the cards are to be kept by the Parish. Failure to comply could result in fines to the Parish of approximately \$190,000 and the individual of approximately \$38,000.
- A clear line of sight is required for the Altar Servers whilst they are in the Sacristy (Altar Servers dressing room) or a parent or a person with a WWCC needs to be present. A review of the current procedures will need to be undertaken and adjusted to ensure compliance.
- In August Anne McIntosh will be conducting an audit of all Parishes. As a result of these audits two Parishes will be selected for an audit by an external organisation.

If you have any concerns please speak to Fr Michael or the Parish Office staff.

MINISTRY TRAINING

Thank you to all the parishioners that came to the training last Wednesday night. Fr Michael guided parishioners through what was expected for those in ministry roles in the church. It was good to do a refresher. Anyone who was unable to attend can get a copy of the guidelines from the Parish Office.



SACRED HEART PLAYGROUP SESSIONS

We wish to invite parents of children under school age to attend a place to chat and play for one hour each week in the Mercy Centre. Come and sing nursery rhymes, read books and play together. Playgroup is a fun way to meet new parents and allow your child to develop social skills, build confidence, encourage physical activity and develop their imagination and creativity.

Term 1 remaining session 9.10am Thursday 29th March



**Readings for
this week:**

Entrance: Mark 11:1-10
Isaiah 50:4-7
Philippians 2:6-11
Passion of Mark 14:1-5:47



**Readings for
next week**

Acts 10:34,37-43
Colossian 3:1-4
John 20:1-9



Liturgical Jottings

Holy week

Holy week embraces the last days of Lent (until Thursday) and the Easter Triduum. The Sacrament of Penance is an excellent way to conclude the penitential season of Lent. It is best celebrated before Holy Thursday evening so that, with heart and mind renewed, all may focus on the celebration of the Paschal mystery.

On the Lighter Side

For Palm Sunday a parish liturgy team considered printing cards with scripture verses of the resurrection and attaching them to the palm fronds. But a member realised the reading palms was against scripture. (Deut. 18:10) and Christian practice.



Looking at the Readings

By the time the gospel accounts came to be written, it was more than 35 years after the death of Jesus. The Gospel of Mark is now very widely held to have been the first of the four gospels, written in about the year 70 CE. One of the reasons for the writing of the gospels was the fact that those who had walked and talked with Jesus were becoming old and dying. There was a sense of capturing the story before the last eye witnesses were gone. This is very evident in the Passion narrative from the gospel of Mark. One can almost hear an elderly voice dictating the events: 'then this happened ...; then he said ...; then we all thought ...' Like so much of this particular gospel, there is very little embellishment. It's like an old time detective show, 'Just give us the facts!' The gospel of Mark presents the story of the Passion as a sequence of events with little commentary or theological reflection. (That is partly why it lends itself so well to being read by several voices.)

One of the best examples that the gospel is a straightforward recollection of events is the inclusion of the scene in Gethsemane when the young man ran away naked. No storyteller would create such a bizarre, unexplained event. There is no explanation of who the young man is, why he was wearing only a loincloth, nor why the armed men tried to seize hold of him. It is reported in exactly the same style as the rest of the story – very matter-of-fact. The presence of the young man – both in Gethsemane and in the gospel – has puzzled scholars for many years, yet if nothing else, it provides evidence of the way in which this Passion narrative was transmitted from lived experience, to memory, to oral account, to written gospel. GS

Fifty ways to live the Joy of the Gospel (41-45)

These 50 ways is serialised over several weeks

41. If you are in the process of making an important financial decision, read *Evangelii Gaudium* as part of your discernment and decision-making processes.
42. Do something to stimulate your creativity for God's kingdom. Chat with motivating people. Read the story of a saint. Play uplifting Christian music.
43. Choose one of your dreams about changing the world for the better and break it into achievable, bite-size chunks. Take your first bite this week!
44. Don't be overwhelmed by the darkness. In your work for justice and the common good, celebrate each success no matter how small.
45. Be attentive to injustices as they occur in the home, in the workplace, and 'speak up' appropriately, lovingly, firmly.