

him over to Herod who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

Herod was delighted to see Jesus; he had heard about him and had been wanting for a long time to set eyes on him; moreover, he was hoping to see some miracle worked by him. So he questioned him at some length; but without getting any reply. Meanwhile the chief priests and the scribes were there, violently pressing their accusations. Pilate then summoned the chief priests and the leading men and the people. He said,

**O.** You brought this man before me as a political agitator. Now I have gone into the matter myself in your presence and found no case against him. Nor has Herod either, since he has sent him back to us. As you can see, the man has done nothing that deserves death, so I shall have him flogged and then let him go.

**N.** But as one man they howled, **C.** Away with him! Give us Barabbas!

**N.** This man had been thrown into prison for causing a riot in the city and for murder.

Pilate was anxious to set Jesus free and addressed them again, but they shouted back.

**C.** Crucify him! Crucify him!

**N.** And for the third time he spoke to them,

**O.** Why? What harm has this man done? I have found no case against him that deserves death, so I shall have him punished and let him go.

**N.** But they kept on shouting at the top of their voices, demanding that he should be crucified, and their shouts were growing louder. Pilate then gave his verdict: their demand was to be granted. He released the man they asked for, who had been imprisoned for rioting and murder, and handed Jesus over

to them to deal with as they pleased. As they were leading him away they seized on a man, Simon from Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and made him shoulder the cross and carry it behind Jesus. Large numbers of people followed him, and of women too who mourned and lamented for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

**J.** Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep rather for yourselves and for your children. For the days will surely come when people will say, 'Happy are those who are barren, the wombs that have never borne, the breasts that have never suckled!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!'; to the hills, 'Cover us!' For if men use the green wood like this, what will happen when it is dry?

**N.** Now with him they were also leading out two other criminals to be executed.

When they reached the place called The Skull, they crucified him there and the criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left. Jesus said,

**J.** Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.

**N.** Then they cast lots to share out his clothing. The people stayed there watching him. As for the leaders, they jeered at him, saying,

**C.** He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.

**N.** The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said,

**C.** If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.

**N.** Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there abused him, saying,

**O.** Are you not the Christ? Save

yourself and us as well.

**N.** But the other spoke up and rebuked him,

**O.** Have you no fear of God at all? You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

**N.** He replied,

**J.** Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.

**N.** It was now about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed, a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle; and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said,

**J.** Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.

**N.** With these words he breathed his last.

*All kneel and pause a moment.*

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he gave praise to God and said,

**O.** This was a great and good man.

**N.** And when all the people who had gathered for the spectacle saw what had happened, they went home beating their breasts.

All his friends stood at a distance; so also did the women who had accompanied him from Galilee, and they saw all this happen.

*The longer form of this passion narrative may be read: Luke 22:14—23:56*

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# THE SAVING WORD

PASSION SUNDAY (PALM SUNDAY) / C

10 APRIL 2022

**FIRST READING** Isa 50:4-7

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah**

*I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.*

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied, he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

■ The word of the Lord.

**RESP PSALM**

Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24. R. v. 2

**R.** My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

1. All who see me deride me. / They curl their lips, they toss their heads. / 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him: / let him release him if this is his friend.' **R.**

2. Many dogs have surrounded me, / a band of the wicked beset me. / They tear holes in my hands and my feet, / I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

3. They divide my clothing among them. / They cast lots for my robe. / O Lord, do not



leave me alone, / my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

4. I will tell of your name to my brethren / and praise you where they are assembled. / 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; / all sons of Jacob, give him glory. / Revere him, Israel's sons.' **R.**

**SECOND READING** Phil 2:6-11

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians**

*He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.*

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

■ The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Phil 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**GOSPEL**

Lk 23:1-49

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (**N.** Narrator **J.** Jesus **O.** Other single speaker **C.** Crowd)

**N.** The whole assembly then rose, and they brought him before Pilate.

They began their accusation by saying,

**C.** We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of tribute to Caesar, and claiming to be Christ, a king.

**N.** Pilate put to him this question,

**O.** Are you the king of the Jews?

**N.** He replied,

**J.** It is you who say it.

**N.** Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd,

**O.** I find no case against this man.

**N.** But they persisted,

**C.** He is inflaming the people with his teaching all over Judaea; it has come all the way from Galilee, where he started, down to here.

**N.** When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man were a Galilean; and finding that he came under Herod's jurisdiction he passed



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Our Parishes acknowledge and honour the Bidjigal and Gadagal People of the Eora Nation as traditional custodians of this land, that we stand on.

## PALM (PASSION) SUNDAY



*Go Make Disciples,*



### Please pray for the Faithful Departed:

**Recently deceased** : Noel Milton Derek Bowers, all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, and all who have died from the Covid-19 Virus.

**Deceased:** Agnes Brisbane.

**Anniversary:** Donald Wright, Betty Johnson, Jennifer Moy, Yolande Aquilina, The Badawi Family, Samra Family, Hannah & William Easforth, Daniel Soriano, Adelaida Soriano. Morgan Hill Godfrey Payet & Alice Payet, Archbishop John Bede Polding OSB, Archbishop Sir Guilford Young, Sir James Darcy Cardinal Freeman, Lydia Bujeya, Joseph Bujeya, Alda Balacco, Inez and Angelo D'Souza

**The Sick:** Brian and Colleen Maguire, Max Fenech, Marc Bakusic, Metilda and Jacintha Mary, Fran Evans, and Ernie Ross. Pray for the sick, the dying, poor and homeless in our parishes and those suffering from Covid.

### Where will Fr John be celebrating Masses next weekend?

Good Friday, 15 April, 3.00pm—St Andrew's Livestreamed

Saturday, 16 April 6.00pm - St Agnes'

Sunday, 17 April 9.00am— St Andrew's Livestreamed Please scan the QR code to watch



SCAN ME

**A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:** Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or [afeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:afeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org). You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



Greeting to all parishioners, visitors and friends of the Twinned Catholic Parishes of St Andrew and St Agnes, Malabar—Matraville.

Seemingly it was only Ash Wednesday the other day, and now we are now at our Week of Weeks of the Christian Calendar, Holy Week. Throughout the two millennia of Christian history, Christians have stopped from their daily lives and recalled that moment that changed our world forever, in participating in the Sacred Moments of this week. I would encourage you and you to encourage others to be part of this week when we recall Jesus's Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Our world needs prayer, particularly this Easter, let us be at our Easter Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil/Sunday. I believe it is customary to bring along hand bells at Holy Thursday and the Easter Vigil to ring during the singing of the Gloria. On Holy Saturday 16 April at St Agnes War Memorial Church, Matraville at 9am, you are invited to bring Easter food and Easter Eggs to be blessed (a lovely European tradition). David Gabb at St Agnes' Easter Vigil 6.00pm, 16 April will be Baptised into the Catholic Church, Confirmed and receive Jesus for the 1<sup>st</sup> time in the Eucharist. Let's keep David in our prayers as he becomes a full member of our Catholic Church and a parishioner of St Agnes' & St Andrew's Parishes. As part of the restoration program for our Malabar-Matraville Parishes you may note some works taking place? At St Agnes', the sandstone façade of the Church is being repointed and the War Memorial in the forecourt is having some attention together with new flag poles. There are several Sacred Vessels that have been restored for both St Agnes' and St Andrew's.

**PLEASE NOTE OUR EASTER VIGILS AT BOTH CHURCHES WILL BE SAT, 6.00PM.**

I very much look forward to seeing you all together with other during this most Sacred and Holy Week.

God bless,

Fr John

### HOLY WEEK & EASTER TRIDUUM 2022

#### St Andrews/St Agnes'

Palm Sunday 9/10 April: 9.00am St Andrew's and 10am St Agnes'  
 Holy Thursday 14 April: 7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, washing of the feet and reservation until 8.30pm  
 Good Friday 15 April: 10.00am Stations of the Cross (Both Parishes)  
 3.00pm Passion of the Lord, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion (Both Parishes)  
 Holy Saturday 16 April: 9.00am Blessing of Easter Food/Eggs at St Agnes'  
**6pm Easter Vigil (Both Parishes)**  
 Easter Sunday 17 April: 9am St Andrew's and 10am St Agnes'

OLA and St Agnes are accepting K-6 enrolments now. Enrolment packs can be collected from the school offices or enrolments can be completed online.

**As our world become a cashless society, we are now offering a tap and go facility, where you can donate towards our church expenses. This facility is set up as \$10 a tap. It does not replace the taxable envelope collection. We will have this facility in operation next weekend. Many thanks for your support**