



Catholic Parish of Christchurch South

2nd April 2023— Palm Sunday

Sunday of the Passion—Palm Sunday

And so today we begin Holy week. Of all the fifty-two weeks of the year this is the week we call Holy, because of what happened in Jesus' life during the first Holy week.

From the superficial joy and welcome of the pilgrims arriving in Jerusalem on what we have come to call Palm Sunday to the sombre burial of Jesus' body in the tomb before nightfall on the first Good Friday we can trace the Lord's movements step by step and let ourselves be touched once again by the story of his last days.

There is much to play in the story in the story of the Passion—there is hatred and injustice, there is fear and cowardice, there is horror and brutality, there is pain and suffering. But there is also fidelity and trust, there is courage and obedience, there is love shown in a most remarkable way. **"Greater love than this no one has that someone should lay down his life for his friends"**.

Apart from the gatherings for the Holy Week Liturgy we might like to make this week more holy by some spiritual practice or other such as—the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross, a quiet reading of the Passion Story in one of the four Gospels or the remarkable poem of the Suffering Servant in **Isaiah 52:12—53:12**.

Holy week is a time to remember we have been bought at a price. It is a time for wonderment and gratitude. It is a time of grace and a time to get our lives into proper perspective. It is a blessed time to prepare for the Great Feast of Easter.

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The Catholic Parish of
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CatholicChchSouth/

Home Easter Candles



A great way to supplement and encourage your family to prayer during the Easter season and the rest of the year.

**For sale at the
Parish office**

\$25

We have a limited supply.
Candles are 20X6.5cm

PLEASE NOTE: there will be **no 6pm Mass at Sacred Heart** this **Monday, 3rd April** (due to the Chrism Mass) and next **Monday, 10th April** (Easter Monday).

HOLY WEEK and EASTER SUNDAY TIMETABLE:

copies of the timetable are available in the foyer of the churches **for those who do not receive the newsletter via email**. There is also a copy displayed on the door/window of each of our churches.

A COPY OF THE LETTER READ OUT AT ALL MASSES LAST WEEKEND FROM BISHOP MICHAEL:

has been sent out with the newsletter for those who receive the newsletter via email. If you do not receive the newsletter via email and would like a copy of the letter please contact the parish office.

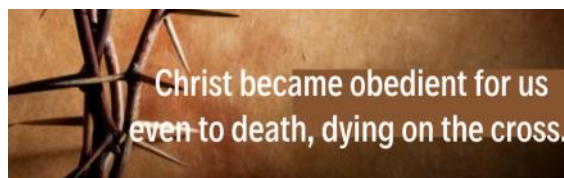
READINGS (Year A) Isa 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11;
Mat 26:14-27,66

Response: *My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?*

Next Week: (Year A) Acts 10:34, 37-43;
Col 3:1-4; John 20:1-9



These are also on the Parish App under **Readings**.



PARISH NOTICES

RESIGNATION OF PARISH STAFF MEMBER: Tim Malone, Coordinator of Sacramental Ministries, has resigned from his position as from 11th June. Tim, Jacinta and their family will be moving back to Canada at the end of June. There will be the opportunity for us to farewell them before they leave in June.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2023-2024: These are available in the church foyer for those on our list. Please take your **NAMED** set. Thank you

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY ANNUAL CELEBRATION:



All parishioners from the diocese are warmly invited to the annual celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral on **Sunday 16th April**. Mass will be at **4.30 pm** celebrated by Bishop Michael Gielen, preceded by confessions at 2.30pm and Chaplet of Mercy at 3pm. Contact: Pat Barrett 03 359 2087

**CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE HALSWELL:
Lotto results for Week four**

Winner – No 38 – Jenny Clarke
Runners up – No 37 – Kevin O'Connell
No 39 – Jenny Muschamp

Thank you Helen Hutching

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: Please remember to give generously to the **Holy Places collection on Good Friday**. Your donation will directly help in the care, protection and preservation of the sites associated with the life, death and resurrection of Jesus in the Holy Land.

Parish Collections 26 March

Parish \$2,259 Clergy Fund \$1,130

Next Special Collection:

Good Friday – for Holy Places

Parish account for donations

Westpac 03-1592-0207148-20 Thank you

Mass Intentions: Len Sullivan & Heather Boaz, Rosie & Bud Grose, Liberato Lontoc Sr & Carmen Lontoc



Please Pray for all those with Anniversaries at this time: Angela Sosa

Please Pray for Recently Deceased:

Gloria Ward

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN:

Just a reminder that Children's Liturgy at St Peter and Paul's Church runs during term time, and is aimed at children who are over 4 years old and who have not yet made their First Holy Communion. Children under 4 years old are welcome to attend, but we ask that if they need extra support or in particular are under 3, that they have a parent in the room to support them. We always welcome helpers, so even if you do not feel comfortable leading we would encourage you to contact the parish about becoming vetted and attending a safeguarding course.

ROSTERS: If you would like to see if you have been rostered, rosters are now loaded up onto the Parish App. A copy of the roster is also put onto the notice board in the foyer.

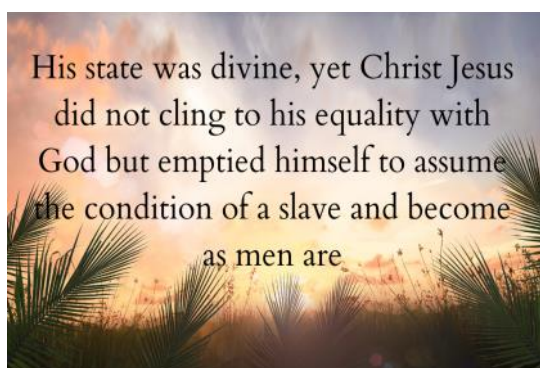


To download the App got to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and search "**ChurchAppsNZ**". Then search "**The Catholic Parish of Christchurch South**". If you would like help downloading the App feel free to contact the Secretary on 338 8395.

BREAKFAST WITH THE BISHOP: A Special Event for Men of the Christchurch Diocese.

Bishop Michael is calling men of the Diocese together for a special men's breakfast that he is hosting on **Saturday 13th May, 7.30am** at **Sacred Heart, Addington (70 Spencer Street)**.

Join him for a time of faith, feasting and a special announcement about a brand new spiritual initiative for the men of our diocese. Breakfast provided. Gold coin donation on the day. Mark your diaries now. Registration information to follow.



**Catholic Parish of Christchurch
South: Mass Times**

Addington - Sacred Heart

70 Spencer Street
Monday 6.00pm
Wednesday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am
Saturday 9.00am
Saturday Vigil 5.00pm
Sunday 10.30am

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
Thursday 11.00am*
(*School Term only)

Carmel Monastery

52 Halswell Road
Daily 8.30am

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
Friday 11.00am*
(*School Term only)

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.school.nz

St Peter's, Ph 332 7598,
www.saintpeters.school.nz