

doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.' Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**RESPONSE: This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'

Response.

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.

Response.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

Response.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians
Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.**

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
and Christ, the undefiled,
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.
Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!
Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.
Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.
The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;
shroud with grave-clothes resting.
Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into
Galilee.
That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.
Victorious king, thy mercy show!



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: John 20:1-9

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.**

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened
bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.**

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MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY VIGIL:	6:00 pm.
SUNDAY:	8:00 am and 10am
MONDAY:	No Mass.
TUESDAY through to SATURDAY:	9.00 am Mass.
FRIDAY:	9.00 am Mass. Exposition & Benediction every Friday after Mass.
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday 5pm – 5.45pm or by appointment.
Baptism:	Every Sunday at 11am or 11.30am. Please contact Parish Office.
Marriage:	By appointment.
Anointing of the sick:	Please give names to Father Roberto Castillo.

**EASTER SUNDAY (Year B)
3rd / 4th April March 2021**



EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

Readings: Genesis 1:1-2:2;
Exodus 14: 15-15:1;
Baruch 3: 9-15,32-4:4
Romans 6:3-11.

- 1. Solemn Beginning of the Vigil or Lucernarium:**
Blessing of the Fire, Procession, Exsultet
- 2. The Liturgy of Word:**
Reading / psalms / prayers, Gloria, Homily
- 3. Baptismal Liturgy:**
Litany, Blessing of water, Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, Renewal of Baptismal promises
- 4. The Liturgy of Eucharist:**
Preface of Easter 1 (Easter Communicantes)
- 5. The Concluding Rites:**
Dismissal with Alleluia



EASTER SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia

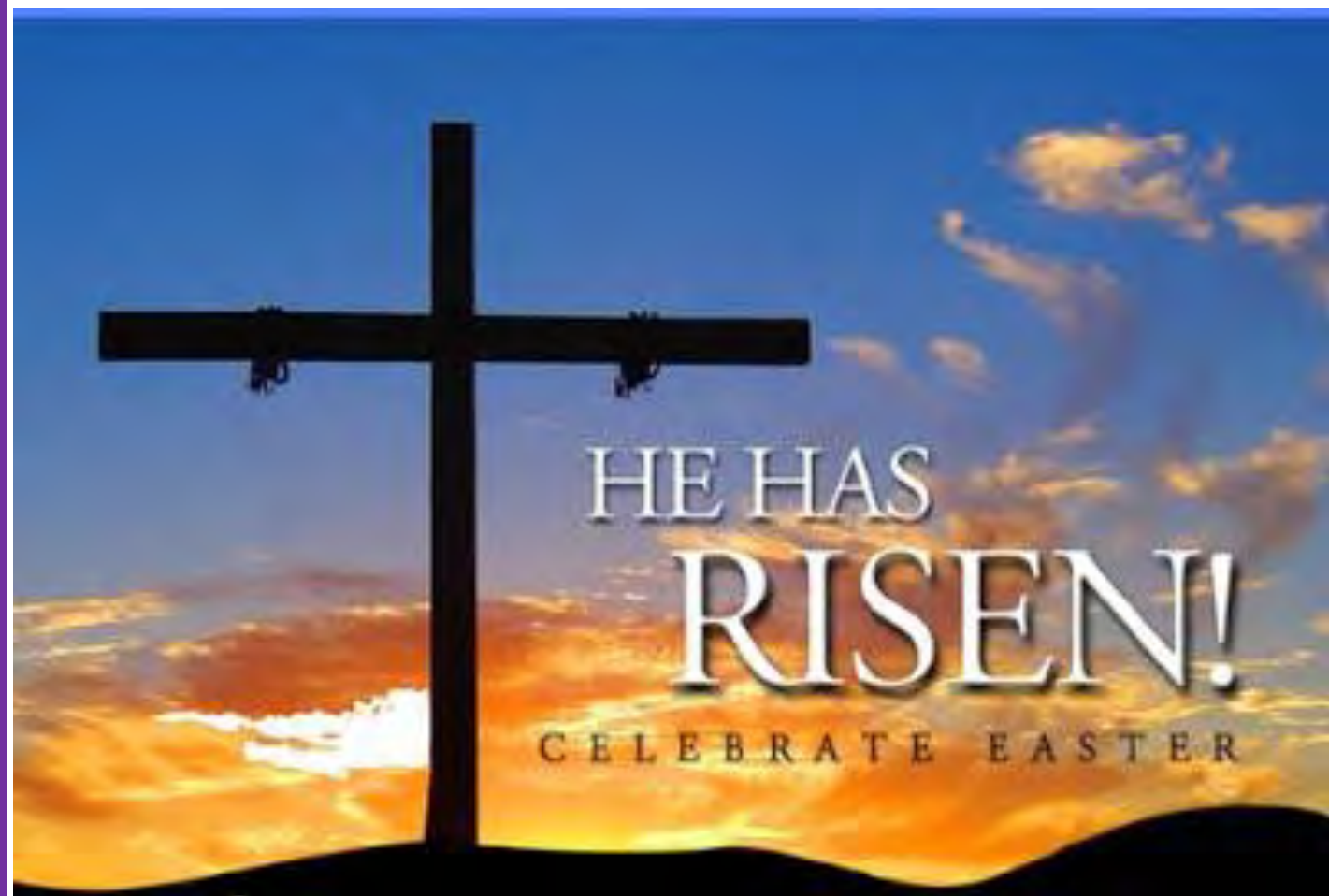
FIRST READING: Acts 10:34. 37-43

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.**

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about

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ACOLYTES & READERS	6pm Vigil	8am	10am
APR 10 / 11 Acolytes	R MORFUNI	J KWONG	G MOODLEY
Readers	B CLARK	P TREACY	C LAYOUN
APR 17 / 18 Acolytes	T DABBAH	D ELLIS	M MORELLI
Readers	N MORFUNI	S JAYAMANNE	H VAZ
APR 24 / 25 Acolytes	R MORFUNI	D D'MELLO	A STANTON
Readers	J PERERA	Y LEUNG	VOLUNTEER
MAY 1 / 2 Acolytes	T DABBAH	D ELLIS	J KWONG
Readers	V PERERA	E WHEELER	R DEARING
MAY 8 / 9 Acolytes	M MORELLI	J KWONG	G MOODLEY
Readers	B CLARK	P TREACY	C LAYOUN
MAY 15 / 16 Acolytes	R MORFUNI	D ELLIS	A STANTON
Readers	N MORFUNI	S JAYAMANNE	H VAZ
MAY 22 / 23 Acolytes	R MORFUNI	D D'MELLO	M MORELLI
Readers	J PERERA	Y LEUNG	VOLUNTEER
MAY 29 / 30 Acolytes	T DABBAH	D ELLIS	G MOODLEY
Readers	N MORFUNI	S JAYAMANNE	H VAZ



PARISH NEWS & NOTICES:

Request for Mass and Prayers.

We pray for those who have recently died especially Ted Cotter. Also pray for those who celebrate anniversaries at this time especially Betty Blyth.

One Voice - The Voice

Continues in April.

Resuming on the 8th April every Thursday and Sunday @ 7.30pm in the School Hall.

Also, as Disciples please invite others to reconnect to

Christian Life thru these Catechesis.

Jesus Christ provides answers to the questions in our daily life.



Thank you.

What a wonderful Easter! So nice that this year we could celebrate it the usual way, joining together in the church as we followed Jesus' path to heaven.



Many thanks to all those who helped make all our Masses this week such a success, from your donations, the beautiful flowers, the support of the Acolytes, our altar servers, our readers and especially Fr Roberto. Well done everyone!

Congratulations at Easter

We welcome

Abby Qiu

Andy Qiu

Kirsty Catania

Congratulations

who all became Catholics this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers.

Divine Mercy Sunday 11 April 2021

St Therese Church Denistone 2-4 pm

2-2.50 pm Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament - Reconciliation available.

3pm - Mass

Novena Of Divine Mercy Chaplets to be prayed from Good Friday to Divine Mercy Sunday.



Catechist Helpers needed!

Our catechists at Denistone East Public School need your support. Can you help in the classroom by giving them 30 mins of your time each Tuesday? Please consider this! Please speak with Fr Roberto after Mass.



Happy Easter.

Fr Roberto wishes you all a Happy Easter. May it be a special one this year surrounded by your loved ones.



Blessing of a Home at Easter

Bottles of Holy Water are available after Mass.

Please note that it is ONE

per family as we have only a few bottles this year.

A house blessing at Easter is a special way to stay mindful of God's perpetual presence. It is an old tradition to have one's home blessed during Easter time. This blessing also helps you prepare to celebrate Jesus' resurrection and the promise of eternal life after death. The family can recite the following prayer whilst sprinkling the home with holy water. Use a branch blessed on Palm Sunday and Holy Water blessed during the Easter Vigil; which you can take from the little bottles provided and placed on baskets near the baptismal font. Please take one for your family.

THE BLESSING

Bless this house, O Lord we pray,
make it safe by night and day;
Bless these walls, so firm and stout,
keeping want and trouble out;
Bless the roof and chimneys tall,
let your peace lie over all;
Bless this door, that it may be
ever open to joy and love.

Bless these windows shining bright,
letting in God's heavenly light;
Bless the hearth a blazing there,
with smoke ascending like a prayer;
Bless the family who dwell within,
keep them pure and free from sin;
Bless us all that we may be
worthy, O Lord, to dwell with thee;

Amen.

There Will Be NO MASSES on Easter Monday OR Easter Tuesday.

Mass Attendance Count for 2021.

This will take place over 4 weekends in May. This will be a very useful tool in helping us to more accurately gauge the impact of COVID on parish attendance.

