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## SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Saturday 6:00pm  
Sunday 8:00am 10:00am 6:00pm  
On the second Sunday of each month at 11:00am  
Mass, celebrated in Filipino.

**WEEKDAY MASSES** Mondays 9:10am Communion service  
Tuesdays - Fridays 9:10am Mass

## RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays between 5:00pm and 5:30pm or after any  
weekday Mass or by appointment. Conducted only in an  
open space within the clear line of sight of another adult.

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Thursday after the 9:10am Mass for an hour.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Every 1st Friday of the month during the 9:10am Mass

**BAPTISMS** By appointment only. Baptisms are celebrated on  
the 1st and 3rd Sundays and all Saturdays at 11:00am.

**MARRIAGES** By appointment at least 6 months notice.

## Thought of the Week

**"You are afraid to suffer, but it were better to thank  
God for it, since the more you undergo down here,  
the less you will endure above. Grief is a portion of  
one's heritage taken in advance from Purgatory."**  
— Saint Lydwine of Schiedam

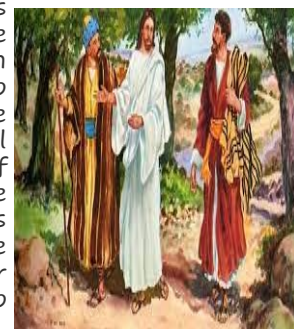
## 3rd Sunday of Easter/B 14TH APRIL 2024

### Gospel Reading Luke 24:35-48

On the third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear Gospel accounts of Jesus' appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. Today's reading, taken from the Gospel of Luke, follows immediately after the report of Jesus' appearance to his disciples on the road to Emmaus. This is the event being recounted by the disciples in the opening verse of today's Gospel.

Consistently in the reports of Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances, Jesus greets his disciples with the words, "Peace be with you." This is a most appropriate greeting. The disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Peace is what they need more than anything else. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift—forgiveness. In today's Gospel, this connection is made in the final verses.

Even as they hear Jesus' greeting of peace, the disciples are startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them and, quite understandably, they mistake Jesus for a ghost. Yet the figure before them is not a ghost; Jesus invites them to experience his resurrected body with their senses, to look and to touch. The figure before them is flesh and bone, still bearing the marks of crucifixion. Although the disciples cannot forget his suffering and death, peace begins to take root in their hearts, as their fears turn to joy and amazement.



As further proof of his identity and of his resurrected body, Jesus eats with his disciples. The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them. Descriptions of these meals are a defining element of Luke's Gospel. By eating with his disciples after his Resurrection, Jesus recalls all these meals, and most importantly, he recalls the Last Supper.

Luke's report of the Last Supper and the meals that Jesus shared after his Resurrection unveil for us the significance of the Eucharist. Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As Jesus commissions his disciples to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us. Like the disciples, we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.

Fr Danai  
Pastor

## Catholic Parish of Mary Immaculate, Bossley Park

### 3rd Sunday of Easter

<b>1st Reading</b>	<b>Acts 3:13-15,17-19</b>
<b>2nd Reading</b>	<b>1John 2:1-5</b>
<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	<b>Lord, let your face shine on us.</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	<b>Luke 24:35-48</b>
<b>Next Weekend: 4th Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>Acts 4:8-12 1John 3:1-2 John 10:11-18</b>

**We pray for...**

**Our sick:** Alan Biag, Deny Biordi, Kim Dau, Tony Surace, Oliver Cabardo, Cecilia Felipe, Josephine Schembri, Sabastijan, Fr Joy, Ante, Massimo Baroni, Eddy Hrkac, Felicia Perera, Catherine Cordina, Sam & Teresa Barbara, Kathleen Grogan, Cveta, Joe, Zvonko, Francis Agius, Roman, Marin, Josip, Rolly Rocela, Elizabeth Mifsud, Tommy, Darko, Steve, Gani Rael, Kate/Edwin Bachar, Rita Francis, Diosdada Penollar, Magdalena, Marcelina Isagani, Carole Robertson, Rita Zammit, Edwina Borg, Bernadetta Russo (*Names will be removed from the sick list after 3 months unless Parish Office is notified otherwise*).

Please keep in your prayers the soul of the **Recently deceased:** Renza Martignago, Suzy Maissin, Steven Suplat, Patrick Dine, Renato Depratrotro, Lilian Camba, Dennis De Martin, Gil Ilagan, John Svircevic, Zenaida Matias, Carlo Farrugia, Tobia Panuccio, Bruno Debortoli, Geraldine Jansen, Narciso Ignacio, Liliam Camba, Antonio Lapuz, Vincenzo DeMaio, Rita Malapitan, Joseph Francis, and those whose **Anniversaries occur at this time:** Rocco Badolato, Teresa Dinan

**Other deceased including:** Stephen Liem & Agatha Qui, Emmanuel Attard, Joseph Fenech, Marija Bakic, Goran Bakic, Rade Hrkac, Pasqualino Verduci, Maria Marando, Teresa Catanzariti, Rodolfo Hernandez, Peter Leonello, Michelle Lavorato, Guido Pontello, Tom & Patrick Anderson, Joyce Alphonso, Bruno Manea, Joseph & Vincenza Debono, MariaTeresa Badolato, Anita Wilson, Rhonda Fleming, Maria & Giuseppina, Angelina Piredda, Maria Rosaria Saliba, Giuseppe Gasparre, Vincenzo & Giovannina Vaccaro, Gaetano and Agnes Cordina, Joseph & Joanna Nontanovan, Thosas & Theresa Dithavong, Thomas Kongchay Nontanovan, Goran Bakic, John Sergi, Leticia Dedase, Nestor Belen, Guido Soligo, Peter Sanfilippo, Anita Wilson, Miriam & Victor Busuttill, Edwin Zammit, Mario Todaro, Giuseppe Varrica, Sandro Oselli, Josip & Anelko Lozina, Grazia & Giuseppe Panuccio, Albert & Jean Montgomery, Thelma Fernandes, Mario & Antonina Sinacori, Frank leroianni, Margaret Bastic, Vincenzo Demaio, Vincenzo Oliveri, Domenica Oliveri, Carmelo Oliveri, Maria Oliveri, Vincenzo Bugge, Vince Fedele, Giuseppa Oliveri, Francesco Leuzzi, Nonata San Miguel, Michele, Concetta, Antonio & Giovanna Fedele, Antonino Vella, Mariantonia Pisano, Vincenzo & Anna Peci, Honorio Mercene, Bertilla Soligo, Marcello & Elsa Soligo, Domenico Soligo, Guido Pontello, Marcello & Angela Seraglio, Mary Mahony, Dulcie Soans, Giuseppe & Orazio DiMarco, Gloria & Sybil Roache, all departed souls in the families of Dimaano, Colomb & Mack & Bulner, Pontello, Smith, Sernagiotto, Soligo & Certali, Borg, Seraglio, Zammit, & Skondro families & all Souls in Purgatory. **May they rest in peace.**

**Other Intentions :** Maria Bugge



## Parish Diary



<b>Monday 15th April</b>	9:10am Communion Service 10:00am Praise & Worship (Italian)
<b>Tuesday 16th April</b>	9:10am Communion Service 4:30pm Legion of Mary 7:00pm Praise & Worship (English)
<b>Wednesday 17th April</b>	9:10am Mass 9:40am Rosary 3:15pm Junior Legion of Mary 7:30pm Choir
<b>Thursday 18th April</b>	9:10am Communion Service Followed by adoration for an hour. 7:30pm Baptismal Info
<b>Friday 19th April</b>	9:10am Mass 7:00pm Praise & Worship—JHPGroup 7:30pm Rosary—Disciples
<b>Saturday 20th April</b>	11:00am Baptism 5:00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass—Carmelite Priest
<b>Sunday 21st April</b>	4th Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations 8:00am Mass—Carmelite Priest 10:00am Mass—Carmelite Priest 6:00pm Mass —Carmelite Priest



### WELCOME TO THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Avery Truong who will be baptised this weekend.  
The next baptismal information evening will be on Thursday, 18th April at 7:30pm

#### Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Sessions will commence on the 6th May until the 8th June. Please check the candidates list with their allocated session day & time in the foyer.

Catechist's formation meeting will be on Thursday, 2nd May at 3:30pm.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

Are you or you know someone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church? The RCIA is the Catholic Church's way of welcoming new members. It is a learning and loving process in which conversion of the heart brings one to Jesus Christ. For more enquiries, please contact the Parish on 9604 8927 or email admin@mibp.org.au.

# Striving to be a "Loving, Caring, Christian Community"

From the Liturgy Office...

## Themes for the 3rd Sunday of Easter Year B

This weekend, the readings encourage us to truly believe in the resurrection of Jesus Christ and to accept his love. In the gospel the risen Jesus appears to his disciples and helps them understand his death and resurrection.

The readings touch on several interconnected themes that are crucial to understanding the Easter season and its significance in Christian life. Here are the main themes:

**Repentance and Forgiveness:** A central theme is the call to repentance—turning back to God—and the promise of forgiveness. This theme underscores God's mercy and willingness to forgive sins for those who turn to Him and acknowledge their wrongdoings.

**The Fulfillment of Prophecy:** The readings emphasize that Jesus' life, death, and resurrection were all part of God's plan, foretold in the scriptures. This theme connects the events of the New Testament with the prophecies of the Old Testament, showing the continuity and fulfillment of God's salvation history.

**Witnessing to the Resurrection:** The Gospel and the first reading both highlight the importance of witnessing to the resurrection of Jesus. The disciples are called to share the news of Jesus' resurrection and the forgiveness of sins with all nations, emphasizing the role of Christians to bear witness to the truth of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

**Jesus as Advocate and Atonement:** The second reading from 1 John presents Jesus as the advocate for sinners and the atonement for our sins. This theme highlights the mediating role of Jesus between humanity and God, and the universal scope of Jesus' sacrifice, which is not limited to a single group but is extended to the whole world.

**Obedience to God's Commands:** True knowledge of Jesus is demonstrated through obedience to His commands, as mentioned in the letter of John. This theme ties in with the idea of living according to God's will as a response to understanding and accepting Jesus' role as our saviour and advocate.

**The Physical Resurrection of Jesus:** In the Gospel, Jesus shows His physical form to His disciples, eating with them and allowing them to touch Him. This emphasizes the physical reality of the resurrection, countering any notion that it was merely a spiritual or symbolic event.

These themes collectively reinforce the message of Easter as a time of renewal, hope, and spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to the world.

God bless, Rita Cordina (Liturgy & Music Coordinator)

## Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2024

### APRIL: For the Role of Women

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognised in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

**Blessed Sacrament** is in the church tabernacle. Catholics are asked to show reverence and adoration whenever passing in front of the tabernacle, where the Eucharist is reserved. This is typically done by genuflecting, although if unable, a profound bow from the waist is acceptable.



## 4th Sunday of Easter 20/21 April 2024

	Vigil 6pm	Sun 8am	Sun 10am	Sun 6pm
<b>Commentator</b>	A Soldo	J Cruz	V Pante	E Russo
<b>Minister of the Word</b>	Y Vitagliani	D Pizzin	J Weaver	T Seraglio
<b>EMHC</b>	F Di Marco E Sadsad	Y Dawood L Pham G Kruk	A Elizes R Ranola L Biag	T Corpus L Bykowski
<b>Data Proj/ Musician</b>	B&B Soldo M Balgos	L Kardum S Cruz	R Mannino	A Fleita
<b>Altar Servers</b>	M Kouza R Mascarenas	Volunteer	A Banbekian	M Nicolaou
<b>Welcomers</b>	F Guerrero M Morgante	G Mignemi	M Cannizzaro A Zappia C Weaver	G Mileto J Jakovcevic A Tomic
<b>Piety Stall</b>	N Haddad	S Wilkins	V&M Pante	R Rossi
<b>Counter:</b> Group 3  M&E Frijas J Cruz S Cruz	<b>Altar Linen :</b> B Juan	<b>Flowers :</b> T Seraglio G O'Connell	<b>Cleaners :</b> N Daniel D Dagaly E Lucarini M David D Skular	

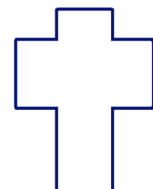
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You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



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