

# ST. MONICA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Moonee Ponds

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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year C)

3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022

### ORDINARY MASS TIMES

Sunday : **8.30 am** (*Italian & English*); **10.30 am**; **5.30 pm**

Tuesday - Friday : **9.15 am**

Saturday : **8 am** (*followed by Exposition of the Holy Sacrament and Reconciliation*)

**Reconciliation** : Saturday 8.30 am or by appointment

From the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2022,  
the Parish of St. Monica (Moonee Ponds) and the  
Parish of St. Vincent de Paul (Strathmore)  
are walking together and working together.

*St. Monica, pray for us!*  
*St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us!*

Dear friends,

From this Sunday, there is a decided change in our Lenten journey. From now on we focus much more on the coming events of the Passion of Jesus: his entry into Jerusalem, his last week with his disciples, his Last Supper, and his way of the cross and death Good Friday. Prior the 1960s, this two week period was known as "Passiontide" with two separate Sundays: Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday (These are now combined as Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord).

How has your Lent been? Are you ready to walk with Jesus in these final two weeks of Lent? Most of us have probably made some progress in our spiritual journey this Lent: most of us could probably do a bit more. It is not too late. If you can do nothing else, how about reading the Passion according to Luke as part of your prayer (Luke 22:14-23:56). Let us make this journey to the Cross of Christ and really open ourselves to the triumph of God's great love of which we will sing at Easter.

With every blessing,  
Rev Anthony J Doran PP

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** | cf. Ps 42: 1-2

*Give me justice, O God,  
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.  
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,  
for you, O God, are my strength.*

**FIRST READING** | Isaiah 43:16-21

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*R. The Lord has done great things for us;  
we are filled with joy.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs. (R.)

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad. (R.)

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage

as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap. (R.)

They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:

they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves. (R.)

**SECOND READING** | Philippians 3:8-14

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** | Joel 2:12-13

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
With all your heart turn to me,  
for I am tender and compassionate.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

**GOSPEL** | John 8:1-11

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

*Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord.  
Neither shall I condemn you.  
From now on, sin no more.*

**Sunday Liturgy @ Home;**

**For adults**

**For families with young children**

We respectfully acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation, as the traditional caretakers of the land which is the St. Monica's Catholic Parish. We acknowledge the Elders, past & present. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

## MINISTERS ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

(for Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> of April - Palm Sunday)

MASS	READER	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
8.30am (Sun 10/4)	Sylvia Letcher Connie Priscoglio	Asela Savino Rosa Farfalla
10.30am (Sun 10/4)	Flavia Pinto Tim Mitchell	Naylor Pinto Antonina Briggs
5.30 pm (Sun 10/4)	Catherine Taylor Clare Darmanin	Jacinta Beckley

## ROSTER FOR VACUUMING AND LINEN

CHURCH VACUUMING	CHURCH LINEN
Friday 8 April, 2pm	April
Team 2	Maria Ballato

## BAPTISMS

This weekend we joyfully welcome these children into our Parish community:

**Alessia Maiorana; Luna Ju Andenes;  
Oliver Neira**

*Let us pray together for these children to grow up in the love of Christ.*

## ANNIVERSARIES

In Faith, Hope and Love, let us pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

**Bernadette Bronkhurst; Cosimo Panuccio;  
Maria Lazzara; Carmen Interlandi;  
Sebastiana and Sebastiano Lazzara**

## PRAY FOR: our elders and the sick

**Marius Fernando; Dantina Frederico;  
Stella Mammone; Gino Salvo;  
Rosa Di Pietro; Lucia Bordin;  
Anna & Garry Henneken;  
Stephanie Jouhari; Leo Gillman;  
Jillian Eolzella; Loretta Bastian;  
Caterina Timpano; Charlie Tiang;  
Lena Savoia; Anne Ryan; Margaret Whelan;  
Geraldine MacKen; Giuseppina Mammone;  
John Morello Snr; Anna Vogl;  
Andrew Pike**

## PALM SUNDAY

The Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord is on the 10<sup>th</sup> of April.

At each Mass on that day, we will bless palms. At the beginning of the 10.30 am Mass we will process from the Symons Centre to commemorate of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem.

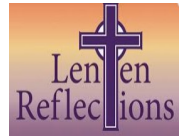
Please **bring your palm or olive branch** on that day.

## LENTEN REFLECTION

- Wednesdays after 9.15 am Mass
- Symons Centre

Please join in *Breaking Open the Gospels of*

*Lent in preparation for the Resurrection of the Lord.*



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

- Fridays during Lent
- at 3 pm (in Italian) and  
at 7 pm (in English)

*Durante il Periodo Quaresimale ci saranno*

*stazioni della Croce ogni venerdì a 3 pm (in Italiano) ed a 7 pm (in Inglese).*



## HOLY WEEK TIME TABLE

- **Palm Sunday (10/Apr)**  
: Masses at 8.30am, 10.30am and 5.30pm
- **Tuesday and Wednesday in Holy Week (12,13/Apr)**  
: Mass at 9.15am
- **Chrism Mass at Cathedral (12/Apr)**  
: *Due to the restrictions, it is not open to everyone.*  
*Frs Tony and Andrew will attend this Mass.*
- **Holy Thursday (14/Apr)**  
: Morning Prayer at 9.15 am  
: *No morning Mass*  
: **Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30 pm**
- **Good Friday (15/Apr)**  
: Morning Prayer at 9.15 am  
: *No morning Mass*  
: **Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3 pm**
- **Holy Saturday (16/Apr)**  
: Morning Prayer at 9.15 am  
: *No morning Mass*  
: **Easter Vigil at 7.30 pm**
- **Easter Sunday (17/Apr)**  
: **8.30 am Mass and 10.30 am Mass**  
: *No 5.30 pm Mass*



## SAINTS IN APRIL

- ◆ 2/Apr - St Francis of Paola, Hermit
- ◆ 4/Apr - St Isidore, Bishop, Doctor
- ◆ 7/Apr - St John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

## DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

A reminder that Sunday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April at 3 am, the Daylight Saving time ends and clocks are turned backward 1 hour.

*Remember to change your clocks!*



## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST:

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Our parish has a number of people who are no longer able to come to Mass and are ministered to by fellow parishioners, but we need more! Would you like to become an Extraordinary Minister of Communion to the Sick? *We are seeking expressions of interest to become part of this ministry. Please see Fr Tony or Fr Andrew.*

### SEEKING VOLUNTEERS: CHURCH VACUUMING

Our rostered vacuuming groups are in need of additional members. The commitment is once a month for maybe 60 to 90 mins at a time. There are groups at different times and days of the week. *If you would like to know more, please email your details to [Abygaile.Cukavac@cam.org.au](mailto:Abygaile.Cukavac@cam.org.au) and Abygaile will get in touched with you.*

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR VOLUNTEERS

All volunteers will be asked to provide their WWCC and Covid Vaccination Certificate. In some Ministry, we will also need a valid Police Check. Further information will follow after you initial expression of interest to volunteer.

## ALPHA IS COMING!

***What is Alpha all about? Why do 20 million people recommend it? How is it relevant to me?***

- St. Monica's Symons Centre, Moonee Ponds
- Thursdays, from 5 May to 7 July, 2022
- 7 pm – 9.15 pm
- Enquiries and Registrations:  
Adrian Commadeur – 0403 512 936  
[mooneeponds@cam.org.au](mailto:mooneeponds@cam.org.au)



## SCRIPTURES REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

*with Fr. Tony Feeney*

- Fridays at 7 pm via Zoom
- [Click here for Link](#)
- Meeting ID: 750 3236 9165
- Passcode: 282664



*If you would like to join this Zoom meeting room via landline in Melbourne, please call 03 7018 2005 and follow the options.*

## PROJECT COMPASSION 2022



As a person with a disability living in remote India, Biru faced the prospect of a life of poverty and discrimination. With your support, he participated in entrepreneurship training and gained the skills to become financially independent.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future.**

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 and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.*



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

***Interested in volunteering?***

**Moonee Ponds Conference is looking for**

**new members.** The St. Vincent de Paul Society's members and volunteers provide practical support, advocacy and friendship to the most vulnerable in our community by providing hope, comfort and dignity to disadvantaged people, trapped by their circumstances due to sickness, job loss, mental illness and family breakdown. The majority of assistance provided by the Society is through local groups, known as conferences.

*For more information, contact the Parish office on 9370 5035 or [mooneeponds@cam.org.au](mailto:mooneeponds@cam.org.au).*



## TRUE NORTH

***Young Adults Gathering***

- Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, after 5.30 pm Mass
- Symons Centre
- Next Gathering: **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April**

*The gathering will start with a light supper and social, then a short presentation and faith discussion.*

*If you have any enquiries, please see Fr. Andrew or email via [truenorth90stable@gmail.com](mailto:truenorth90stable@gmail.com).*

## SUPPORT MY PARISH

**CDFpay for Parishes** enables you to make quick and easy online thanksgiving payments – you can set-up a recurring payment or you can choose a one-off offering.

*The Moonee Ponds site is live and found at*

<https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=96>

*We thank you in advance for supporting our parish.*

Please take a bulletin to home and read though.  
Have a blessed week in Christ.

## READINGS FOR THE PALM SUNDAY

*This week we have the readings for next Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> of April for Parishioners to make some time during the week to read and reflect on.*

### **GOSPEL OF THE PROCESSION | Luke 19:28-40**

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.  
When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany,  
at the mount that is called Olivet,  
he sent two disciples,  
saying, 'Go into the village opposite,  
where on entering you will find a colt tied,  
on which no one has ever yet sat;  
untie it and bring it here.  
If any one asks you,  
"Why are you untying it?"  
you shall say this,  
"The Lord has need of it."  
So those who were sent  
went away and found it as he had told them.  
And as they were untying the colt,  
its owners said to them,  
'Why are you untying the colt?'  
And they said,  
'The Lord has need of it.'  
And they brought it to Jesus,  
and throwing their garments on the colt  
they set Jesus upon it.  
And as he rode along,  
they spread their garments on the road.  
As he was drawing near,  
at the descent of the Mount of Olives,  
the whole multitude of the disciples  
began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice  
for all the mighty works that they had seen,  
saying,  
'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!'

And some of the Pharisees in the multitude said to him,  
'Teacher, rebuke your disciples.'  
He answered,  
'I tell you, if these were silent,  
the very stones would cry out.'

### **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.

### **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 | 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.

### **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 | Luke 22:14 - 23:56**