

Parish of St Monica Moonee Ponds

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QR Code
for our website:



Easter Sunday, Year B

31st March, 2024

Worship Timetable—Moonee Ponds

Sunday: **8.30 am** (*Italian & English*); **10.30 am**; **5.30 pm**
Tuesday - Friday: **9.15 am**
Saturday: **8.00 am**
8.30 am—Reconciliation

Worship Timetable—Strathmore

Saturday Vigil: **6.00 pm**
Sunday: **9.30 am**
Tuesday - Friday: **10.00 am**

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday

to

Friday

9.00 am - 3.30 pm

An Easter Hymn

Christ the Lord is risen again!
Christ hath broken every chain,
Hark, the angels shout for joy,
Singing evermore on high,

Alleluya!

He who gave for us his life,
Who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb today!
We too sing for joy, and say

Alleluya!

He who bore all pain and loss
Comfortless upon the Cross,
Lives in glory now on high,
Pleads for us, and hears our cry.

Alleluya!

Now he bids us tell abroad
How the lost may be restored,
How the penitent forgiven,
How we too may enter heaven.

Alleluya!



*Michael Weisse c. 1480-1534
Tr C. Winkworth 1829-78*

Dear friends,

Wishing you a blessed Easter—may your celebrations of the Resurrection of the Lord be a time of peace and joy for you and those close to you. With every peace,

Fr Tony, Fr Joseph, and Andrew.

We respectfully acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation, as the traditional caretakers of the land which is the St. Monica's Catholic Parish. We acknowledge the Elders, past & present. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY 7th April 2024 — The Second Sunday of Easter Sunday, Year B

| Mass Time | Reader | | Extraordinary Minister | |
|-----------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| 8.30 am | F Baker RSM | A M Catalfamo | M Ballato | S Maurici |
| 10.30 am | J Martin | K Martin | J Morello | C Shiu |
| 5.30 pm | T Wilson | | M Christian | M Passuello |

CHURCH LINEN

March—M Ballato

CHURCH VACCUMING

TEAM 1 - Thursday 4th April at 9.45am

Please remember in your prayers...

Recently Deceased

Anniversaries

Bernadette & Leslie Bronkhurst

The Sick & Seriously Ill

Please remember in your prayers all those in our Parish who are sick and suffering serious illness, together with their families and loved ones who care for them.

Easter Offerings • Easter Offering envelopes are



available in the church. Easter Offerings make an important contribution to the stipend of the priests of the Parish and in meeting normal household expenses. They also contribute to the support of sick and retired priests, and to support priests in needy parishes.



Please return your Project Compassion boxes as soon as possible.



PARISH FIRST
BUILDING BETTER PARISHES

2024 Parish Renewal (Stewardship) Program •

Beginning in April, our parishes will undertake a renewal of our Stewardship Program. Beginning in April, we will update our Parish Census to ensure that our database is up to date. Then, in May, we will have opportunities to renew our

engagement in parish life through our participation in parish groups and ministries and also our financial support of our parishes. The program will be conducted by staff from Parish First and led by our Parish Finance Councils.



A note of thanks from Jeff Mifsud...

Dear Community of St Monica's Parish

Thank you so much for being so present in my life over the last thirty-five years. It has been a great privilege to be of service to this community through music ministry.

Thank you to Father Tony, Father Joseph and the Parish for providing such a lovely morning tea after mass on St Patrick's Day. Thanks to those of you able to attend and those who passed on best wishes.

To Peter Moore and the St Monica's school community, thank you for allowing me to celebrate with you as we walk alongside the young people in our church community.

I feel very blessed and will take with me many wonderful memories of a community which has enriched me over many years.

It is on your shoulders I stand and move into the next phase of my life.

Jeff Mifsud

Child Safety Update • There is an old African proverb which states it takes a village to raise a child. In much the same way, it takes a whole parish to care for and be responsible for the safety of our children and vulnerable adults.

Working with Children Checks—A reminder that **all parish volunteers** need to have a valid WWCC with the Parish listed as one of the places where you undertake child related work. That means all

- Readers
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
- Ministers of Communion to the Sick
- Musicians & Choir Members
- Church Cleaners

need to have a WWCC—if you are unsure, please contact the Parish Office or speak to one of the priests. Registered teachers are exempt from requiring a WWCC but are required to notify WWCC if they engage in child-related work other than their teaching—Click here to notify WWCC [Teacher notification](#)

Child Safeguarding Training—All volunteers need to undertake safeguarding training. You may undertake this training online [Online Safeguarding Training](#) The parish will also be running some inperson sessions in the near future—please keep an eye on this Bulletin for details.

Code of Conduct Declaration—Thanks to all those who have completed their Code of Conduct Declaration. Again, this is a requirement of all volunteers. We will be following up with those yet to complete their declaration.



A communion that radiates

How can we be more fully a sign and instrument of union with God and of the unity of all humanity?

Participation, governance and authority

What processes, structures and institutions in a missionary synodal Church?

Co-responsibility in mission

How can we better share gifts and tasks in the service of the Gospel?

New Life in God's Spirit presented by St Monica's Prayer Group, is your opportunity to deepen your Baptismal Graces and increase the Gifts of The Holy Spirit conferred on you at your Confirmation. This eight-week seminar begins Thursday 4 April, 7-9pm, Symons Centre, Mt Alexander Rd, Moonee Ponds.

Contact: Gerald 0415275446, Frank 0415144916, Adrian 0403512936



Stewardship Corner

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.

Colossians 3:2

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died, rose and opened the gates of heaven for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how God is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

| Special Collections 2024 | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Lent | Project Compassion |
| 29 th March | Good Friday – Holy Places |
| 5 th May | CatholicCare |
| 2 nd June | SVdP Winter Appeal |
| 16 th June | Propagation of the Faith |
| 30 th June | Annual Collection for the Holy Father |
| 18 th August | The Archbishop's Campaign |
| 20 th October | World Mission Sunday |
| 10 th November | Pastoral Care Appeal—Prison Ministry |

Readings at Mass
Easter Sunday, Year B — 31st March 2024

FIRST READING: ACTS 10:34. 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.' Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23

R. This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.' **R.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 CORINTHIANS 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: MARK 16:1-7

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has risen.

When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices with which to go and anoint him. And very early in the morning on the first day of the week they went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising.

They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' But when they looked they could see that the stone - which was very big - had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right-hand side, and they were struck with amazement. But he said to them, 'There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here. See, here is the place where they laid him. But you must go and tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you."'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY LITURGY @ HOME *(click below)*

Adults: [Sunday Readings - Sunday Readings Year B \(weebly.com\)](#) Children: [March 31 - Easter Sunday - PRAYING WITH CHILDREN YEAR B 2023-2024 \(yearbprayingwithchildren.org\)](#)