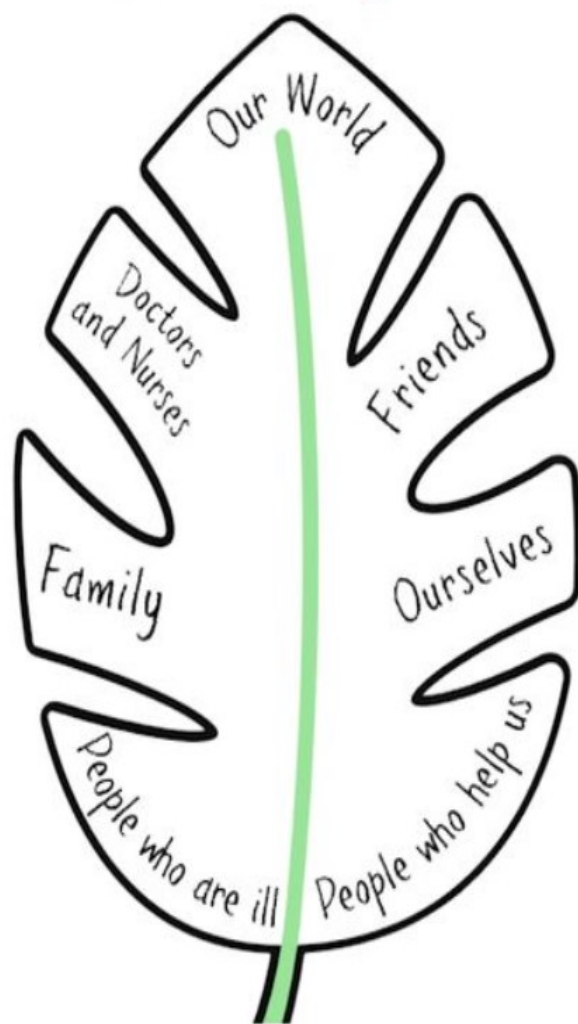


Palm Sunday Palm Leaf Prayers



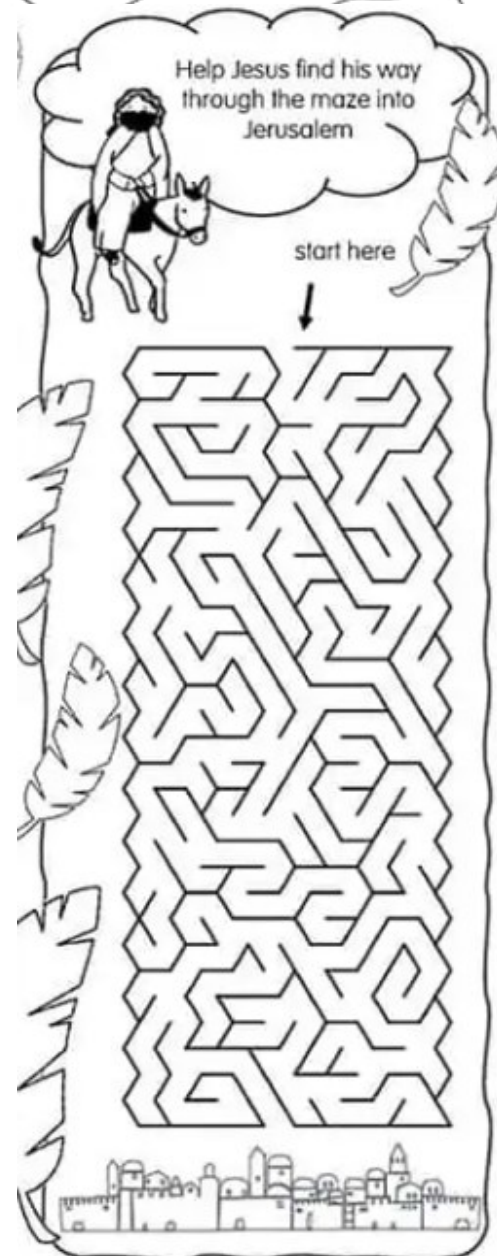
Colour your Palm Leaf. You could pray for each section as you colour.

Cut out your leaf & stick it onto a door

Every day as you pass your leaf pray for one section

Thank You God that you always listen to our prayers. Sometimes we don't always know what is ahead of us, but like Jesus journeying through Jerusalem, may we always know you are with us. Amen

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COVID- 19 UPDATE

- **MASKS:** are no longer mandatory but still *encouraged*
- **CHECK- IN & RECORD KEEPING :** no longer required
- **SINGING:** Both choir and congregation are able to sing

As previously communicated, density limits are no longer applicable for our Churches and other buildings within the Parish since December 2021.

HOWEVER OUR SAFETY PLAN STILL RECOMMENDS SOCIAL DISTANCING WHERE POSSIBLE.

PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING ANY FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS.

Please Help Us Keep Our Community Safe.

More information about Isolation & Exposure

https://www.health.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/2022/01/covid-19-test-isolate-national-protocols_1.pdf
<https://www.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2022-02/Factsheet-Information for people exposed to COVID-19-18 February 2022.pdf>

SECOND COLLECTION or Planned Giving Program

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong.

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Account Name: Seven Hills Catholic Church.

BSB: 067 950

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Let us Pray for the Sick

Leonila Ahillon, George Alagiah, David Benjamin, Rosella Booth, Ruby Chary, Barrie Chamberlain, Elizabeth Ehsman, Anush Fernando, Melvyn Fernandes, Joseph Franco, Jose Garcia, Maureen Greenfield, Anthony Janicska, Spencer Leon, Cynthia Lopez, Carmenu M, Gerard Marcello, Marie Marchand, Wiranjan Peiris, Salome Pillay, Debra Price, Camy Ratnam, Sandra Roseworn, Susantha Seranayake, Bernie Sivapatham, Joan Spillane, Pummalin Sumcad, Sue Tipaldo, Natalie Woodward, Jane Zammit.

If you would like to add to our Sick List or know of any Parishioner that is unwell please contact Father Henry or the Parish Office on 9622 2920. We can also arrange for Holy Communion or a visit if required.

Let us Pray for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Carolynne Glover, Karen Reyes, Nancy 'Audrey' Chelliah, Tom Morrissey Snr, Lorraine Clariage, Jacques Ferre, Jason Muscat, Danilo Carayag Salangvit, Mercy Christobel Chary, Ananda Nanyana, Fjner Lauridsen, Charlie Chircop, Randy Farparan, Emily Galea, Dolly Huertas, Garie Monteclaro, Hyacinth Perera.

Anniversaries: Saviour Caruana, Catherine Chandra, Aloysean Corera, James Daly, Samuel Doraisamy, Fernandes Family, Mr & Mrs Francis, Joseph and Caremena Formosa, Leonie Jordan, Ivica Komar, James McNally, Ruth Marsden, Doris Mifsud, Fr Joseph Tran Minh, Albert Moroney, Estelita Rival, Klaus Schader, John Putre.

Remembrance: France Angseesing, Roy, Mary & Des Barney, Toufic, Debe and Bede Diab, Marcel & Mohsen Diab, Pauline Meilak, Mary Mifsud, Anton & Lourda Motha, Stephen & Louis Mula, Mary Muscat, Muscat Family, Edward & John O'Sullivan, John & Roseline Ratnam, Myra Raymond.



Our Lady of Lourdes

Ever Immaculate Virgin, Mother of mercy, health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comfort of the afflicted, you know my needs, my troubles, my sufferings; cast on me a look of pity.

By appearing in the grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, from which you dispense your favours, and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and physical.

I come, therefore, with the most unbounded confidence to implore your maternal intercession.

Obtain most loving mother, my requests, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given to 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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(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

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the 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.

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

A reading from the first holy gospel according to

Luke 22:14 -23:56



PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen



Prayer of His Holiness Pope Francis at the Conclusion of the Meeting with Migrants

Lord God, Creator of the universe,
source of all freedom and peace,
love and fraternity,
you created us in your own image,
breathed in us the breath of life
and made us sharers in your own life of communion.
Even when we broke your covenant
you did not abandon us to the power of death,
but continued, in your infinite mercy,
to call us back to you,
to live as your sons and daughters.
Pour out upon us your Holy Spirit
and grant us a new heart,
sensitive to the pleas, often silent,
of our brothers and sisters who have lost
the warmth of their homes and homeland.
Grant that we may give them hope
by our welcome and our show of humanity.
Make us instruments of peace
and practical, fraternal love.
Free us from fear and prejudice;
enable us to share in their sufferings
and to combat injustice together,
for the growth of a world in which each person
is respected in his or her inviolable dignity,
the dignity that you, O Father, have granted us
and your Son has consecrated forever.
Amen.

POPE FRANCIS: UN POWERLESS IN UKRAINE WAR, WHERE LOGIC OF THE POWERFUL PREVAILS

By Vatican News staff reporter

At the Wednesday General Audience, Pope Francis decried the war in Ukraine, and the powerlessness of the United Nations, noting how the “old story” of competition between greater powers continues today despite efforts to establish lasting peace.

Working for respect and peace

Pope Francis focused his catechesis on his weekend journey to Malta, and underscored how competition between greater powers has continued to today despite attempts to establish peace after World War II. The war in Ukraine today has made us witnesses of “the impotence of the United Nations,” he observed.

“In the ongoing war in Ukraine, we witness the impotence of the International Organizations of the United Nation.”

He said this in the context of describing how Malta lies in a strategic location between Europe and Africa, and close to Asia, making it a place where peoples from around the world meet. And while Malta, rich in history and civiliation, represents a mindset that should characterize our world with respect, freedom and peaceful coexistence, the dominating mindset of colonization of the most powerful still prevails today.

Welcomed with "unusual kindness"

Recalling the motto of the Malta journey taken from the Acts of the Apostles when the Apostle Paul was welcomed by the inhabitants “with unusual kindness” after his shipwreck there, the Pope said he chose those very words “with unusual kindness” as a way to show the path to follow.

This regards not just migrants, he explained, but kindness that creates a more fraternal, livable world, saving us from the “shipwreck” that we all risk facing, as we are all “in the same boat.” The Pope thanked the authorities and people of Malta for their very warm welcome.

Welcoming and understanding migrants

A second key theme the Pope highlighted regards migration in Malta, where at the John XXIII Reception Centre he met numerous migrants landing there following harrowing journeys across the sea. He stressed that we must always be open to hearing their stories, the only way to get beyond an often distorted vision of this phenomenon presented in the media. Each person has a story, carries wounds, and has roots and culture, all with human dignity, he said, adding, “Each of them is the bearer of a wealth infinitely greater than the problems that welcoming them might entail.” The Pope paid tribute in particular to Franciscan Fr. Dionysius Mintoff who founded the John XXIII Centre, also called “Peace Lab”, and continues his work at the age of 91 in welcoming and assisting migrants, creating a culture of encounter and peace through fraternity, compassion and solidarity.

Continuing legacy of evangelization

In conclusion, Pope Francis noted Malta’s key role in contributing to evangelization, where so many priests, religious and lay faithful have given their Christian witness around the world. The Pope called his visit “an act of gratitude” to God, to the faithful of Malta and the island of Gozo. In addition to recalling his visit as a pilgrim in the footsteps of Saint Paul, he paid tribute to their immense trust in the Blessed Mother, as experienced together during his visit to the National Marian Shrine of Ta’Pinu on Gozo.

POPE FRANCIS’ ADDRESS AT MEETING WITH THE MIGRANTS IN MALTA

By Vatican News

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I greet all of you with great affection, and I am very happy to end my visit to Malta by spending some time here with you. I thank Father Dionisio for his welcome. I am also very grateful to Daniel and to Siriman for their testimonies: you opened your hearts and shared your lives, and at the same time gave a voice to so many of our brothers and sisters who were constrained to leave their homelands in search of a secure refuge.

Let me repeat what I said some months ago in Lesvos: “I am here... to assure you of my closeness... I am here to see your faces and look into your eyes” (*Address in Mytilene*, 5 December 2021). Since the day I visited Lampedusa, I have not forgotten you. You are always in my heart and in my prayers.

This meeting with you, dear migrants, makes us think of the significance of the logo chosen for my Journey to Malta. That logo is taken from the Acts of the Apostles, which relates how the people of Malta welcomed the Apostle Paul and his companions, shipwrecked nearby. We are told that they were treated with “*unusual kindness*” (*Acts* 28:2). Not merely with kindness, but with rare humanity, a special care and concern that Saint Luke wished to immortalize in the Book of Acts. It is my hope that that is how Malta will always treat those who land on its shores, offering them a genuinely “safe harbour”.

Shipwreck is something that thousands of men, women and children have experienced in the Mediterranean in recent years. Sadly, for many of them, it ended in tragedy. Just yesterday we received news of a rescue off the coast of Libya, of only four migrants from a boat that was carrying about ninety people. Let us pray for these our brothers and sisters who died in the Mediterranean Sea. Let us also pray that we may be saved from another kind of shipwreck taking place: the *shipwreck of civilization*, which threatens not only migrants but us all. How can we save ourselves from this shipwreck which risks sinking the ship of our civilization? By conducting ourselves with *kindness and humanity*. By regarding people not merely as statistics, but, as Siriman told us, for what they really are: people, men and women, brothers and sisters, each with his or her own life story. By imagining that those same people we see on crowded boats or adrift in the sea, on our televisions or in the newspapers, could be any one of us, or our sons or daughters... Perhaps at this very moment, while we are here, there are boats heading northwards across the sea... Let us pray for these brothers and sisters of ours who risk their lives at sea in search of hope. You too experienced this ordeal and you arrived here.

Your experiences make us think too of the experiences of all those thousands and thousands of people who in these very days have been forced to flee Ukraine because of the unjust and savage war. But also the experiences of so many others in Asia, Africa and the Americas; I also think of Rohingya.... All of them are in my thoughts and prayers at this time.

Some time ago, I received from your Centre another testimony: the story of a young man who told me about the sad moment when he had to take leave of his mother and his family of origin. His story moved me and made me think. But you, Daniel, and you, Siriman, each had that same experience of *having to leave by being separated from your own roots*, of being uprooted. And that experience of being uprooted leaves its mark. Not just the pain and emotion of that moment, but a deep wound affecting your journey of growth as a young man or woman. It takes time to heal that wound; it takes time and most of all it takes experiences of human kindness: meeting persons who accept you and are able to listen, understand and accompany you. But also the experience of living alongside other traveling companions, sharing things with them and bearing your burdens together... This helps heal the wounds.

I think of these reception centres, and how important it is for them to be *places marked by human kindness*! We know how difficult that can be, since there are always things that create tensions and difficulties. Yet, on every continent, there are individuals and communities who take up the challenge, realizing that migrations are a sign of the times, where civility itself is in play. For us Christians too, in play is our fidelity to the Gospel of Jesus, who said: “I was a stranger and you welcomed me” (*Mt* 25:35). None of this can be accomplished in a day! It takes time, immense patience, and above all a love made up of closeness, tenderness and compassion, like God’s love for us. I think we should say a big word of thanks to all those who took up this challenge here in Malta and established this Centre. Let us do that with a round of applause, all of us together!

Allow me, brothers and sisters, to express a dream of my own: that you, who are migrants, after having received a welcome rich in human kindness and fraternity, will become in turn *witnesses and agents of welcome and fraternity*. Here, and wherever God wants, wherever his providence will lead you. That is the dream I want to share with you and which I place in God’s hands. For what is impossible for us is not impossible for him. I believe it is most important that in today’s world migrants become witnesses of those human values essential for a dignified and fraternal life. They are values that you hold in your hearts, values that are part of your roots. Once the pain of being uprooted has subsided, you can bring forth this interior richness, this precious patrimony of humanity, and share it with the communities that will welcome you and the environments of which you will be a part. This is the way! *The way of fraternity and social friendship*. Here is the future of the human family in a globalized world. I am happy to be able to share this dream with you today, just as you, in your testimonies, have shared your dreams with me!

Here, I think, is also the answer to a question at the heart of your own testimony, Siriman. You reminded us that those forced to leave their country leave with a *dream in their hearts*: the dream of freedom and democracy. This dream collides with a *harsh reality*, often dangerous, sometimes terrible and inhuman. You gave voice to the stifled plea of those millions of migrants whose fundamental rights are violated, sadly at times with the complicity of the competent authorities. That is the way it is, and I want to say it the way it is: Sadly, at times with the complicity of the competent authorities. And you drew our attention to the most important thing: *the dignity of the person*. I would reaffirm this in your own words: you are not statistics but flesh and blood people with faces and dreams, dreams that are sometimes dashed. From there, from the dignity of persons, we can and must start anew. Let us not be deceived by all those who tell us that “nothing can be done”; “these problems are too big for us”; “let others fend for themselves while I go about my own business”. No. Let us never fall into this trap. Let us respond to the challenge of migrants and refugees with *kindness and humanity*. Let us light fires of fraternity around which people can warm themselves, rise again and rediscover hope. Let us strengthen the fabric of social friendship and the culture of encounter, starting from places such as this. They may not be perfect, but they are, truly, “laboratories of peace”.

Since this Centre bears the name of Saint John XXIII, I would like to recall the hope that Pope John expressed at the end of his famous encyclical on peace: “May [the Lord] banish from the souls of men and women whatever might endanger peace. May he transform all of us into witnesses of truth, justice and brotherly love. May he illumine with his light the minds of rulers, so that, in addition to caring for the material welfare of their peoples, they may also guarantee them the fairest gift of peace. Finally, may Christ inflame the desires of all men and women to break through the barriers which divide them, to strengthen the bonds of mutual love, to learn to understand one another, and to pardon those who have done them wrong. Through his power and inspiration may all peoples see one another as brothers and sisters, and may the peace for which they long always flourish and reign among them” (*Pacem in Terris*, 171).

Dear brothers and sisters, soon I will join some of you in lighting a candle before the image of Our Lady. It is a very simple yet meaningful gesture. In the Christian tradition, that little flame is a symbol of our faith in God. It is also a symbol of *hope*, a hope that Mary, our Mother, keeps alive even at most difficult moments. It is the hope that I have seen in your eyes today: the hope that has made your journey meaningful and the hope that keeps you pressing forward. May Our Lady help you never to lose this hope! To her, I entrust each of you and your families. I will carry you with me in my heart and in my prayers. And I ask you, please, not to forget to pray for me. Thank you!



FROM FR. HENRY DUC

Dear Friends,

This week we celebrate Palm Sunday marking the beginning of the Holy Week, a very special time to commemorate our Lord’s journey to the crucifixion and death on the Cross and Resurrection, and hence continue the long tradition in the Church to honor those most memorable moments of his earthly mission bringing salvation and life in eternity to us all.

According to the diary kept by Egeria during her pilgrimage trip to the Holy Land in 383, the celebrations of Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday were solemnly celebrated by Christians then. It started with an elaborate procession on Palm Sunday from the Mount of Olives in the outskirt of Jerusalem, in which the bishop ‘reenacted’ the role of Christ, children waved palm fronds, and participants walked through the whole city. On Holy Thursday, the Eucharist took place in the afternoon, followed by the reenactment of Jesus’ prayer in the Gethsemane garden, the arrest and the appearance before Pilate. The Good Friday liturgies then began with a four-hour- long veneration of the cross before noon, followed by a solemn celebration of the liturgy of the Word in which the Passion story according to John was read at the end. Finally on Holy Saturday, the Easter Vigil commenced in midafternoon with the final preparation for Adult catechumens, and continued well into the night. While the rite of baptism for the catechumens was taking place, the rest of the congregation had kept vigil till the neophytes were led into the church to join in the celebration of the Eucharist. Thanks to the Liturgical reform of the Vatican II Council, we have the chance to listen to all accounts of Jesus’ Passion on Palm Sunday and Good Friday. Note that an account from one of the synoptic evangelists will be in use depending on which year of the three-year A, B, C circle, and the account of John’s Gospel is always the choice for Good Friday’s commemoration of the Lord’s Passion.

For our Palm Sunday Mass this year, we have the opportunity to listen to the Gospel of Luke recounting the last moments of Jesus’ life starting from the Last Supper and ended with his burial. Perhaps due to his background as medical practitioner, Luke seems to be inclined to show us Jesus as a divine healer, who was prepared to carry out his caring and healing mission till the very end of his life. According to Luke, Jesus helped to heal the servant of the priest, whose ear was cut off by one of the disciples, generously forgave Peter for denying him three times, verbally expressed his appreciation to the ladies following him on the way of the Cross, offered pardon to his executioners, and granted redemption to the repentant thief. All in all, the Lord was obviously concerned more about others around him than himself, though he had to face with the worst end. As we celebrate our Palm Sunday Mass today, let us reflect deeply upon the compassionate image of Jesus the evangelist presents to us, and ask him for his support to help us have a kind and compassionate heart like him, and the willingness to show it to all around us, especially those in need in our community and beyond.

Have a prayerful Holy Week
Fr Henry

PARISH NEWS...

LOURDES OVER 50’s MEETING Due to Easter Lourdes Over 50’s meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on Thursday 21st April from 10.30 am to 1.00 pm. Please bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee supplied. Parishioners very welcome.

LENT
During the season of Lent, we will have a number of opportunities to gather for prayer to help prepare for Easter.

Tue 12th April	Parish 2nd Rite of Reconciliation	7:30pm
Th 14th April	HOLY THURSDAY MASS	7:30pm
Th 14th April	Night of Prayer Adoration	11.00pm
Fri 15th April	GOOD FRIDAY	
	Stations of the Cross	10am
	Celebration of the Lord’s Passion	3pm
Sat 16th April	EASTER VIGIL MASS	6pm
Sun 17th April	EASTER SUNDAY MASS	8am, 9:30am

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS IN APRIL

Tuesday 12th	8.30 - 9.30am
Wednesday 13th	8.30 - 9.30am
Thursday 14th	8.30 - 9.30am
Saturday 16th	9.30 -10.30am



CONFIRMATION PROGRAM 2022 HAS COMMENCED The Parish runs meetings and provides diocesan-based resources to support you in assisting your child prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The 2nd meeting will be held for parents and children on Wednesday 4th May, with a repeat on Saturday 7th May. The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation is on Friday 20th May 7 .00 pm

For further information, please contact the parish office on 9622 2920 or email artellel@olol7hills.com.au



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
FR. HENRY**

**May
Our Lady
of Lourdes
fill your heart with
blessings and joy**

10th April

9/10 April 2022	
Acolytes	Vigil: Kilifi Huihui 8am: Ryan Epondulan 9.30am Eugene Miu
Ministers	Vigil: SUB REQ 8am: SUB REQ 9.30am: Paul Gow
Readers	Vigil: Benno Motha, Marinela Simic Kamela Huihui, Catherine Rodridges 8am: Erika Hien, Marical Santos, Pepito Ferriols, Anne McNally 9.30am Faylene Kennedy, Jeanine Nonato Laura Bellissimo, Christina Diaz
Altar Servers	Vigil: SUB REQ 8am: SUB REQ 9.30am Sofia Culili, Leo Culili, Gabrielle and Florenca Wanandy.
Morning tea (after 9.30am Mass)	Young Adults Group
Flowers	Claudette & VOLUNTEER
Church cleaning	14 April Chuck Baquial, Karen Baquial
Welcomers	Vigil: Judith Deloso 8am: VOLUNTEER 9.30am: VOLUNTEER

HOLY THURSDAY & GOOD FRIDAY	
Acolytes	Holy Thursday: Ramzee Michael, Ernie Gartner. Good Friday: Derrick Soares, Louis Fernandes, Abel Do Rosario, James Dining
Ministers	Holy Thursday: Maria Micharl Good Friday: Lorraine Fernandes
Readers	Holy Thursday: Megan Michael, Ryan Epondulan Good Friday: Laura Bellissimo, Catherine Rodrigues, Jemma Sarmiento
Altar Servers	VOLUNTEERS

EASTER 16/17 April 2022	
Acolytes	Vigil: Eugene Miu, Faylene Kennedy, Kilifi Huihui 8am: Terry Jordan 9.30am Faylene Kennedy
Ministers	Vigil: Chricha Gonzales, Helen Gonzales 8am: Maricel Santos, Charmaine Jansz 9.30am: Sarah Lenthall, VOLUNTEER
Readers	Vigil: Pepito Ferriols, Christina Diaz, Kamela Huihui 8am: Jo Cabasa, Benno Motha 9.30am Mercy Aquino, Helen Katopau
Altar Servers	Vigil: VOLUNTEERS 8am: VOLUNTEERS 9.30am Celestina Katopau, Ollana Katopau
Morning tea (after 9.30am Mass)	Parish Pastoral Council
Flowers	Fennie & Angela
Church cleaning	23 April Helen Gonzales, Dennis Gon- zales, Novelo Paylaga, Adrian Pinto, Maricel Santos
Welcomers	Vigil: Ram Ugre 8am: Rita Paolini 9.30am: VOLUNTEER

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,
who change the hardened heart
and break the power of violence,
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;
let them know not death but life,
not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;
we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength
to live that truth in love,
choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Rosalie 44, is an ex-combatant who lives with her husband and seven children in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Forced to join the army when she was just 15-years-old, Rosalie experienced significant trauma and hardship during her years in the military. After she was demobilised from the army, Rosalie, like other ex-combatants, was left to fend for herself in the community.

With your generous support and through our local partners, Rosalie was able to connect with other members of her community and participate in business skills training to help her to reintegrate into society.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help women like Rosalie to succeed in the future, providing hope For All Future Generations.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.



DIOCESAN NEWS



EMERGENCY Ukraine Appeal

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DISCIPLES SCHOOL OF MISSION: 20 – 24 April

Are you aged between 18-40 and searching for an adventure in 2022? If so, then join us for the Disciples School of Mission. This 4-day live-in course, held at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, calls people from across Australia and beyond to be equipped for youth ministry and evangelisation. Be renewed in your own journey, equipped for mission/youth ministry, and formed in the Catholic faith – you won't regret it – it's an adventure!

For more information visit discipleschoolofmission.com.au or ring Fiona on 0411 144 208.

OOL PARISH CALENDAR		
APRIL		
10	PALM SUNDAY	
10	FR. HENRY'S BIRTHDAY	
	See page 3 for HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES	
20	PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING	7.30pm
21	LOURDES OVER 50's MEETING	10.30— 1pm
21	Fr. HENRY'S 27th ANNIVERSARY	
21	Christ Community Prayer Group	9.00am
21	Legion of Mary	1.30pm
25	ANZAC DAY	8.00am
26	SCHOOL TERM 2 STARTS	
28	FINANCE MEETING	8.00pm

CYP GOOD FRIDAY WALK 15 April

Young people are invited to join Catholic Youth Parramatta and Bishop Vincent for the annual 21km Good Friday Night Walk from Blacktown to the Cathedral. For more information and to register visit <https://parracatholic.org/goodfridaywalk/>

TOONGABBIE PARISH POSITION VACANT

St Anthony of Padua Parish, Toongabbie are seeking a Sacramental/SRE Coordinator. The successful applicant will be in charge of the Sacramental Program, the Special Religious Education Program (SRE) and provide administrative assistance to the Parish priest and Parish Secretary. Hours will be 18 hours per weeks worked over 3 days. Please forward applications and resumes to the parish secretary (secretary@stanthonyschurch.org.au) by 20 April 2022.

IS GOD CALLING YOU? BECOME A CATECHIST AN SRE VOLUNTEER!

SRE's are parish volunteers who:

- Teach and share their faith with children of their parish who attend government schools.
- Have a passion for sharing the gift of faith with young people.
- Have an hour per week to prepare and share their time and talents with young people.
- Are people who respond to the central mission of the Church to make Jesus known and loved.

In this parish Special Religious Educators, SRE's (previously known as Catechists) go into Seven Hills, Seven Hills North, Bert Oldfield, Vardys Road State primary schools and The Hills Sports High School.

Day	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
School	Seven Hills North	Seven Hills	Vardy's Rd	Hills Sport High
Class/Time	Infants 10.30-11.00am	Kindy- Yr6 11.20-12.00pm	Primary 9.15-9.45am	TBA
Class/Time	Primary 11.30-12.00pm		Infants 10.00-10.30am	
School	Bert Old-field Public School			
Class/Time	Primary 1.55-2.25pm			
Class/Time	Infants 2.25-2.55pm			

New volunteers SRE's will be given support, training, teaching materials and will start as a classroom helper.

To register your interest please call Bob McNally 0439604203 email: mcnallyanne@yahoo.com.au or contact the parish office. 96222920