



Palm Sunday

1st and 2nd of April 23

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS:
Tues: 9.00 am to 4.00 pm.
Wed: 9.00 am to 5.00 pm
We may also be contacted at Ss Peter and Paul Parish, on 9842 1480 on Monday, Thursday and Friday.

Our Lady of the Pines Parish is a welcoming, inclusive community that aims to live our Christian faith by example in our daily lives.

Our Lady of the Pines Parish is committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person, ensuring they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment within our parish. Visit our parish website or contact our parish office for our Child Safety Policy.

We pray for Better Health:

Brian Sullivan, Kath Potger, Josephine Noli, Sharon Rodrigo, Meredith Barnes, John Yates, Angela Daffey, Marlene Delzoppo

Anniversaries:



Holy Week and Easter Mass Times

Below are our Holy Week and Easter Mass times. Please make a note in your diary.

Pick up a reminder card from the foyer.

Holy Thursday	6th April at 7.30pm
Stations of the Cross at Ss Peter and Paul's Church	7th April at 10.00am
Good Friday	7th April at 3.00pm
Easter Vigil	8th April at 7.30pm
Easter Sunday	9th April at 9.30am

Thank you.

Thanks to everyone who attended our Bogan Bingo night – fantastic night was had by all.

Happy to report a profit of \$1,296 for the night.

Looking forward to our next function.

-Social / Fundraising committee.

2 Apr 2023 - Daylight Saving Time Ends

A reminder to all parishioners– On Sunday the 2nd of April please remember to turn your clocks back by one hour as daylight saving time ends.



School News

We are extremely proud of our school principal, Brendan Keeling who won a prestigious award for school improvement Leadership in Catholic Schools education across Victorian schools.

This award also acknowledges the hard work that the staff, pupils and wider community have put into the school to make improvements and innovate change.

Well done Brendan and Congratulations



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**PLEASE BRING ANY BOXES YOU HAVE BACK TO THE PARISH .
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water. In recent years, COVID-19 has also devastated vulnerable communities already living in poverty, with the health and economic impacts to reverberate for years to come.

It's through the generous support of people like you that we are able to continue to help lift vulnerable communities out of poverty – support that is needed now more than ever.

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.



Mass to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Passionist Family Group Movement within Australia will take place on the weekend of 6th and 7th May at Our Lady of the Pines.

Saturday evening @ 5:00 pm and Sunday @ 9:30 am.

Please come along and help celebrate this milestone.

Past FG members most welcome.

If you are in contact with past FG members, please pass on this information.



Columban Art Calendars at the Piety Stall

Our piety stall now has in stock a supply of Columban Calendars for 2023. There is only a few left—price at \$10.00 each.

Get yours this weekend before they run out.



THE 24th
MELBOURNE
PASSION PLAY



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PALM SUNDAY
2nd April 2023 at 1.30PM

GOOD FRIDAY
7th April 2023 at 10.00AM

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2023 season Performed at the Holy Cross Centre: 207 Serpells Road, Templestowe, Melbourne, Vic. Free entry. Free parking. BYO chairs, rugs, umbrellas, other personal items. Duration of the play is about 2 hours

For more information go to www.passionplay.info or ring the Secretary (Dawn) on 0411957164 or the Manager (Gino Gammaldi) on 0422662451.

**8th and 9th of April 2023
EASTER SUNDAY**

HOSPITALITY TEAMS:

Evans, Spence and Given

READERS & COMMENTATORS:

Sat 5.00 pm: Rita, Mary, Anna and Mary Ann

Sun 9.30 am: Youth Mass

ALTAR SERVERS:

5.00pm: TBC

9.30am: TBC

CHILDRENS LITURGY: School Holidays

MASS DRIVERS: Janet and Pat Goodwin

PROJECTOR OPERATORS:

Sat 5.00 pm: Bruce and Leonard

Sun 9.30am: Chris and Suraj

WELCOMING COMMITTEE:

5.00 pm: Nicole and Carlos Cordeiro

9.30 am: Chris Healy

MONEY COUNTING: GROUP 2

Peter Johnstone, Monica Luttick, Jill Howell and Bob O'Halloran

Piety Stall: 5.00pm : Anne Khoo

9.30am: Nan Perreau

PARISH PRIEST: Fr Jerald Mariadas 0473 873 479

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CHAIR OF PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Liza Jansz - Wed 9.00 am to 5.00 pm at OLOP

Mon and Thu 9-5 and Fri 9-4 at SSPP

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PASTORAL WORKER

Maria Carey

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9th April 2023

Gospel

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, they went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb, but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there. As they stood there not knowing what to think, two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side. Terrified, the women lowered their eyes. But the two men said to them, 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he has risen. Remember what he told you when he was still in Galilee: that the Son of Man had to be handed over into the power of sinful men and be crucified, and rise again on the third day?' And they remembered his words.

When the women returned from the tomb they told all this to the Eleven and to all the others. The women were Mary of Magdala, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them also told the apostles, but this story of theirs seemed pure nonsense, and they did not believe them. Peter, however, went running to the tomb. He bent down and saw the binding cloths but nothing else; he then went back home, amazed at what had happened.
(Luke 24:1-12)

Did you know?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- At the time of Jesus, women were not considered to be reliable witnesses in a court of law.
- The burial practices of the time required that the body be anointed with spices, but Jesus had been buried in haste before the Sabbath, so the women are now returning at the first opportunity to complete the process of his burial rites.
- The Jewish Sabbath runs from sunset on Friday night to sunset on Saturday night, so the dawn of Sunday morning (the first day of the week) was when this action could take place.
- The first witnesses to the resurrection are women. This echoes the faith demonstrated by Mary at the beginning of Luke's Gospel, when she says 'yes' to God's plan for her. Extract from "The Summit" Online.

MASS TIMES FOR THE PARTNERED PARISHES OF OUR LADY OF THE PINES & Ss PETER & PAUL'S, DONCASTER EAST

	OLOP	SsPP
Monday	No Mass	9.00 am Mass—Communion Service
Tuesday	No Mass—	9.00 am Mass—
Wednesday	9.00am Mass followed by Rosary	9.00 am Mass—Communion Service
Thursday	HOLY THURSDAY—7.30PM	HOLY THURSDAY—7.00pm
Friday	STATIONS OF THE CROSS—10.00am at SSPP PASSION OF THE LORD—3.00pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS—10.00am at SSPP PASSION OF THE LORD—3.00pm
Saturday	EASTER VIGIL—7.30pm	EASTER VIGIL—7.00pm
Sunday	EASTER SUNDAY 9.30am—YOUTH MASS	EASTER SUNDAY 8.00am and 11.15am