



**ST
FRANCIS
XAVIER
CATHOLIC
PARISH**

OUR PARISH MASSES							
Weekday					Saturday	8 th April	
4 th	Apr	Tues	9.00am	Mass	4.30pm	Reconciliation	
5 th	Apr	Wed	9.00am	Mass	6.00pm	Easter Vigil	
			6.30pm	Rosary		Sunday 9th April	
6 th	Mar	Thurs	7.00pm	Mass – The Lord’s Supper (followed by Vigil until 10pm)	7.00am	Mass	
					9.00am	Mass	
7 th	Mar	Fri	10.00am	Adoration of the Cross – school hall			
			3.00pm	Veneration of the Cross – school hall			

Palm Sunday Year A 2nd April 2023



Hosanna- Crucifixion- Alleluia

Public opinion is always in action. It swings like a pendulum, moving forward and backward, depending on the mood of the crowd. Today they are supporters; but they may become protesters tomorrow, and then the next day become judges. This certainly is the case in Jesus' last week of his public ministry. At the beginning of the week, the spontaneous crowds, who happened to meet Him on his way to Jerusalem, chanted Hosanna, Hosanna to welcome Jesus. On Friday of that same week, incited by the authorities, the crowds were shouting on the top of their voice, crucify Him, crucify him. Three days later, by Sunday morning, hearing the great news of His resurrection from death, they were singing Alleluia, Alleluia, to celebrate His risen. We celebrate Palm Sunday and the Holy Week, not affected by majority opinion; but by having faith and love for Jesus. We are relating to Jesus' crucifixion and our daily hope and joy, pain, suffering, and struggle in life. This connectedness makes us realize that every single life has moments of the joy of hosanna, the moments of carrying the heavy burden of one's cross; and the moments of heavenly happiness of alleluia. They come and go. We, the followers of Christ, pray to value them all. Hosanna inspires us to move on in doing good work. Our personal cross humbles us to accept our own failures and the boundary of humanity. The Alleluia helps us to celebrate the moments when our lives are guided by the teaching of Jesus. Our society loves to celebrate hosanna and alleluia but not the cross, because earthly hosanna and alleluia relate to short joy, and happiness and praise; while crosses are associated with suffering, pain and agony. The celebration enables us to experience in our lives that life is a journey. This journey is known as a pilgrimage for Christians. A pilgrimage has many hidden and unexpected hosanna, crosses and alleluia. The Holy Week tells us that Jesus' human life had sweat and tears, tiredness and struggles; and

so too will our lives. It also tells us that the true and everlasting Hosanna and Alleluia happen last. Our earthly journey has a destination; for our physical body, its destination is returning to soil because from the soil we were created. Our spiritual life, its destination is in God's hands because the breath of God was given to us; and we return to the One who made and gave us life. Jesus' final words on the cross confirm our spiritual destination: *Father, into your hands I commend My Spirit. After saying this He breathed His last.* God's house is a holy place, and only the holy things are allowed to be there. Lent is the time for us to make change; change not the outer but the inner life. We change our hearts and mind, through God's grace, to be holy. In Jesus' time, the Romans condemned a criminal to death by nailing them on the cross. By dying on the cross, Jesus changed his horrible death to be the fountain of life. Jesus destroyed death forever; because three days after the crucifixion, the same Jesus rose and appeared to his disciples. He brought them new life and endless joy. They saw Him, touched the holes they made in His hands, and the wound on His side. The disciples dined with Him at the same table. This table fellowship we are allowed to share with the new name: The Eucharist. Jesus' Last Supper becomes our daily nourishment. The washing of the feet becomes our banner of service and works of charity.

Holy week is the combination of the two words: Holy and Week. The two must go together to complete their meaning. It is a 'Holy Week' because our Lord, Jesus makes it holy. We, His followers, learn to make our inner life holy as much as possible by acts of fasting, charity, and penance. Surprisingly, these simple acts have the power to combat sin; and overshadow death. These acts are the ingredients for the final and everlasting Hosanna and Alleluia.

**Fr Vudinh Tuong
Parish Priest**

WEEKLY INFORMATION



Volunteer at SFX School Breakfast Club Breakfast club will be resuming at St Francis Xavier School. In Term 2 they will likely run the club three days a week: Mon, Wed and Thurs from 8am to 8.20am. Volunteers will be required from approximately 7.50am to 8.30am. If you are available to help on a volunteer once or on a regular basis please contact David Cudicio dcudicio@bne.catholic.edu.au. A roster will be generated for Term 2. All volunteers need to have a current volunteer number and have completed Student Protection and Code of Conduct Training [Student Protection and Code of Conduct Training for Volunteers \(bne.catholic.edu.au\)](http://Student Protection and Code of Conduct Training for Volunteers (bne.catholic.edu.au))

Volunteers Needed
Please put your name down in the sacristy if you would like to volunteer for the Washing of the Feet, at the Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm, Thursday 6th April.

WEEKLY INFORMATION

Dates for your diary

16 th	Apr	Sun	7am 9am 11am	Mass Mass Mass - Divine Mercy - in church
3 rd	Jun	Sat	3pm	Sacramental program lessons begin
2 nd	Aug	Wed	7pm	Confirmation
20 th	Aug	Sun	10am	1 st Communion & Multicultural Mass – school hall

Responsorial Psalm

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Gospel Acclamation

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!

PASTORAL MATTERS



Prayer for the Sick

Lin Merrian, Marj Robbin, Kim Shadwell, Jackie Ledger, Amy and Reagan Whiteman, Sarah Kathleen Jones, Phil O'Dwyer, Peter Eddy, Almira Ann James, Finley McHardy, Nyaweir Ring, Kylie Herbert, Tony Ryan, Elisapeti Pati, Amanda Harding.

Reading – Sunday of the Resurrection, 9th April 2023

1 st Reading	Acts 10:34, 37-43
2 nd Reading	Col 3:1-4
Gospel	Jn 20:1-9



Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be 21st May 2023
Please keep in touch with the Parish Office as the current restrictions may change at any time. Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of each month during the 9am Mass. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Reborn in Eternal Life 3rd – 9th April

Keith McPherson, Hely Phonsavathady, Amy Mary O'Connell, Matthew Lee Green, Telesia Maila Marmea Vatulele, Andreas Schypper, Colin William Larter, Anne Kosciuk, Maria Kowalczyńska, Ludwika (Lucy) Lew.

Recently Deceased Vicenta Basubas, Martin Folkes, Felice Cavallaro.



Loop System The Church is fitted with a loop system. If you wear a hearing aid, set the control to the 'T' to obtain a better sound.

WEEK 1 ROSTERS - THIS WEEK – 2nd APRIL 2023

Flowers	No flowers	Cleaning	Jim Walsh	Yard	n/a
1st Reading	5pm Angela Vu 7am Jane Brischetto 9am Fruean Family	2nd Reading	5pm Peter Aiavao 7am Louise Qualischefski 9am Sosefo Masalu	Ciborium	5pm Suzanne Fitzgerald 7am Joan Sitcheff 9am Uiki Vaoiva

WEEK 2 ROSTERS – THIS WEEK – 9th APRIL 2023

Flowers	Noela Leituala	Cleaning	Tina & Princeton	Yard	n/a
1st Reading	5pm Huong Nguyen 7am Paul Hodgkinson 9am So'oalo Family	2nd Reading	5pm Julie Aiavao 7am Cameron Auld 9am Karoline Fonoti	Ciborium	5pm Peter Aiavao 7am Michael Miles 9am Sosefo Masalu

Ministers should arrive at least 10 minutes before the start of Mass, or their role will be reassigned on the day.

WEEKLY INFORMATION



Parish Playgroup A playgroup for children aged 0-5 years old and their carers will be starting after the school holidays, at 9am, Tuesday 18th April. The group will meet weekly, except during school holidays. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Youth Group The youth group will be meeting to practice the Passion play at 9am Saturday 1st April, 10am Sun 2nd April, and 5.30pm Wed 5th April.

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