



Catholic Parish of Christchurch South

10th April 2022—Palm Sunday

Bearing witness

I'm having trouble watching the news at the moment. It's pretty confronting isn't it, seeing in ones living room, the evidence of how inhumane human beings can be? But at least we can choose to simply turn it of or not watch. But for those suffering there is no off switch. The nature of suffering is that it is borne, or endured and rarely deserved. Some face a lifetime of suffering, for others it comes suddenly and unexpectedly. In today's liturgy, there are mere minutes between the hosannas and palm waving, and the stark words of the psalmist 'My God, my God, why have you abandoned me.'

Believing that suffering is neither sent nor willed by God, but is part of the human condition, we look to the Pascal mystery to sustain us in the face of unexplainable pain or injustice. We recall that even as he anticipated his own death, Jesus broke bread with his friends and washed their feet and reminded them they were to continue to live, as he had taught them, lives of love and service.



The ceremonies this week invite us to accompany Jesus on his last journey, and perhaps to stand in the shoes of Mary, Peter, his disciples, Pilate and maybe even Judas, and to bring with us our own sufferings and those of the world.

We bring our failures, fears, and losses. We shoulder them as Jesus did, calling on God's mercy. We ask for the courage to remain faithful when it all seems senseless and hopeless. We bear

witness to the suffering of others. Above all, we recommit ourselves to living lives of service and compassion, and we remind ourselves and each other that, whatever happens, we will continue to witness to the love and justice of the God of all creation.

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HOME EASTER CANDLES ARE AVAILABLE: from the office for \$25.00. Cash only please.

READINGS (Year C)

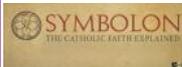
This week: Isa 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11;
Luke 22:14-23,56

Response: *The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.*

Next week:

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; John 20: 1-9

These are also on our Mobile App under **Readings.**



SYMBOLON: The Catholic Faith Explained is a systematic presentation of our Catholic Faith. It will lead you through the "big picture" of the Catholic Faith and our Creed is the guide. Symbolon brings together some of the most trusted Catholic teachers in the world to guide you through the breadth and richness of the Catholic faith. Join us for TEN sessions as we explore our faith. You can watch the trailer to Symbolon here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7fxsV6fIROQ> First session: **Thursday 5 May 7:00-8:30pm** for 10 consecutive Thursday nights Where: Sacred Heart Addington, Church Hall. A light supper will be provided. If you have any questions please email Fr Ben D'souza sm: assistantpriest@christchurchsouth.org.nz

To register [https://
forms.gle/4gZ6hoyJxbttQb7N7](https://forms.gle/4gZ6hoyJxbttQb7N7)

PARISH NOTICES

COVID 19:

- ◆ There are **no requirements** with regard to My Vaccine Pass.
- ◆ We are still encouraged to **wear face masks** when we are at Mass.
- ◆ We are still under the **Red Light** setting but a review of this by the Government will take place on Thursday, 14th April.
- ◆ We will continue to have **registrations** for this weekend's Masses and for Holy Week and Easter Sunday.
- ◆ The **maximum number** permitted for each of the weekend Masses is **200** except for **Carmel** which is **50**.
- ◆ 9am Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart is **no longer being celebrated**.
- ◆ 5pm Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart is now **open to all parishioners**.

The weekday Mass timetable for Holy week is:

Monday:	8:30am	Carmelite Monastery
	5:30pm	Sacred Heart, Addington
Tuesday:	8:30am	Carmelite Monastery
Wednesday:	8:30am	Carmelite Monastery
	9:00am	Sacred Heart, Addington



For the Holy Week timetable please consult the timetable displayed at each of the churches or go to the parish website www.christchurchsouth.org.nz

With blessings,

Fr Peter

SPECIAL EDITION OF THE INFORM

MAGAZINE: The Catholic Diocese of Christchurch wishes to share a **special edition** of the **Inform magazine** exclusively on the new Christchurch Catholic Cathedral. This includes concept designs and plans of the precinct. *The Parish Office would like to share your postal details with the Diocesan Office. If you do not consent, and wish to opt-out of any communications, please let the Parish Office know by **Friday 22 April** by emailing secretary@christchurchsouth.org.nz or phone 338 8395.*

CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS: if your contact details have changed please complete the Contact Update form which can be found on the Parish App or by emailing the Secretary:

secretary@christchurchsouth.org.nz

NEXT SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP: Keep the date! For those who have not yet attended a Safeguarding workshop. The next workshop is scheduled at St Theresa's, Riccarton on **Wednesday 4th May at 1pm and Tuesday 10th May at 7pm.**

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS 2022: If you would like to give towards the Special Collections and do not have envelopes, you can do so directly to the parish bank account (reference the special collection name).

Holy Places - Good Friday 15 April

Easter Sunday (Clergy support) - 17 April

Seminary - 8 May

Peter's Pence - 26 June

Maori Education - 21 August

Mission Sunday - 23 October

Christmas (Clergy support) - 25 December

ST VINCENT DE PAUL HOON HAY AND



HALSWELL: Plant Sale at Halswell, St. Peter & St. Paul church, 56 Nicholls Road after the 10.30 Mass

on Sunday. Plenty of plants and produce. Come and make your donation for some great bargains.



Catholic Parish of Christchurch South: Mass Times for RED Traffic Light

Registration required for all weekend Masses.

The limit to the number of attendees is 200 except for the Carmelite Monastery (which is limited to 50).

Addington - Sacred Heart
70 Spencer Street

Monday	5.30pm
Wednesday	9.00am
Friday	9.00am
Saturday	9.00am
Saturday Vigil	5.00pm.
Sunday	10.30am
Sunday	5.00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sacred Heart:

Saturday 10.30am–11.30am
or by appointment with a Priest

Exposition at Sacred Heart

Friday 9.30am until 10.30am

Saturday 9.30am until 11.30am

Beckenham - St Peter's

11 Fisher Avenue

Sunday 9.00am

Carmel Monastery

52 Halswell Road

Daily 8.30am (Limit 50)

Halswell - Sts Peter & Paul

56 Nicholls Road

Thursday 9.00am

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday 10.30am

Hoon Hay

Our Lady of the Assumption

170 Hoon Hay Road

Sunday 9.00am

Baptisms 2nd Sunday of the month.

Contact the Parish Office on 338 8395

Primary Schools

Our Lady of Assumption

Ph 338 9503,

www.ola.school.nz/Home/

Sacred Heart, Ph 338 3247,

[www.sacredheartchch.](http://www.sacredheartchch.school.nz)

[school.nz](http://www.sacredheartchch.school.nz)

St Peter's, Ph 332 7598,

www.saintpeters.school.nz

Mass Intentions: Tony Lane, Rosemary & Bud Grose, Achilles Melicor, Cordio Jumawid, Heather Boaz, Dante Sr & Emilie, Maribeth & Henry III, Mary Powell

Please Pray for Recently Deceased:

Veronica O'Neill, Monica Borough

Weekly Collections 3 April

Parish \$1,253 Clergy Fund \$626

Automatic Payments March

Parish \$9,664 Clergy \$4,832 *Thankyou*

Parish account for donations

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