



CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BONDI
CHURCHES:
ST. PATRICK'S BONDI &
ST. ANNE'S BONDI BEACH
COLLABORATING TOGETHER

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year C Sunday, 14th April 2019

Scripture Commentary by Dianne Bergant CSA

In Isaiah, the ability to speak and the words that are spoken all come from God. They are given to the speaker, but they are for the sake of the weary and downtrodden. They are words of comfort. The speaker suffers both personal insult and physical attack. Despite all of this, he does not recoil from his call. He willingly accepts the consequences of his prophetic ministry. In the face of all the affliction, the speaker retains confidence in God, but without the complaint. If anything, it resembles a declaration of confidence in God's sustaining presence.

The psalm is a combination of a lament (vv.8-9;17-20) and a thanksgiving song (vv.23-24). The opening verses describe the derision that the psalmist must endure from onlookers. They are mocking what they consider to be the psalmist's misplaced trust. Their taunt throws into question whether or not there is any point to such trust. Does God really care what happens to this pitiful individual? Neither the mockery nor the brutality of these onlookers can undermine the devotion of the psalmist, who, in the face of all of this suffering, still clings to hope. The reading ends with an exclamation associated with thanksgiving.

The Christological reflection on the nature and mission of Christ can be divided into two parts. In the first (vv.6-8), Jesus is the subject of the action; in the second (vv.9-11), God is. The first part describes Jesus' humiliation, the second recounts his exaltation by God. Christ did not cling to the dignity that was rightfully his, but emptied himself and took on the human condition. The exaltation of Christ is as glorious as his humiliation was debasing. It is important to note that while Christ was the subject of his self-emptying, his superexaltation is attributed directly to God. The extent to which Christ is to be revered because of this is total.

This passion narrative is really a series of discrete individual stories: the institution of the Lord's Supper (22:14-20); Jesus' farewell instruction (vv.21-38); the events on the Mount of Olives and Peter's denial (39-65); Jesus' trial, flogging and sentencing (22:66-23:25); the way of the cross and crucifixion (23:26-43); Jesus' death and burial (24:44-56). The narrative of the institution of the Lord's Supper is a classic farewell scene. The events that took place on the Mount of Olives are the prelude to Jesus' rejection and the agony. The one who is judge over heaven and earth is then dragged from one judgment seat to another. The last lap of the road to redemption then lies before him. His agony may have been prolonged, but in death he simply breathed his last. Because the Sabbath was about to begin, he was hurriedly taken down from the cross and immediately buried. The execution is reported quite matter-of-factly. The culminating event of the redemption of the world has been accomplished with dispatch.

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We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We walk on a land once occupied by the Gadigal People of the Eora Nation, who lived in this area for over 30,000 years. May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

QUOTE - C.S. LEWIS

'Hardships often prepare ordinary people for an extraordinary destiny.'

St. Anne's Choir Practice

There will be a choir practice held this Tuesday, 16th April, at 4:30pm in St. Anne's Church in preparation for Holy Week.

ST. ANNE'S KNITTING AND CRAFT GROUP STALL

The St. Anne's knitting and craft group will hold a stall in the foyer of church on the weekend of the 4th & 5th of May.

The knitting and craft group is also seeking jars (1-1.5 cup size) suitable for jam. They may be left at the back of St. Anne's Church for collection.

Lent - Project Compassion

Thank you to everyone who has contributed towards Project Compassion. Any further donations need to be received by the weekend of 27th/28th April so that the money can be forwarded onto Caritas.

THURSDAY MASS

There will no morning Mass at St. Patrick's this Thursday, 18th April, due to Fr Martin attending the Chrism Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral with the Archbishop and priests of the Archdiocese of Sydney.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday:

Mass of the Lord's Last Supper:
7pm @ St. Patrick's Bondi

Free shuttle service from St. Anne's from 6:15pm and return service also available.

Good Friday:

Stations of the Cross:
10am @ St. Patrick's Bondi & St. Anne's Bondi Beach

Celebration of the Lord's Passion:
3pm @ St. Anne's Bondi Beach

Free shuttle service from St. Patrick's from 2:15pm and return service also available.

Holy Saturday:

5pm @ St. Patrick's Bondi & St. Anne's Bondi Beach

Easter Sunday:

8am @ St. Anne's Bondi Beach
10am @ St. Patrick's Bondi

SAFEGUARDING

If you are a volunteer here in the Parish Family and you have not completed the Safeguarding Induction Training before 31st May 2019, unfortunately you will no longer be allowed to volunteer in our Parish.

Below are more training dates for Safeguarding Induction Training. If these dates do not suit your schedule the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office is offering online training. To register for online training please go to <https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1>. To register for one of the training sessions in our Parish, please put your full name, phone number and the date you wish to attend. Forms can be found at the back of the Church.

TRAINING SESSIONS IN OUR PARISH

11:30am, Wednesday 24th April at St Patrick's
12:00pm, Thursday 2nd May at St Anne's

Also we have now displayed our Code of Conduct at the back of the Church.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you and God bless,

Marian Abi Khattar

Facilities and Accounts Manager & PSSO

FIRST EUCHARIST 2019

Children in Year 3 and above, who have been Baptised in the Roman Catholic Rite and have made their First Reconciliation are eligible to enrol for First Eucharist 2019.

Enrolment forms for First Eucharist are now available at the entrances of the churches, online on the Parish website and will also be sent out through the local schools.

Please complete the form together with the Baptism Certificate and return by:

- Email or in person to the Parish Office
- Together with the program fee of \$35

For those who wish to pay online, bank details are as follows:

Name: St Anne's Parish Bondi Beach
BSB: 062784

Account Number: 3735001

(please provide online receipt details when completing the form)

PLEASE NOTE: Enrolment is only confirmed when all the above has been received at the Parish Office. Enrolments close 4pm Friday, 3rd May 2019. NO LATE ENROLMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

THE DATES FOR THE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

COMMITMENT CEREMONY:

Sunday, May 19th
10am Mass - St Patrick's Church

CLASSES:

Saturday, May 25th
1:45pm - 3pm St Patrick's Hall

Saturday, June 1st
1:45pm - 3pm St Patrick's Hall

Saturday, June 15th
1:45pm - 3pm St Patrick's Hall

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENT:

Sunday, June 23rd
12pm St Patrick's Church

For any enquires regarding the Sacramental Program please contact the Parish Office during office hours on 9365 1195.

THE CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY SAFEGUARDING OFFICE

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you.

Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on (02) 9390 5812.

The full Archdiocesan Manual for safeguarding children in our parish communities is available on the Archdiocesan website at:

<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/>

2019 ANZAC EVE MASS

Sydneysiders are invited to join Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP, active and retired members of the Defence Forces for Mass, prayer and reflection on the Eve of ANZAC Day. There will be a Wreath laying ceremony with the Governor of NSW, and the Australian army band Sydney will join the Cathedral choir, to provide a beautiful musical accompaniment to the Mass. 24th April 2019 at 5.30pm St. Mary's Cathedral.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR SICK:

Nazha Shamieh and Margaret Baker

REMEMBRANCE:

Eugene Beame, Biddy Fernan, John Fernan, Mona Kennedy, Moya Hutchings, Drew Dowie, John & Daisy Sadler, Helen Colette, Harold & Joan Sadler, Robert & Leonie Sadler, Frank Sadler, James & Labibi Roumanus, Asuncion and Marcela Vegas

PLEASE NOTE:

Names will be removed from the sick list after 2 months, unless the Parish Office is notified.

PARISH STAFF

Fr Martin Monaghan
Administrator

Marian Abi Khattar
*Facilities and Accounts Manager
&
Parish Safeguarding Support
Officer*

Frank Riotto
Administration Assistant

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:
9:30am to 4:30pm
(closed from 12:30 to 1:30pm)

Thursday:
10:30am to 2:30pm

Saturday:
10am to 2pm

WEEKEND MASS AND DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE

Saturday:

Adoration 4 to 4:45pm: St. Anne's
5pm Vigil Mass: St. Anne's

Sunday:

8am Mass: St. Anne's
10am Mass: St. Patrick's

WEEKDAY MASS AND DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE FOR THIS COMING WEEK

Monday, 15th April:

9am Communion Service:
St. Patrick's

1:30pm Rosary & Afternoon Tea:
St. Patrick's

Tuesday, 16th April:

5pm Mass: St. Patrick's

Wednesday, 17th April:

9am Mass: St. Patrick's

Thursday, 18th April &

Friday, 19th April:

Please see Holy Week Schedule
on the inside of the bulletin.

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Galilee Catholic Primary School

60B Blair Street
North Bondi
NSW 2026

P: 9130 7082

W: www.galileebondi.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Anna Novak

TODAY'S LITURGY

First Reading

Is 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult
and I know I will not be ashamed.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

(R.) My God, my God, why have you
abandoned me?

Second Reading

Phil 2:6-11

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to
the Philippians**

He humbled himself to become like us
and God raised him on high.

Gospel Acclamation Phil 2:8-9

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!**

Christ became obedient for us even to
death dying on the cross. Therefore,
God raised him on high and gave him a
name above all other names.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!**

Gospel Lk 23:1-49

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke**

The elders of the people and the chief
priests and scribes rose, and they
brought Jesus before Pilate.

PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

Parish Office

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admin@bondicatholic.org.au

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www.bondicatholic.org.au

Church Addresses

St. Patrick's:
2 Wellington Street
Bondi NSW 2026

St. Anne's:
47 Mitchell Street
Bondi Beach NSW 2026

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation:

Saturday:

4 to 4:30pm: St. Anne's

Sunday:

9:30 to 9:45am: St. Patrick's

Baptism:

1st and 3rd weekends of the month
during parish Masses. Parents will
be required to attend a preparation
session which is held on the 4th
Saturday of the month at 11am at
St. Patrick's.

Marriage:

By appointment (at least six
months' notice required).