



The Holy Family PARISH COMMUNITY

WEEKEND BULLETIN

Integrating the Catholic Communities of West Footscray, Maidstone & Braybrook in the Archdiocese of Melbourne

Jesus our Lord is risen. Alleluia! Today, we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord Jesus from the dead. This is the central mystery of our faith as Christians. As the apostle Paul tells us, if Christ has not been raised from the dead, our faith in him is useless. We are invited to rise with Jesus. But first we have to die to our old self, our sinfulness, and selfish desires. Only then shall we rise again as new men and women: repentant, full of hope and happiness. Our confidence lies in Jesus who conquered the power of sin and death. United with him, we too can become new persons.

1st Reading: Acts 10:34,37-43

Response: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 5:6-8

Alleluia: Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Prayer: Through the Resurrection of your Son, hear us.

Happy Easter, Alleluia!!!

On the first day of the week, the third day of his Passion, Jesus Christ rose from the dead. Today is his day.

Many great historical figures have led exemplary lives, taught wise doctrines, and even died for the truth. But only one has risen again.

Among the vast array of humanity's greatest heroes, only about Jesus Christ can we say: "He rose again on the third day, in fulfilment of the scriptures."

Only in Christ's resurrection do goodness and power finally unite. The good guy wins!

Only in Christ's resurrection does love prove that it is stronger than death.

In Christ and in his resurrection, a new - a wildly new - hope dawns for all mankind, the hope that if we stay united to him through faith and grace, we will rise with him, rise from our very tombs, and live with him forever in the never-ending adventure of heaven.

No one else offers such a hope, because no one else has risen from the dead to be able to offer it - only the Lord.

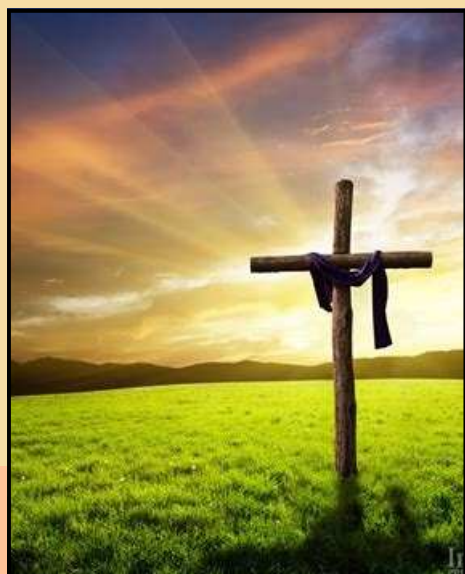
The Resurrection is the definitive watershed in the history of religions; it makes Christianity absolutely unique. In the Resurrection, reality becomes more wonderful than myth.

Only the reality of the Resurrection can explain the reality of the history of the Church:

A few weak, non-influential, and uneducated fishermen from Galilee, frightened out of their wits when Jesus was arrested and executed, suddenly become world travelers, phenomenally successful preachers, and valiant martyrs.

And the Church they spread continues to spread after they die, holding fast to the exact same doctrine they preached, century after century, in nation after nation. Only the abiding presence of the Lord can explain this, and only the resurrection explains the abiding presence of the Lord.

This is what makes us, as Christians, different.





Mass Intentions for the Week

Special Intentions & Thanksgiving

Coral Le Toille & Family
Dallimore Family and Lawley Family

Eternal Repose

RECENTLY DECEASED: Marie Henwood,
Tereza Medic, Matthew.

ANNIVERSARIES: Abelardo Narag, Ernesto Soriano, Buggy Bautista, Philomena Maria, Giuse Pham Ba Hoan, Giuse, Phero Do Van Dien, Phanxico Xavie Quoc Thai.

Comfort & Healing

Cesare Bettoni, Nip Frogosa, Jack Considine, Rutillo Llovito, Sabrina Janz, Roselyn David, Carozon Robles, Remedios Laplana, Jose Mastruzzo, Glad Trevillian, Tony Rabusin, Nell Monagle, Fortunata Scalzo, Jamie Dumapias, Cesar Banzon, Sydonia Maslanyk, Margaret Horley, Leonie Drayton, Pauline Drayton, Allan Arias, Pat Roddis, Billy Frankland, Roger Joseph Ochoa, Josephine Grima, Barry Hyett, Loretta Mills, Cassandra O'Keefe, Carmen Micallef, George Tawaf, Denver D'Cruz.

Mass Schedule

SUNDAY

St. John's 8:00 am
Christ the King 9:30 am
Our Lady's 10:00 am
Vietnamese Mass 3:00 pm¹
Filipino Mass 3:00 pm²
Christ the King 5:00 pm
Our Lady's 6:30 pm

MONDAY

Christ the King 8:00 am
Our Lady's 8:00 am

TUESDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Christ the King 8:00 am
Our Lady's 9:00 am

WEDNESDAY

Christ the King 8:00 am
Our Lady's 9:00 am
7:00 pm³

THURSDAY

Christ the King 9:15 am
Our Lady's 8:00 am

SATURDAY (Vigil Mass)

Our Lady's 5:00 pm
Christ the King 6:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday after the morning Masses and 30 mins. before the evening Masses.

BAPTISMS

3rd Sunday of the month

MARRIAGE

3 months-notice required.

¹ Sunday Masses in Vietnamese are held at Our Lady's Church every 2nd and 4th Sundays and at Christ the King Church every 1st and 3rd Sundays.

² Mass in Filipino is held at Our Lady's Church every 1st Saturday and third Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm.

³ The Wednesday evening Mass incorporates the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Vocation View

We're no longer nobodies. Jesus rose from the dead. He promises to take us to heaven too. Our Ultimate Vocation: Union with God!



EDGE is way more than effective catechesis. It's Catholic Middle School Youth Ministry that helps young people with life's most challenging years.

Edge Nights takes place Friday evenings. Kids between 10-13 years old are invited and encouraged to attend. **Interested in helping out?**

Contact: Christine at olckedge@gmail.com

Our Lady's Large Hall 7.00-9.00pm

Sacramental Preparation for First Holy Communion

Preparation of children who do not attend a Catholic School and are interested to prepare for their First Holy Communion will commence on the 30th of May 2019 at 5.00pm at the Parish Office. Children attending the classes must be accompanied by an adult.



27-28 April 2019

MINISTRIES & SERVICES

			Comntr	Lector/s	Eucharistic Ministers	Choir
SAT	5:00pm	OL	Joward Sawadan	Jeresa Sawadan	Yvonne Jose & Benjamin	Mary's Choir
	6:30pm	CTK	Peggy Dias	Rose Thomas	Coral La'Toille & Tuyen Nguyen	CTK Church Choir
SUN	8:00am	SJ	Charles Budiman	Sr Joan	Robert Brennan	-
	9:30am	CTK	Merri Balauca	Sophia Nguyen	Rosaline Raymundo, Jim Proctor & Lan-Anh Tuyet	CTK Church Choir
	10:00am	OL	Hong Lam	Hung Lam	Fred Lipana & Lorraine D'Silva	OL Church Choir
	3:00pm	OL				Nu Vuong
	5:00pm	CTK	Lorraine Rodrigues	Nenita Castillo	Kathe Casas	Mother Teresa
	6:30pm	OL	Keith Ocampo	Benedict Alvares	William Napiza & Teri Napiza	Himig Filipino

Next Week's Readings

Acts 5:12-16
Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19
John 20:19-31

Archbishop Comensoli's Easter message

Wednesday 17 April 2019

Happy Easter, friends in Christ. Happy Easter in the name of Jesus, the Risen One.

When Jesus appeared among his friends after the Resurrection, the first thing he did was to show them the wounds of his crucifixion. 'Here,' he said to them, 'see my once-nailed hands and feet; look at my pierced side.' The person who stood before his friends was no ghostly hologram of someone they once knew; it was Jesus himself, alive. After three days in the tomb, and now brimming with divine energy, Jesus did not hide the wounds of his death from his friends. Instead, he carried them with him into the resurrected life.

Those transfigured wounds of Jesus matter to us, his friends today. His death was no fake; his resurrection no trick. With his own body—once wounded in death—he now brings new possibilities to us all. Our way ahead with Him does not mean a rejection of our past, but a transfiguration of it. Jesus is our hope of a new path.

This Easter, all of us are being invited to taste something of this joy of the Resurrection, to look on Jesus' resurrected wounds and see hope for the world. This is because our own wounds and sorrows, our griefs and struggles, our anguishes and angers, have all been absorbed into the healed wounds of Jesus.

So begins my first sharing in the Easter Season with you as your archbishop. I've been looking forward to it, because we have been walking through loss and grief in the Church here in Melbourne, and we are so in need of the Lord who wants us to share his Easter joy.

Christ is alive; and he wants us to be alive. The Risen Lord, who will never abandon his people, is offering us the strength to set out on a new path with him. As shattered and as wounded as our local Church can seem, the Risen Lord, in his gloriously wounded body, is inviting us to share in his life and to walk with him.



2019

Holy Family Parish
**FEAST DAY
DANCE PARTY**

Friday, 3 May 2019
6:30 PM - 11:00 PM
Our Lady's Large Hall
17 Lyons Street
Maidstone

Basket Dinner (BYO Food & Drinks)

\$25.00
No. 001

**Support our Parish
Feast Day Dance Party**
Tickets are available at the Parish Office.

Divine Mercy Novena

Beginning Good Friday until Saturday,
27th of April 2019
we will have the Novena at
Our Lady's Church in Maidstone
at 5:30 pm.

COME JOIN US!

*"He went about doing
good and healing all those
oppressed by the devil, for
God was with him."*

- Acts 10:38

On this Easter Sunday, open your hearts to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. God is love and we are made in His image and likeness. Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray for guidance on how to live your life and give thanks for all that He has given you.

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St. John's Church

Presbytery \$162.25
Church \$201.05

Our Lady's Church

Presbytery \$1,291.20
Church \$1,415.05

Christ the King Church

Presbytery \$701.95
Church \$936.35

The first collection (Presbytery) supports the Parish Priest, his Assistant, the sick and retired Priests and the Archbishop

The second collection (Thanksgiving Envelopes) supports the Parish and the expenses of the Archdiocese.

SCHOOLS

St. John's Catholic School

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CONTACT INFORMATION CHURCHES

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Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

46 Ballarat Road, Maidstone VIC 3012

St. John the Evangelist Church

34 Essex Street, Footscray VIC 3012

Fr. René Ramirez, RCJ
Parish Priest

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Send O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!

DONATIONS TO THE GROTTO PROJECT

Thank you very much for the donations to our Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Date	Name	Amount
12.04.2019	Weekly Subtotal	\$42,922.00
20.04.2019	Lieu Vu	50.00
20.04.2019	Lyn Encinas	200.00
	Total	43,172.00

Deo Gratias!

Our most sincere gratitude to all of those who extended their help for our Grotto Project.



This week's events

MONDAY 10.00 am 5.30 pm	22nd April Italian Prayer Group O/L Divine Mercy Novena O/L
TUESDAY 5.30 pm	23rd April Divine Mercy Novena O/L
WEDNESDAY 5.30 pm 7.00 pm	24th April Divine Mercy Novena O/L Novena/Mass O/L
THURSDAY 5.30 pm	25th April Divine Mercy Novena O/L
FRIDAY 5.30 pm 6.30 pm	26th April Divine Mercy Novena O/L Exposition and Adoration CTK
SUNDAY 3.00 pm	28th April Vietnamese Mass O/L

Working Bee



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Stewardship Committee is seeking volunteers for a Working Bee session on Thursday, 25 April 2019 from 2:00 pm. We intend to tidy and clean up Our Lady's Church, the big and small hall, and its surrounds in time for the Holy Family Feast Day on 5 May 2019.

If you can spare a couple of hours to help us on this day, please contact the Parish Office on 9317 9258. Thank you!

CTK bus for the Holy Family Feast Day

On 5 May, Sunday, the CTK bus will fetch the usual passengers one hour later than usual (9.45 AM onwards) to transport them to Our Lady's for the 10.30am Feast Day Mass. Helen will be the bus driver. [0466954747]

Xe Búyt thường đón quý bác Cao Niên tại CTK vào các ngày Chúa Nhật, sẽ đón quý bác tuần Chủ Nhật 5-5-2019 trễ hơn một giờ (từ 9.45 sáng), để chở quý Bác đến dự Lễ Bồn Màng của cả 2 giáo xứ (Lễ mừng kính Gia Đình Thánh Gia, Chủ Nhật 5/5, lúc 10.30 sáng). Cô Helen sẽ là tài xế [0466954747].



SPARKS OF BEAUTY FILM SCREENING: POPE FRANCIS – A MAN OF HIS WORD

Wednesday 1 May, 6.30–8.30pm

Palace Kino Cinemas, 45 Collins Street, Melbourne

Talk a little, listen a lot, say just enough, and look everyone in the eye. – Pope Francis
The *Sparks of Beauty* series is back for 2019! The first gathering for this year will be a film screening of the Wim Wenders' film, *Pope Francis: A Man of His Word*, which premiered at the 2018 Cannes Film Festival and was screened as part of last year's Melbourne International Film Festival. More than just another documentary of a high profile figure, the film seeks to illustrate what is at the heart of Pope Francis' life and leadership: Christian hope.

Cost: \$30 adult, \$15 student (18 and under), \$100 for a group of five. Ticket includes light supper, popcorn and refreshments.

Bookings: by Monday 22 April <https://www.trybooking.com/BBUBT>

Cleaning Roster Our Lady's (Maidstone)

14-20 April
Thi Cuc Vu

21-27 April
K. Nguyen

28 April-4 May
Legion of Mary



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