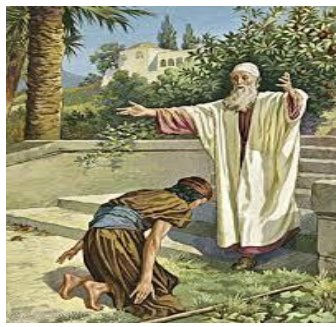


**Sunday
27 March 2022**

**Fourth Sunday of
Lent**

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Readings: Sunday, 27 March, 2022

First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Readings: Sunday, 3 April, 2022

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14

Gospel Reading: John 8:1-11

Parish website:
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Please note that everything in this
bulletin is subject to change.

Stations of the Cross will take place in the Church at 7 p.m. on Friday, the 1st of April and Friday, the 8th of April.

Can You Help Us Celebrate Palm Sunday, Holy Week/Easter? If so, please place your name & phone number next to the ministry you are able to assist with on the Roster in the Narthex. This will allow us to prepare a roster which involves as many people as possible. We need to know who will be available for each ministry by **Sunday, the 3rd of April**. **There are many spots that need filling on the Roster so please add your name if you can help.**

Would you like to learn to Operate the Overhead Projector at any of the weekend Masses? If you are interested in helping there will be a meeting in the Church at **7.30 p.m. on Thursday, the 31st of March** to learn how to operate the overhead projector. Please call the Parish Office on 9398 2964 for more information or if you have any queries.

Thanksgiving Envelopes There are still a number of uncollected envelopes left in the Narthex. Please take some time to collect yours and perhaps collect and deliver to your neighbours or anyone you know who may not be attending Mass during Covid. We greatly appreciate your help in this regard.
Lucy and Grace.

Assistants and Helpers now urgently needed - Do you have a desire to be of service to our Parish Community?

Are you interested in the welfare of all our parishioners? Remember, we are the ones who can now communicate Christ's love and values to the world. So join in! Get involved!

This community now needs you! (training and teaching will be provided and rosters will then be created). We need Sacristans, Parish Council members, Finance Committee members, Readers, Communion Ministers, Gardeners, Money counters, Altar Linen cleaners, Flower arrangers, Data Projectionists, Musicians, Singers and on the list goes.....

Please contact the Parish Office with your details or see me after any Mass this weekend.

Archpriest Michael

Please note the **First Collection** (loose cash) during weekend Masses is for the support of the Archbishop, sick and retired priests and our Parish Priest.

The **Second Collection** (Thanksgiving Collection envelopes, cheques, credit cards and direct debits) is for the management, up-keeping and running of our Parish.

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." (Joshua 5:12)

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

Liturgy Roster – 3 April, 2022

	Lectors	Special Ministers
6.00 pm	M. Cheung	M. Dyt
8.30 am	A. Banda	Volunteer
10.30 am	R. Pisani	Noella Misquitta
Linen Prep. - March	Counting this week Team 1: 27.3.22	Counting next week Team 2: 3.4.22
Mary Dimech	Bruce Fitzgerald Betty Fitzgerald Bill Fogarty Maureen Fogarty	Leticia Mauricio Raquel Arquesa Conee Manguiat Emmanuel Mifsud

THE EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION FOR ST POPE JOHN PAUL II: You are invited to join in and concelebrate this special event with His Most Rev. Bishop Martin Ashe on **Saturday, 30th of April 2022 with Holy Mass at 2 p.m.** followed by The Unveiling and Blessing of the Monument by His Most Rev. Bishop Martin Ashe, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Melbourne (Western Regions).

On this day, Pope John Paul II will be officially declared **Co-Patron Saint of Ta Pinu All Nations Marian Shrine at Bacchus Marsh, our unique Marian Centre in Victoria, Australia.**

Mia Sorella in Concert at St. Patrick's Cathedral: Friday, 1st of April, 2022, 6-7 p.m. \$25 - Tickets online or at the door. Children under 15 are admitted free of charge.

Online tickets and further details: <https://www.trybooking.com/BRYBS>

This concert comes highly recommended; it will be a wonderful experience, where artists, music, Christianity, spirituality and the magnificent building of St Patrick's Cathedral combine to make a truly memorable event. Wiradjuri Soprano Shauntai Batzke, the Italian-Australian Soprano Michelle Francis Cook, and Australian songbird, Soprano Helen Ling combine to present songs that inspire with soaring vocal lines and thrilling harmonies with an array of genres including original repertoire and unique arrangements of favourites.

Recently Deceased:

Michael Nichols; Patrick McKitterick

Anniversaries and Remembrances:

Michael Angelo Formosa; Rocco Albanese; Giuseppa Puopolo; Carmela Barcata; Peter Farrugia; Emanuel & Rosina Farrugia; Bertu & Marianne Pace; Henry & Angeles Rigonan; Chris Olszewski; Henry Krol; Teodorico Pido; Joseph Micallef; Velna Cause; Pam Black; Mary Bransdon; Charles Fava

Latest update from the Archdiocese of Melbourne regarding Covid-19 Restrictions (Update #57 – 11 March, 2022) can be viewed on our parish website www.altonacatholic.org.au under the heading 'Covid 19 Restrictions'.

Flood Appeal – Society of St Vincent De Paul:

The floods in Queensland and New South Wales are having a devastating effect on the people living in these regions of Australia. For those wishing to support the long-term recovery work to be undertaken by St Vincent de Paul Society in Queensland and New South Wales, financial donations can be made directly to either state through: www.vinnies.org.au – [Flood appeal – St Vincent de Paul Society – Good Works \(vinnies.org.au\)](http://www.vinnies.org.au) or by calling: Queensland: (07) 3010 1000 or New South Wales: (02) 9568 0262.

Ukraine Crisis Appeal: In a matter of weeks, millions of people have fled the conflict in Ukraine. Our long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground, supporting people in need during this unfolding humanitarian crisis. **Help provide urgent humanitarian assistance including shelter, food, clean water, medicine and psychological support to people affected by this crisis. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413 toll free.** Keep up to date on the latest activities by Caritas agencies on the ground - www.caritas.org.au/ukraine-news



Our Parish Prayer

Almighty God, deepen in our hearts our love of Mary Help of Christians.

Through her prayers and under her protection,
may the light of Christ shine over our land.

May Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace.

Grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens.

Bless especially those who care for the poor and who seek to promote
justice and peace for all who call Australia home.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

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