

# St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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## Easter Sunday 9 April 2023

**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:** 1 Corinthians 5:6-8 Throw away the old yeast, that you may make new dough.

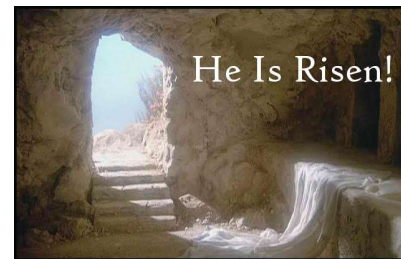
**Gospel Acclamation:** ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! Christ has become our sacrifice;

let us feast with joy in the Lord. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

**Gospel:** Matthew 28:1-10 He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee.

### HAPPY EASTER FROM THE BISHOP, PRIESTS AND STAFF OF ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

One of the previous Cathedral Deans, Fr. John Maher used to have a joke for Easter – it went like this – These friends were going on a car trip into the countryside for their Easter holidays and as they were heading down a dirt road a rabbit came jumping out in front of the car. Well the driver jammed on the brakes and although he came to a sudden stop it wasn't quick enough and he hit the rabbit. They both sat in silence until one of them jumped out of the car, went and rummaged in his bag and pulled out an aerosol can and ran around the front of the car where the rabbit lay. He began spraying the rabbit and suddenly the rabbit got up and hopped into the undergrowth looking fine.



His mate said, "That's amazing. What did you do?" "Oh that, that was HAIR RESTORER" Easter is a time to allow the risen Christ to be our "restorer". A time to remember that we never journey alone. The risen Christ and the sending out of the Holy Spirit invites us to open our hearts to the little changes that make us who we are MORE FULLY. So let us simply celebrate in the Christ who we welcome more completely into our lives as we celebrate this Easter with family and friends. Let us rejoice as we say HE HAS RISEN INDEED. Let's show everyone our belief in this creed.

*God Bless your Easter, Father Michael*



Easter is always the same; but for me, it never gets old. It is a confronting and also comforting time. After getting to know Jesus throughout Lent, listening to accounts of His more seminal moments of ministry, Holy Week brings a new depth. We have journeyed with the man tempted in the desert, the Transfigured Lord, the traveller offering the water of life, the one who gives sight to the blind, the one who loved His friends and raised them to life, and the one proclaimed as the king, son of David. Now, passing through the paschal mystery – passion-death-resurrection – we wash up Easter Monday with nowhere to go... it seems. He has died, been buried, and risen. The story is done... and not done.

This same Lord is celebrated by each community and each person. However, it is not confined to three days (those we call 'Triduum'); this is a mystery *every* day for *every* life.

Please pray for James, Casey, and their daughter, Florence – a young family with whom I have been exploring the faith for some months. They have asked to be received into the Catholic Church this Easter. Please continue to pray for all those who seek, including perhaps your own family and friends; let us pray that, in their own journey of passion, death, and new life, they may come to recognise the Lord of the journey: the way, the truth, and the life. Wishing you every blessing this Easter; may you be filled with joy and witness the hope promised by the Risen Lord.

*Nathan*



✠ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Terry Waters, Max Cherry, Terence O’Sullivan, Kenley Waldron, 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:** Joscelyn (Power) Hjort, Tanisa Norbu, Matthew Dwyer.

✠ **For all those who are ill in our community, especially:** Nelle Brennan, Bernadette Farrell, Greg Coddington, Gayle Christoffel, Stanley Poon, Pat Murray, Jamal Abraham, Pam Cavalachini, Madelaine Morris, Judy Moloney, Perlita Torrecampo, Rodolfo Umipig, Bev Smith (Boodle), Addison McEwan, Daniel Ligon,

Rohitha Jayamanna, Ray Frelek, Madeline Gray, Maria Brown, Christine [Faus] Barron, Greta Berge, Matt Vlietstra, Dr Peter Reiter, Elijah Rolls, Hayden Smith, Rita Blacker, 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, Patricia McCracken, Reggie James, Teresita Pamulaklakin.

**BIG THANKYOU** to all those who assisted in the preparations for Palm Sunday. Thank you Sam and Fina Ginardi for the great supply of palms this year. To Gabrielle and her band of helpers for cleaning and preparing for both Holy Week and the Mass of Oils. The results have given us a wonderful start to Holy Week! Many blessings.

**EASTER THANK YOU!** Many thanks to all those who have assisted in any way to help our Easter celebrations to go well! We are all appreciative of your generous giving of time and talents. God Bless your Easter journey.

**CATHOLIC LEADER** now available – please take a copy even if you are unable to pay for it today. We would rather it be in your home than sitting in the Cathedral unread.

## Easter for Everyone!

I am writing these few sentences on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. We were invited (last Sunday) to begin a week, called ‘Holy Week’, to read (or listen to) the Gospel accounts of what happened to Jesus during the final days of His life among us ‘in the flesh’, His suffering and dying and rising from the grave to a New life.

For us this has been and is a story, first of all, about Jesus. It’s movement and content are fixed in the past - two thousand years ago! It is complete and has an ending already known to us.

**We can just honour that story, be grateful that it all took place, thank God that it all happened, feel something of its power but fail to grasp it’s relevance to our story, our real life which is still unfolding.**

**The suffering, dying, of Jesus is still going on! The triumph of the resurrection is still in the future for the total Christ for all His sisters and brothers across the world.**

We remember and participate in reading, listening, reflecting at home and in Church ceremonies ..... not only to recall and pray but to re-commit ourselves to suffer with and help bring about the final and lasting Resurrection of all. **Fr. Hal.**



<b>Sunday 9 April</b> <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> [SPC – St. Patrick’s] [STM – St. Thomas More’s]	7am, 9am, and 5.30pm. <b>Live Stream 9am</b>		4.30pm Bingo in the Cath. Centre
<b>Monday 10 April</b>	9am Mass STM 5.30pm Mass SPC		
<b>Tuesday 11 April</b>	9am Mass SPC 5.30pm Mass STM	NO CHOIR PRACTICE	
<b>Wednesday 12 April</b>	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre	
<b>Thursday 13 April</b>	6pm Mass SPC	SPC Adoration 7.30am – 8.30am	
<b>Friday 14 April</b>	7am Mass SPC	7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre	
<b>Saturday 15 April</b>	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC	SPC 6.30am Rosary Reconciliation 8am – 9am	
<b>Sunday 16 April</b>	7am, 9am, 5.30pm. <b>Live Stream 9am</b>	4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre	

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Money Counters next weekend: Sam and Fina Ginardi with Wendy Heelan

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