



St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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We acknowledge and respect the Traditional Owners of this place, the Jarowair and Giabal peoples.



SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - Sunday 16 April, 2022

First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43 We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

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

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4 Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Christ had become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 20:1-9 The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

"Where shall we go today, Big Ted – toy library, picnic or to visit Jemima?" It did make me smile the other morning when I was walking down Ruthven Street to see this row of toys waiting at the bus stop. Surprisingly, it also made me think about Easter. It reminded me of the joy that Easter brings. The simple smile of hope, of peace, of knowing Christ's presence with us, that Easter evokes. As a young child once said, "It tickles my heart!" It also made me think about the question of "Where to from here?" In other words with this joy in our heart, how will our lives be different? What have we come to appreciate during our Lenten and Easter journey? Is our heart open to God giving the directions and we simply asking, *"Hey God, where shall we go today?"*
Have a wonderful Easter! Alleluia! Alleluia! *Fr. Michael*



The Easter Struggle for Justice

"They killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen" (Acts 10:39-40).

Death has lost its power; even its causes such as torturing, scourging and bullying have lost their power. Thus, the resurrection is not a myth or fiction, it is real.

My faith experience in *this* Easter is about the people of Sri Lanka. A tyrant came to power as an executive president frightening the minorities using hate speech, employing underworld acts. Now, the whole country is undergoing an economic and political crisis. He uses nepotism to steal people's money. Therefore people do not believe his government and its fake news. Today people are in their power of love and calling for justice. It's a glimpse of the resurrection of Christ "by getting rid of all the old yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth" (Corinthians 5:8). We have seen in the capital city of Colombo, Christians, Buddhists, Muslims and Hindus coming together to share a meal as they march forward to overcome a dark future (photo above).

Wishing you joy of the Risen Christ!

Fr Nandana



✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Joyce Heelan, Joyce Nugent. May perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace.

✠ **We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Fr. Roderick Lynch [1985]; Fr. Leo O'Donohue [1961].

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially:** Sameria Haddad, Perlita Torrecampo, Rodolfo Umipig, Bev Smith (Boodle), Fr Raymond Sweeney, Addison McEwan, Daniel Ligon, Rohitha Jayamanna, Ray Frelek, Patsy Quinn, Brian Machin, Madeline Gray, Loan Smith, Maria Brown, Christine [Faus] Barron,

Greta Berge, Matt Vlietstra, Dr Peter Reiter, Elijah Rolls, Hayden Smith, Margaret Walker, Rita Blacker, Kristina Dawidowicz, Nora Machin, Mary Allen, Tina Hobson, Bev Boundy, Joanne Essey [Sydney], Braxton Rayner, Kate Gibbs, Max Shearer, Saturnino Bustamante, Hannah Marie Marasigan, Stephanie Shine, Andrew Supple, Mary-Ann Hine, Kathy Allan, John Morgan, Patricia McCracken, Reggie James, Teresita Pamulaklakin.

RECONCILIATION – 1st Rite available every Saturday morning between 8am and 9am.

PARKING: PLEASE MAKE USE OF THE TMBA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OFFICE CARPARKING VIA LAWRENCE STREET – THERE IS AT LEAST 100 PARKS AVAILABLE THERE ON THE WEEKEND AND MORNING MASSES!

Christ is risen! Alleluia, alleluia!

The Psalmist says: “You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand, bliss forever” (Ps 16:11). At Easter we get to celebrate that this path of life is laid out for us. Here we are, after waiting and preparing for the forty days of Lent, to rejoice in the life, peace, hope, and joy brought to us by the risen Lord.



When we say we believe in Christ's resurrection, we say we believe in our own; when we say He brought life out of death, we say that our own mortality will end in life; when we say He brought peace in the face of betrayal and denial, we say that He will bring peace to our own troubled lives and terrorised world. This might take some time to come to fulfilment or be seen, but we are an Easter people and are called to live as such, with our eyes on the risen Christ. He is risen indeed, alleluia!

Let's keep pottering away at being holy and choosing this Easter life.

Paschal blessings to you and yours,

Deacon Nathan



Thank you to everyone who assisted in any way to make our Lenten and Easter services meaningful and to run smoothly. The sharing of your gifts have helped everyone to find meaning and experience a prayerful time with our God. Thank you to Vicky and Jo and the choir for providing wonderful music and singing for all the services. We appreciate your time and energy. Special thanks to Gabrielle for her oversight of all the areas that needed to be covered! God bless! Have a restful Easter!

Sunday 17 April [STM – St. Thomas More's] [SPC – St. Patrick's]	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass 9am Live Streaming	EASTER SUNDAY 9am Baptism of Grace Mengel and Anne Davidson 11am Baptism of Viviana Bonomi, Luca, Ella & Santina Avery 12pm Baptism of Alexis Mitchell 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Monday 18 April	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC	
Tuesday 19 April	7am Mass SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	6.30am Rosary SPC
Wednesday 20 April	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thursday 21 April	7am Mass SPC	7.30am – 8.30am Adoration at St. Patrick's
Friday 22 April	7am Mass SPC 9am Mass STM	
Saturday 23 April	7am Mass SPC	Reconciliation 8.00am – 9.00am
Sunday 24 April	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Mass 9am Live Streaming	4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre

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