



# The Catholic Community of HOLY TRINITY PARISH BLACKBUTT NORTH



**St John the Evangelist Church**  
Dickson Street Lambton Est. 1873



**Corpus Christi Church**  
Platt Street Waratah Est. 1917



**St Therese's Church**  
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### LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

*Please see Holy Week and Easter  
schedule on page 6*



Bookings are no longer essential to attend Mass, however people will still need to sign in as they enter the church. The maximum capacity for each church, under the new 2 square metre rule, and maintaining 1.5m distance is Lambton **50**, Waratah **82** and New Lambton **130**. We have no choice but to turn people away if we exceed capacity. Please stay at home if you are experiencing any flu-like symptoms. Please consider staying at home for your own health and safety if you are 65 years or over, have pre-existing health conditions, or have a compromised immune system.

#### Pastoral Visitation

If you would like a priest to visit your home, please enquire by phone or email at the Parish Office. If you know someone who would like a visit, please encourage them to contact us.

#### Dispensation

All members of the Church of the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle, except priests, continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Those who are unable to attend are encouraged to keep Sunday holy through the use of the resources still available on the [Diocese website](http://www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/covid-19-update) and at [www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/covid-19-update](http://www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/covid-19-update).

#### Sunday Mass Celebration

Bishop William (Bill) Wright continues to celebrate Mass every Sunday at 9:30AM live streamed from Sacred Heart Cathedral Mass via <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/>. Mass can be viewed at a later time via the same link. Please share the link with family and friends, and gather to pray as a spiritual community at this time.

#### Mass on TV

*Mass for You at Home* is broadcast at 6:00AM every Sunday on Channel 10 (WIN), or on Catch Up TV at 10 play.

#### Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions are available for anyone upon request. Simply contact the parish secretaries with your intentions. If you have names of sick, deceased or anniversaries for the bulletin, and Mass, these need to be in relatively early to make the bulletin. Remember you need the person's or family's permission for publication.

# Welcome

As we reopen our churches for Mass, parishioners are asked to observe the following which will be in force until further notice. We thank you for your cooperation.

## Arrival

- ✓ Please arrive fifteen (15) minutes early
- ✓ Maintain physical distancing of 1.5 metres at all times
- ✓ Use hand sanitiser provided
- ✓ Sign in upon entry
- ✓ Pick up a bulletin

## Entry

- ✓ Enter from the main entry only
- ✓ There will be no Holy Water
- ✓ Select your seat as directed by the signs
- ✓ You are welcome to wear a mask, as recommended by the NSW Government. You are encouraged to bring your own, however, disposable masks will be available

## Mass

- ✓ Congregational singing is not recommended at this time. A choir of up to thirty (30) singers may sing together provided they all face forward and not towards each other, maintain physical distancing of 1.5 metres between each singer, and must be 5 metres from the congregation and not above the congregation
- ✓ There can be Presentation of the Gifts under the guidance of the priest
- ✓ The Sign of Peace will be given by a smile, nod or a wave
- ✓ When receiving Communion maintain the required 1.5 metres physical distance and in single file
- ✓ Communion Host will only be placed in the hand, not the tongue and there will be no Chalice

## After Mass

- ✓ Take home any bulletins that you handle
- ✓ Contributions to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections may be left in collection baskets near the church exit as you leave
- ✓ Observe physical distancing as you leave, and refrain from socialising on the church grounds
- ✓ We need two (2) volunteers per church to disinfect the churches after each Mass

## UPDATE

Under the current Public Health Order, our church buildings are able to be opened for both the public celebration of the liturgy and for private prayer and meditation.

The opening of our church buildings is dependent on the availability of a COVID-19 Safety Plan for the building, and the registration of the church as a COVID-19 Safe business.

Last updated on 25 February 2021, the Public Health Order has set the number of persons who can be present in our church buildings at any one time to be equivalent to one person per 2 square metres of space in the building.

These limits apply to all services conducted in our church buildings and include having them open for private prayer.

Anyone in a church building for the purposes of engaging in work at the request of, and on behalf of, the Parish is excluded from the limit.

A full copy of the Public Health Order can be found on the NSW Legislation website via [www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/information/covid19-legislation](http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/information/covid19-legislation).

*See page 1 for the maximum capacity of each of our churches.*

## ◆ SACRAMENTS ◆

### ANOINTING AND VIATICUM

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Dying continues with appropriate care and precautions being observed. Visits to the sick and dying, and the celebration of Viaticum, are possible and permissible.

Communal celebrations of the Anointing of the Sick are not to take place, either in parishes or other places, e.g. aged care facilities.

### BAPTISM

The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism is possible, though liturgical adaptations are required. Baptisms may legitimately be delayed or deferred in the current circumstances.

Currently, limited number of Baptisms can take place on the second, third, and fourth Saturdays of the month and are held between St John the Evangelist Lambton, Corpus Christi Waratah, and St Therese's New Lambton. Bookings are made through the Parish Office. Whilst Baptism Preparation Sessions are essential, advice around this will be provided at the time of a booking.

### COMMUNION MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Taking Communion to the Sick is currently limited to the priests.

### FUNERALS

The celebration of funerals is possible subject to the general requirements around physical distancing, the capacity of church buildings and the provisions of the COVID-19 Safety Plans, both general and funeral specific, for your church building.

Liturgical adaptations are required in the current circumstances.

### MARRIAGE BOOKINGS

The celebration of weddings remains possible under the current Public Health Order, subject to the general requirements around physical distancing, the capacity of church buildings, and the provisions of the COVID-19 Safety Plan, both general and wedding specific, for your church building. The maximum number of guests at a wedding held in a church building is the number of persons equivalent to one person per 2 square metres of space in the building.

These revised limits also apply to gatherings immediately before or immediately after the wedding itself.

### PENANCE

The celebration of the Sacrament of Penance is possible.

Celebrations of the First Rite of Reconciliation can take place with appropriate care and precautions.

The celebration of the Second Rite of Reconciliation and Penitential Services may resume subject to appropriate care and precautions. The Third Rite of Reconciliation is not permitted.

Priests are exhorted to honour any reasonable request to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Parents enquiring around the Sacramental Program are advised that this year's program will resume.

Excerpts from [Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle COVID-19 Pandemic Event – Advice, Guidance and Instructions to Parishes](#). Anyone without internet who would like a copy can request one from the Parish Office.

## GOSPEL

Mark 11:1-10

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives,

Jesus sent two of his disciples, and said to them,

'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it.

If anyone says to you,

"Why are you doing this?" say,

"The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately".

And they went away,

and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street;

and they untied it.

And those who stood there said to them,

'What are you doing, untying the colt?'

And they told them what Jesus had said;

and they let them go.

And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments on it; and he sat upon it.

And many spread their garments on the road,

and others spread leafy branches

which they had cut from the fields.

And those who went before and those who followed cried out,

'Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming!

Hosanna in the highest!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Jn 12: 1, 12-13; Ps 23: 9-10

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out:

\* Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

O gates, lift high your heads;

grow higher, ancient doors.

Let him enter, the king of glory!

Who is this king of glory?

He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

\* Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

## FIRST READING

Is 50:4-7

### A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.*

The Lord has given me

a disciple's tongue.

So that I may know how to reply to the wearied

he provides me with speech.

Each morning he wakes me to hear,

to listen like a disciple.

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance,

neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me,

my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;

I did not cover my face

against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help,

so that I am untouched by the insults.

So, too, I set my face like flint;

I know I shall not be shamed.

The Word of the Lord.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

### (R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

1. All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their heads.

'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' (R.)

2. Many dogs have surrounded me,

a band of the wicked beset me.

They tear holes in my hands and my feet.

I can count every one of my bones. (R.)

3. They divide my clothing among them.

They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone,

my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)

4. I will tell of your name to my brethren

and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise;

all sons of Jacob, give him glory.

Revere him, Israel's sons.' (R.)

## SECOND READING

Phil 2:6-11

### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

*He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.*

His state was divine,

yet Christ Jesus did not cling

to his equality with God

but emptied himself

to assume the condition of a slave,

and became as men are,

and being as all men are,

he was humbler yet,

even to accepting death,

death on a cross.

But God raised him high

and gave him the name

which is above all other names

so that all beings

in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,

should bend the knee at the name of Jesus

and that every tongue should acclaim

Jesus Christ as Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2:8-9

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!

## GOSPEL

Mk 14:1 – 15:47

### The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Please refer to separate booklets.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Mt 26:42

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without

my drinking it,

your will be done.





## HOMILY

By Richard Leonard

In the third verse of the rousing hymn, *How Great Thou Art*, we sing,

'And when I think that God his Son not sparing  
sent him to die I scarce can take it in.  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin.'

This verse enshrines a long-held tradition that Jesus died as a necessary atonement to God for our sins. From this perspective Jesus' suffering and death was the price of the ransom paid to evil so that we might share in God's life. Alternatively, the death of Jesus is seen as the only thing that satisfied God's anger at our sins, and caused God to love us again.

We should be very careful about what we sing! On the one hand this theology rightly shows us the extraordinary love Jesus has for us. On the other hand it says some very difficult things about God. What loving creator, for example, would say that the torture and death of his beloved son is the only way he can be happy about his creatures? What just judge, no matter how angry he or she might be at the crimes laid out in the courtroom, would allow an innocent man to die for the guilty? And how powerful is God over evil if the only way to keep it in check is through human sacrifice? These are serious questions and they have an impact on our everyday life of faith, and can sometimes alienate us from believing that God is our all-loving Father in heaven.

Today, we rightly hear a lot about victims – people, who through no choice or fault of their own, have been dealt with wrongly by others who are free to act otherwise and who know better. In some of the ways we think about the passion, Jesus becomes God's victim. Through no fault of his own, and seemingly powerless in the face of his Father's will, Jesus becomes a victim of God's need for a sacrifice, a ransom or atonement.

As a result, many of us can feel that sometimes we are God's victims too, because if God wanted Jesus to suffer and die, why should we be surprised or complain when we receive large crosses to carry as well?

Mark's account of the passion tends to reinforce Jesus as victim. Mark has Jesus eating with the outcasts, his friends betraying, denying or deserting him. He tells us that Jesus is terrified at the prospect of death and calls on his 'Abba' or 'daddy' to help him out. In the end he accepts 'the will of God' but even then feels abandoned by God on the Cross.

I often think we misread what Jesus is referring to when he accepts God's will in the Garden. Rather than refer to the particular will of the Father to see Jesus suffer and die on Good Friday, I think it's more helpful and consoling to understand it as referring to God's will that Jesus remains faithful to the way he lived. If by doing that Jesus threatened the religious and political authorities of his day so much that they have to murder him, then his death is the ultimate sacrifice which reveals how far God was prepared to go in love for us. This reveals to us that Jesus came 'to live', and that by faithfully living this life he was put to death by the powers of sin. Through the cross we see the price to be paid in confronting sin in our day and obediently living out the demands of God's kingdom of justice and peace.

This Holy Week let's celebrate that God spared nothing in showing us how to live. As we commemorate Jesus' life, death and resurrection may we move from being victims of a bloodthirsty God to choosing again to follow Jesus' example and live lives which are faithful, loving and obedient. May we also appreciate that this life continues to, literally, threaten 'the hell out of' those opposed to the reign of God in our world, but that as Jesus was faithful to God and God to Jesus, so they will remain faithful to us as well, no matter what.

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## REFLECTION

By Dianne Bergant

In this final Lenten Sunday, we see that we have been saved through the kenotic (partial renunciation of divine nature) humility of Jesus, not through military power. We have a saviour who was crushed for our iniquities, nailed to a cross as a convicted criminal, and there endured the sense of abandonment. However, this saviour was later lifted up and exalted precisely because he emptied himself of his divine prerogatives.

Jesus became one of us in order to show us how we are to live. He was raised up because he himself was first willing to be put down. The passion recounts the extent to which he willingly offered himself. We have a saviour who first offered himself for us and then continues to offer himself to us as an example to follow. As he was willing to empty himself for our sake, so we are told to empty ourselves for the sake of others.

The best way to enter Holy Week with him is in the company of those with whom he has identified himself: the poor and the broken; the humiliated and the marginalised; those who suffer the abuse of others; those who never use rank to force their will. If we are to be saved, we must go where salvation takes place: in our streets and in our homes where violence rages; in the dark corners of life where despair seems to hold sway; wherever the innocent are abused or the needy are neglected; wherever there is misunderstanding or fear or jealousy. We must go wherever Christ empties himself for us.

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## A VOCATION VIEW

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is she who gives her life in the name of the Lord. Blessed are they who live their united life in the name of the Lord.



**COULD YOU  
WATCH ONE  
HOUR WITH  
ME?**

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## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

First Reading:	Acts 10:34, 37-43
Responsorial Psalm:	Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23. R. v.24
Second Reading:	Col 3:1-4
Gospel Acclamation:	1 Cor 5:7-8
Gospel:	Jn 20:1-9

## FEAST DAYS

1 April:	Thursday of Holy Week
2 April:	Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)
3 April:	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night
4 April:	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
26 April:	Saint Mark, Evangelist
3 May:	Saints Philip and James, Apostles
14 May:	Saint Matthias, Apostle
23 May:	Pentecost Sunday
30 May:	The Most Holy Trinity

## ◆ MINISTRIES ◆

ROSTERS	LAMBTON	WARATAH	NEW LAMBTON	WARATAH
27/28 March 2021	Saturday 5:00PM	Sunday 7:30AM	Sunday 9:15AM	Sunday 5:30PM
Flowers / Sacristy	Diana Dolan	Group	Margaret Wheeler	
Liturgical Assistant	Joe Weber	Tim O'Brien	Stephen & Alison Morris	Graham Alexander
Greeters	Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed
Musician	Naomi Smith   Suzanne Ryan	Judy Nolan	B Melville & United in Song	Marc Grimer
Readers	Emma Conserdyne	Mary Tobin	Denis Prendergast	Dennis Carroll
<b>PASSION READERS</b>	Pam Howland [Narrator] Peter Dolan [Other]	Mary Tobin [Narrator] Elizabeth Buckles [Other]	Joy Loas [Narrator] Carmel Smart [Other]	Dennis Carroll [Narrator] Helen Clough [Other]
Prayer of the Faithful	Emma Conserdyne	Mary Tobin	Denis Prendergast	Dennis Carroll
Procession of the Gifts	Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed
Holy Communion	Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed
ROSTERS	NEW LAMBTON	WARATAH	LAMBTON	
3/4 April 2021	Saturday 7:00PM	Sunday 7:30AM	Sunday 9:30AM	NO EVENING MASS
Flowers / Sacristy	<b>ALL VOLUNTEERS PLEASE SEE TRIDUUM ROSTER LOCATED AT CHURCH ENTRANCES</b>  <b>Holy Thursday Good Friday Easter Vigil</b>	Group	Diana Dolan	
Liturgical Assistant		Tim O'Brien	Joe Weber	
Greeters		Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed	
Musician		Judy Nolan	Naomi Smith   Suzanne Ryan	
Readers		Paul Weber	Peter Dolan	
Prayer of the Faithful		Paul Weber	Peter Dolan	
Procession of the Gifts		Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed	
Holy Communion		Volunteer ministry postponed	Volunteer ministry postponed	
<b>ROSTER CONTACTS</b>	Ann Gunn M 0407 571 197	Elizabeth Buckles P 02 4967 4363	Joy Loas 02 4952 2664	Volunteer needed

## ◆ PRAYERS ◆

### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

#### Light a Candle

Light a candle to symbolize the Light of Christ and Light of the World.



**Introduction:** Brothers and sisters, God will never abandon us. Trusting in God's mercy let us bring our needs before the Lord of all.

1. For the Church: that it will be a sign of Christ's humility and compassion in the world. Let us pray to the Lord.
2. For peoples who live in fear of violence and war: that peace will reign. Let us pray to the Lord.
3. For those who are tormented and insulted because of their beliefs: that they will be treated with tolerance and respect. Let us pray to the Lord.
4. For those who will be washed in the waters of Baptism at Easter: that they will draw strength from the redeeming Christ. Let us pray to the Lord.
5. For the sick, that in their suffering they will become one with Christ. Let us pray to the Lord.
6. For this community: that we will empty ourselves and draw close to the cross. Let us pray to the Lord.
7. That our Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle be guarded and guided by the goodness of God as we work together to build the Kingdom of God. Let us pray to the Lord.
8. For those who have gone before us, that they will share in Christ's victory over death. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Conclusion:** Faithful God, your son Jesus was hailed as a king then suffered the agony of death that we might be saved. Hear our prayer and draw us more deeply into the mind and heart of the redeeming Christ. We make this prayer in Jesus' name.

**All: Amen.**

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### WE REMEMBER

#### Please Pray for

Sick: Derek Orrin, Robert Watson, Donna Collins, Bernadette Coffey, Michael Payne, Fred Stanwell, Paul Mowbray, Shelley Smith.

Recently Deceased: Paul Brendon Ryan, Ted Laurence

Anniversaries: Julianna Dejanovic, Bishop Patrick Dwyer, Fr Edward Quinn, Fr John McEearney, Mgr Paul Simms



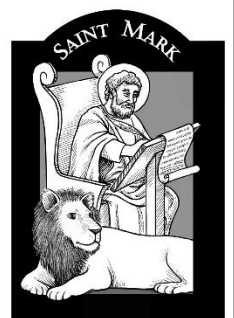
Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon them. + May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

*During this time "Intentions" for publication may be submitted by email (or phone) by midday Monday each week ahead. Reminder that you need the person or family's permission to enable us to publish names.*

### SAINTS

#### Saint Mark, evangelist

St Mark the evangelist was the author of the first synoptic Gospel. He is believed to be the same man referred to in the Acts of the Apostles as John Mark; a disciple of Jesus and John the Baptist and the cousin of St Barnabas. Mark travelled with St Paul and St Barnabas on missionary journeys to preach the gospels. He was a close companion of St Peter; it is considered that his gospel represented the teachings and memoirs of Peter. He later travelled to Alexandria in Egypt where he continued his evangelisation. The church in Alexandria claims that Mark became their first bishop and that he was martyred there in the first century. As an evangelist St Mark is often symbolised as a lion, and he is the patron saint of Egypt.



## PROJECT COMPASSION

For over half a century, generations of Australians have participated in Project Compassion, supporting vulnerable communities before, during and after natural disasters, conflicts and crises – making it one of the nation’s longest running charity campaigns. Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world lift themselves and their communities out of poverty. You can donate through the Parish boxes or phone 1800 024 413 or visit [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion).

**Project compassion boxes can be returned to the Holy Thursday Mass. Closing date is 30 April 2021.**

## HOLY WEEK

**Rosters:** Easter Rosters are now available. Thank you to all who have volunteered to help make Easter special.

**Palm Sunday:** Thank you for providing your own palms for this weekend’s service.

**Holy Week Mass Times:** See below schedule. Please note Tuesday’s Mass has been rescheduled to 7:00AM due to Chrism Mass being at 7:00PM.

**Mass of the Holy Oils:** The Chrism Mass is on Tuesday 30 March 7:00PM at the Cathedral. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, numbers are limited and only by pre-registrations.

**Holy Week:** Do try to attend the Triduum as it is the most important time of our Church’s Year.

**Mass of the Lord’s Supper:** Due to COVID-19 restrictions the Foot Washing Ceremony will be on hold this year.

**Good Friday Collection:** Collection for the Holy Places at the Way of the Cross 10:00AM and at the Solemn Ceremonies 3:00PM. The collection helps support the Sacred Places in the Holy Land.

**Easter Sunday Masses:** Please note that, due to the Triduum being held at New Lambton this year, there will be **NO MASS AT NEW LAMBTON ON EASTER SUNDAY**. Instead there will be Mass at 9:30AM at Lambton, as well as normal 7:30AM at Waratah. There will be no evening Mass on Easter Sunday.

**Easter Offerings:** Envelopes will be available at the main entrance of each church. Thank you for your ongoing support which greatly helps retired and sick clergy

## PARISH NEWS

**Public Holiday:** Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Monday 5 April 2021 due to the public holiday.

**Weekly Bulletin:** The bulletin is available via email subscription [triparish@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:triparish@mn.catholic.org.au). In an effort to reach those not yet able to come to church, paper copies are available for collection at 3 locations – Lambton Church veranda, Waratah Presbytery veranda, and New Lambton Parish House front door. Please consider dropping a copy into the letter box of a neighbouring parishioner who may not have email or internet, or is not back at church yet. Please contact the office if you need assistance.

**Sacramental Programs:** Sacramental Programs are now taking enrolments for last year’s candidates (2020 – Years 3 and 4), plus current Year 3 (2021). Contact Schools directly.

## Contemplative Dialogue Reflection Group

These groups are currently meeting. It is not too late to join, so please come along to any night. The next meeting at Parish House New Lambton is scheduled for Wednesday 14 April, 7:00PM-8:30PM (Dennis Carroll Convenor). There are also meetings on Monday 6:00PM-7:30PM at the St Vincent de Paul meeting room, Waratah (Paul Rosser Convenor). If you would like to take part, please contact Dennis on 0407 757 482 or Paul on 0413 124 003.

**NEW** groups will be formed soon. If you are interested please let the Office know your contact details; OR to **VIEW** the *Building the Kingdom of God Together, Our Journey – Diocesan Contemplative Dialogue Reflection Program* go to program and resources online, at <https://www.domnsynod.com.au/building-the-kingdom>.

**Periodicals:** Catholic Weekly and the Diocese official magazine, *Aurora*, are available at the back of the church or by subscription.

**Parish Office Parking:** If using the parking space provided when visiting the Parish Office, please ensure that your vehicle does not encroach on the footpath.

**Promoters of Safeguarding:** Paul Rosser and Teleisia Lolohea are the parish’s Promoters of Safeguarding. This is a new role that will help us to establish and action a safeguarding implementation plan for the parish, in order to meet the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards.

## PARISH GROUPS, TEAMS AND COUNCILS

**Parish Pastoral Council:** The Parish Pastoral Council meets bimonthly on the fourth Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be held Tuesday 27 April, 4:30PM-6:00PM at Parish House New Lambton.

**Parish Finance Council:** Parish Finance Council meets monthly on the first Tuesday of the month. Due to Holy Thursday, the next meeting will be held Thursday 6 May 4:00PM at Waratah Presbytery.

**Caring Group:** The Caring Group meets on the first Friday of the month at Parish House.

**St Vincent de Paul Society:** Waratah Conference meets every Monday 5:30PM until 6:30PM; and New Lambton Conference meets on Thursdays at 10:30AM. New members welcome.

## DIOCESE NEWS

**Conversation Invitation – Sacraments of Initiation for Children 2021:** Join in conversation to explore resuming normal practice in 2021. Physical gathering Sunday 18 April, 2:30PM to 4:30PM, Toohey Room 841 Hunter St, Zoom gathering Monday 19 April 4:00PM to 5:00PM. Register by Monday 12 April to [sharon.murphy@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:sharon.murphy@mn.catholic.org.au).

**Reflection Day with Bishop Bill:** Anyone from anywhere across the diocese can attend any of these sessions. Please see attachment or copies available at main entrance of the church.

**Diocesan Synod:** The next sessions of the Diocesan Synod will be Session Two – Discernment – to be held on Saturday 22 May, and Session Three – Implementation – to be held on Saturday 20 November. Visit <https://www.domnsynod.com.au>.

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER TIME TABLE

DAY	DATE	MASS	CHURCH	TIME
Monday	29 March	Weekday Mass	Corpus Christi Waratah	7:00AM
Tuesday	30 March	Weekday Mass	St Therese’s New Lambton	7:00AM
Wednesday	31 March	Weekday Mass	St John the Evangelist Lambton	7:00AM
Thursday	1 April	Holy Thursday	St Therese’s New Lambton	7:00PM
Friday	2 April	Stations of the Cross	St John the Evangelist Lambton	10:00AM
Friday	2 April	Stations of the Cross	Corpus Christi Waratah	10:00AM
Friday	2 April	Stations of the Cross	St Therese’s New Lambton	10:00AM
Friday	2 April	Good Friday Passion of the Lord	St Therese’s New Lambton	3:00PM
Saturday	3 April	Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)	St Therese’s New Lambton	7:00PM
Sunday	4 April	Easter Sunday	Corpus Christi Waratah	7:30AM
Sunday	4 April	Easter Sunday	St John the Evangelist Lambton	9:30AM *
Sunday	4 April	* PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE <b>NO MORNING MASS AT ST THERESE’S NEW LAMBTON, AND NO SUNDAY EVENING MASS.</b>		

SENIOR WORDSEARCH

Hosanna to God in heaven!

Mk 11:1-10

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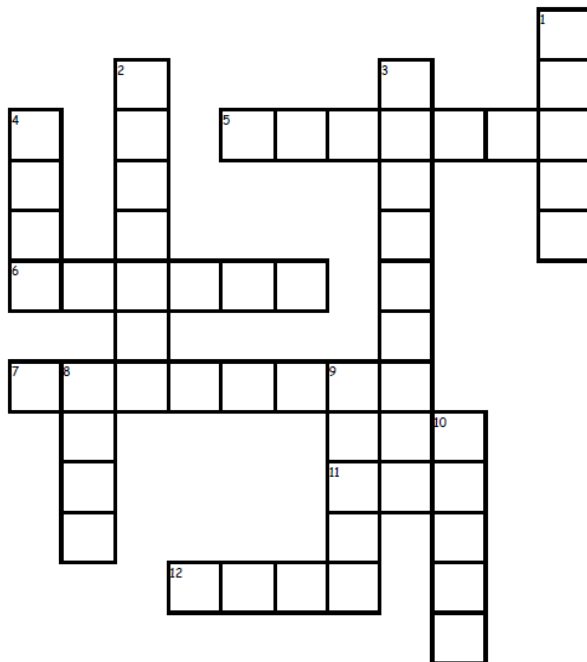
Try to find these words:

- bless
- branches
- clothes
- donkey
- door
- enter
- Hosanna
- Lord
- road
- two
- village
- young

CROSSWORD

Hosanna to God in heaven!

Mk 11:1-10



Across

- 5: the disciples found a young donkey in a \_\_\_\_\_
- 6: Jesus asked his disciples to bring him a \_\_\_\_\_
- 7: the parts of a tree where leaves grow
- 11: the number after one
- 12: this opens and shuts and lets people go in and out of rooms

Down

- 1: the people shouted, 'God \_\_\_\_\_ the one who comes in the name of the Lord!'
- 2: the people followed Jesus and shouted '\_\_\_\_\_!'
- 3: people spread these on the road in front of Jesus
- 4: the disciples told villagers that the \_\_\_\_\_ needed the donkey
- 8: Jesus rode a donkey along this
- 9: go in
- 10: the opposite of old



# Hosanna! Hosanna!

Passion Sunday, Year B

Draw or write what happened on each of these special days during Holy Week.



Passion Sunday



Holy Thursday



Good Friday



Easter Sunday

A crowd of people came to see Jesus as he entered Jerusalem on the back of a donkey. Draw yourself amongst a crowd of people waving palm fronds at Jesus.

