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28 March 2021 - Palm Sunday

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Gillian Thomas;
 Deceased: Terry Fitzpatrick;

Anniversary: Trish White; Peter Daniels; William Sevil; Kevin Green; Charles Lanry; Patrick McManara; Kai Fitzpatrick; Ken Heath; Gavin Carlisle; Gregory Toudgett; Neville Green; Phyllis Lord; Anthony Conlan; Trish Egan; Brian Redgrove; Len Dalton; Felicity McGrath; Barry Hill; John Garthy; James Cooper; Marcus Plevley; Roger Gleason; Brian Purcell; Gordon Neen; Jim Jones; Ron McGrath; Patricia Gleason; Matthew McGrath; Donald Davidson; Anthony (Maley) O'Donnell; Helen Plevley; Sylvia Green; May Barr; Allan Penningly

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest in Peace. Amen.

And for those who are ill:

Dr Dillon; Michael Hausfield; Sister Pat Barley; Lisa Brown; Ray Lamb of Gunnedah; Les Ward; David Sailer; Rita Looney; Bobbie Paton; Fr John Willis; Clare Crane; Bill Gleason; Billy Godden; Ros Turton; Gavin Sewell; Ian Gallagher; Fiona Nolan; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lucy Ggill; Father Pat O'Neill; Tom Sanderson; Colleen Hyatt; Michael McCormick; Dan O'Donnell; Marie Dalton; Jack Dunn; Colin Gallagher; Andrew McManus; Ivy Taylor; Joan Greenlee; Rosalynn Chan; all the members of the Parish who are ill.

Other Intentions:

1/4/2021	R:	P Perkins & D Kerklaan
2/4/2021	R	M Corbould & B Press
3/4/2021	R	D Ryan, H Passfield, B McNamara & B Press
4/4/2021	R	M & J Eiseley

Roster

Tues 30	Chrism Mass at Armidale Cathedral at 11.00am
Wed 31	Confirmation Lesson in the Fr Stan Campbell Hall at 3.50pm
Thurs 1	Holy Thursday Mass at 3.00pm at Werris Creek
Thurs 1	Holy Thursday Mass at 7.00pm at Quirindi
Fri 2	Good Friday Station of the Cross at 9.00am at Quirindi
Fri 2	Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at 11.00am at Werris Creek
Fri 2	Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at 3.00pm at Quirindi
Sat 3	Liturgy of the Light 5.00pm at Werris Creek
Sat 3	Liturgy of the Light 7.00pm at Quirindi

Coming Events

The Sacred Liturgy

Weekday Masses:

Monday 8.15am - Quirindi - Catechists Mass
 Tuesday No Mass - Mass of the Oils in Armidale
 Wednesday 9.30am - Werris Creek
 Thursday 3.00pm - Werris Creek Mass of the Last Supper
 7.00pm - Quirindi Mass of the Last Supper
 Friday 11.00am - Werris Creek Solemn Liturgy of the Passion
 Friday 3.00pm - Quirindi Solemn Liturgy of the Passion

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: Vigil Masses
 5.00pm - Quirindi
 6.30pm - Werris Creek
 Sunday:
 8.00am - Willow Tree
 9.30am - Quirindi

Carona: Last Sunday of the Month

Baptism: At any Sunday at 11.00am, arrangement to be made with the Parish Secretary. A Baptism preparation seminar is held every 1st Saturday of the Month at 10.00am at the Presbytery Meeting Room.

Reconciliation: Every Saturday at 4.15pm - 4.45pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Every first Friday of the month, after the 9.30am mass until

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Please return your Project Compassion boxes next Thursday night.

Sacrament of Confirmation - will be celebrated on Sunday 2nd May 2021. Lessons have commenced and are taking place in the Fr Stan Campbell Hall each Wednesday at 3.50pm and the Reflection Day on Friday 30 April when the candidates are to meet with Bishop Michael. Our Parish-based program involves Fr Vince, Parents, Candidates and Catechists. It places a strong emphasis on family involvement as we recognise that parents / guardians are the main educators in the faith for their children. Please pray for the children preparing for this sacrament.

Holy Week and Easter Services



Come Worship With Us!

Confessions at St Brigid's Saturday 4.15pm - 4.45pm
 Holy Thursday at Werris Creek Mass of the Last Supper at 3.00pm
 Holy Thursday at St Brigid's Mass of the Last Supper at 7.00pm followed by adoration
 Good Friday at St Brigid's 9.00am Stations of the Cross
 Good Friday at Werris Creek 11.00am Solemn Liturgy of the Passion
 Good Friday at St Brigid's 3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion
 Holy Saturday at Werris Creek 5.00pm Liturgy of the Light & Vigil Mass of Easter
 Holy Saturday at St Brigid's 7.00pm Liturgy of the Light & Vigil Mass of Easter
 Easter Sunday at Willow Tree 8.00am Mass
 Easter Sunday at St Brigid's 9.30am Mass

Prayer to St Joseph, Patron of the Holy Catholic Church

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Saint Michael the Archangel defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 5.00pm at St Brigid's. All welcome to attend.

This weekend we welcome Nathaniel Ross Blackwell into our Christian Community and Baptised into the Mystery of Christ and his Church. Please pray for Nathaniel's parents Harley & Ashleigh and his Godparents.

Coronavirus - The following must be observed at all Masses:

1. If you are unwell, stay at home and get tested as soon as possible.
2. Please check-in with your details by scanning the QR code using your smart phones or by the log sheet.
3. Sanitise your hands before entering and when leaving the church.
4. Please observe physical distancing inside the Church, at the foyer and immediate surroundings.
5. People from the same household may sit together.
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THE SAVING WORD

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD / B

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the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate the customary favour, Pilate answered them,

O. Do you want me to release for you the king of the Jews?

N. For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. Then Pilate spoke again,

O. But in that case, what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?

N. They shouted back,

C. Crucify him!

N. Pilate asked them,

O. Why? What harm has he done?

N. But they shouted all the louder,

C. Crucify him!

N. So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be scourged, handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him up in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him,

C. Hail, king of the Jews!

N. They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took

off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes.

They led him out to crucify him. They enlisted a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull.

They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour when they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews.' And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said,

C. Aha! So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross!

N. The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. They said,

C. He saved others, he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel,

come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.

N. Even those who were crucified with him taunted him.

When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice,

1. Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?

N. This means 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this they said,

C. Listen, he is calling on Elijah.

N. Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it to him to drink saying,

O. Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.

N. But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

All kneel and praise a moment

And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said,

O. In truth this man was a son of God.

The longer from this passion narrative may be read: Mk 14:1-15:47

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FIRST READING Isa 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.

The word of the Lord.

RESP 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. / Reverere 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.

The word of the Lord.

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

Mk 15: 1-39

(N: Narrator J: Jesus O: Other single speaker C: Crowd, or more than one other speaker)

N. The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. **N.** First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the elders and scribes, in short the whole Sanhedrin, had their plan ready. They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him, **O.** Are you the king of the Jews?

N. He answered,

1. It is you who say it.

N. And the chief priests brought many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again,

O. Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you!

N. But to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made no further reply.

At festival time Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during