



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PARISH WAUCHOPE

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, BEECHWOOD & ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, LONG FLAT

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

Year B

16th & 17th March 2024

FIRST READING: *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The days are coming when I will make a new covenant with Israel and I will forgive their iniquity.

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Ps 50:3-4. 12-15. R. v. 12*

(R.) Create a clean heart in me, O God.

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt. and cleanse me from my sin.....(R.)

2. A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit.....(R.)

3. Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervour sustain me, that I may teach transgressors your ways and sinners may return to you.....(R.)

SECOND READING: *Hebrews 5:7-9*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

He learnt to obey and became for all the source of eternal salvation.

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord;
and where I am, my servant will also be.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: John 12:20-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them: 'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!' A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours. 'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.' By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Mass Intentions

No	From	Intention
1	Anonymous	Souls in Purgatory
2		Sick members of Parish Community
3	Jenny Woods	Evelyn Curren – Ill Health
4	Jenny Woods	Chris Antenucci – Ill Health

5	Jenny Woods	Anne Biefeld - Anniversary
6	Pam Burns	Stan Schmitzer - Anniversary
7	Barb Wallis	Gai Bannerman, Brian Wallis & Sue Coombes - Anniversary
8	Mark Stewart	Emeritus Archbishop Francis Patrick Carroll – Recently Deceased
9	Coral & Bill Lane	Eileen Cole & Carmel Koziol - Anniversary

Announcements

1. **Easter Liturgy Roster** – A separate roster has been placed at the back of the Church. If you would like to volunteer please add your name to the roster.
2. **No weekday Mass** – Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th March.
3. **Stations of the Cross** – 6pm every Friday until Holy week.
4. **Project Compassion/Caritas Australia** - The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with generous supporters and the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.
5. **Adult Online Faith Formation** - The *Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation* (VLCFF) at the University of Dayton, Ohio, offers over 100 online courses in adult faith formation. These courses are usually five weeks, with a commitment to spend around 5 hours per week reading and submitting responses/reflections. (There are no exams!) The cost is very reasonable, and further subsidies are provided because of the partnership with the Lismore Diocese. The price is \$US50. Registrations for Cycle 3 Courses are now open. Close on April 3. (Courses begin April 8.) If anyone is interested in pursuing any of the listed courses, don't hesitate to contact Tony Worner at VLCFF.LismoreDiocese@stagneparish.org.au or 0436 941 280.
6. **Parking in the Church Driveway** - Please only park at the top of the driveway if you have mobility issues.

Parish Events		
March		
Sat 23 rd Mar	Children's Mass	6:00pm
Thurs 28 th Mar	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7:00pm
Fri 29 th Mar	Stations of the Cross	10:00am
	Passion Celebration	3:00pm
Sat 30 th Mar	Easter Vigil Mass	7:00pm
Sun 31 st Mar	Easter Sunday – 1 Mass(5 th Sunday)	9:00am

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Date	Feast Day	Readings	Colour
Mon 18th Mar	St Patrick, bishop	Jer 1:4-9; Acts 13:46-49; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20	White
Tues 19 th Mar	St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	2 Sam 7:4-5, 12-14, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24	White
Wed 20 th Mar		Dan 3:14-20, 24-25, 28; Jn 8:31-42	Violet
Thurs 21 st Mar		Gen 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59	Violet
Fri 22 nd Mar		Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42	Violet
Sat 23 rd Mar		Ezek 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56	Violet

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

LITURGY ROSTER
23RD & 24TH MARCH 2024

SATURDAY VIGIL 6.00PM

Reader:	Children's Mass

SUNDAY 7.30AM

Reader:	Debbie Fear
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30TH & 31ST MARCH 2024

SATURDAY VIGIL 6.00PM

Reader:	Easter – Separate Roster
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SUNDAY 9.00AM

Reader:	Easter – Separate Roster
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6TH & 7TH APRIL 2024

SATURDAY VIGIL 6.00PM

Reader:	Peta Rourke
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SUNDAY 7.30AM

Reader:	Peter Murphy
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CHURCH CLEANING

Ken Ogilvie & Ian Adams
 9th to 22nd March 2024

CHURCH LINEN

Maureen Avery (Mar)

PARISH LITURGIES
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Saturday	
Reconciliation	5:30pm
Vigil Mass	6:00pm
Sunday	
Mass 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & 4 th	7:30am
5 th Sunday	9:00am
Baptisms 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & 4 th	11.15am
Sundays. (Please contact the Parish office for bookings.)	
Tuesday	
Mass	10:30am
Rosary(Weekly)	11:00am
Wednesday	
Mass	8:00am
Thursday	
Mass	8:00am
Friday	
Adoration	11:15am
Mass	12:00noon

ST PATRICK'S, BEECHWOOD

Mass	1 st & 3 rd Sunday	9:30am
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ST PETER'S, LONG FLAT

Mass	2 nd & 4 th Sunday	9:30am
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BUNDALEER MASS

4th Friday of the month at 11:00am

DIOCESAN INVESTMENT FUND

Pays 4.15%. Effective 1 Nov 2023.
 The Port Macquarie office of the DIF is open Monday to Friday 9.00am - 1.00pm.
 Phone Veronica or Mary for any enquiries on 6583 7439.

The Catholic Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office

the Diocese of Lismore Safeguarding Office can be contactable if you have any Safeguarding concerns. We will listen to you respectfully; offer support and discuss options you have available to you. Contact the Safeguarding Office - Phone: (02) 6621 9444 or Email: safeguarding@lismore.catholic.org.au

