



St. DOMINICS PARISH

# THE DOMINICAN

4th Sunday of Lent, Year B  
13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> March 2021  
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## **St DOMINIC'S PARISH CHURCH – Mass Times**

### **SUNDAY MASSES**

at 6pm Sat. (vigil), 8am, 11am and 6pm only.

### **WEEKDAYS**

Mass at 6.45am and 12 noon, Monday till Friday

Mass at 9.00am Saturday

Stations of the Cross, Fridays at 7.00pm

### **CONFESSION (RECONCILIATION)**

Wednesday - Friday 11.30 - 11.55am in the Parish Centre

Saturday 4pm - 5pm in the Parish Centre

### **PASTORAL TEAM**

**PARISH OFFICE:** Manuela Brambilla 9912 6870 X310

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## **PARISH CALENDAR: 14th-21st March 2021**

Sun 14<sup>th</sup> 4th Sunday of Lent

Tue 16<sup>th</sup> 9:45am Exercise Classes chair based—PC

4:00pm RE Class—PC

7:30pm PPC meeting—PC

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm St Catherine of Siena Prayer Group

Thu 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm Reconciliation Retreat Day

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> 9:30am Exercise Class Active adults—PC

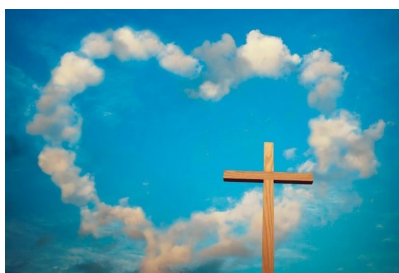
11:00am Divine Mercy prayer Group

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Sun 21<sup>st</sup> 5th Sunday of Lent

Deadline for Bulletin: 10.00am Thursday

## **THE CROSS HAS REVEALED GOD'S LOVE**



Today's gospel is filled with themes which anticipate the rest of the gospel: faith and judgment; Jesus, the revealer sent by God; light and darkness; those who do evil deeds and those who do good. John is announcing that God is making a revelation to the whole world, everyone, not just

to particular individuals, or a privileged few. God is concerned about all people and anyone who "lives the truth" and "comes to the light," is offered eternal life.

The passage reflects the experience of John's community. Not everyone responded to God's grace and accepted the offer God made in Jesus. This is suggested by references like, "people preferred darkness to light." In this the times were a lot like our own. People continue to choose darkness over light and practice evil deeds, "people preferred darkness to light because their works were evil." This would have caused discouragement in the early Christian community, just as similar discouraging events cause pessimism and discouragement in our church today.

But the passage ends on an optimistic note. Just as Jesus is the light to the world and his life a revelation of God to all, so too, each Christian who has "come to the light" reveals God to the world. People prefer the darkness because it hides their evil deeds. Believers, on the other hand, are light bearers whose deeds bear witness to God.

John has a tendency to use words and phrases that have double meanings. Jesus tells Nicodemus that he will be "lifted up," that those who "believe in him may have eternal life." The term "lifted up" would refer to his death on the cross. It would also mean his resurrection from the dead and his being raised to glory at God's right hand. So, those who look to Jesus upon the cross are not only healed of sin, but receive the same life Jesus now has – eternal life.

Nicodemus has come to Jesus at night. In the instruction Jesus gave him we are reminded of what God has done for us. Despite the fact that so many choose deeds of darkness, God's love for an undeserving world is without limits. God doesn't just love the good people of the world, or the chosen over the rest. Jesus' life, death and resurrection is for all the world. So, because of God's love revealed in Christ we cannot look upon anyone as unlovable, for they have been embraced by Christ's outstretched arms on the cross. Even those who openly reject him, or are preoccupied by the things of this world, are still loved by God.

Fr Peter Toan Nguyen OP, PP

## **ST DOMINIC'S IS A CHILD SAFE PARISH**

*At St Dominic's we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.*

## PASTORAL SERVICES

### MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> Mar

Sat 06:00pm G Woodhatch  
 Sun 08:00am C Howie R Walter  
 11:00am D Fitzgerald  
 06:00pm J Conway  
 Mews 17<sup>th</sup> Mar R Walter

### READERS

20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> March

Sat 06:00pm C: T Wilson R: R Wilson  
 Sun 08:00am C: R: J Adderley  
 11:00am C: P Stokes R: E Stokes  
 06:00pm C: T McAleenan R:

### SANCTUARY CARERS FOR: March

Altar Washing: Elizabeth Petterson

PRAYERS WRITERS: 21<sup>st</sup> March Tania Wilson

### COLLECTION STATISTICS

Ave Thanksgiving Dom Priests Loose  
 Feb \$2,770.14 \$440.25 \$ 485.60

**DOMINICARE** Dominiccare has been part of the parish for decades and is chance for people to help out a fellow parishioner with little tasks like lifts, shopping, nursing home visits and even changing light bulbs. If you are in need of help, we will do our best to find someone to help out. Leave us a message on 0481 296547 or call the Parish office at 9912 6870 ext. 3. Please also call if you would like to help out.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

are very welcome at St Dominic's. You are invited to complete the Membership Form available on our website [www.stdominics.org.au/forms.html](http://www.stdominics.org.au/forms.html) Completed form can be returned to the Parish Office, sent by email at [secretary@stdominics.org.au](mailto:secretary@stdominics.org.au) or dropped into the Parish green letterbox, which is situated in the front of the Church.

## WE PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Anna Huang, Sr M Gabriella Racca PDDM

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Danielle Richardson, Tyrone Howie, Rig & Maureen Ashford, John Duncan

**THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:** Mandy, Ilena Wilson, Shirley Kennedy, Alina Kobylanski, Barbara Dunstan, Sarah Cumming, Yvette van den Driesen, Patricia McInnes, Kathleen Conlan, Martin Blake, Grace Dunn, Michael Taveira, Grazyna Van Egmond, Victoria D'Astoli, Patricia Mooney, Joe Markham, Albert Mahoney, Sr Julie Thomas CSB, Ann Stewart, John Meehan, Baby Gracie Bresolin, Janet Hudin, Fr Karl Emerick OP, Joy Patrick, Annette Fleming, Arden Nelson, Mary Burns, Brian Begley, Gerald & Patricia O'Dwyer and those visited by St. Vincent de Paul Society this week.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	13 <sup>th</sup> March	9:00am 6:00pm	Sr M Gabriella Racca PDDM Danielle Richardson
Sun	14 <sup>th</sup> March	8:00am 11:00am	For the People of the Parish Special Intention
Mon	15 <sup>th</sup> March	6.45am 12:00pm	Dominican Vocations For Castello Family
Tue	16 <sup>th</sup> March	6:45am	Sr M Gabriella Racca PDDM
Wed	17 <sup>th</sup> March	12:00pm	Tyrone Howie
Thu	18 <sup>th</sup> March	12:00pm	Barry Hickey
Fri	19 <sup>th</sup> March	6:45am 12:00pm	Deceased Dominicans Rig & Maureen Ashford

If you want to have a Mass offered,  
 please call the office at 9912 6870 ext 3.

### Our PERPETUAL REMEMBRANCE BOOK

for the month of February is available on our website

[www.stdominics.org.au/remembring-our-dead.html](http://www.stdominics.org.au/remembring-our-dead.html)

to remind us to pray for those mentioned



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"We must trust in the mighty power of God's mercy. We are all sinners, but His grace transforms us and makes us new."  
 Pope Benedict XVI

The first Youth Mass in 2021 will be celebrated on Sunday 28th March at 6pm. All are welcome.



Hymn: Jesus, You were broken - Catholic Lenten Hymn  
 Facebook: St. Dominic's Youth Camberwell - SDYC  
 Instagram: sdyc\_

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent at 7.00pm



### SISTER DISCIPLES OF DIVINE MASTER

830 Riversdale Rd. The shop is now open and is now stocking Easter Cards. Phone 9888 4754

## FIRST RECONCILIATION SACRAMENT 2021

### R.E. classes:

Tuesday 16th March 4:00-5:30pm.

Reconciliation Poster due: 26th February by 4pm

**Retreat Days, PC:** Thursday 18th March and Friday 19th March 9:00 am to 3:15pm

### First Reconciliation in the Church:

Tuesday 23rd March 7:00pm (School Group 1)  
 Wednesday 24th March 7:00pm (School Group 2)  
 Thursday 25th March 7:00pm (Parish Group)



### DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS AT ST DOMINIC'S

Divine Mercy Prayer group will meet each Friday at 11am before Mass in the church.

### ST CATHERINE OF SIENA HOLY HOUR

The St Catherine of Siena Holy Hour for the Church will meet each Wednesday from 4pm till 5pm in the Church for exposition and adoration of Our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary and consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

## GROCERY APPEAL FOR THE BRIGIDINE ASYLUM SEEKER PROJECT

Today we are having our annual appeal for the Brigidine Sisters and in turn for the refugees and those seeking asylum in Australia who are often in great need. Please place your bag with donated items in the baskets at the side doors. Bags can also be returned during the week at the parish office or at Mass next weekend. We plan to transport all donations to the BASP in Port Melbourne the following Monday (March 22) Once again THANK YOUx for your generous support. Peter Charles (Welcoming the Stranger committee)

**WALKING GROUP** The walking group has regrouped and we will meet in the church carpark at 9.30 on the third Monday of each month. For **March it is Monday 15<sup>th</sup>**. We will walk from St Dom's to Camberwell for coffee at Hush Café in the walk through beside the National Bank. If you can't walk that far, you are welcome to make your own way there to join the friendly St Dom's faces for coffee at 10.30. Enquiries: Maureen 0426 424 116.



**PROJECT COMPASSION** Arsad, an Indonesian farmer, had no toilet at home and was often sick due to the practice of open defecation. Through Caritas Australia's support, Arsad and his community improved hygiene and sanitation, and funded their own toilets. Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help improve health and wellbeing of communities in Indonesia so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a better future for all. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

**PARISH SECRETARY POSITION AVAILABLE AT ST DOMINIC'S** The Parish seeks to appoint a new Parish Secretary on 4 days a week commencing asap. A position description is available at the Parish Office, contact Manuela Brambilla (03) 9912 6870 ext 310, email [secretary@stdominics.org.au](mailto:secretary@stdominics.org.au).

**POSITION AVAILABLE**

**ALTAR WASHING ROSTER 2021** several vacancies exist in this Roster for 2021. If anyone is able to assist pls call Vincey Millemaci 9888 4104.



### Hymns for 11am Mass

**E:** 1 I will be Yah -weh who walks with you,  
You will be always within my hand,  
Take your heart and give it all to me,

**Refrain : Strong and Constant is my Love (Repeat)**

2 Should you wander far away from me,  
I will search for you in ev'ry land,  
Should you call then you will truly know-

**Refrain**

**C:** 1 Come back to me with all your heart,  
Don't let fear keep us apart,  
Trees do bend so straight and tall,  
So must we to others' call.

**Refrain : Long have I waited for your coming,  
Home to me and living deeply our new life.**

2 The wilderness will lead you,  
To your heart where I will speak,  
Integrity and justice,  
With tenderness you shall know.

**Refrain**

## JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP NOTES

*How much money are you willing to spend to see someone you love get better? And how much money do we save and even create as a society when we treat people well and give them the opportunity to live out their days in health and happiness?*

Note: How would you answer?

(The Age 3/3/21 editorial on the Aged Care Royal Commission Report)

## PALM SUNDAY - WALK FOR REFUGEES

Walk for Justice for Refugees on Palm Sunday (28th March) is an important opportunity to raise awareness of the continuing injustice and cruelty experienced by refugees and people who are seeking asylum. This year Palm Sunday actions are calling for:



- Permanent visas for all refugees
- Basic income support for people in the community while their refugee status is assessed
- Release ALL Refugees from Detention
- An end to offshore processing

**When:** Sunday 28 March, 1:30 PM (AEST)

**Where:** State Library of Victoria, 328 Swanson Street, Melbourne



**SENIORS BUS TRIP** Wednesday 31 March to Queenscliff, Pt. Lonsdale Lighthouse (walk up to the top optional) and ferry to Sorrento. \$80pp including 2 course lunch w/drink. Departs St. Doms at 8.00am

SHARP, Masks must be worn. Bookings are now open and payment at the parish office by 26th please. Many thanks Margaret

**MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID** Are you feeling in the pink today? Not everyone is! The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement states that we need to make mental health a priority. The Justice and Peace group ran a successful Zoom seminar last year in response to the statement and followed up with a wonderful Ecumenical Prayer Service in St Dominic's last Wednesday evening. We joined with members from the Canterbury Council of Churches to pray for greater understanding of issues surrounding mental health and for people living daily with the burden of poor mental health. Our next endeavour is to organise a chance for interested parishioners to undertake Mental Health First Aid Training. Dates are now set for 24 April and 1 May. Watch this space for more details or check [www.mhfa.com.au](http://www.mhfa.com.au)



## ECUMENICAL JOURNEY AT ST DOMINIC'S

### We pray for our fellow Christians



Christ prayed in his farewell discourse that 'all may be one' (John 17:21). As part of our commitment to ecumenism at St Dominic's, we are a member of the Canterbury Council of Churches. We pray in particular over January and February for the community at Canterbury Balwyn Rd Uniting Church, and their Minister, Rev Salesi Faupula. For further information about our ecumenical engagement visit [Ecumenism at St Dominic's](http://Ecumenism at St Dominic's).



## PROPER OF THE MASS: 4th Sunday of Lent—Year B

### Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

### Responsorial Psalm

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

### Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

### Communion Antiphon

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

### Today's Readings

(4th Lent – Year B) 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; Psalm 136; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

### Next Week's Readings

(5th Lent – Year B) Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 50; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

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