

PROCESSIONAL HYMN CWB 303

Refrain: All glory, laud, and honour
to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring. *Refrain*

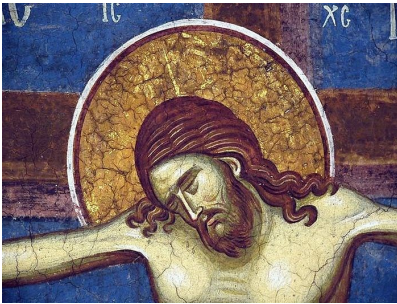
You are the King of Israel
and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
the King and Blessed One. *Refrain*

The company of angels
is praising you on high;
as we and all creation
exultant make reply. *Refrain*

The people of the Hebrews
with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present. *Refrain*

To you before your passion
they sang their hymns of praise;
to you, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. *Refrain*

Their praises you accepted,
accept the prayers we bring,
rejoicing in all goodness,
our Saviour and our King! *Refrain*



Liturgy of the Word

Mark 11: 1—10

Isaiah 50: 4—7

Philippians 2: 6—11

Mark 15: 1 – 39

Psalm Response

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Gospel Acclamation

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!

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PREPARATION OF GIFTS CWB 318

At the cross her vigil keeping,
Mary stood in sorrow, weeping,
When her Son was crucified.

While she waited in her anguish,
Seeing Christ in torment languish,
Bitter sorrow pierced her heart.

With what pain and desolation,
With what noble resignation,
Mary watched her dying Son.

Ever patient in her yearning,
Though her tear-filled eyes were burning,
Mary gazed upon her Son.

Who, that sorrow contemplating,
On that passion meditating,
Would not share the Virgin's grief?

Christ she saw, for our salvation
scourged with cruel acclamation,
bruised and beaten by the rod.

Christ she saw with life-blood failing,
all her anguish unavailing,
saw him breathe his very last.

At the cross, your sorrow sharing,
all your grief and torment bearing,
let me stand and mourn with you.

HOLY COMMUNION CWB 330

O sacred Head surrounded
By crown of piercing thorn!
O bleeding Head, so wounded,
Reviled and put to scorn!

The pow'r of death comes o'er you,
The glow of life decays,
Yet angel hosts adore you
And tremble as they gaze.

In this, your bitter passion,
Good Shepherd, think of me
With your most sweet compassion,
Unworthy though I be:

Beneath your cross abiding
For ever would I rest,
In your dear love confiding,
And with your presence blest.

Christ Jesus, we adore you,
our thorn crowned Lord and King.
We bow our heads before you,
and to your cross we cling.
Lord, give us strength to bear it
with patience and with love,
that we may truly merit a glorious crown above

RECESSIONAL HYMN CWB 400

Hail Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine;
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

Refrain: Angels, saints and nations sing:
"Praised be Jesus Christ our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary!"

King, whose name creation thrills,
Rule our hearts, our minds, our wills;
Till in peace, each nation rings
With Thy praises, King of kings. *Refrain*

Partnered Parishes
**St Gabriel & St Stephen of Hungary Reservoir—Reservoir East
and St Raphael Preston West**
Clergy: Fr G Pritchard, Fr S Grainger, Fr A Fragapane

St Gabriel's Church
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St Stephen's Church
71 Whitelaw St Reservoir East 3073

St Raphael's Church
17 Hardy St Preston West 3072

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Palm/Passion Sunday 24.03.2024

St Stephen's Reservoir East Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass
St Gabriel's Reservoir Sunday 10am Mass
St Raphael's Preston West Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 9am Italian Mass 10.30am Mass

Tuesday 26 March

St Gabriel's 9am Mass St Raphael's 4pm Mass

Wednesday 27 March

St Stephen's 9am Holy Rosary 9.30am Mass
St Raphael's 4pm Mass

Holy Thursday 28 March

St Gabriel's 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
9.30pm Night Prayer
St Raphael's Preston West
7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 29 March

Way of the Cross

St Stephen's Reservoir East 10am
St. Raphael's Preston West 9.30am

The Lord's Passion

St Gabriel's Reservoir 3pm
St Raphael's Preston West 3pm

Holy Saturday 30 March

The Vigil of Easter

St Gabriel's Reservoir 8pm The Vigil of Easter
St Raphael's Preston West 8pm The Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday 31 March

St Gabriel's Reservoir 10am Mass
St Raphael's Preston West
9am Mass Italian 10.30am Mass

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**

St Raphael's Preston West Saturdays 9.30am
St Stephen's Reservoir East
Wednesday 27 March 10am
St Gabriel's Reservoir Sundays 9am
Tuesday 26 March 9.30am, 7pm
Thursday 28 March 9.30am

**Commencing weekend 6-7 April
the following Masses will be provided:**

**St Stephen's Reservoir East
& St Raphael's Preston West
Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass**

**St Raphael's Preston West
Sunday 9am Italian, 10.30am**

**St Gabriel's Reservoir
Sunday 9am Mass**

The **Easter Offering** provides extra support for our Bishops and Priests. Easter Offering envelopes are included in the Thanksgiving series and at the entry of St Gabriel's and St Stephen's Churches. Thank you for your generous support of our Pastors in the weekly collection and at Christmas and Easter.

The **Good Friday Holy Land Collection** is extremely important, and a mission that we all can assist with. Our donation is a direct way to make a difference in the lives of people who are keeping alive the Christian presence in the land of Jesus, often in the face of great difficulty in recent years.

Parish RCIA continues during the Easter Season with **Mystagogia**. The newly baptised and confirmed dive deep into the mystery of Christ and his Church. This year we present Bishop Robert Barron's DVD series *Catholicism*.

Thursdays commencing 4 April
6.30pm Eucharistic Adoration & Night Prayer
St Gabriel's Church
7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre

We are pleased to announce a **new Parish secretary**
and **extended Parish office hours**.

Liza Powell has been appointed Parish secretary to serve our Partnered Parishes commencing Monday 8 April. Liza is an active parishioner at St Raphael's and comes to us with a great deal of administrative and legal experience. We sincerely thank Gracie Forde and Bonnie Wilson for many years generous service to St Gabriel's and St Stephen's.

The Parish office at **St Raphael's**
is open each Monday 9am—1pm.
The Parish office at **St Gabriel's**
is open Wednesday & Thursday 9am—1pm.
Friday 9am—3pm.

**St Gabriel's Parish office is open this week
Wednesday 27 March 12noon –3pm**

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

- Our Parish conference meets on the 3rd Monday of the month 7.30pm Emmaus Room Final meeting. St Gabriel's Parish Centre. *New members are always welcome.* Emergency Assistance 1800 305 330
- Donation boxes are below statue of St Joseph in St Gabriel's Church, and near baptismal font in St Stephen's Church.
- **Vinnies Reservoir 10 Edwardes St Reservoir** 1300 736 933 vinnies.org.au/getinvolved volunteer@svdp-vic.org.au

LEGION OF MARY

- Our Parish praesidium (group), dedicated to Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, meets every Monday 1.30pm Bethany Room St Gabriel's Parish Centre. *New members are always welcome.*
- Our Parish Legion of Mary invites families to welcome the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima for a week of family prayer.
 - *Enquiries Maureen O'Dwyer 9460 8520*

ST GABRIEL'S PIETY STALL

St Paul's Holy Week Missal \$10
St Paul's Sunday Missal \$35
St Paul's Weekday Missal \$90
St Christopher medals, rosary beads, devotional items

NEW LIFE IN GOD'S SPIRIT

8 week seminar presented by
Living Gospel Prayer Group
Wednesdays 1.30pm
St Raphael's Church Preston West
Inquiries: Marijana 0422 340 675

PARISH YOUNG ADULTS

Sunday 7 April
St Gabriel's Parish Centre
10.30am—12noon lunch included
\$10 working \$5 non working / student
We will view the new film 'Cabrini'

DIVINE MERCY

Sunday 7 April St Patrick's Cathedral
2pm Eucharistic Adoration / Holy Rosary / Reconciliation
3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet / Mass

MENS DINNER

Darebin RSL 402 Bell St Preston
Tuesday 9 April 6.30pm
Register: Tim Rebbechi
0412 799 845 tim.rebbechi@gmail.com

ALPHA

St Francis of Assisi Hall Childs Rd Mill Park
Thursday 11 April (10 weeks) 7—9.30pm
trybooking.com/CPYNW

GLORY OF EUROPE

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The two Gospel readings today can give us emotional whiplash. As Mass begins, we hear the story of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We may even wave our own palm branches and join the crowd in shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!". Then, in the Liturgy of the Word, we hear Mark's passion account. Once again, we join our voices with the crowd - but this time, we cry out, "Crucify him!". How jar-ring!

Why does the Church have us play a role in both of these readings as we begin Holy Week?

It's all for one purpose: so that we can grasp more fully what Jesus did for the crowds back then - and for us. As we will see throughout Holy Week, he accepted the suf-fering set before him and freely offered himself for his people, regardless of how they responded. Whether they acclaimed or condemned him, he loved them just the same. And that's how he loves us.

Jesus is not put off by our fickleness. That's good news! Because if we're honest, we can all recognize times when our own commitment to the Lord and our love for him has wavered. When life is going well, it's not so hard to praise him. But it can be another story altogether when danger threatens or sadness darkens our outlook.

So allow these passages to motivate you to pay attention to this final week in Christ's life. Acknowledge the incon-stancy of your own love for Jesus and ask him to strengthen you. But don't stop there! Open your heart to the liberating truth that Jesus loves you even when you stray. Look at the cross and believe that he held you close to his heart throughout his passion, death, and res-urrection.

May the Lord pour out graces on us all during this most holy week of the year!

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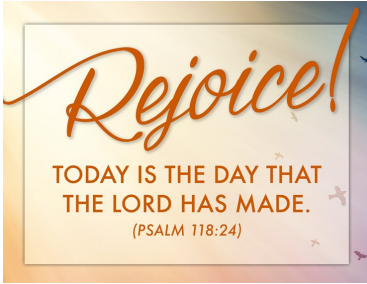


At the established time Jesus chose to go up to Jerusa-lem to suffer his passion and death, and to rise from the dead. As the Messiah King who shows forth the coming of the Kingdom, he entered into his city mounted on a donkey. He was acclaimed by the little children whose shout of joyful praise is taken up in the Sanctus of the Eucharistic liturgy: "Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna (save us!)" (Mt 21:9). The liturgy of the Church opens Holy Week by celebrating this entry into Jerusalem.

Compendium 111

Next weekend
Easter Sunday

Acts 10: 34, 37-43
Colossians 3: 1-4
Mark 16: 1-7



Narrator:

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark

First thing in the morning, the chief priests, together with the elders and scribes, in short the whole Sanhedrin, had their plan ready. They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him,

Reader:

Are you the king of the Jews?

Narrator:

He answered,

Priest:

'It is you who say it'.

Narrator:

And the chief priests brought many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again,

Reader:

Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you?

Narrator:

But to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made no further reply. At festival time, Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate the customary favour, Pilate answered them,

Reader:

Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?

Narrator:

For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. Then Pilate spoke again.

Reader:

But in that case, what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?

Narrator:

They shouted back.

ALL:

CRUCIFY HIM!

Narrator:

Pilate asked them,

Reader:

Why? What harm has he done?

Narrator:

But they shouted all the louder,

ALL:

CRUCIFY HIM!

Narrator:

So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be scourged, handed him over to be crucified. The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him up in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him.

Reader:

Hail, king of the Jews!

Narrator:

They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes. They led him out to crucify him. They enlisted a passer-by, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull. They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour when they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews'. And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left. The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said,

Reader:

Aha, so you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! then save yourself: come down from the cross!

Narrator:

The chief priests and scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. They said,

Reader:

He saved others, he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.

Narrator:

Even those who were crucified with him taunted him. When the sixth hour came, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour, Jesus cried out in a loud voice.

Priest:

Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?

Narrator:

This means, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this, they said,

Reader:

Listen, he is calling on Elijah.

Narrator:

Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it to him to drink, saying:

Reader:

Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.

Narrator:

But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. *All kneel and pause for silent reflection and prayer*

And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said,

Reader:

In truth, this was a Son of God.

Narrator:

The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST.