



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PARISH WAUCHOPE

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

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Year B 23rd & 24th March 2024

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

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.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

(R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

1. 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.)

2. 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.)

3. 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.)

4. 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: Philipians 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philipians

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

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.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

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: Mark 14:1 – 15:47

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Mass Intentions

No	From	Intention
1	Anonymous	Souls in Purgatory
2		Sick members of Parish Community
3	Jenny Woods	Anne Biefeld - Anniversary
4	Pam Burns	Stan Schmitzer - Anniversary
5	Barb Wallis	Gai Bannerman, Brian Wallis & Sue Coombes - Anniversary
6	Mark Stewart	Emeritus Archbishop Francis Patrick Carroll – Recently Deceased
7	Coral & Bill Lane	Eileen Cole & Carmel Koziol - Anniversary
8	Mavis Howe	Michael Howe - Anniversary
9	Mary Skinner	Florence Agnes Little - 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 Mass** – Thursday Morning 28/3.
3. **Holy Land Collection** – Good Friday 29th March. Envelopes are available on the back table.
4. **Divine Mercy Sunday** – 7th April from 2.30pm. Please see flyer for more details.
5. **Project Compassion/Caritas Australia** - As Project Compassion 2024 comes to an end, we want to thank you for your incredibly generous support throughout Lent. This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities. There is still time to donate! Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, for all future generations. Please donate to Project Compassion 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.
6. **March 2024 Lismore Diocesan Renewal Journey Update** - During the past two years, more than a thousand priests, parishioners and people engaged in the wide

variety of Lismore Catholic Diocesan ministries have been involved in an exciting journey of renewal. After visits to parishes and wide-ranging consultations, we are now entering the action stage with five major committees already working on key issues that have emerged: **Renewal of the Diocesan youth ministry, Development of a model for a pastoral council for the Diocese, Exploring inter-parish collaboration, Preparation of lay-led liturgy resources, protocols, and processes for parishes, Design of protocols and processes for clergy induction into the Diocese.** Led by Matt Digges of Bellingen, the committee working on clergy induction has been meeting since November 23 and is gathering and reviewing best practice induction processes for international clergy in various western countries, including other Australian dioceses. The Diocesan Youth Ministry committee is led by Travis Lyon of Lismore and Gemma Ballantine of Mullumbimby. Addressing the evolving and dynamic needs of the youth have been identified as both major challenges and life-giving opportunities. Some parishes have already taken up the challenge to explore new ways to respond to changing times. As a result of feedback from their Parish Vitality Survey, Murwillumbah Parish has changed Mass times while Ballina Parish has commenced the process of setting up a Parish Council. If you would like to enquire about the work of these groups or provide input or feedback, please email renewal@lismore.catholic.org.au.

7. **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.

Parish Events		
March		
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 25 th Mar		Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11	Violet
Tues 26 th Mar		Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38	Violet
Wed 27 th Mar		Is 50:4-9; Mt 26:14-25	Violet
Thurs 28 th Mar		Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15	White
Fri 29 th Mar	Friday of the Passion of the Lord	Is 52:13 – 53:12; Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 – 19:42	Red
Sat 30 th Mar	Holy Saturday		White

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sunday of the Resurrection
Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

LITURGY ROSTER
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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13TH & 14TH APRIL 2024

SATURDAY VIGIL 6.00PM

Reader:	Kathy-Ann Henderson
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SUNDAY 7.30AM

Reader:	Brad Vergano
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CHURCH CLEANING

Ken Ogilvie & Ian Adams
 23rd March to 5th April 2024

CHURCH LINEN

Maureen Avery (Mar)

PARISH LITURGIES
OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WAUCHOPE

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

