

Parish Directory

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St Mark's Catholic Parish

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MASS TIMES - Next WEEK END

Vigil Mass (Saturday):

English 6.00 pm

Vietnamese 7.30 pm

Sunday:

Vietnamese 7.30 am

English 9.30 am

English 5pm

Reconciliation: by appointment or 20 minutes before the evening Mass. Saturdays 5.30 to 5.50 pm and Sundays 4.30pm to 4.50pm.

Parish Roster for Weekend 16th/17th March

Saturday 6.00 pm—

Announcer: Maria Homires

Readers: Fernando Homires

Kathleen Villato

Communion Ministers: Marie Robinson

Marie Shinde

Dita Gagawanan

Choir: Youth for Christ Choir

Sunday 9.30 am—

Announcer: Christopher & Singers

Readers: Christopher & Singers

Communion Ministers: Evelyn Aherne

Sinapi Matapula

Pisa Iulio

Choir: Christopher and Singers

Sunday 5pm -

Announcer: Jhonalyn Silva

Readers: Losalia Fernandez

Mary Silva

Communion Ministers: Marietta Milford

Akenese Falaniko

Choir: Angelos Choir

Church Cleaning

Week Commencing 11th March: Tavui Family

Week Commencing 18th March: Couples for Christ Group

Counting

Monday 11th March: Fons and Susan Mollee

Sunday 17th March: Nguyen Quoc Bao & Nghi Van Nguyen

Readings for Next Sunday's Mass:

Second Sunday of Lent

Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17—4:1; Lk 9:28-36

The next Baptism Preparation Session will be at 9am, Saturday 6th April 2019 in the parish office.



St Mark's Parish Newsletter

St Mark's Parish is part of the Brisbane West Deanery

1st Sunday in Lent, Year C

9th/10th March 2019

Dear Friends of St Mark's

Every year on the First Sunday of Lent the Gospel is the account of the three temptations of Jesus in the wilderness.

The first temptation of turning stones into bread revolves around the issue of power. We know that Jesus was very hungry after forty days without food. At this moment of weakness the Satan asked him to exercise power to be self-sufficient: "If you are the Son of God, order these stones to become bread". Jesus' answer shows his unyielding faith in God's providence and care.

In the second temptation Jesus' faith in God's providence was further tested. Satan took Jesus to the top of the temple and challenged him to prove his trust in God: "Throw yourself down and let God rescue you". Satan was tempting Jesus to yield to the opposite of faith by testing God.

In the third temptation Satan promised Jesus all the kingdoms of the world and their glory if Jesus worshipped him. The slyness of Satan was his promise to give what was not his to grant – Jesus' final glory. Instead of following the Way of the Cross, Jesus was tempted for a short cut to accomplish his glory. To this Jesus said: "Away with you, Satan!"

What strikes me most as I reflect on the Temptations of Jesus is how he overcame and triumphed over each one of them and remained faithful to his identity as the beloved Son of God. No temptation, however attractive they may have appeared to be, had the power to deter Jesus from this identity.

Dear friends, on this First Sunday of Lent let us take time to meditate on this Gospel text. Let us pray that each one of us be given the wisdom to recognize the small and big temptations in our day to day life as we seek the grace to remain faithful to our identity as the children of God!

***Yours in the Holy Spirit,
Sr Philomina Mathew SSPS***



St Mark's Parish Pastoral Council 2019—2021

Everyone is invited to nominate parishioners who can make a contribution to the parish as a Parish Pastoral Councillor.

Nomination forms are on the church entrance table. Nominees will be invited to an Information Session to receive information about Pastoral Councils and the responsibilities of members. This will help nominees to discern if they would like to take up this church ministry.

- You can nominate yourself
- You can nominate more than one parishioner
- Nomination forms can be returned via the collection plate, placed in the Recommendation Box on the church entrance table or emailed or delivered to the parish office.
- The term of office of the Parish Council is for 2 years—from June 2019 to June 2021.
- All nominations should be submitted by Friday 29th March.



St Mark's needs 9 new members for the Parish Council. Please prayerfully consider nominating a parishioner who you think has the qualities and experience to make a contribution to the parish in a leadership role.

Farewell Sr Philo



There will be a morning tea on the 24th March after the Sunday 9.30am Mass. Please bring a plate of finger food (food that does not require cutlery or plates) to share.



Sacramental Program 2019:

Enrolments are open for children in Years 3 and above to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. Enrolment forms are on the church entrance table and should be lodged at the parish office by Friday April 26th.

Please contact Sr Elisabeth or the parish office for more information

To help us prepare and reflect during the solemn time of Lent all the parts of the Mass will be spoken. There will be hymns but NO sung parts of the Mass during Lent.



Give Lent 100%

On the church entrance table there are Project Compassion money boxes and sets of weekly giving envelopes. Donations help the poor to shape a future for themselves, their families and their communities. **Lives change when we all give 100%.**

Donations to Project Compassion are tax deductible. Please record your name and address on every giving envelope or money box that you would like a receipt for.

Lenten Prayer:

- Divine Mercy Group meets for devotions every Friday in the Church from 6pm to 7pm .
- Stations of the Cross—7pm every Friday evening. Sr Elisabeth will lead the prayers.
- St Mark's Bible Study Group meets in the Parish Office every Wednesday at 6pm. They will be using the Archdiocesan Lenten Reflection Guide during the weeks of Lent.
- Doris Heffernan hosts a weekly Scripture study at her home beginning at 1pm each Friday. Contact the parish office for more details.



Date Claimer! Fr Ray Sanchez CP from the Passionist Community at Oxley will lead a Lenten retreat or reflection in our church on:
Sunday 31st March at 6pm & Monday 1st April at 6.30pm

You are most welcome to come for one or both of these sessions.

Daily Mass this week:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
No Mass	6pm Vietnamese	8am English	6pm Vietnamese	8am English

Please remember in your prayers -

Recently Deceased: Maria Kim Ngoc Pham

Parishioners who are ill: Shirley Cawley, Dave Robinson, Mary Hesse, Patricia Elkins, Ivy Felix, Rose Robinson, Ann Topping, James Hart, Kim Pham, Patrick & Nina Connor and Clare Richter.

Anniversaries: William Aird, Ana Tenisio, James Tan, Raquel Cabello, Maria Kim, Maria Nam, John Minh, Fotuosamoa Francis Winterstein, Jan Idzikowski, Maria Ne, Margaret Brenan, Peter Thong, Dien Simon Nguyen, Maria Oanh, Leonarda Setosta, Shirley Kleine, Andrew Tri, Mikaele Schuster