

THE SAVING WORD

EASTER SUNDAY / A

5 APRIL 2026



MASS OF EASTER NIGHT

EPISTLE

Rom 6:3-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again.

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection. We must realise that our former selves have been crucified with him to destroy this sinful body and to free us from the slavery of sin. When a man dies, of course, he has finished with sin.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die

again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117

R. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, / for his love has no end. / Let the sons of Israel say: / 'His love has no end.' **R.**

2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed, / his right hand raised me up, / I shall not die, I shall live / and recount his deeds. **R.**

3. The stone which the builders rejected / has become the cornerstone. / This is the work of the Lord, / a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

GOSPEL

Mt 28:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee.

After the sabbath, and towards dawn on the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala and the other Mary went to visit the sepulchre. And all at once there was a violent earthquake, for the angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled away the stone and sat on it. His face was like lightning, his robe white as snow. The guards were so

shaken, so frightened of him, that they were like dead men. But the angel spoke; and he said to the women, 'There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would. Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee: it is there you will see him." Now I have told you.' Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples.

And there, coming to meet them, was Jesus. 'Greetings' he said. And the women came up to him and, falling down before him, clasped his feet. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid: go and tell my brothers that they must leave for Galilee; they will see me there.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

MASS DURING THE DAY

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34, 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judea: about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had

with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

■ The word of the Lord.

SEQUENCE

The sequence may be said or sung.

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. / The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; / and Christ, the undefiled, / hath sinners to his Father reconciled. / Death with life contended; combat strangely ended! / Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. / Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. / The tomb the living did enclose; / I saw Christ's glory as he rose! / The angels there attesting, / shroud with grave-clothes resting. / Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. / That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. / Victorious king, thy mercy show!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia! / Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; / let us feast with joy in the Lord. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

In 20:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken

been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.

Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judea and in Jerusalem itself; and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(see front page)

SECOND READING

Col 3:1-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden

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ADORATION CHAPEL

"The Master is here and wants

to see you" John 11:28

Adorers are needed for these hours:

Tuesday: 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 11pm
Friday: 8pm

Contact: Lucy Sgro 0424056823

Divine Mercy Novena

Easter Sunday 5 April - 5.15pm

Easter Monday 6 April - 6.15pm

Tuesday 7 April - 6.15pm

Wednesday 8 April - 6.15pm

Thursday 9 April - 6.15pm

Friday 10 April - 6.15pm

Saturday 11 April - 4.30pm

Divine Mercy Sunday, 12 April

3:00 pm Holy mass

Followed by fellowship and refreshments in the hall. Please bring a plate to share.

(Please check flyer in the foyer for the Divine Mercy Sunday Schedule)

Lectors, Commentators, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Let us

Pray for the newly installed LecComm, EOHM as they continue to serve in our Parish. May God bless you all.

Welcome. We welcome visitors in our Parish specially those who celebrated the Eucharist with the St Peter Chanel Parish community for the first time.

Project Compassion Unite Against Poverty. Project compassion boxes are still available in the foyer of the church. Thank you

EFTPOS facility available in the foyer the church for those who wish to generously donate to the church. We thank you for your generosity and support. May God bless you and your family.

Legion of Mary. Meetings every Friday at 9.15am in the Chanel Meeting Room. Contact: Delia Jarina 0424996140

Next Week: 12 April 2026
Second Sunday of Easter - A

*Christ
Risen!*

A VOCATION VIEW

You have been given new life in Christ. Forsake earthly materialism, in order to live life to the full.

THIS WEEK: 5 April 2026 - Easter Sunday - A						
	7:00pm	7:00am	8:30am	10:00am	12:00pm	6:00pm
Commentator 1st Reader 2nd Reader	<u>Easter Vigil</u>	<u>No Mass</u>	Mario N Rukmal M Kumudu M	Nelissa D Marilou S J Maria Suliano	Diana T Kirk D G R Arlene P	C Tayag C Marama F Raymundo
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Altar Servers	George E	-----	Adrian D A	Henry Fawaz	Raphael P Rey S Arelle Mary Ann	Jericlo, Jude Jherzelle
Choirs	Light of Jesus (LOJ)	-----	MMWF with LHM Sisters	Emmaus	CFCA	Eucharistic Choir
NEXT WEEK: 12 April 2026 - Second Sunday of Easter - A						
	7:00pm	7:00am	8:30am	10:00am	12:00pm	6:00pm
Commentator 1st Reader 2nd Reader	Carina F M Lobo Jennifer S	Alister R Aaron A Susan C	Dulce T Kathleen T Wynna D	Roger S J Rency C Shiela D	Vernon A RJ Baculo Kirk D G R	F Raymundo A Julian C Vallescas
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Altar Servers	George E	Tony Cilia	Adrian D A	Henry Fawaz	Raphael P Rey S Arelle Mary Ann	Jericlo, Jude Jherzelle
Choirs	Eucharistic Choir	AHH	Holy Redeemer	MMWF with LHM Sisters	Lea Lapid	CFCA