

IN THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL WE PRAY FOR:

Our Sick: Clare Pree, Dianne Hutchinson and those of our community.

Recently Deceased:

Repose of the Souls: Those whose anniversary occur about this time and those whose names are on the memorial wall.

Church
Cleaning

Saturday 11th April — Island Community

Safeguarding of children and vulnerable young people.

St Dominic's Community holds the care, safety and wellbeing of children as a fundamental responsibility of the church. This commitment is drawn from, and inherent to, the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and dignity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel. A cultural of safety within the Church ensures that children can actively and fully participate in the life of the Church and realise their potential in a faith community. **We are committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person and ensuring that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church.**

For those families with children, they are very welcome, and if your children become unrest during the celebration of the Holy Eucharistic, please use the Children Room on the side of the church, you can still listen to the homily from there.



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

Please bring your project compassion box or envelopes.
Thank you.

SALE OF FOOD ON SUNDAY 19TH APRIL

LED BY VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY AFTER EACH MASS.

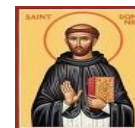
Please support this fundraising by buying the delicious food.
All funds towards the maintenance of the church.

THANKSGIVING OFFERING ONLINE TO: ST DOMINIC'S CHURCH BSB: 083 347 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 67441 1404

PLEASE TYPE YOUR THANKSGIVING
ENVELOPE NUMBER WHEN YOU DO
THE TRANSACTION.

The Parish has the facility of
**EFTPOS DEBIT, VISA CARD
and MASTER CARD.** This is a
good option for those who do
not carry cash and would like
to contribute to the church.
**The set up is of: \$5.00;
\$10.00; \$20.00 and \$50.00**

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PARISH MASS TIMES

Sundays: 6.00pm Vigil Mass (Saturday evening)
9.00am 1st & 3rd Sundays: Vietnamese Mass
9.00am 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays: English Mass
11.00am: English Mass
1.00pm: Spanish Mass

Weekdays: Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am Mass
Morning Prayer of the Church: Tuesday to Saturday at 8.25am

Rosary: Tuesday to Sunday before Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Wednesday from 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Benediction: Every Friday following the 9.00am Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday to Saturday before or after Mass.

Baptism Information/Preparation: Every First Sunday of the month at 3.00pm.

Anointing of the Sick: Every Third Wednesday of the Month at 9.00am Mass.



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, Year A 5th April 2026

First Reading: Acts 10:34.37-43
We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117: 1-2. 16 -17. 22-23
R/ This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading: Colossians 3: 1 – 4
Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
**Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
Let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia**

Gospel: John 20: 1 – 9
The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS: Acts 2: 42-47; 1 Peter 1: 3-9; John 20: 19-31

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Easter is the season of mystagogical catechesis, that instruction that unpacks the hidden mystery of the experience of the sacraments of initiation received or renewed at Easter. The readings of each Sunday concentrate on some aspect of this mystery. The central theme of this Sunday is newness of life in Christ. This newness is not without its historical context. It burst forth first in the resurrection of Christ, and then through the preaching of the first Christians.

The readings testify that if we die with Christ, we will appear with him in glory; if we cast out the old yeast, we will be fresh dough. And when this wondrous transformation takes place, everything is new; everything is fresh. To what newness are we called? To what must we die in order to rise transformed? What old yeast of corruption must be cast out in order that we might be fresh dough? At Easter we renew our baptismal vows. What is it that we really renounce? Ours is a world of violence, of prejudice, of indifference. Too often we harbour feelings of anger and resentment, of selfishness and disdain. Easter proclaims that Christ has died and has risen; with him we die to all of the wickedness in our lives and in our world, and we set our hearts on higher things, on sincerity and on truth.

The discovery of the empty tomb – although so simply told – is an astounding event that completes the Paschal Mystery: the passion, death AND resurrection of Jesus. Whilst Christ's willingness to go to his death on the cross was an extraordinary statement of God's love for humankind, it is his rising again from death that offers all Christian people hope. It is the second disciple – the one whom Jesus loved – who is the first to grasp the meaning of what has happened inside the tomb. The gospel tells us that upon entering the tomb and seeing Jesus' burial cloths lying there, 'he saw and he believed'. Unlike the later encounters with the risen Lord, this disciple recognised the truth and significance of what he saw in the empty tomb. He didn't need to see the risen Lord to believe. Perhaps it is he that we today can best identify with. Not in a position to physically encounter the risen Christ, we are capable of seeing the signs of his resurrection and continuing presence in the world and choose to believe. *By Greg Sunter*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Wishing you a blessed and joyful Easter! Your service is a living witness to Christ's love and sacrifice.

This Easter, we thank God for the gift of your dedication. Your hands and heart have helped bring the light of Christ to others. May the joy of the Resurrection be with you and your family always

'He is not here; He has risen!' (Luke 24:6)

Love and Prayers,

Fr Octavian & Fr Msami



12th April: Divine Mercy Sunday Programme

2pm: Confessions, Image blessing & Consecration
(please bring your Divine Mercy images for blessing)
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary & Eucharistic Procession

3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet & Litany
Benediction followed by Holy Mass

Fellowship: Let's please gather at the School Hub after the service.
You may bring a plate to share, but you don't have to.

Your presence and fellowship is most important.

Jesus said: "...so I am prolonging the time of mercy for the sake of sinners. But woe to them if they do not recognize the time of My visitation." - Diary 1160

**EASTER ENVELOPES
ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH FOR YOUR DONATION.
THANK YOU!**

**PLEASE NOTE: EASTER MONDAY THERE WILL BE MASS AT 9.00AM
TO PRAY FOR PEACE ON THE WORLD, ALL ARE WELCOME.**

Sacramental Program 2026

The Sacrament of Confirmation: Saturday 16 May 2026 at 6.00pm

The Sacrament for First Holy Communion: Sunday 26th July 2026 at 11.00am

Parish Synod Corner ...

17. Synodality requires humility

Walking together means recognising that no one has all the answers. Synodality invites humility—from leaders and from communities—so that the Spirit can guide us beyond our limitations.

18. Is synodality slow? Synodality may seem slower than top-down decision-making, but it often leads to deeper, more lasting renewal. What is discerned together is more likely to be embraced together.

19. Synodality and joy—When people are invited to participate meaningfully, joy increases. A synodal Church is not weighed down by bureaucracy but energised by shared mission.

20. Synodality and the Eucharist -The Eucharist is the heart of synodality. Around one table, many are gathered as one Body. What we celebrate sacramentally must shape how we live communally.

21. Why the Church is embracing synodality now—The call to synodality is a response to the signs of the times. In a fragmented world, God calls the Church to witness communion, dialogue, and hope.

22. Synodality is a conversion—True synodality requires conversion of hearts, attitudes, and sometimes structures. It asks us to let go of habits that no longer serve the mission.

23. Synodality and leadership -Leadership in a synodal Church is not about control but about service. Leaders create spaces where gifts can emerge and flourish.