



14/15 April 2018-Year B The Third Sunday of Easter



Entrance Antiphon: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of His name. O render Him glorious praise, Alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let Your face shine on us.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Lord Jesus, make Your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when You speak. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise from the dead; in His name repentance and remission of sins must be preached to all the nations, Alleluia.

**Dear Parishioners,
We celebrate the Third Sunday of Easter.**

1. What Are We Supposed To Do?

Once, in perplexity, people asked Jesus, "What are we supposed to do?" (John 6:28). The Second Reading raises this question for us too. The Second Reading says that if you don't keep God's commandments but say that you know the Lord, you are a liar. Being a liar is bad enough. But the Second Reading also says that if you don't keep the Lord's commandments, you don't know the Lord. If we believe that Jesus is the Saviour, sent by God to save us from our sins, then, sinful as we are, we are in fact keeping the commandment the Lord gave the people. That is the worst, isn't it? Especially because the test for whether or not you know the Lord is not whether you have fervent prayer or sweet religious experience. No, the test is just whether you keep the Lord's commandments. That is why you lie if you don't keep the Lord's commandments but still try to tell yourself and others that you know the Lord. In another passage, this same Epistle (1John 1:6-8) claims that if you say you have no sin, you are a liar, too. And now we have a real puzzle, don't we? To avoid the sin of lying, you have to confess that you do sinful things. But then you are confessing that you aren't keeping the Lord's commandments, aren't you? And in that case, you are a liar, and you don't know the Lord. Well, then, what are we supposed to do? The answer is in what Jesus told the people when they asked him that very question. Jesus said, "Believe in the one whom God has sent." (John 6:29) Notice that this is a command. And here is what it means. We can tell the truth: we are sinful. But it doesn't follow that we don't keep God's commandments. If we believe that Jesus is the Saviour, sent by God to save us from our sins, then, sinful as we are, we are in fact keeping the commandment the Lord gave the people when they asked him what they were supposed to do. And if we keep his command, then it is also true that we know him. We know him as the Christ, sent by God to save us from our sins.

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Sacramental Life

Celebration of the Eucharist:

Mass Schedule:

- Saturday - 5.30pm Vigil (Includes Children's Liturgy during School Term)
- Sunday - 7.30am
- Sunday - 9am (Includes Children's Liturgy during School Term)
- Monday - No Mass
- Tuesday - 9am
- Wednesday - 9am
- Thursday - 9am
- Friday - 9.00am

Reconciliation: Saturday
4.30 - 5.15pm

Baptisms & Marriages:
By appointment at Presbytery

Anointing: Every 2 months -
check bulletin for dates

Sick Calls: Any time - day/night.

Funeral Masses: In co-operation
with Funeral Directors.

It can be true then both that we are sinful and that we keep the commandment of the Lord if we believe that he will save us from our sinfulness.
So this is what we are supposed to do: know *him*.

2. First Holy Communion Programme

Our First Holy Communion Programme has finished two sessions, but with school holidays we cease and begin again on Monday 14 May in the Parish Hall.

3. Anniversary Masses

There will be a memorial Mass for Rocco Trimboli, who died in Italy celebrated at St Anthony's on Thursday 19 April at 7pm. All Welcome.

There will be a One Month Mass for Domenica Costa on Tuesday 24 April at 7pm at St Anthony's. All Welcome.

4. Green Thumb



Any retired dads with a green thumb who could clear up around the gardens in the carpark and at 320 Edmondson Avenue? Much appreciated for any assistance.

5. ANZAC Day April 25



There will be an ANZAC Day Mass at St Anthony's on April 25 at 9am to remember our fallen in all wars that Australia has been involved in. I invite you to join with me in praying for our deceased Servicewomen and Servicemen and the millions of civilians that are killed in war.

We pray, particularly, for our deceased soldiers who lost their lives in the Iraq and Afganistan conflicts. Lest We Forget.

6. The Resurrection Painting

One of the residents on Tobruk Village (10th Ave) painted the Resurrection scene for the parish community. Ernest and Eileen Rust live at the RSL Tobruk Village. Ernest is a WWII digger who is wheelchair bound. Eileen attends the 9am Mass on Sundays, each week. One of Ernest (or Rusty as he is affectionately known) interests is painting and as he cannot attend Mass, I take him the Eucharist every second Saturday and he painted the Resurrection Scene for the Easter Sunday liturgy. Thanks Rusty.

7. New Rosters

New Rosters for readers are available on the table at the back of the Church.

Also, New Rosters for Church Cleaning are available on the table at the back of the Church.



8. Chocolate Easter Lambs

Thank you to everyone who bought a lamb or two, as the money goes to support the Mikelite Priests in New Guinea. They look after North Ryde and Hurstville parishes here in Sydney.

9. Catholic Weekly

Fr Bob has made it into the Catholic Weekly again.



Get a copy and see this interview on Chaplaincy for yourself.

May God Bless you.



Fr Bob

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

16-21 April

M Casino, D Ayoub, L Vitale,
M Garzaniti, R Khattar



23-28 April

D Gauci, J Bartolo,
M Zarb, M Camilleri

READERS ROSTER

14/15 April

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Veronica Casha
Readers:

Veronica Casha: 1st Reading
Vanessa Casha: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: Margaret Pisani
Readers:

Margaret Pisani: 1st Reading
Chris Pisani: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Margaret Cvetko
Readers:

Margaret Cvetko: 1st Reading
Faye Palamara: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

21/22 April

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm (4th Sunday of Easter)

Commentator: Rita Zappia
Readers:

Rita Zappia: 1st Reading
Julie Dimech: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: Margaret Cvetko
Readers:

Margaret Cvetko: 1st Reading
Pasqualina Catanzariti: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Tessie Christophers
Readers:

Tessie Christophers: 1st Reading
John-William Fisher: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful



Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist Roster

14/15 April

Saturday Vigil

David & Sarah Casha

Sunday 7.30am

Virginia Romeo & Pasqualina Catanzariti

Sunday 9am

Ken O'Leary & Faye Palamara

21/22 April

Saturday Vigil

Veronica Casha & Julie Dimech

Sunday 7.30am

Margaret Pisani & Virginia Romeo

Sunday 9am

Karen Power & Pam Ajkay



ACOLYTES ROSTER

14/15 April

Saturday Vigil

Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am

George Ajkay

Sunday 9am

Peter Grizelj

21/22 April

Saturday Vigil

Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am

George Ajkay

Sunday 9am

Anthony Zanetic

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

14 April

Saturday Vigil

Kimberley Camilleri
Alyssa & Emily Galea

21 April

Saturday Vigil

Joey Grima
Lucas & Jayden Laferla

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ROSTER

14 April

School Holidays

21 April

School Holidays

9am Sunday

School Holidays

NURSING HOME ROSTER

22 April

Lina & Faye

27 April

Mass



POPE FRANCIS COLUMN



“Baptism is...an effective sign of rebirth, to walk in newness of life,” Pope Francis said on April 11, 2018. “In virtue of the Holy Spirit, Baptism immerses us in the Death and Resurrection of the Lord, drowning in the baptismal font the old man, dominated by sin, which separates from God and making the new man be born, recreated in Jesus.”

His remarks came during the catechesis at the General Audience in St. Peter’s Square, as he spoke to the thousands gathered in person and those watching and listening through the media. Having concluded in the past weeks his teaching series on the Mass, the Holy Father now turned to Baptism.

The Pope asked whether those in the crowd remembered the day of their Baptism, suggesting most did not. So he suggested they asked their older relatives to tell them the date and what they remember.

“I ask you: does each one of you remember the date of his Baptism? Some say yes — ok. However, it’s a somewhat weak yes, because perhaps many don’t remember it,” Francis suggested. “However, if we celebrate the day of our birth, how can we not celebrate — at least remember — the day of our rebirth?”

“I will give you a task to do at home, a task to do today at home. Those of you who don’t remember the date of your Baptism, ask your mother, aunts, and uncles, nephews, ask them: ‘Do you know the date of my Baptism?’ and don’t ever forget it.”

Because Baptism changes the person and enables the Christian to live as part of the Church, the Holy Father encouraged parents to remember to have their children baptized: soon after being born. Don’t wait until the child grows up and makes his own decision, he warned, because that shows a lack of “trust in the Holy Spirit”.

“Baptism enables Christ to live in us and us to live united to Him, to collaborate in the Church, each one according to his condition, in the transformation of the world,” proclaimed the Pope. “Received only once, the baptismal cleansing illumines our whole life, guiding our steps to the Heavenly Jerusalem.

“Baptism ‘Christifies’ one who has received Baptism and he is ‘Christified,’ resembles Christ, is transformed into Christ and renders him truly another Christ.



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

In your love and concern, please pray for:-

Recently Deceased: Isidore Bianchi.

Anniversaries: Caterina Kairuz, Rocco Trimboli, Antonina Gagliotti.

Also for: Dec’d Members of the Vartuli Family.

We remember those who are sick in the community that the Lord will be their comforter and healer as we pray for:

Paul Farnsworth, Erminia Demasi, Domenic Zucco, Kurt McKell, David Angeles

