



The Partnered Parishes of
Our Lady of Lourdes & **St Peter's**
Armadaile **Toorak**

PARISH NEWSLETTER

24th March 2024: PALM SUNDAY - Year B

PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest

Father Brendan Hayes

Parish Secretary

Madeline Dimasi

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Carmel Negline

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Frank Glynn

St Peter's Organist & Director of Music:

Conrad Helfrich

Organist: Danuta Southern

Our Lady of Lourdes Organist:

Phillip Byrnes

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Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School

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St Peter's Early Learning Centre

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www.stpeterselc.vic.edu.au/

A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

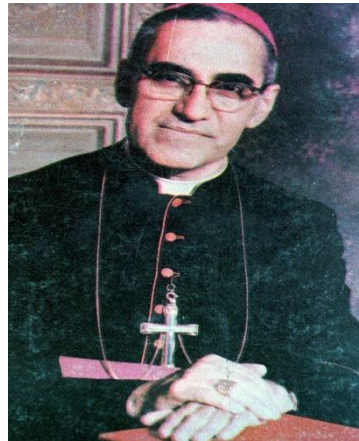
"The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue..... I did not cover my face against insult and spittle"

Reading from the Mass

Isaiah 50:4,6

For the church, the many abuses of human life, liberty and dignity are a heartfelt suffering. The church, entrusted with the earth's glory, believes that in each person is the Creator's image and that everyone who tramples it offends God. As the holy defender of God's rights and of God's images, the church must cry out. It takes as spittle in its face, as lashes on its back, as the cross in its passion, all that human beings suffer, even though they be unbelievers. They suffer as God's images. There is no dichotomy between humans and God's image. Whoever tortures a human being, whoever abuses a human being, whoever outrages a human being abuses God's image, and the church takes as its own that cross, that martyrdom.

Oscar Arnulfo Romero



St Oscar Romero, archbishop of San Salvador, martyred 24th March 1980 for his defence of the poor and denunciation of human rights abuses.

Lent Resource Book 2, p.179.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Peters

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday 9.30am

Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday 11.15am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK ONLY

Our Lady of Lourdes

Tuesday 9.30am

St Peter's

Wednesday: 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

SEE HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

BAPTISMS – MARRIAGES – FUNERALS

Please ring the Parish Secretaries to make arrangements

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Jane Mooney Bongiorno (in USA), Patricia Webb, Margaret Daniels, Marianne Parisi, Sam Osborne, Noela and John Gibb, Gary Woodruff, Dymphna Brady, Brendan O'Donnell, Mohan Paul, Ranjan Gregory, Anna Rallistan

If you would like to add names to the list, please ring Delisa at the parish office.

P.N. The privacy legislation requires us to have permission from an authorized person before any sick person's name can be included in this section.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Antonio Zanca, Norma, Lady Trescowthick, Carmel Nelson, Leonie Larmer, Peter Vaughan, Anne Smith (parishioner of Toorak Uniting Church)

ANNIVERSARIES

Margaret O'Sullivan, Joan Kiely, Ambrose Galvin

ROSTERS

ST PETER'S 30th & 31st March 2024 Easter Sunday

Lectors: 7.00pm – Clare Pettigrew
Joe Bounader
Nevia Krizman
Eva Fernando
9.30am – Anthony Muir

Special Ministers:
7.00pm Carol Kelly
Nevia Krizman
Clare Pettigrew
9.30am Francine Walsh
Irene Archer
James Lally

LOL 24th March 2024

Lectors: 11.15am Brenda Barry, Peter Moon,
Lenny Kornadi

Special Minister: Manique Corteling

READINGS – 30th & 31st March: Easter Sunday

First reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43
Psalm: Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24
Second Reading: 3:1-4
Gospel: Jn 20:1-9

COLLECTION SUMMARY

Thanksgiving	St Peter's	LOL
2 nd Collection	Env \$675	\$ 90
17 th March	Cash \$450	\$167

Presbytery (for Clergy)

1 st Collection		
17 th March	\$1,266	\$282

Mass Count	143	64
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SACRAMENTAL AND OTHER RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

At St Peter's – Good Friday 10am.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER TIMETABLE

The Holy Week Timetable is now available. Please take a copy from the tables at the back of both churches.

N.B. 9.30am PALM SUNDAY: Mass: Blessing of Palms in the courtyard beside the church then the Procession into the church.

MUSIC HIGHLIGHTS FOR HOLY WEEK

Please take a copy of the Music Sheet which details all of the Holy Week Masses at St Peter's, available from the table at the back of the church.



This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment.

With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities.

Ronita from the Philippines has now graduated high school and secured a job at a call centre.

Leaia and her family now have a water tank at their home in Samoa.

Memory completed her vocational training course in carpentry and joinery.

There is still time to donate! Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, *for all future generations.*

Donation boxes and envelopes available from the tables at the back of each church, or by calling 1800 024 413 or caritas.org.au/project-compassion

KINROSS ARTS CENTRE (PART OF TOORAK UNITING CHURCH)

You are invited to a concert of sacred vocal music by Bach, Handel, Mozart, Rossini and many others, in support of Uniting AgeWell's Music for David program.

2.00pm Sunday 21st April 2024

Toorak Uniting Church

603 Toorak Road, Toorak

Admission \$35/ \$30 concession

Includes refreshments

Book online: <https://www.trybooking.com/CPMGA>

Enquiries: 0429 907 908 or 0437 569 718

Tickets also available at the door.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH

EXERCISE CLASSES

A chair-based exercise class is held **Every Thursday** at 10.30am in St Peter's Parish Centre. \$5 per person, payable on the day.

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

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- Executive Support Coordinator-Proclaim, East Melbourne
- Aboriginal Catholic Ministry of Victoria (ACMV) Coordinator, Thornbury
- Animation Consultant-Proclaim, East Melbourne

Catholic Development Fund

- Marketing Coordinator, Catholic Development Fund

Parish Positions

- Ministry Coordinator, St Scholastica's Parish, Bennettswood
- The Parish School Liaison, St. Clement of Rome, Bulleen
- Parish Business Manager, St Gregory's the Great (Doncaster) and St Kevin's (Templestowe)
- Parish Secretary, St John Vianney's Parish, Springvale North

HEART OF LIFE

Centre for Spiritual and Pastoral Formation

For all forthcoming events please see:

[Reflection Events | Heart of Life](#)

HYMNS THIS WEEK AT OLOL

No. 303: All Glory Laud and Honour

No. 377: Rejoice the Lord is King

MAUNDY THURSDAY ADORATION

SIGN-UP SHEET

Thursday 28th March – We will have a sign-up sheet for Adoration at the Altar of Repose, after the 7.00pm Mass. For those who would like to attend, please feel free to write your name down. Sign-up sheets will be provided at the back of each church.

WHAT'S ON IN THE COMMUNITY AND IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES FOR 2024.

Preparation for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation will commence on **Tuesday 16th April 2024 at 4:30pm** at St Peter's Parish Centre.

Enrolments close Thursday 28th March 2024 at 5:00pm.

The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist are open for all children in Year 3 and above.

Please Note: Sacramental Preparation Classes are open to any child, in Year 3 and above, who attend any Government or Private school and live within our Partnered Parishes.

Children who haven't participated in the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to First Eucharist, will be unable to participate in the First Eucharist program.

Please contact **Delisa** on (03) 9068 8602 or delisa.gonsalves@cam.org.au

Save with CDF Community fund – it's in everyone's best interest.

By opening a personal account with CDF Community Fund, not only will you receive a competitive financial return, but your savings will also help build parishes, classrooms, hospital wings, aged care homes and social service facilities.

With competitive interest rates available across a range of accounts, including **5.55% p.a.* on a 12-month Term Investment**, it's a way to save while doing good. To find out more, visit www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer, or contact the CDF Team on csg@melbcd.org.au or phone 1800 134 135.

*Interest rates subject to change. View current rates on the [CDF website](#).



FIRST READING Isaiah 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

Response

*My God, my God, why have you
abandoned me?*

SECOND READING Philippians 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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!

GOSPEL Mark 15:1-39 (Short Version)

(Mark 14:1-15:47 at 9.30am Mass)

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the
elders and the scribes, in short the whole Sanhedrin, had their

plan ready. They had Jesus bound and took him away and
handed him over to Pilate.

Pilate questioned him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' 'It is
you who say it' he answered. And the chief priests brought
many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again,
'Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are
bringing against you!' But to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made
no further reply.

At festival time Pilate used to release a prisoner for them,
anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then
in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during
the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate
the customary favour, Pilate answered them, 'Do you want
me to release for you the king of the Jews?' For he realised it
was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus
over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to
demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. The
Pilate spoke again. 'But in that case,' he said to them 'what
am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?' They
shouted back, 'Crucify him!' 'Why?' Pilate asked them 'What
harm has he done?' But they shouted all the louder, 'Crucify
him!' So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd,
released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be
scourged, handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that
is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They
dressed him in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and
put it on him. And they began saluting him, 'Hail, king of the
Jews!' They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and
they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when
they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple
and dressed him in his own clothes.

They led him out to crucify him. They enlisted a passer-
by, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who
was coming in from the country, to carry his cross. They
brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the
place of the skull.

They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it.
Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting
lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour
when they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge
against him read: 'The King of the Jews.' And they crucified
two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said,
'Aha! So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three
days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross!' The
chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in
the same way. 'He saved others,' they said 'he cannot save
himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from
the cross now, for us to see it and believe.' Even those who
were crucified with him taunted him.

When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole
land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out
in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?' which means,
'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some
of those who stood by heard this they said, 'Listen, he is
calling on Elijah'. Someone ran and soaked a sponge in
vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink saying,
'Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.' But
Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

All kneel and pause a moment.

And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to
bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had
seen how he had died, and he said, 'In truth this man was a
son of God.'