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Mass Schedule
Saturday (Vigil Masses):
 5.00pm
 7.00pm Spanish
Sunday:
 8.00am
 10.00am Family Mass
 3.00pm Cantonese (4th)
 12.15pm Mandarin (1st & 3rd)
 6.00pm Youth Mass
Monday - Friday: 8.30am
Saturday: 9.15am
Friday (1st):
 7.00pm Sacred Heart Mass

Reconciliation
Saturday: 9.45am, 4.15pm

Anointing of the Sick
 9.15am 1st Saturday of the month
 Or call the priest anytime

Marriage
 Contact the priest 6 months prior

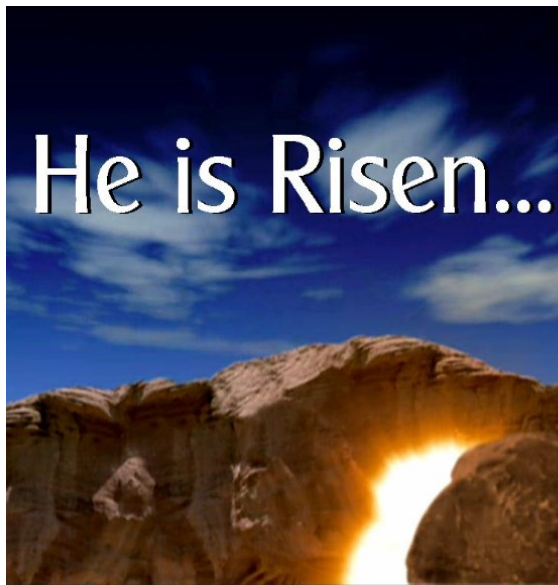
Devotions
Monday - Friday:
 9.00am Rosary & Divine Mercy
Tuesday:
 6.00pm Marian Cenacle
 7.00pm St Michael & Holy Angels
Thursday:
 10.30am Marian Cenacle Croatian
Friday:
 9.00am Padre Pio (1st)
 6.00pm Sacred Heart of Jesus (1st)
 Adoration & Holy Mass

Saturday:
 9.45am Perpetual Help Novena
 10.30am Marian Cenacle
 1.00pm Alliance of Two Hearts
 3.00pm Divine Mercy (4th)
 6.00pm Our Lady of Fatima (1st)

Blessed Sacrament Adoration
Monday to Friday
 7.30am - 8.30am; 9.00am onwards
Saturday
 9.45am - 12pm
Tuesday evening
 6.00pm - 9.00pm
Friday evening
 7.30pm - 9.00pm

RCIA (from July until Easter)
 Tuesdays 8.00pm (except 1st)
Legion of Mary
 Wednesdays 7.30pm
Baptism Instruction
 Wednesdays 7.30pm (1st)
RCIA Cantonese (Margaret)
 Sundays 10.30am
RCIA Mandarin (Elsie/Urey)
 Sundays 10.50am (1st & 3rd)
Young Adults at St Michael's
 Sundays 7.00pm

31 March 2024 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



Dawn has Broken – The Son is Risen

Women go to the tomb as dawn is breaking. The Power of Darkness which had Jesus unjustly sentenced, cruelly tortured and buried in the pitch blackness of the tomb, is conquered by the Son-Rise of all sun rises flooding our world and the whole of human history with Divine Light and Energy.

This is the heart of our faith as Catholic Christians, which we celebrate with bon-fire (good fire) in darkness at the Easter Vigil. From that earthly element we light the Easter candle and the Exsultet is sung: 'Be glad, let earth be glad as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King.' The resurrection itself is nowhere described in the gospels, but we do have appearances of the Risen Lord Jesus. The first appearance was to a woman, Mary of Magdala. A title given to her by the early church was 'Apostle to the Apostles' because she was the bearer of the message which the male disciples initially did not believe. But eventually they too believed that Death had been done to death because the Son had risen.

Christ's body was transfigured by the energy of Divine Love and we can, by grace, participate in that resurrection life of Our Lord. A glorious destiny awaits us, as indeed it awaits the whole cosmos as it is to be transformed by that resurrection life recreating the whole of creation.

We could take a moment to pray that we, along with all that matters, are graced with the life-giving energy of the Risen Son and that we may join Mary of Magdala in spreading the Good News of Christ's victory over death. Alleluia!

~Fr Michael Tate

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA		
Good Friday	29 March	7.30pm
Holy Saturday	30 March	3.00pm
Easter Sunday	31 March	3.00pm
Easter Monday	1 April	7.30pm
Easter Tuesday	2 April	7.30pm
Easter Wednesday	3 April	7.30pm
Easter Thursday	4 April	7.30pm
Easter Friday	5 April	7.30pm
Easter Saturday	6 April	3.00pm
Divine Mercy Sunday	7 April	3.00pm

DIVINE MERCY FEAST

Sunday, 7 April 2024

- 3.00 pm Hour of Mercy
- 4.00 pm Stations of the Cross
- 5.00 pm Adoration and Benediction
- 6.00 pm Holy Mass
- Opportunity for Reconciliation
- Blessing of sacramentals

WELCOME BROTHERS AND SISTERS TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH!

YONG CHEN ZHAOXIAN GONG ANITA KA LAI LAM KAYTON YAU HANG ZHU WING YU CAMILLE WONG HADRIAN LAU HAZEL LAU LAUREN FRANCES WARBURTON LOUISE MABEL WARBURTON NGAI YAN KWOK LILI LILLIAN LI ZHENGXUE LIU JINGJING WEI YIN YE KAELA DANIELA LOPEZ KEANY LOPEZ



Confirmation for Adults

on Pentecost Sunday, 19th May 2024
 At St Mary's Cathedral

Instruction sessions in the Parish Office rooms at 8.00 pm:

- On Tuesday, 30th April
- On Tuesday, 7th May
- On Tuesday, 14th May

To register, email the parish office your contact details then turn up for the instruction sessions.



Support our Parish

Access our **BPoint** for donations and payments using this **QR Code**. Thank you!



Sunday Mass Collections

	17 March	24 March
1st Collection blue bag	\$995.80	\$1257.50
2nd Collection red bag	\$560.60	\$738.45
Planned Giving	\$685.00	\$405.00

First Reading *Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43*

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about 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 good and curing all who had fallen into the 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 tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain 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 have their sins forgiven through his name.'

Responsorial Psalm *Psalms 117:1-2.16-17.22-23.R. v.24*

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

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

R: 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.'

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

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.

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

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

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

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: FIRST RECONCILIATION

Registration forms submission deadline: Friday, 12th April

This is for children in year 2 (or for those in higher years who have missed out on this sacrament).

The registration forms may be downloaded from the parish website.

Place the completed forms in the parish office letter box (just outside the parish office door).

The parent meeting is on Thursday, 2nd May.

Second Reading *Colossians 3:1-4*

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the 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 have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;

and Christ, the undefiled,

hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;

I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;

shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show!

Gospel Acclamation *1 Corinthians 5:7-8*

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 week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala 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.



Pray for the sick: Bob Hinson, Sandra Kirner, Henry Chau, Rony Widjaja, Ana.

Pray for the recently departed: Monica McInerney, John Mercer, Fred Perera, Jose Tony Quiros, Helen Kwan, Jaime Napoleon Centeno Ching, Demetria Dela Rosa Barros, Henry Chua, Marko Hrestak, Florentino Gonzalez Junior.

Pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now especially Ana Spata.

Pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Pray for Lyra Olympia Pavlou for graces and blessings.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney. Abuse is a crime. The people who deal with crime are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused in any way, please contact the police. You can also contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. Your Parish Priest may be able to provide support and guidance.

The Archdiocese of Sydney has a legal obligation to alert police about crimes reported to them.