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17 April 2022
Easter Sunday, Year C
Acts 10: 34, 37-43
Col 3: 1-4
John 20: 1-9

“Where man sees but withered leaves, God sees sweet flowers growing.”- Albert Lighton.

***The parish team wishes everyone of our parish a Happy and Blessed Easter!
Easter is meant to be a symbol of hope, renewal, and new life.
May this Easter bring something new in our individual and communal lives!***

On December 8, 1875, the German ship the Deutschland sank in the North Sea, off the English coast. Among the 157 passengers who perished were five Franciscan sisters traveling to Missouri to take up new teaching missions. The young nuns sacrificed their own lives so that others might be rescued. According to one account, the sisters remained below deck as the ship sank. As the water rose around them, they clasped hands and were heard praying, “O Christ, O Christ, come quickly!”

The Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins was profoundly moved by the story and wrote a poem about the tragedy, “The Wreck of the Deutschland”, which he dedicated to the five Franciscans. He saw in their deaths a parallel to the suffering of Christ. Hopkins concludes the poem with this line: Let him easter in us, be a dayspring to the dimness of us . . . As used here, the word “easter” is a nautical term. It means steering a craft toward the east, into the light.

“Let him easter in us.”

Easter as a verb — not just the name of this great festival we begin today, not just the mystery of God’s unfathomable redemptive love that the Gospel can barely articulate, but Easter as something we think, something we feel, something we do.

“Let him easter in us” that we may live our lives in the light of his compassion and peace, his justice and forgiveness.

“Let him easter in us” that we may be a humble servant like him, a healer like him, a teacher like him, a foot washer like him.

“Let him easter in us” that we may bear our crosses for one another as he bore his cross for us.

“Let him easter in us” that we may, at the end of our voyage, “easter” in him.

Let him easter in Ukraine and Russia that these countries may end the war and join hands in peace and harmony.

Let him easter in Sri Lanka that there arise a new government to end the present economic crisis and its offshoots.

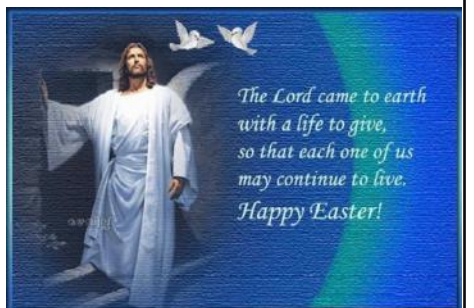
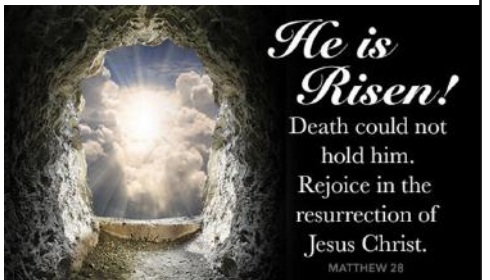
Let him easter in the impoverished countries to alleviate the poverty and ensure the basic needs for the poverty-stricken people.

Let him easter in the broken and separated families that there will be perfect reconciliation.

Let him easter in the entire world that there is an end to the pandemic and people return to the ‘new normal’ renewed in their attitudes and values of life.

Throughout the forty days of Lent, we have been steering our lives toward the light, trying to shake the darkness, the doubts, the burdens of living, the heaviness of hearts. May Easter become a verb in our lives — a way of living, a way of loving, a way of seeing and hearing and understanding. Let us not just celebrate this Easter day, but let us “do” Easter every day. Let us not just mark this milestone of the life of the Gospel Jesus, but let this day mark our lives with the compassion, humility and joy of the Risen One. Let us “easter” every moment of our lives in the light of Christ. (Edited A Connections Sampler)

God’s blessings
Fr Vince



PARISH NEWS



PRAYER AT ST MADS

The Sunday Gospel reflections	Tuesday at 10.30 am via Zoom. Contact Careyanne 0438 791 813 or careyannemoylan@hotmail.com
Prayer Group	Wednesday after morning Mass at 10am in the St Madeleine centre
St Mad's Book Club	To register contact Careyanne on careyannemoylan@hotmail.com
RCIA	For enquires contact Fr Vincent or Parish Office
St Mads Care Group	Provide parish support and care such as meals, transport, shopping and assistance to members of our parish Contact Bernadette 0418 248 256
St Mads Rosary	Thursday after morning Mass & Monday and Wednesday nights at 7pm Via Zoom: Zoom meeting ID 840 2707 2956 Contact Lydia Ceccato & Kay Brooks
Baptism Preparation	First Saturday of the month in the St Madeleine centre: Ring/email Parish office for booking 9654 2260 (Tues-Fri 10am-4 pm or stmads@yahoo.com.au)



SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST MAD'S Easter Blessings to all as we seek the Risen across Creation. Renew the Earth, Stations of the Cross www.irsusa.org/resource/stations-of-the-cross-renew-the-earth/ *Lord Jesus, today we join you in your Passion, accompanying you through your greatest trial. Grant us the courage to keep our eyes open, our ears listening, and our senses aware of what you experience. May we recognize how your Passion continues in the plight of our sisters and brothers who seek refuge during these unsettling times, fleeing violence, conflict, persecution, and environmental destruction. Amen* Dates for the diary:

Ecology and Economics Everything is Connected workshop May 24th www.catholicreligious.org.au/ecology-and-economics-theme

Being the Community Christ Calls Us to Be May 26-28th <https://aliveinthepirit.com.au/>

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. You can drop off the envelopes at the parish office or you can do it electronically to:

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LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$1,442.30
 2nd Collection (for Parish)
 Envelopes = \$885 Loose = \$1,285
 Avg weekly Credit cards, direct debit \$1,855.76

Our condolences and prayers to

Mrs Josephine Yesumary and her family on the loss of her husband, Isaac Santhiyapillai
Mrs Ruth McLachlan and her family on the loss of her husband, Kenneth McLachlan and
Mrs Maria Fuda and her family on the loss of her husband, Joe Fuda
May the Faithful departed, Rest in Peace!

FUNERAL NOTICE

Funeral of the late Kenneth McLachlan

Friday, 22 April at 9.30am

NOTE: no regular Mass on this day

Funeral of the Late Joe Fuda

Tuesday, 26 April at 10.30am

Congratulations to the newly baptised:

Sunday, 10 April
Finley Kenny
Rachel & Annabelle Balnaves



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Please pray for all our children as we continue the process for **Confirmation**. Confirmation takes place on Friday, 13 May and Sunday 15 May.

Enrolment forms are available online stmadeleine.org.au - under Sacraments for **Reconciliation** and **Holy Communion**.

All documents for Reconciliation to be dropped in at the office by Friday, 27 May
 Sandra m.0410 587 735
stmads.sacraments@gmail.com

PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:

For the dearly departed: John, Phyllis & Walter de la Hoyde, Christy & Breda Sherlock, Martin Mileto, Michele Vaccarella, Norman & Chahida Hajje, Sheaddy & Chahide Hajje, Hanna & Raymond Chiha, Betty & Mary Merhi, George Hajje, Joe & Adel Abraham, Annamaria Spina 'Mary', Giuseppina & Giovanni Scarpin, Olive & Harold Burns, Giovanni Battista, Giovanni Maria Luca, Mary Cumbo, Jessica King, Daad Antonios Khoury Harb, David Jurd, Daniel Francis Doyle, Erminia Vumbaca, Raymond Caruana, Francesco & Filomena Corcoglioniti, Giuseppe & Caterina Musso, June Brennen, R.Eugenio Loccisno, M.Teresa & Pasquale Loccisano, L.Pietro & Giorgio Fudo, Giussepino & Rosa Murdoqa, Rita Franceschina, Eriberito Adan, Giuseppe Musso, Benito Sabellano, Cescilita Villavert, Thomas Farrell, Vicky Caruana, Theresa Alphones, Karen Draddy, Elizabeth Graby, Thea Crowe, James D'arcy, Keith Okey, Marguerita Rigby, Michele Vaccarella, Pablito Corpuz, Felliciana Sabellano

Please pray for the sick: Joseph Spina, John Dal Ben and Jennifer Burgess

If you would like someone to be included among these requests, please let us know by email, phone call, or by dropping a note in the locked box outside the parish office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Starts: Term 2

Held at: St Madeleine's Centre
 Time 10am on a Sunday
 to coincide with the 10am Family Mass

We look forward to welcoming you back!
 Deb Rankin
 Children's Liturgy Co-ordinator

PARISH VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

Music Coordinators: Alexandra Mifsud, Selina Calleia & Joan Sattler

Junior Ministers Coordinator: Maree McNeil

Children's Liturgy Coordinator: Deb Rankin

Baptism Preparation: Angelique Easton

RCIA Coordinator: Steve Fry

Playgroup Coordinator:

SRE Coordinator: Maureen Jones

Friendship Group: Jenny Puleo

Ministry to the Nursing Homes Coordinator:

Suzanne Kingston-Hunt

Adult Faith Formation: Careyanne Moylan

Property Maintenance Manager: Rick Jones

Piety Shop: Sandra Tabone

Altar Linen Coordinator: Catherine Diekman

Parish Council Chair: Patrick Tuttle

Finance Committee Chair: Carl Mathias

Welcomers Coordinator:

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Rev Vincent Savarimuthu

Deacon

Michael Tan

Parish Secretaries

Sandra De Nardi

Susie Lee

Sacramental Coordinator

Sandra De Nardi

St Madeleine's Primary School

Phone: 9654 6751

Principal: Mrs Barbara Young

Marian College

Phone: 9654 6700

Principal: Dr Gavin Hays

PARISH SERVICES

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00 am, 5.30pm

Children's Liturgy TBA

Weekday Masses

9:15 - Tuesdays to Fridays

9:45—10:15 Fridays - Adoration

Prayer Group: Wednesdays after the

9.15 am Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm

Baptisms: Every Sunday at 11:20
(Must make a booking)

Weddings: By appointment

St Bernadette

Feast Day:

19 April



In less than 40 years,

Gianna Beretta Molla became a pediatric physician, a wife, a mother and a saint! She was born in Magenta near Milano, the tenth of Alberto and Maria Beretta's 13 children. An active member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and a leader in the Catholic Action movement, Gianna also enjoyed skiing and mountain climbing. She earned degrees in medicine and surgery from the University of Pavia, eventually specializing in pediatrics. In 1952, Gianna opened a clinic in the small town of Mesero, where she met engineer Pietro Molla. Shortly before their 1955 marriage, Gianna wrote to Pietro: "Love is the most beautiful sentiment that the Lord has put into the soul of men and women." In the next four years the Mollas had three children:

Pierluigi, Mariolina, and Laura. Two pregnancies following ended in miscarriage. Early in her final pregnancy, doctors discovered that Gianna had both a child and a tumor in her uterus. She allowed the surgeons to remove the tumor but not to perform the complete hysterectomy that they recommended, which would have killed the child. Seven months later in April 1962, Gianna Emanuela Molla was born at the hospital in Monza, but post-operative complications resulted in an infection for her mother. The following week Gianna Molla died at home, and was buried in the cemetery of Mesero. Gianna Emanuela went on to become a physician herself. Gianna Beretta Molla was beatified in 1994 and canonized 10 years later. Her liturgical feast is celebrated on April 28.

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day>

CARITAS

PROJECT COMPASSION 2022

Kindly bring back the Project Compassion box and set of envelopes this weekend.

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Administrative Support Coordinator – Diocese of Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

Diocesan "Laudato Si' Action Campaign" Launch: 22 April

On Friday 22 April, the annual Earth Day, the Diocese of Parramatta will respond to the *cry of the earth and the cry of the poor* by launching a Diocesan "Laudato Si' Action Campaign". Via a video message, Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv will invite all Catholic parishes, schools, families, and organisations across the Diocese to participate. Please visit parracatholic.org/laudatosi from 22 April to download the launch video and for further information.

Marriage Preparation Courses in 2022

Getting married in 2022? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view weekend course dates, to book and pay. An online preparation called *SmartLoving* can also be booked via the website. For more information, email met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin on 0403 305 431 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

World Meeting of Families: 22-26 June 2022

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world. In 2022 the event will be hosted by the Diocese of Rome with Pope Francis leading special celebrations. However, the Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022. The idea is for families to gather locally in Parishes and/or Deaneries and explore and celebrate the theme of "Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness". Stay tuned for exciting opportunities to participate with the Diocese of Parramatta in 2022.

Dr Laurie Woods Gospel Study Series: Starting 29 April

All are invited to join the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) for catechesis on the Gospel of St Luke with Dr Laurie Woods over 5 Fridays starting 29 April. The sessions will be held from 10am to 2pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre (formerly the IFM), Blacktown. To RSVP, please contact ccassar.ccdparra@hotmail.com

Social Justice COVID-19 Food and Toiletries Drive

Under the remaining influence of the COVID-19 pandemic, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) and House of Welcome (HoW) cannot receive physical food and toiletry donations. However, many refugee families are still relying on their foodbanks or the provision of food vouchers. In this difficult time, please support JRS and HoW with a cash donation if you can. Find more information at parracatholic.org/diocesanfooddrive or call JRS on (02) 9356 3888 or HoW on (02) 9727 9290.

St Mads Laudato Si Circle



A Laudato Si' Circle is a small group of people who gather to be rooted in prayer, reflection on lifestyle, and communal action

Join us as we journey together to implement the Laudato Si Platform in our community. Meet for prayer, reflection, action.

When: 20 April

Time: 7pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 895 1620 0459

Careyanne Moylan 0438791813

Sue Martin 0432716577

To get started reading, you can find a free PDF version of Laudato Si' here: https://w2.vatican.va/content/dam/francesco/pdf/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si_en.pdf





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	WELCOMERS	Joseph Spina	Carmel & Mike O'Connell	Joseph Spina	
	MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR	John Puleo	Piety Rocha	Joe Touma	
	READERS	Lina D'Silva Anne Kyngdon	Eileen Sherlock Tony Hooper	Rosanna Ceroli Sue Martin	
	JNR MINISTERS				
	MUSICIANS	Merle Fonseca	Joan Sattler		
	COUNTERS	Parish Team		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	To be announced
	FLOWERS			ALTAR LINEN	Catherine Diekman

23/24 April	WELCOMERS		Brendan Ford Carol & Terry Scott	Zakia Touma Sandra Tabone	Joseph Spina Lidia Ceccato
	MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR	John Puleo		Joe Touma	
	READERS	Colleen Dunlop Lina D'Silva	Catherine Diekman John Walcott	Sally Coppini	Trish Maidens Patrick Tuttle
	JNR MINISTERS	Matilda Rogers		Kerstin Grima Jack Treak	Thomas & James Barker
	MUSICIANS		Joan Sattler		
	COUNTERS	Paul Vella & Belle Craig		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	
	FLOWERS			ALTAR LINEN	Catherine Diekman