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This Week

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
Mass at 7.30am;
Wednesday 5.30pm, Saturday 8.00am

Monday 4th

Not to us, O Lord,
but to your name give the glory

Tuesday 5th

Your friends will tell the glory
of your kingship, Lord.

Wednesday 6th

Let us go rejoicing
to the house of the Lord.

1.30pm Women's Guild

Thursday 7th

Proclaim his marvellous deeds
to all the nations.

10am Healing Mass

Friday 8th

I will praise you among
the nations, O Lord.

10am S. John's Villa

Saturday 9th

Let all the earth cry out
to God with joy.



Entrance Hymn

**"I am the Vine;
My Father is the Gardener.
Each branch that bears
no fruit, He cuts away;
While every branch
that yields good fruit,
He trims and cleans,
So that it will
still more produce each day.
Now you are clean
because of My Word's work in you.
Remain in Me,
and I'll remain in you.
Just as a branch
without the vine can bear no fruit,
So you must stay in Me
if you would bear fruit too.
"I am the Vine;
if you, like branches, stay in Me
And I in you,
you'll bear much fruit in turn.
Apart from Me,
you can accomplish naught for God;
You're like a branch
that withers and is burned.
But if you stay
in Me and I in you each day,
Ask what you wish;
it will be given you.
God will be glorified
because you bear much fruit,
For thus you show yourselves
to be disciples true.**

Entrance: O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders; in the sight of
the nations he has shown his deliverance,
alleluia.

**+ In the Name of the Father and of the
Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

May you be enfolded in the love of God.

May you feel the comfort of his presence.

May you never doubt his compassionate care
in all that you do.

And may the blessing of almighty God **+**
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit
come down on you and remain with you for
ever. **Amen.**

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
Alleluia!

In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia!

The Easter Anthem

**Joy to you, O Queen of heaven,
Alleluia!**

**He, whom you were meet to bear,
Alleluia!**

**As he promised, has arisen,
Alleluia!**

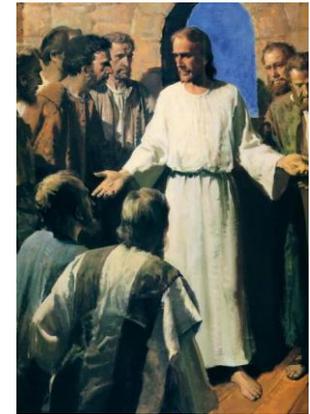
**Pour for us to God your prayer,
Alleluia!**

Rejoice and be glad,
O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!

**For the Lord has risen indeed,
Alleluia!**

O God, who by the resurrection of your
Son, our Lord Jesus Christ has given joy
to the whole world: Grant, we pray, that
through the help of his Mother, the
Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of
everlasting life; Through the same Christ
our Lord. **Amen.**

Next Sunday: 10th May 2015AD
EASTER 6
9.00 am Sung Mass
5.30 pm Mass



*Lord Jesus,
we thank you
for the many
ways that you
are present to
your Church:
in the
assembled
congregation,
in the word
that is
proclaimed,
in the person
of the priest*

*and in the holy sacrament. Through these
means you invite us to keep company with
you today and throughout our lives.*



HEALING MASS

Thursday at 10am
at S. Peter's Hamilton.

WOMEN'S GUILD

meets this Wednesday at 1.30pm.

*Today's Gospel offers us an image of
what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.
The word literally means one who is
learning, a good attitude to carry
throughout life. The way one learns from
another is by observing what they do,
by trying to capture some of the spirit
which animates them, in short, by being
with them. And this is precisely what the
image of the vine and the branches is
intended to convey, namely, that it is by
keeping company with the Lord, who is
forever present in the Church, that we
develop and grow as followers of his.*

Cake & Craft Stall
TODAY
following 9am Mass

Lord's Prayer

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching we dare to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, s we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of Bread

We who are many are one body in Christ
For we all share in the one bread.

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.

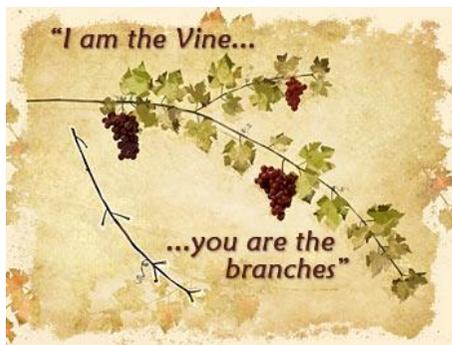
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world: Grant us your Peace.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

HOLY COMMUNION



Communion: I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

Prayer: Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries to pass from former ways to newness of life. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Final Hymn

**This is the day the Lord has made;
He calls the hours His own;
Let Heav'n rejoice, let earth be glad,
And praise surround his throne.
Blest be the Lord, Who came to us
With heavenly truth and grace;
Who came in God His Father's Name,
To save a sinful race.
Today He rose and left the dead,
And Satan's empire fell;
Today the saints His triumphs spread,
And all His wonders tell.
Hosanna in the highest strains
The Church on earth can raise;
The highest heav'ns,
in which He reigns,
Shall give Him nobler praise.**

FLOWERS TODAY

are given to God's glory by
Ellen Nugent in loving memory of

BOB NUGENT

(obit 1st May 2013AD)

May he + rest in peace.

Penitential Rite

*We ask God to forgive our weaknesses,
to renew our faith and to restore our hope.*

Lord God of power and might,
You are our Saviour.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, risen from the dead,
You bring us life and peace.

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Holy Spirit, witness of the truth,
You are our strength and our song.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest and on earth
peace to people of good will.**

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your
great glory, Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Glory to God ...

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you
take away the sins of the world, have mercy
on us; you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer; you are seated at the right
hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

Glory to God ...

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone
are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the
glory of God the Father.

Glory to God ... Amen.

Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God, constantly
accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us,
that those you were pleased to make new in
Holy Baptism may, under your protective
care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of
life eternal. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

First Reading Acts 9:26-31

Saul tries to join Jesus' disciples, but they are afraid of him. Barnabas explains how the Lord appeared to Saul and how he became a fearless preacher of the Gospel.

Second Reading 1 John 3:18-24

John reminds the Christian community of the most basic commandments: to believe in the name of God's Son and to love one another. Whoever does this, lives in God, and God lives in them.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Live in me and let me live in you,
says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to *S. John 15:1-8*

+ Glory to you + Lord Jesus Christ +

Jesus teaches his disciples that they must remain united to him if they are to bear fruit that will give glory to God the Father.

The Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his Kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful

Christ wanted his followers to be united with him and with one another. Let us pray for the gift of unity.

For Greg our Bishop, our people and all the Church: that it may be a true community, producing the fruits of love.

We pray in faith: **Lord, hear us in your love.**

For our civil leaders: that they may help to create a society in which all can enjoy the fruits of freedom and justice.

We pray in faith: **Lord, hear us in your love.**

For ourselves, our families and friends, our Parish and this community: that as we meet around the Lord's Table, he may strengthen our unity and deepen our faith.

We pray in faith: **Lord, hear us in your love.**

For those who feel that their lives are barren and empty; for the poor and hungry, the lonely and unloved, the sick, the dying and all who mourn; especially: **Paul Warren, Lyn Lewis, Joyce Marlan, Jocelyn Caddies, Fran Wills, Bev Picton, Abbey Dowdell, Tina Chen, Pam Hennessey, Marj & Jim Timmins, Alison Chesworth, Ian & Sonia Barton, Dianne Taylor, Jim Turrell, Barry Stewart, John McLeod, Ruth Jones, Michael Warren, Dianne Johnson, Byron Cock, Stephen Dafo, Stephen Beegs, Sr Pamela Ellem, Fr Stephen Pullin, Fr David Simpson,**

We pray in faith: **Lord, hear us in your love.**

For the faithful departed, may they share in the eternal hope of the Risen Christ.

On their years mind we pray for the soul of:

Bob Nugent, Ray Clarke, Gwen Williams,
We pray in faith: **Lord, hear us in your love.**

Now let us offer in silence our own needs and thanksgivings as we commend ourselves and all people to the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, S.Stephen and all the Saints.

We pray in faith: **Lord, hear us in your love.**

Lord our God in a world of indifference, injustice and unrest, may we be conscious of our calling to produce the fruits of justice, love and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Greeting of Peace

We are the Body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

**Hail, Thou once despised Jesus!
Hail, Thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us;
Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, Thou universal Saviour,
Who hast borne our sin and shame!
By Thy merits we find favour;
life is given through Thy Name.
Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,
all our sins on Thee were laid;
By almighty love anointed,
Thou hast full atonement made.
Every sin may be forgiven
through the virtue of Thy blood;
Opened is the gate of Heaven,
reconciled are we with God.
Jesus, hail! enthroned in glory,
there forever to abide;
All the heavenly hosts adore Thee,
seated at Thy Father's side.
There for sinners Thou art pleading
there Thou dost our place prepare;
Thou for saints art interceding
till in glory they appear.
Worship, honour, power and blessing
Christ is worthy to receive;
Loudest praises, without ceasing,
right it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits,
bring your sweetest, noblest lays;
Help to sing of Jesus' merits,
help to chant Emmanuel's praise!**

Prayer over the Gifts

Pray my brothers and sisters that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

O God, who by the wonderful exchange effected in this sacrifice have made us partakers of the one supreme Godhead, grant, we pray, that, as we have come to know your truth, we may make it ours by a worth way of life. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Preface is sung, after which all sing

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the Highest.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the Highest.**

The Eucharistic prayer continues

The mystery of faith:

**Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free**

The Prayer concludes:

for ever and ever. **Amen.**

