

St Mary's Parish

Incorporating the Catholic communities of Hamilton, Dunkeld, Macarthur, Glenthompson and Penshurst.

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year A

9 April 2017

Gospel Mt 21:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives,

Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; until them and bring them to me.

If anyone says anything to you, you shall say,

"The Lord has need of them," and he will send them immediately'. This took place to fulfil

what was spoken by the prophet, saying, 'Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass'.

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them;

they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon.

Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road,

and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.
And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, 'Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!'

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And when he entered Jerusalem all the city was stirred, saying, 'Who is this?'

And the crowds said,
"This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth
in Galilee."

First Reading Is 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet isalah

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.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

(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 mel (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 Phil 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

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.

Gospel Acclamation Phil 2:8-9

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 (shorter form) Mt 27:11-54

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate, the governor, and the governor put to him this question, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' Jesus replied, 'It is you who say it.' But when he was accused by the chief priests and the elders he refused to answer at all. Pilate then said to him, 'Do you not hear how many charges they have brought against you?' But to the governor's complete amazement, he offered no reply to any of the charges.

At festival time it was the governor's practice to release a prisoner for the people, anyone they chose. Now there was at that time a notorious prisoner whose name was Barabbas. So when the crowd gathered, Pilate said to them, 'Which do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, orJesus who is called Christ?' For Pilate knew it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over.

Now as he was seated in the chair of judgement, his wife sent him a message, 'Have nothing to do with that man; I have been upset all day by a dream I had about him.'

The chief priests and the elders, however, had persuaded the crowd to demand the release of Barabbas and the execution of Jesus. So when the governor spoke and asked them, 'Which of the two do you want me to release for you?' they said 'Barabbas', 'But in that case,' Pilate said to them 'what am I to do with Jesus who is called Christ?' They all said, 'Let him be crucified!' 'Why?' he asked 'What harm has he done?" But they shouted all the louder, 'Let him be crucified!' Then Pilate saw that he was making no impression, that in fact a riot was imminent. So he took some water, washed his hands in front of the crowd and said, 'I am innocent of this man's blood. It is your concern." And the people, to a man, shouted back, 'His blood be on us and on our children!' Then he released Barabbas for them. He ordered Jesus to be first scourged and then handed over to be crucified.

The governor's soldiers took Jesus with them into the Praetorium and collected the whole cohort around him. Then they stripped him and made him wear a scarlet cloak, and having twisted some thorns into a crown they put this on his head and placed a reed in his right hand. To make fun of him they knelt to him saying, 'Hail, king of the Jews!' And they spat on him and took the reed and struck him on the head with it. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the cloak and dressed him in his own clothes and led him away to crucify him.

On their way out, they came across a man from Cyrene, Simon by name, and

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We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand, the Gunditjmara people.

Country Mass Schedule						St Joseph's Penshurst			
	1 st Sun	2 nd Sun	3 rd Sun	4 th Sun	5 th Sun	Easter Sunday Mass			
Penshurst	No Service	Mass	SAWC	Mass	Mass	Sunday 1	6th April @ 10.30am		
8:30am	(To Ham)					16th April 2017 - Easter Sunday			
Dunkeld	Mass	No Service	Mass	SAWC	SAWC	Lector	Brendan Kelly		
8:30am		(To Glen)				Prayers	Andrea Page		
Glanthamasan	SAWC	Mass	No Service (To Dunkeld)	Mass	SAWC	Gifts			
Glenthompson 8:30am						Special Minister	Terry Pezzutti		
Macarthur 8:30am	No Service (To Ham)	SAWC	Mass	SAWC	Mass	Leader	Catherine Loria		
						Communion to Hospital	Terry Pezzutti		

Our Parish Collections

1st Collection: Priest Support: (Last Week)
2nd Collection: Stewardship (2016-2017 FY):

Pledged: \$115,076 Given:

St Mary's Parish Mission Outreach

(10% of Stewardship)

Given this Financial Year;

Sr Lorde—Kenya Mission \$3,000

	St Mary's Parish Ministry Roster				
	8 & 9 April Ministers of Communion	15 & 16 April Ministers of Communion			
6 pm	Peter & Maureen Dunn & Pauline Kelly	Zina Celewych, Terrielynn Groves & Bev Kaaye			
10.30am	Paul Stanhope, Trish Irving, Frank Soulsby, Val Lovell .	Maree Bell, Di Brody, Glen Howell, Peter Fitzgerald & Ted Oliver.			

Date	Welcome	Computer	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Commentator	Gifts	Cuppa	Count Team
08/04	Kerry Stevens J Schurmann	Bev Kaaye	Michael McGrath	Mary Walter	Chris Jansen	M Grinham T Tuppen	Helen & John Watt	Vince & Frances O'Brien & G McGrath.
09/04	Terry Hurley Felicity Shaw	Carolyn S	Rohan Fitzgerald	Carmel Schlaghecke	Volunteer	P Blohm & A Aylmer	Bridget Campbell	
15/04	S McCaskill J Schurmann	P Murphy	EASTER	EASTER	EASTER	Brian & Trish		
16/04	O'Brien Family	Glenn Howell	EASTER	EASTER	EASTER	Campbell Family	Trish Irving	



Wednesday Mass St Mary's Day Chapel 5:15pm

All Welcome Please join us for the celebration of Mass.

The Australian Christian Meditation Community

- ecumenical community committed to Christian
- promotes an stillness & silence
- lead to a personal encounter with the sacred
- assists meditators to live more fully in the presence of divine love

Meets Wed. 7.30-8.30pm - Parish House Dinwoodle St All Welcome, especially newcomers.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

<u>Deaths</u>: Hannah Rhook, Shirlene Evans.
Our Prayers & deepest sympathies are with
Cassie, Matthew, Jacob & Amiee.

Anniversary:

Douglas Byrne, Allan Underwood, Darrell Fry, Mary Pedrina, Leonard Marks, Valerie (Val) Mills.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Kerryn McCluggage, Andrea Andre, Carissa Watt, Dougal Neeson, Rachael Cunningham, Jan Merrett., Mary Guy.

What's happening this week in St Mary's Parish

<u>Sunday</u> Rosary 7pm St Mary's Church

<u>Wednesday</u> Meditation 7.30-8.30pm Parish House

Men's day out Maryknoll 1.30-4.30pm

Wed. Meet Up 9.30-11.30am Dunworth

Thursday Stations of the Cross 7pm

"A WELCOMING PARISH"

Workshop

Everyone is called to the ministry of welcoming in our parish.

Let's learn to do this better!

(All Welcome)
St Mary's Parish Day Chapel
Sunday, 9th April (Palm Sunday)
12pm until 1pm



PRAYER

Gracious God,
even in your stillness,
you never abandon your people.
Your tender heart breaks open
in the extreme depths
of human suffering.
We trust in your power
to bring life from situation of death.
May the whole world know the transforming power
of your great love,
a love that brings us through death into life
with and in your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



Project
Compassion boxes
or envelopes
can be returned at the
Holy Thursday Mass
as part of our liturgy or
brought any time
over this week.

WALK OF WITNESS

Good Friday 14 April @ 11am Starting at PAC

I give you a new commandment: love one another; you must love one another just as I have loved you.

It is by your love for one another, that everyone will recognise you as my disciples.

John 13: 34-35

Please stay for a cuppa after Mass to live this Commandment!

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Hamilton & District Rural Australians for Refugees

auspiced by Hamilton Community House inc.



April Meeting of Hamilton & District RAR Sunday 9th April @ 2pm Hamilton Uniting Church Hall

Speaker: John Millington,

former CEO of Luv-a-Duck, Nhill

John & Margaret Millington relocated from Gippsland to Nhill 33yrs ago when John was appointed General Manager of Luv-a-Duck, a commercial duck growing company. When he retired in 2013, 30yrs later, the number of ducks had grown from 5,000 to 100,000 ducks per week. Over those yrs John established a reputation as an outstanding community and business leader. In 2012 he was awarded an OAM for his contribution to Aviculture and his service to his Community. Likewise, in 2015 Margaret was also awarded an OAM for her contribution to the community.

A study has recognised the social and economic contributions the Karen settlement program has made to the local area. Over the past five yrs more than 160 Karen refugees from Myanmar have resettled in Nhill, attracted by jobs offered by Luv-a-Duck. The initiative has added more than \$40 million and 70 jobs to the local economy. The welcoming town has been instrumental to the program's success. the study concluded, "Everybody worked together, which is what happens in small communities.

All welcome!



Easter Triduum







Lenten Liturgy of Reconciliation Tuesday 11th April, Hamilton 7pm
Holy Thursday - Hamilton & Dunkeld 7pm
Good Friday Hamilton 3pm & Dunkeld 3pm

Caster Vigil -Hamilton 7pm

Caster Sunday -Dunkeld 8.30am & Macarthur 8.30am Penshurst 10.30am & Hamilton 10.30am

THE EASTER CEREMONIES - THE TRIDUUM

The Easter Triduum - Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil - is the culmination of the entire Liturgical year. The three celebrations of the Triduum, are distinct but closely related liturgies, that form a single unit.

Holy Thursday Mass begins in the usual way but ends in **silence**, no blessing and dismissal, no final hymn. The Eucharist is transferred to the Blessed Sacrament chapel and the Altar -stripped in preparation for Good Friday. You are invited to follow the procession of the Blessed Eucharist in **silence** and leave the church quietly.

The celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday starts with entry into the church in **total silence**. Good Friday is the only day of the year when the Eucharist is not celebrated. We listen to a Reading of the Passion, General Intercessions, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion. The celebration finishes with the prayer over the people, who then depart in **silence**.

The climax of the Triduum is the Easter Vigil, the night of nights. We gather at the Easter Fire and move into the darkened church to listen, to affirm our Baptismal promises and to celebrate Christ's Resurrection.

No more silence, time for celebration and to share hospitality.

