

St Finbar's Catholic Parish

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26th March 2023

Fifth Sunday of Lent-Year A

Parish Staff

Parish Priest: Fr Ian Ranson

Retired Priest : Fr Clemente Cafarella

Parish Secretary: Mrs Carmel Cristiano

(Tues & Thurs, 9.00 am-3.30pm)

St Vincent de Paul: 1800 305 330

School Principal: Mr Patrick Berlingeri

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 9.30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 9:30am, 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am

Baptisms & other sacraments: please call the office to organise.



Let us pray

Baptism: Leo Moore Isabel Moore

Sick:

Michael

John Bushell Patricia Brown

Recent death:

Anniversarv:

Fr John Ashe

Kevin Bryce



Rage against Death

This Gospel tells us that Our Lord was moved with compassion in an almost violent way, raging against the seeming finality of death. The raising of Lazarus was a demonstration of his power to rob death of its supposed supremacy.

But, Our Lord did not set Lazarus completely free! You may think that to be raised from the dead was not a bad start, but Lazarus was still shuffling: bound, constrained, constricted by the past. To those gathered around the tomb Jesus issued the command: 'Set him free, unbind him.' It was the collective effort of others which enabled Lazarus to walk as a liberated son of God.

You may find yourself commanded by the Lord to help unbind a person who has had a deadening experience which has drained them of life. We get the courage to respond because it is the command of the One who definitively conquered death.

We could pause for a moment to resolve to help liberate others already helped by the grace of Him whom we believe to be *the* Resurrection and the Life.

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Please bring palm / olive / cedar branches next week for



Paperless Thanksgiving at Our Parish

We are currently in the process of installing an eftpos machine in the Church foyer for donations / thanksgiving.

The paper system is becoming unsustainable both financially and environmentally. We will still maintain the envelopes for those who wish to continue giving via this format. However for those who would prefer to transition to eftpos or even direct debit, please contact the office to setup the direct debit or just simply use the eftpos machine in the church.

For the time being the Church eftpos will be for Thanksgiving only. Should you wish to donate to the Presbytery, this will continue to be done via the first collection.





MARCH - Month of St Joseph

26th St Lucia Filippini	"Dear God, please grant me the grace	
27th St Rupert	to cultivate the virtues of faith, hope, and love in my life. Help me to be	
28th St Conon	courageous in standing up for what is right, patient in facing life's challenges,	
29th St Secundus	compassionate towards others and dedicated to serving your will. May I	
30th St John Climacus	strive to embody the virtues that reflect your love and goodness, and to live a	
31st St Amos	life of integrity and purpose. I ask this in	
Ist April St Hugh of Grenoble	Jesus' name, Amen." © Majellan	



Palm Sunday- Year A	5.30pm	9.00am	11.00am
2.4.23			
Lector	Paul Dungan	Rod Watson	Richard Wakeham
Minister	Clare Sabatino	Mary Callea	Jenny Reiche
Audio Visual Operator	Carmel Cristiano	volunteer	Teresa Myer



EASTER at St Finbar's Catholic Parish 90 Centre Road, Brighton East

"Faith – Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow"

Holy Week Ceremonies 2023

Tuesday 4 th April	Reconciliation 7.00pm
Holy Thursday 6 th April	Mass at 7.00pm followed by prayer time at the Altar of Repose.
Good Friday 7 th April	Stations of the Cross at 10.30am. The Passion of the Lord at 3.00pm.
Easter Vigil 8 th April	Mass at 7.00pm (no 5.30pm Mass).
Easter Sunday 9 th April	Masses at 9.00am and 11.00am.

HOME VISITATION

Fr Clem is offering to visit Parishioners homes for a pastoral visit.

If you would like him to visit your home, please ring the Parish office and leave your address and telephone name, number. Indicate the most suitable time. The visit would be for 20-30 minutes.

Anointing Easter Mass

followed by lunch in the Marion room

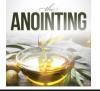
Tuesday, 28th March, 11am

Please contact

Joan Hamilton:

9592 2498 or 0432 449 122

To assist with luncheon preparation.



SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND ALL VULNERABLE PEOPLE

St Finbar's Parish hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community.