



To know, love and serve Jesus
by sharing our gifts through our baptismal mission

We acknowledge and respect the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand, the elders, past and present and all the Dharawal people. May we too be good stewards of this land.

18 April 2021
Third Sunday of Easter
Year B



Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God,
all the earth; O sing to the
glory of his name.
O render him glorious
praise, alleluia.

First Reading from the
Acts of the Apostles
3:13-15,17-18

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7
(R.) Lord, let your face
shine on us.

Second Reading from the
first letter of St John 2:1-5

Gospel Acclamation
Lord Jesus, make your
word plain to us: make
our hearts burn with love
when you speak. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel according to
Luke 24: 35-48

Communion Antiphon
The disciples recognized
the Lord Jesus in the
breaking of the bread,
alleluia.

REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSA

The first sentence of the gospel reading sets the context for the themes of today: 'Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.' Who is the Jesus that they recognised? And what does this recognition require?

Jesus is the servant of the God of the early ancestors, the long awaited messiah, and the innocent sufferer portrayed in the prophetic tradition. He is the fulfilment of our deepest aspirations. When we gather around the table for the sacramental meal, we encounter the Risen Lord. There the sacred traditions of our religious heritage are opened for us and we are enabled to recognise him in the traditions and in the breaking of the bread.

In order to encounter the Risen Lord in the breaking of the bread and in the breaking open of the word, we need docile hearts ready to embrace the deepest meaning of our religious heritage. We need hearts that have been purified in the love of God; hearts that have been totally transformed. The commandment of love requires nothing less.

Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people described in the first reading, must live reformed lives. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people addressed in the second reading, must be obedient to God's commandment of love. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the disciples portrayed in the gospel, must preach the good news of God's forgiveness to all nations. Easter faith assures us that all of this is possible.



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Mass times

Sunday Mass times	Weekday Mass times
Saturday Vigil: 6pm	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday Mass at 9am
Sunday: 9.30 am & 5pm	Thursday - Mass at 7.30pm
Reconciliation: by appointment	All Sacramental enquiries: call the parish office

Rosters

25 April 2021	6pm	9.30am	5pm
Monitor	Berna Potter	Chris & Margaret Pew	Betty & Boby Thalody
	Ron Tuyor	Allan & Anita Roma	
Altar Server	Ryan Potter	Orly Simbul	Robert Selvaraj
Reader	Loretta Binny	Gabriel Mafi	Gloria Divinagracia
Counting	Polly & Nora	Flowers	Tracey Kaldasau
Vacuuming	Kaur Family	Foyer	Mafi Family

Prayer intentions

For the sick & homebound: Elizabeth Moore, Nelia Balingit, John Morgos, Greg Watson, Joe Spinnato, Susan Mella, Ron Allen, Sean Finnerty, Eduvigis Reyes, Rose Levoune, Gabriel Gonzales, Francisco Carmona, Doreen Gribbons, Jenny Bishop, Clayton Diack, Emily Rose Pavicin, Pat & Denise Furner, Claude Fricot, Tracey Bokor, Lily Pereira, Mary & Reg Gardner, Doris Wahhab, John Kajdrys, Gabor Weiner, Erlinda Hermes, Aurelia Vertucio, Ofilia Mawson, Mary & Frances Raithi, Marie Atkins, Jeanna San Diego, Hugo Garzotto, Eileen Butcher, Josephina Duefries, Austin Taylor, Marisa Aguirre, Joan Wilson

May they experience the saving power of the risen Lord amidst their pain & affliction.

For our recently dearly departed: Iris Wallis, Gaudencia Mendoza, The Nguyen,

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Dolores Sitjar, Anthony Binny, Veni Menezes, Bien Cortez, Emile Autard, Barbara Frantz,
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them.

Bulletin notices

SACRAMENTAL DATES for 2021: The dates for the reception of Sacraments this year are: First Holy Communion: 6 June at all Masses.

Confirmation: Sunday 22 August at 9.30am Mass

First Reconciliation: Saturday 6 November at 11am.

Parent Formation evening on Monday 19 April at 7.30pm for the parents of the Children participating in any of these sacraments this year.

More information and registration forms are available on our parish website.

Friendship Group is meeting on Tuesday 4 May 9.30am for morning tea in the meeting room. This month they are holding "A Biggest Morning Tea". All money raised will be donated to the Cancer Council. All are most warmly welcome to attend.

Ministry Appreciation continues with our focus this week for Readers, Musicians & Vocalists. These ministries enliven our experience of worship each day.

Monitors meeting for all monitors. 2 meetings are scheduled and it is important to attend one meeting, either Sunday 25 April at 10.30am or Thursday 29 April at 8pm. RSVP to the parish office.

Refreshments will be offered after 9.30am Mass this weekend and subsequently on the 3rd Sunday of every month. Stay for a cuppa and a chat after Mass.

Garage Sale will be held on the weekend of 1st and 2nd May to clear out some space before our renovations commence. Come along and offer some support. There will also be some plants and cakes for sale.

Cursillo 3 day weekend July 1-4 Ladies, are you ready to step back out into life with your Faith community, following the forced Covid hibernation. Join us for a Cursillo 3 day weekend July 1-4 at Hartzler Park, Bowral. Private rooms, nourishing meals.

Share your stories; increase the depth of your faith; listen to talks from our Spiritual Advisor and lay women; daily Mass. For further information please contact Denise D'Amore 0438254139.

Increasing the Experience of the Holy Spirit in Your Parish, Wednesday 21st April, 7:00pm. Zoom Webinar The Holy Spirit wants to animate our lives and impact the ministries of Catholic leaders. How do we respond to this call? How can we help people in our parishes experience the Holy Spirit in a profound way? Relying on the power of the Holy Spirit is one of the three keys of Divine Renovation since we know that parish renewal cannot happen without his power. Join us for a webinar with Deacon Peter Pellican, Executive Director, Evangelisation Brisbane, and Kevin Bailey AM as they discuss how to increase the experience of the Holy Spirit in your parish.

The Journey' – Weekly Podcast On the Journey this week: Fr Slawek Plonka OMI says we are the hands & feet of Jesus, it is our life of love & joy that is the resurrection. Mother Hilda says a presence friendly life is like a magnet, attracting people around us. And in our Faith Testimony, Robyn Bailey tells how a faith encounter six years ago changed her life. The Journey podcast: jcr.org.au.

Diocese of Wollongong Mass Online For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DoW website <https://dow.sh/dailymass>

Gospel

Luke 24:35-48

It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed



them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

You are witnesses to this.'

The gospel of the Lord.



THE LEGION OF MARY

Centenary 2021

Legion of Mary Pilgrimage

19—21 April: to celebrate the centenary of the Legion of Mary -1921-2021.

The pilgrimage statue will arrive to our church on Monday and depart on Wednesday.

The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholics who, with the sanction of the Church and under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate, Mediatrix of All Graces, serve the Church and their neighbour on a voluntary basis in about 170 countries. With the approval and support of the Popes and a great many Bishops, Priests and Religious, as well as the prayers and efforts of legionaries, the Legion, by the grace of God, has grown into a worldwide organisation with several million members.