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**Weekend:**  
**Saturday:** 6pm Vigil  
**Sunday:** 7am, 9am and 5.30pm  
**Italian Mass:** 10.30am

**Weekday:** 6.30am & 9am  
Monday to Friday  
8am Saturday  
& Public Holidays

**Reconciliation:**

**Saturday:** 8.30am - 9.00am  
5.30pm - 6.00pm  
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# Spread the Word

**Vol. 35 No. 13 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 5 April 2020**

## ***Palm Sunday Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA***

As we prepare to enter the sacred time of Holy Week, we look again at the significance of Christ in our lives. Though he was really in the form of God, Jesus came in the form of a slave. We have a saviour who was crushed for our iniquities, nailed to a cross as a convicted felon, and there endured the sense of abandonment. We have a saviour who was finally lifted up and exalted precisely because he emptied himself of his divine privileges. Unlike conquerors who triumph by putting down their opponents, Jesus was raised up because he himself was first willing to be put down. We have a saviour who first offered himself for us and then continues to offer himself to us as an example to follow. As he was willing to empty himself for our sake, so we must be willing to empty ourselves for the sake of others. The best way to enter Holy Week with Jesus is in the company of those with whom he has identified himself: the poor and the broken; the humiliated and the marginalised; those who suffer the abuse of others; those who never use rank to force their will. If we are to be saved, we must go where salvation takes place: in our streets and in our homes where violence rages; in the dark corners of life where despair holds sway; wherever the innocent are abused or the needy are neglected; wherever there is misunderstanding or fear or jealousy. We must go wherever Christ empties himself for our sake.



## ***Holy Thursday Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA***



At the beginning of our meditation of the Passover, we see God passing over us as a protective angel, preserving us from harm, leading us out of bondage into freedom. Jesus then passes beyond being Lord and master and kneels before us as our humble servant. If we are to belong to him, we must allow him to wash our feet. In both of these instances, the saving action is God's. The initiative is God's; the magnanimity is God's; the self-emptying is God's. We have nothing to contribute to these amazing happenings. All we have to do is accept the salvation that is offered. On this day of Eucharist, our only response is a sacrifice of thanksgiving, a sacrifice that is really our openness to receive the sacrifice of God – the sacrifice of the lamb and the sacrifice of Jesus' self-emptying service. Who could have imagined that any of this would happen? A motley group of runaway labourers' escapes from the clutches of their superpower overlords; bread and wine is changed into the body and blood of a man who is being hunted down; the Son who was sent by God into the world washes the feet of his disciples. It is no wonder that Peter initially resisted. God's love for us is beyond comprehension. This night we are left with the directive: 'As I have done, so you must do.' Our thanksgiving is expressed in our own self-emptying service of others. Having received the gifts of God, we give them away; they flow from God through us to others.

## PARISH HAPPENINGS

**Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick** Mark Blake, Betty Bendel, Pamela O'Reilly **and those whose anniversaries occur around this time** Carmelo Giuseppe Petrocitti **and the recently deceased** Patrick Coyne, Colin Grieshaber, Allan Martin, Desley Connolly, Maria Dall'alba.

### Parish Office is Open

At present, the parish office is still open with the usual hours listed on the front page of Spread the Word.

Please note that the parish office will be closed on Good Friday & Easter Monday for the public holidays.

### Printed Resources Available

We have placed a wooden box outside the front door of the church. In this box there are printed resources including Spread the Word. Please let any parishioners without internet access know that these printed resources are available for collection.

### 'Holy Week at Home' Resources

A series of leaflets have been made available by Liturgy Brisbane for parish families to use in their homes during the days of Holy Week. Please visit our parish website to download. The leaflets are also inserted into the hard copies of Spread the Word.

### Chrism Mass via Live Stream

Archbishop Mark Coleridge will celebrate the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral of St Stephen on Holy Thursday Morning at 10am. The Archbishop asks the clergy and people of the Archdiocese to join him via the live stream through the Archdiocesan website <http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/>

### Giving – Dominican Fathers & Parish

One frequent question that has been asked from parishioners, particularly by those who give via envelopes & loose on the collection at Mass, is how can we continue to give money to the Dominican Fathers and Parish? Here are a couple of ways ...

- Give via Direct Debit. The form for direct debit giving is available at the parish office and on our website [www.carinacatholicparish.org.au](http://www.carinacatholicparish.org.au) under -> Our Parish -> Planned Giving. The signed form can be returned via email or hard copy to the parish office.
- Collect your weekly giving and provide it in a lump sum once everything returns to normal.

Please know that we want you to take care of yourselves. We will be here when this is all over.

### Project Compassion Boxes & Envelopes

Project Compassion boxes & envelopes can be returned when Parish Masses resume or you can go online to [lent.caritas.org.au/donate/](http://lent.caritas.org.au/donate/) to make your gift.

### The Catholic Leader

The Catholic Leader have made their newspaper available online for free [www.catholicleader.com.au](http://www.catholicleader.com.au)

### Contacting a Priest

If you require a priest in an emergency, contact the parish office number 3398 2977 and select option 2.

## Means of Communication to Parishioners

### - Telephone

Volunteers will be starting to call parishioners with a pastoral phone call this week, on behalf of the parish, to touch base and see how you are going. If you know of someone who you think would like a phone call, contact the parish office.

### - Emails

The parish office is setting up an email distribution list to keep parishioners up to date with information and send out Spread the Word. If you would like to be included on the distribution list, please send an email to [carina@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:carina@bne.catholic.net.au).

### - Website

To keep up-to-date with the latest information, visit our parish website [www.carinacatholicparish.org.au](http://www.carinacatholicparish.org.au).

### Website Resources

Here are some helpful links to keep in touch with our parish and your faith:

<http://www.carinacatholicparish.org.au/>

<http://www.vatican.va/content/vatican/en.html>

<http://www.catholic.org.au/>

<http://www.catholic.org/prayers/>

<http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/>

<http://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/onlineresources/prayer-index/catholic-prayers>

<http://www.ourcatholicprayers.com/>

[http://www.taize.fr/en\\_rubrique12.html](http://www.taize.fr/en_rubrique12.html)

<http://us.magnificat.net/free>

<http://giveusthisday.org/Digital>

## PROJECT COMPASSION

Dominic, 47 is a former teacher and father of six from Papua New Guinea. In 2016, he became involved with the Caritas Australia's Safe House and Family Anonymous programs and turned a difficult life and an unhappy relationship around. The



program provides gender-based violence prevention training, counselling services and safe accommodation for women and children survivors of violence. Now a community trainer, he works with other men to help them to change their behaviour and build more harmonious family lives. Dominic and his wife, Christophylda say that their relationship has been transformed – and their family life is now harmonious, happy and safe.

## SUNDAY READINGS

### First Reading - Isaiah 50:4-7

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.

## Psalm - Ps 22 (21):8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

*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 - Philippians 2:6-11

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 - Matthew 27:11-54 (Shorter Form)

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, or Jesus 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 enlisted him to carry his cross. When they had reached a place called Golgotha, that is, the place of the skull, they gave him wine to drink mixed with gall, which he tasted but refused to drink. When they had finished crucifying him they shared out his clothing by casting lots, and then sat down and stayed there keeping guard over him. Above his head was placed the charge against him; it read: 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.' At the same time two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said 'So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself! If you are God's son, come down from the cross!' The chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him in the same way. 'He saved others,' they said 'he cannot save himself. He is the king of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He put his trust in God; now let God rescue him if he wants him. For he did say, "I am the son of God." Even the robbers who were crucified with him taunted him in the same way.

From the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour, Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?' that is, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood there heard this, they said, 'The man is calling on Elijah,' and one of them quickly ran to get a sponge which he dipped in vinegar and putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink. 'Wait!' said the rest of them 'and see if Elijah will come to save him.' But Jesus again crying out in a loud voice, yielded up his spirit.

At that, the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom; the earth quaked; the rocks were split; the tombs opened and the bodies of many holy men rose from the dead, and these, after his resurrection, came out of the tombs, entered the Holy City and appeared to a number of people. Meanwhile the centurion, together with the others guarding Jesus, had seen the earthquake and all that was taking place, and they were terrified and said, 'In truth this was a son of God.'

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