



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Good Shepherd Catholic
Church Balmoral

HOLY WEEK at GOOD SHEPHERD

PALM SUNDAY

6pm Saturday Vigil Mass ~ 9.30am Sunday Mass

7.30pm ~ 'Refuge' Sunday Holy Hour ... music, silence, contemplation....



TUESDAY Mass 9.30am

Lent Reconciliation Rite II 6pm



WEDNESDAY 9.30am Mass

HOLY THURSDAY

7pm ~ The Mass of the Lord's Supper
with Adoration until 9pm



GOOD FRIDAY

10am ~ Stations of the Cross in the Good Shepherd Church grounds

3pm ~ The Passion of the Lord & Veneration of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY

7pm ~ The Great Easter Vigil and First Mass of the Resurrection

EASTER

SUNDAY

Mass 9.30am



THE STABAT MATER

At the cross her station keeping,
Stood the mournful Mother weeping,
Close to Jesus to the last.
Through her heart,
His sorrow sharing,
All His bitter anguish bearing,
Now at length the sword had passed.

Oh, how sad and sore distressed
Was that Mother highly blest,
Of the sole begotten One!
Christ above in torment hangs.
She beneath beholds the pangs
Of her dying glorious Son.
Is there one who would not weep,
'whelmed in miseries so deep,
Christ's dear Mother to behold?

Can the human heart refrain
From partaking in her pain,
In that Mother's pain untold?
Bruised, derided, cursed, defiled,
She beheld her tender Child,
All with bloody scourges rent.
For the sins of His own nation,
Saw Him hang in desolation
Till His spirit forth He sent.

O thou Mother: fount of love!
Touch my spirit from above,
Make my heart with thine accord.

Make me feel as thou hast felt;
Make my soul to glow and melt
With the love of Christ my Lord.

Holy Mother, pierce me through;
In my heart each wound renew
Of my Savior crucified.

Let me share with thee His pain,
Who for all my sins was slain,
Who for me in torment died.
Let me mingle tears with thee,
Mourning Him who mourned for
me, all the days that I may live.

By the Cross with thee to stay;
There with thee to weep and pray,
Is all I ask of thee to give.
Virgin of all virgins best,
Listen to my fond request:
Let me share thy grief divine.

Let me to my latest breath,
In my body bear the death
Of that dying Son of thine.
Wounded with His every wound,
Steep my soul till it hath swooned
In His very blood away.

Be to me, O Virgin, nigh,
Lest in flames I burn and die,
In His awful Judgment day.
Christ, when Thou shalt call
me hence,

Be Thy Mother my defense,
Be Thy Cross my victory.
While my body here decays,
May my soul Thy goodness praise,
Safe in Paradise with Thee.
Amen.

THE EASTER PROCLAMATION

Exult, let them exult,
the hosts of heaven,
exult, let Angel ministers of God exult,
let the trumpet of salvation
sound aloud our mighty King's triumph!

Be glad, let earth be glad,
as glory floods her,
ablaze with light from her eternal King,
let all corners of the earth be glad,
knowing an end to gloom
and darkness.

Rejoice, let Mother Church also rejoice,
arrayed with the lightning of his glory,
let this holy building shake with joy,
filled with the mighty voices
of the peoples.

Therefore, dearest friends,
standing in the awesome glory of this
holy light, invoke with me, I ask you,
the mercy of God almighty,
that he, who has been pleased to number
me, though unworthy, among the Levites,
may pour into me his light unshadowed,
that I may sing this
candle's perfect praises.

It is truly right and just, with ardent love
of mind and heart
and with devoted service of our voice,
to acclaim our God invisible,
the almighty Father,
and Jesus Christ, our Lord, his Son,
his Only Begotten.
Who for our sake paid Adam's debt
to the eternal Father,
and, pouring out his own dear Blood,
wiped clean the record of our ancient
sinfulness.

These, then, are the feasts of Passover,
in which is slain the Lamb, the one true
Lamb, whose Blood anoints the doorposts
of believers.

This is the night,
when once you led our forebears,
Israel's children,
from slavery in Egypt
and made them pass dry-shod
through the Red Sea.

This is the night that with a pillar of fire
banished the darkness of sin.

This is the night that even now,
throughout the world,
sets Christian believers apart
from worldly vices and from the
gloom of sin,
leading them to grace
and joining them to his
holy ones.

This is the night,
when Christ broke the prison-
bars of death and rose victorious
from the underworld.

Our birth would have been no gain,
had we not been redeemed.

O wonder of your humble care for us!
O love, O charity beyond all telling,
to ransom a slave you gave away
your Son!

O truly necessary sin of Adam,
destroyed completely
by the Death of Christ!

O happy fault
that earned so great, so glorious
a Redeemer!

O truly blessed night,
worthy alone to know the time and hour
when Christ rose from the underworld!

This is the night
of which it is written:
The night shall be as bright as day,
dazzling is the night for me,
and full of gladness.

The sanctifying power of this night
dispels wickedness, washes faults away,
restores innocence to the fallen,
and joy to mourners,
drives out hatred, fosters concord,
and brings down the mighty.

On this, your night of grace,
O holy Father, accept this candle,
a solemn offering, the work of bees
and of your servants' hands,
an evening sacrifice of praise,
this gift from your most
holy Church.

But now we know the praises of
this pillar, which glowing fire
ignites for God's honour,
a fire into many flames divided,
yet never dimmed by
sharing of its light,
for it is fed by melting wax,
drawn out by mother bees
to build a torch so precious.

O truly blessed night,
when things of heaven are wed to those of
earth, and divine to the human.

Therefore, O Lord,
we pray you that this candle,
hallowed to the honour of your name,
may persevere undimmed,
to overcome the darkness of this night.

Receive it as a pleasing fragrance,
and let it mingle with the
lights of heaven.
May this flame be found still burning
by the Morning Star:
the one Morning Star who never sets,
Christ your Son,
who, coming back from death's
domain, has shed his peaceful light
on humanity,
and lives and reigns for ever and ever.
R. Amen.



CONDOLENCES

To the families and friends of
Brendan Barry and Helen Ryan
who died recently and whose funerals were
celebrated here at Good Shepherd this week.
*'Eternal rest grant to them O Lord and let perpetual
light shine upon them. May they rest in peace'*

GOOD SHEPHERD PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

We are seeking volunteers from within our community to assist with an upcoming schedule of maintenance works to our buildings. The first project, to commence after Easter, is the repair of the fascia and painting of the columns and windows on the north east side of the church. This work involves carpentry, painting, plastering, glazing and electrical work. Please register with

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POSITIONS VACANT

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Diocese of Auckland - visit

[www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-
vacancies](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies)

National Liturgy Office Director - visit
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FR CHRIS SKINNER CONCERT

Mary MacKillop Chapel 7 April 2pm

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

A taste of theology - Webinar - one hour
sessions on the first Tuesday of each month
www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

The latest round up of diocesan news
[www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/cda-
connect/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/cda-connect/)

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE PARISH

There are forms in the church foyer if you would like to join the Planned Giving Programme using either envelopes or setting up an automatic payment/direct credit.
Parish A/c No 02-0108-0708836-000

JOURNEY THROUGH HOLY WEEK WITH THE GOSPELS OF THE DAY ~

MONDAY ~ JOHN 12:1-11

TUESDAY ~ JOHN 13:21-33, 36-38

WEDNESDAY ~ MATTHEW 26: 14-25

HOLY THURSDAY ~ JOHN 13: 1-15

GOOD FRIDAY ~ JOHN 18:1-19: 42

SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL ~ MARK 16: 1-8

EASTER SUNDAY ~ JOHN 20: 1-9

ON THE INSIDE PAGES OF THIS NEWSLETTER ARE TWO ANCIENT PRAYERS FROM THE TREASURY OF THE CHURCH'S SPIRITUAL TRADITION FOR US TO CONTEMPLATE.

THE STABAT MATER IS A 13TH CENTURY HYMN TO MARY AS SHE ACCOMPANIES HER SON TO CALVARY

THE EXULTET OR 'EASTER PROCLAMATION' ALSO DRAWS FROM ANCIENT TEXTS IS SUNG BEFORE THE EASTER CANDLE AT THE EASTER VIGIL

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