PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - YEAR B - 24th OF MARCH 2024

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-7;

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 21(22)

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

All who see me deride me, they curl their lips, they toss their heads, He trusted in the Lord, let him save him, let him release him if this is his friend. \mathbb{R}

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me, they tear holes in my hands and my feet, I can count every one of my bones.

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They divide my clothing among them, they cast lots for my robe 0 Lord do not leave me alone, my strength make haste to help me! \mathbb{R}

I will tell of your name to my brethren, and praise you where they are assembled, you who fear the Lord give him praise, All sons of Jacob give him glory, revere him, Israel's sons. R

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL: Mark 14:1 - 15:47

The Narrative of the Passion is read. Booklets of the Passion text are available on the angled table at the back of the Church.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE - VIGIL FOR THE UNBORN

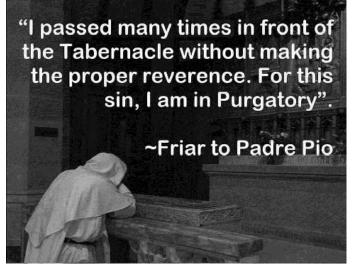
PALM SUNDAY CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

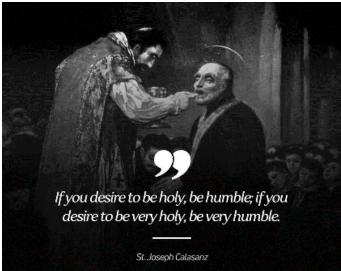
Tonight, Sunday, 24 March | 7:30pm
Potter's Park, Corner of Dominion and Balmoral Roads
Balmoral, Auckland

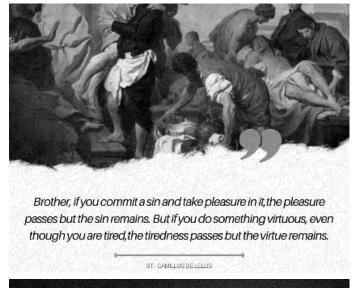












"At communion we ought to ask for the remedy of the vice to which we feel ourselves most inclined."

St Philip Neri

The lukewarm do not embrace the Cross; they merely drag it along.

St. Teresa of Avila

Marriage is the key of moderation, the harmony of desires, the seal of a deep friendship ... the unique drink from a fountain enclosed, inaccessible to those without. United in the flesh, one in spirit, they urge each other on by their mutual love.

St. Gregory the Theologian



The *family* is the basis in the Lord's plan, and all the forces of *evil* aim to *demolish* it.
Uphold your families and *guard* them against the grudges of the Evil One by the *presence* of God.

- ST. CHARBEL -

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ST. JOHN PAUL II



"When God sees us coming to Him in prayer, He leans His Heart down very low to His little creature, like a father who bends down to listen to his child when it speaks to him."

~St. John Vianney



St. Josephine Bakhita From Slave to Saint



She was known for her smile, gentleness and holiness. This African flower, who knew the anguish of kidnapping and slavery, bloomed marvelously in Italy, in response to God's grace, with the Daughters of Charity, where everyone still calls her "Mother Moretta" (our Black Mother).

Date of birth: 1869 Birthplace: Darfur, Sudan Died: 8 February 1947

Age: 79



Feast Day February 8

Josephine Bakhita was born in a small village in the Darfur region of Sudan

Kidnapped at the age of seven, sold into slavery and given the name Bakhita which means "fortunate". She was re-sold several times.

Sold to the Italian Consul, Callisto Legnani.

Traveled to Italy. Given to Augusto Michieli.

Became babysitter to Mimmina Michieli, whom she accompanied to Venice's Institute of the Catechumens, run by the Canossian Sisters

890

Felt drawn to the Catholic Church, she was Baptized and Confirmed taking the name Josephine.

When the Michielis returned from Africa and wanted to take Mimmina and Josephine back with them, she refused to go.

During the ensuing court case, the Canossian sisters and the patriarch of Venice intervened on Josephine's behalf.

The judge concluded that since slavery was illegal in Italy, she had actually been free since 1885.

If I were to meet the slave-traders who kidnapped me and even those who tortured me. I would kneel and kiss their hands. for if that did not happen, I would not be a Christian and Religious today."

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Entered the Canossian Novitiate in Venice.

She took her vows.

Assigned to the Canossian convent at

927

8 February: Holy Death -Schio.

Josephine was canonized on October 1st by Pope John Paul II. She is the first person to be canonized from Sudan and is the patron saint of the country.

Source: www.catholic.org Graphics by catholicsaintsonline.wordpress.com

PALM PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Grow higher ancient doors, Let Him enter, the King of glory, Who is the King of glory? The Lord, Almighty, valiant in war.

Lo, now he enters the gates, He approaches the holy city, He is the holy temple, where God and man are reconciled.

See Christ acclaimed as king, palms and garments are laid before Him.
What will be laid upon Him?
The devil's hate, the sin of the world.

Hosanna David's Son, He who comes in the name of the Lord, Not of this world His kingdom, He conquers death by death on a cross.

Children of Jerusalem, loudly praise the Lord of heaven, Hasten to meet Him Zion! Your king approaches, riding a colt.

OFFERTORY HYMN:

My loving saviour how have you offended, that such a hate from us on You descended? Both mocked and scorned, You suffered our rejection, in deep affliction.

It was my guilt brought all these things upon You, Through all my sins was this injustice done You.
Lord Jesus, it was I that did deny You, and crucify You.

So now the Shepherd for the sheep is offered, Mankind is guilty, but the Son has suffered, for our atonement which we never heeded, God interceded.

For us dear Jesus was Your incarnation, Your bitter death and shameful crucifixion, Your burial and Your glorious resurrection, for our salvation.

Although good Jesus, we cannot repay You, We shall adore You and forever praise You, For all Your kindness and Your love unswerving, not our deserving.

O sacred head surrounded by crown of piercing thorn, O bleeding head sore-wounded, reviled and put to scorn, Our sins have marred the glory of Thy most holy face, Yet angel hosts adore thee, and tremble as they gaze.

The Lord of every nation was hung upon a tree,
His death was our salvation,

our sins His agony,
O Jesus by Thy passion
Thy life in us increase,
Thy death for us did fashion
our pardon and our peace.

COMMUNION HYMN:

When I survey the wondrous Cross On which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss And pour contempt on all pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the cross of Christ, my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an off ring far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Jesu, rex admirabilis et triumphator noblis, Dulcedo, ineffabilis Totus desiderabils.

Nec lingua potest dicere, Nec litera exprimere. Experto potes credere. Quid sit Jesum deligere.

Jesu, dulcedo cordium, Fons vivus lumen mentium, Excedens, omne gaudium Et omne desiderium.

Rex virtutum, rex gloriae, Rex insignis victoriae. Jesu, largitor gratiae, Honor caelestis curiae.

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

All Glory, Laud, and honour to thee, Redeemer King! To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's Royal Son, Who in the Lord's Name comest, The King and Blessed One.

The company of angels
Are praising thee on high;
And mortal men, and all things
Created, make reply.

The people of the Hebrews With palms before thee went: Our praise and prayers and anthems Before thee we present.

To thee before thy passion They sang their hymns of praise: To thee, now high exalted, Our melody we raise.

NEXT SUNDAY: 31st March 2024

Easter Sunday (Yr B)
Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9;

LITURGY ROSTER
Easter Triduum
(28th March to 31st March)

Holy Thursday:

Readers: T. Molloy, L. Ahio

Prayers of the Faithful: E. O'Brien **Offertory:** W & R Fakava Family **Special Ministers:** F. Ulugia

Good Friday:

Readers: J. Brodie, M. D'Souza **Gospel Readers:** S. Shaw, R. Cardoza

Usher: C. Drabble

Special Ministers: P. Capundag

Easter Vigil: Readers:

1. M. D'Souza

2. L. Ahio

3. N. Nunes

4. E. Shaw5. I. Brodie

6. J. Brodie E. O'Brien

7. T. Molloy8. B. Molloy

Prayers of the faithful: S. Shaw **Offertory:** Hatzaw Family **Special Ministers:** K. Selvan

Easter Sunday:

Readers: R. Cardoza, S. Shaw Prayers of the Faithful: B. Molloy Offertory: Stowers – Subermani Family

Special Ministers: S. Molloy

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

~ HOLY THURSDAY ~ 28th March

The Mass of the Last Supper – 8:00pm

Adoration till 12am (Midnight) in Church

~ GOOD FRIDAY ~ 29th March

The Passion of Christ Veneration of the Holy Cross **Stations of the Cross – 10:00am**

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~ HOLY SATURDAY ~ 30th March

Vigil of Light - 8:00pm

Please bring: a bell to ring during the Gloria **Please note:**

We are providing candles this year.

~ EASTER SUNDAY ~
31st March
The Resurrection of the Lord
8:00am Latin Mass
10:00am English Mass

~ Easter Week (Monday - Saturday) ~ All Masses at 9am

Church Carpark – Please do not park on the grass or the driveway at the front of the Church.