

5th Sunday of
Lent

16th and 17th
March 2024

LENT

Giving, Praying, & Fasting

HOLY WEEK AND TRIDUUM SERVICES FOR OUR PARTNER PARISHES, OUR LADY OF THE PINES AND Ss PETER AND PAUL'S

		<u>SSPP</u> 23 Leeds Street, Doncaster East	<u>OLOP</u> 77 Carbine Street, Donvale
Sat 23rd Mar	Palm Sunday	6.00pm	5.00pm
Sun 24th Mar		8.00am and 11.15am	9.30am
Tue 26th Mar	Reconciliation	7.30pm	
Thu 28th Mar	Holy Thursday		7.30pm
Fri 29th Mar	Stations of the Cross— Good Friday	10.00am	
Fri 29th Mar	Passion of Our Lord	3.00 pm	3.00pm
Sat 30th Mar	Easter Vigil	7.30pm	
Sun 31st Mar	Easter Sunday	11.15am	9.30am

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TUES—FRI 8:30AM—3:00PM

We may also be contacted at Ss
Peter and Paul Parish, on 9842 1480
on Tuesday—Friday

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.

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

We pray for Better Health:

Brian Sullivan, Kath Potger, Josephine Noli, Sharon Rodrigo, Meredith Barnes, John Yates, Belinda Swan, George Kapeleris,



Lenten Program

We've reached the fifth week of our Lenten Program. This week we reflected on what is the hardest thing we have had to do for love of another?, on whether we recognise within ourselves the inner fight against "what we think" or "know what we should do"?, and do we see the Cross as God's great act of love for us?

We invite you to join us every Wednesday evening at 7pm or SsPP at 9:30am.

Feel free to participate in our Lenten program at any point in the upcoming weeks as we journey together towards spiritual growth and renewal.

****Project Compassion Boxes: Return by Palm Sunday!****

As we journey through Lent, let us remember our commitment to help those in need through Project Compassion. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated. We kindly remind you to return your filled Project Compassion boxes by Palm Sunday, 24th March. Your contributions will make a significant difference in the lives of many. Thank you for your continued support and compassion.



Chrism Mass 20th March— No mass at OLOP Wednesday morning

Please note that due to the Chrism Mass scheduled for next Wednesday, March 20th, there will be not be a Wednesday morning Mass at our

Parish. All are invited to attend this mass at St Patrick's Cathedral at 10am.



A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Weekend is for YOU...

"Live Your Best Married Life in Love"

Every relationship is a journey and the grind of everyday life can easily cause you to lose touch with your spouse.

This weekend gives married couples time to nurture your relationship and some tools to keep passion alive in a gentle, supportive environment, away from pressures and distractions of daily living.

Every married couple deserves a Marriage Encounter weekend!!

The weekend is based around Catholic values and couples of all faiths are welcome.

Please check our website for more details

Date: 12-14 April, 2024 in Melbourne

BOOK NOW

Information/Bookings: Phone **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au

Website: wwme.org.au



EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT—SsPP

Join us for this last opportunity to see the Stations of the Cross on Friday, hosted at Ss Peter and Paul's Parish. Come and participate in this meaningful journey and share in this spiritual experience.

📧 Volunteers Needed for Working Bee

We've secured two Palm suppliers and now seek your assistance on Friday, March 22nd, at 9:30 am to volunteer your time in preparing our Parish for Palm Sunday and Easter celebrations.

We're look forward to creating a memorable Easter celebration.



2024 OLOP SUPER DRAW



GREAT PRIZES



Only 100 numbers to be sold at \$100 per ticket

1st Prize	\$4,000
2nd Prize	\$300
3rd Prize	\$200

5 Mthly Draws \$100

Results will be published in OLOP weekly bulletin after each draw.

All prizes to be paid in vouchers of your choice

Main Draw will take place on Sunday 13th Oct at the Pleasant Sunday Function
numbers on sale after all Sunday masses and also available from
the Parish office

Get in early and purchase your lucky number

Trivia Night

A great night enjoyed by all who attended . Very happy to report a profit of \$3,206 was made on the night.

Thank you to all for supporting this event.

From The Social/Fundraising Committee

Communion at BaptCare Residential Nursing Home

Share the Easter Spirit!

Are you able to assist Father Toan with an Easter Communion mass at BaptCare residential nursing home on Thursday, March 21st, from 10:00 am to 10:45 am ? Your presence will bring joy to the residents during this special time.

Additionally, we are looking for a committed volunteer to continue visiting BaptCare on a fortnightly basis to offer Communion to our Catholic residents.

If you're able to lend a helping hand and spread the love of Easter, please contact Maria Carey at 0473873479 or maria.carey@cam.org.au.

Thank you for considering this wonderful opportunity to make a difference in our community!

Cabrini—The Movie

A few days after International Women's Day and as we are progressing through Lent, if you are looking for inspiration about the role of women in the world and the true message of Jesus, you may like to see the movie 'Cabrini'. It is based on a true story of one woman's fight for the equality, health and happiness of immigrant orphans in New York in the 1890s. It is a great movie to invite a friend to who may no longer attend Mass on a regular basis. Yes, the one woman is a Catholic nun, and the movie shows her struggle against men in authority - both within local government and within the Church. But it is an inspirational story for all humanity about the true Christian path.

**23rd and 24th March 2024
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
YEAR B**

HOSPITALITY TEAMS: Davis, Lazzari and Oakley

READERS & COMMENTATORS:

Sat 5.00 pm: Rita Latimour and Trish Gurney

Sun 9.30 am: Juanita and Patrick Monahan

ALTAR SERVERS:

5.00pm: Refer Teresina

9.30am: Refer Teresina

CHILDRENS LITURGY: No Children's Liturgy

MASS DRIVERS: Suzanne and Mark Keating

AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS

Sat 5.00 pm: Gabrielle Collins

Sun 9.30am: Mark Cheng

WELCOMING COMMITTEE:

5.00 pm: Gabrielle Collins & Mary Wynack

9.30 am: Mirella Drago & Sue Separovic

MONEY COUNTING: GRP 7 - Mirella Drago, Buford Ng and Jack Deady

PIETY STALL: 5.00pm: Rita Latimour

9.30am: Janet Goodwin

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5th Sunday of Lent — Year B

Gospel

John 12:20-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life.

If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour?

But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!

A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours. 'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown.

And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.'

By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

Next Weekend Readings: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 14:1 – 15:47

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 Communion Service
Tuesday	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Wednesday	9.00am Mass (followed by 9:30am Rosary)	9.00 am Communion Service
Thursday	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Friday	9.00am Mass (followed by 9:30am Rosary)	9.00am Communion Service
Saturday	5.00pm Mass	9.00am Mass and 6.00pm Mass
Sunday	9.30am Mass followed by Rosary	8.00am and 11.15am Mass