



Our Lady of the Rosary Church  
14 Barker Rd, Prospect 5082

# Dominews

4th Sunday of Lent - Year B  
March 10, 2024  
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## Mass Timings

### Rosary Church

Thursday, Friday  
1st, 3rd, 5th Saturday:  
12 noon

Saturday Vigil:  
6pm

Sunday:  
8am, 10am, 5:30 pm

### St Laurence's

Monday, Tuesday, 2nd  
& 4th Saturday:  
12 noon

Wed School Term  
7:45 am

Wed School Hols and  
every Saturday  
8:30 am

Sunday:  
9 am, 11 am

Friday 7 pm  
Adoration and  
Confession

### Calvary Chapel

Wednesday 12 noon

Confessions will be  
available  
before 12 pm Mass,  
Monday- Saturday and  
Saturday Vigil Mass

### Parish Office

If you need to visit the  
Parish Office, please  
note it will be open by  
appointment only.

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If you need a priest  
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## GOD LOVED THE WORLD SO MUCH

Written by Michael McGirr



**Memory graduated with an Advanced Certificate in Carpentry and Joinery becoming the first female carpenter from her village.**

Photo: Tim Lam/Caritas Australia.

We have all lived through a great deal of change. Even young people have seen plenty. ChatGPT is a recent development and so are electric cars. Older people can remember having a phone plugged into a socket that you couldn't carry around with you. Sometimes we have discussions about the good old days. They are often tinged with nostalgia for things we miss and gratitude for improvements. We no longer need to buy film for our cameras or change typewriter ribbons. Climate change is deeply troubling. Many medical

improvements are inspiring.

Change can certainly be frightening. It can also be an occasion of great hope. Jesus seems to have understood this. Nicodemus comes across as a character who is looking for change in his life, but he is nervous about it, so he comes to see Jesus under cover of darkness. Earlier in the chapter, Jesus uses the image of being born again. Of starting all over again. It is a dramatic description of change.

Jesus says that the light has come into the world and that people prefer the same old darkness. They are set in their ways.

Every Lent, through Project Compassion, Caritas Australia asks us to help bring light into the world and to make positive change. An example is presented to us this week in the story of Memory, a young woman from rural Malawi, the eldest child in a family living at the level of subsistence farming.

Listen to some of Memory's words: 'Growing up in the village was not easy. My parents don't have a job, so they depend on farming. When the season goes wrong, we suffer a lot and become food insecure. Sometimes we need to bathe without soap. Sometimes we need to walk without shoes.'

With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi (CADECOM), Memory was able to enrol at a technical college where she learnt practical skills in carpentry. A new life became possible. She can now realise her full potential and offer more to her family and her community.

Today, the letter to the Ephesians reminds us that every person is 'God's work of art.' God is the artist who never signs off on a painting but is always trying to make it better. Perhaps we can see the world in the same way.



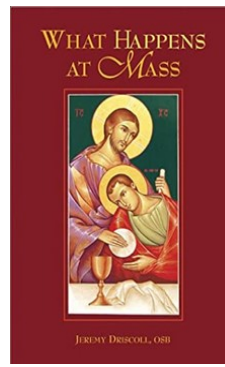
## MARRIAGE MATTERS

Called to be a 'Sign'

The world often ridicules marriage saying 'it's just a piece of paper', but Scripture draws attention to God's powerful message. St. Paul says: "*We are God's work of art; created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning He had meant us to live it.*" Let us shine out so the world sees what it's missing.

### Parish Calendar

Mar 9	2:50 pm Divine Mercy Service at Rosary
Mar 11	9 am Brass Cleaning at Rosary
Mar 15	6 pm Parish working Bee at Rosary
Mar 15	7 pm Adoration & Confessions at St Laurence's
Mar 16	12 pm Mass at Rosary



**BRINGING THE GIFTS TO THE BISHOP OR PRIEST** Bread and wine .. are extremely strong symbols ... Perhaps nothing summarises so well the deepest experience of what it means to be a human being .. We .. produce our food together, we consume it together, we share it with one nother. It is an expression of love and desire. It aims at communion.

We can hardly imagine life without this – food is both a substance needed to stay alive and a symbol needed to stay human. With food we tell one other that we love one another, that we are dependent on one another, that we desire the other to live and be well. .. In a word, bread and wine aim at communion. They are already a language. Christ will transform them and make them say inconceivably more. (p.64)

## TIMINGS FOR HOLY WEEK MASSES AND CEREMONIES

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY	ST LAURENCE'S
Holy Thursday: 7:30 pm: 28 March	Holy Thursday: 7:30 pm: 28 March
Good Friday: 11am: 29 March: Stations of the Cross	Good Friday: 10 am: 29 March: Stations of the Cross
Good Friday: 11:30 am: 29 March : Confessions	Good Friday: 10:30 am: 29 March: Confessions
Good Friday: 3 pm : 29 March : Passion of our Lord	Good Friday: 3 pm : 29 March: Passion of our Lord
Easter Vigil: 7:30 pm: 30 March	Easter Vigil: 7:30 pm: 30 March
Easter Sunday: 8 am: 31 March	Easter Sunday: 9 am: 31 March
Easter Sunday: 10 am: 31 March	Easter Sunday: 11 am: 31 March

### God Loves the World !

In today's Gospel, Jesus is talking to a man named Nicodemus about how much God loves the world. God really does love the world. The **WHOLE** world. The good, bad, rich, poor, young, old, sick, healthy, angry, and joyful. God loves us all. He loves those who love Him, and He loves those who hate Him. Do you know why that is so important? It means you don't have to earn God's love. He already loves you, and there is absolutely nothing you could do that would change His love. We all sin sometimes, but it is so nice to know that God will still love us even when we do mess up. All we have to do is believe in God. We don't have to be perfect, or grown up, or super smart, we just have to believe in God, put our faith and trust in Him, and love Him in return. God loves us so much he sent us His son, Jesus Christ, to be the light of the world.



## PARISH

### **Brass Cleaning - Volunteers welcome**

Rosary Church on March 11 at 9 am and at St Laurence's on March 18 at 9 am.  
*Many hands make light work.*

### **Get Involved during Lent**

Have you ever considered joining the local Vinnies Team and working with them to assist the most vulnerable members in our community? Do you have time to draft the Sunday Prayers of the Faithful once every couple of months? Or maybe you'd like to join the roster to host the morning tea after 10am Mass?

Details of various volunteering opportunities are listed in the Church porch. If you are interested in any of these opportunities please write your name, phone number or email address on a piece of paper and place it in the volunteer box today or next weekend.

### **Rosary Church Working Bee**

Friday, March 15 at 6 pm in the Rosary Church.  
Volunteers needed to help prepare the Church and grounds for Easter.

### **Palms for Palm Sunday - 23/24 March**

The Parish would appreciate palms or olive branches for use at the Palm Sunday Masses. Please contact the Parish office or Fr Paul if you are able to provide some.

### **Nocturnal Adoration - Parish Hall**

Exposition will begin at 7 pm, March 16 and continue until 7:30 am on Mar 17. All are welcome.  
Contact Mario: 0412 700 300

## ARCHDIOCESE:

### **Project Compassion 4th Sunday of Lent March 9 & 10**

As the eldest child in a low-income farming family in rural Malawi, Memory faced many barriers to her education. But, with the support of Caritas Australia, she enrolled in a technical school and became the first female carpenter in her village.

Please donate to Project Compassion. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.



## **Sevenhill Lenten Retreat for Young Adults**

The Sevenhill Retreat is inviting young adults to join this silent, live-in retreat, from Friday March 15 to Sunday March 17. For more information and to book a place contact Fr Robin Koning SJ at [rkoning@sjasl.org.au](mailto:rkoning@sjasl.org.au)

### **Please pray for:**

**Recently deceased:** Van Tam Nguyen, Domenic Celeste, Rita Cardone, Iolanda Pellegrini, Sr Rosemary Campbell OP, Romano Cittadini, Natalie Whibley, Angelo Giammaria, Juanita Paclar, Angela Bulian, Sister Elisabeth Dmytryk RSJ, Rosemary Ryan, Helen Davoren, Laurence Stanley, Rachel Kelly, Patricia Bright, Gino Romaldi, Margaret Lean, Sister Margaret Hocking, Fiore Garzarella, Fr Michael Doherty, Olimpia Santorufo

### **Those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:**

Eric Rossi, Alberto Villoria Sr, Pedro Membrebe, Gianna Comacchio, Biagio Ciacciarelli, Sean Woods, Antonio Caridi, Tony Centofante, Mafalda & Giuseppe Forte & family, Antonino Franze, Ben Newland, Bill Button, Lucja Newmann, Pasqualina DiMella, Maria Tkalec, John Brennan, Paolo Percat, Franciszek Szumylo, Maria Szumylo, Ria Swart, Ethan, Antonio Tarraran, Mary & Theodore Hennig, Fr Stephen Tarrant OP, Patricia McEvoy, Elda Pezzotta, Francesca Pollifrone, Gillian Milne, Martino Brendan Chau Nguyen, Gillian Milne, Rosa Curtale, Molly & Ivan Oswald, Elide & Gino Gazzola, Kathleen Grace Kelly, Nina Stenta & Concetta Di Francesco, Patricia Membrebe, Gabriel DeNardis, Alessio Maiorana, Helen Fay Calbert, Antonio Morelli

**Those who are sick:** Please keep in your prayers Bob Bates, Julie Cooper, Derek Stacy, Leanne Worrell, Tom Allen, Vincent Allen, Lucy Sloane Tran, Rosa Dathici, Fletcher Adams, John Perry, Maria Antonelli, Anthony Rissi, Maria Stilie, Domenico Carrotti, Ann Gibbings, Marion Hiosan, David Vignone, Angela, Charalambros Popadopoulos, Tam Thi Thu Pham, Ray Bishop, Berryl Wannut, the Olesinski family, the Van-der Borch family

**Baptisms:** Isabella Manalo

**Weddings:** Lucia Nguyen & Ivar Bulavan

**Funeral:** Iolanda Pelligrini, Rita Cardone

***To have the names of your loved ones printed in the weekend bulletin, please contact the office no later than Wednesday afternoon of that week.***

### **2nd Collection 2 & 3 March**

Planned Giving Envelopes:	\$ 318.00
Our Lady of the Rosary Church	\$ 1015.10
St. Laurence's Church	\$ 393.50
	\$ 1726.60

***Thank you for your continued support of the Parish.***

**This Week's Readings**  
**4th Sunday of Lent - Year B**

**Entrance Antiphon**

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.  
 Be joyful, all who were in mourning;  
 exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

A reading from the second book of Chronicles *II Ch 36:14-16, 19-23*

A reading from the 1st letter of St Paul to the Ephesians *Ephesians 2:4-10*

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
 God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,  
 that all who believe in him might have eternal life.  
 Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John *John 3:14-21*

**Communion Antiphon**

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together.  
 It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,  
 to praise the name of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm**

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept,  
 remembering Zion; on the poplars that grew there  
 we hung up our harps.

For it was there that they asked us,  
 our captors, for songs,  
 our oppressors, for joy.  
 'Sing to us,' they said,  
 'one of Zion's songs.'

O how could we sing the song of the Lord  
 on alien soil?

If I forget you, Jerusalem,  
 let my right hand wither!

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth  
 if I remember you not,  
 if I prize not Jerusalem  
 above all my joys!

**Next Week's Readings:**

5th Sunday of Lent  
 Jeremiah 31:31-34  
 Hebrews 5:7-9  
 John 12:20--33



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