



HOLY CROSS PARISH + HELENSBURGH

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WEEKEND MASS
HOLY CROSS HELENSBURGH
Sunday 8:30am

RECONCILIATION
Sunday 8-8:20am



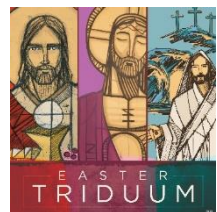
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Holy Cross Parish Community acknowledges the **Dharawal Nation** as the traditional custodians of the land on which this church & school are built.

Come & See

We had a great parish “mini-assembly” last Sunday. Around 36 people, including around 8 young members of our parish, gathered to share their joys and hopes for Holy Cross Parish. I was excited by everyone’s enthusiasm. After Easter, we will pick up on the challenges for us that emerged from our conversation. In the meantime, please continue asking in prayer for the Holy Spirit to lead us together in the right and good way.



Holy Week and especially the Triduum of Easter (the Three Days of Easter) are the holiest days of our Catholic calendar.

Holy Week begins next Sunday with Palm Sunday. We gather

outside the church holding small branches and process into the Church, recalling Jesus entering into Jerusalem to the acclamation of the people. The Gospel reading will then turn our minds to his Passion (suffering and death). This year, we hear the Gospel according to St Mark.

The Triduum is one Liturgy in three/four parts.

On Holy Thursday evening, we celebrate the Mass of the Lord’s Supper. It is the last Eucharist we celebrate before Easter. Following Mass, we will have a time of adoration and finish with Night Prayer of the Church.

On Good Friday the Liturgy continues with the Passion of the Lord. This is not Mass. The church will be bare. We gather to hear the Scriptures including the Passion according to St John. We venerate the Cross and pray for the world at this time. The Blessed Sacrament from Holy Thursday will be distributed in Holy Communion.

On Holy Saturday evening marks the beginning of the new Easter. The vigil begins with the new fire and the Easter Proclamation of the Resurrection of Jesus in the light of the new Paschal Candle. We then listen to the story of the covenant as told through the Scriptures. Following the vigil we celebrate the Mass of the Resurrection.

On Easter Sunday morning begins the new Easter Day. From this new Easter day, we proclaim to the world that Christ is risen, indeed! Put these days in your calendar and make every effort to celebrate the Triduum.

Holy Week & Easter

Reconciliation	Thursday, 21 March – 7pm
Mass of the Lord’s Supper	Thursday, 28 March – 7pm
Good Friday	
Stations of the Cross	Friday, 29 March – 9am
Passion of the Lord	Friday, 29 March – 3pm
Holy Saturday Vigil	Saturday, 30 March – 6pm
Easter Sunday	Sunday, 31 March – 8:30am



Easter Helpers Needed...

Easter is now approaching, and we have the sign-up sheets for Holy Week and Easter ready to be filled in. If you are going to be here over Holy Week and Easter, would you please put your name on the sheets.



Thank you for your support of Project Compassion this year. Please return your Project Compassion boxes and/or envelopes before Easter. You can still donate by the QR code here.



Taking care of your spiritual self during Lent.

The Mass of the Holy Oils (Chrism Mass) will be at St Francis Xavier Cathedral on Tuesday, 26 March, 7pm. It is a diocesan celebration, and you are very welcome to attend.

Weekday Mass, check the bulletin each week, but weekday Mass is usually Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00am.

Stations of the Cross Friday evening at 7.00pm. Come and take this journey on the “Way of the Cross” with Christ.

On Good Friday, the Stations of the Cross will be at 9.00am in the Church.

Profession of Faith (Credo) The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us all and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
Bow your head for the following words:
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary and became man.

Then continue:

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
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.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I
look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life
of the world to come. Amen.

WEEKDAY MASSES

TUESDAY, 19 MARCH 2024
FEAST OF ST JOSEPH
MASS – 9AM

WEDNESDAY
MASS – 9AM
LENTEN GROUP – 10AM

THURSDAY
MASS – 9AM

FRIDAY
MASS – 9AM
STATION OF THE CROSS – 7PM



Sacrament of Reconciliation. There will be a celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation **this Thursday evening, 7.00pm.**

As well as the usual time before Sunday Mass, 7.45-8.15am, and there will also be time available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation over the Holy Days of Easter.

ROSTERS...

ACOLYTE

Mar 24 David Astill

GREETERS

Mar 24 Alan Davis & Trish Caraballo

READERS

Mar 24 Matilda & William Jukes

CLEANERS

Mar 23 Wallace family

Please pray for the sick:

Bishop Peter Ingham, Pat Brown, Jan Burn, John Green, Hilton King, & Luis Veas.



For those who have died:

Steven Dennett (2016), John Gaudron (2014), Gladys McRae (1968), Arthur Haotie (2015), Richard Moreton (2018), Linda Halloran (2005), James Larkin (2006), Andrew Mottinelli (1968), James Buggy (2017), Kathleen Emmett (1954), Kathy Henderson (2013) & James Garvey (2014).