



St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba, Easter Break Newsletter

Mission Statement

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Thursday of The Lord's Supper Year B

First Reading

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14

Psalm

115:12-13, 15-18 R. cf. 1
Cor 10:16

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Gospel

John 13:1-15



Parish Office

Behind St Anthony's Church
St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills

Office Hours

Monday - CLOSED

Tuesday and Friday
9am to 2pm

Wednesday and Thursday
9am to 4pm

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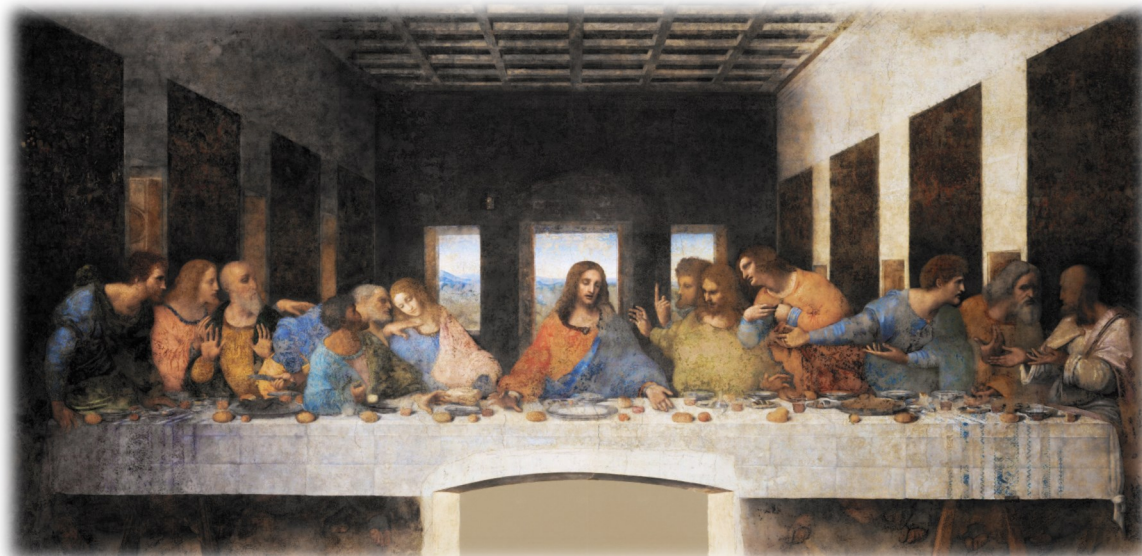


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Passion Thursday Scripture Reflection

At the beginning of our meditation of the Passover, we see God passing over us as a protective angel, preserving us from harm, leading us out of bondage into freedom. Jesus then passes beyond being Lord and master and kneels before us as our humble servant. If we are to belong to him, we must allow him to wash our feet. In both of these instances, the saving action is God's. The initiative is God's; the magnanimity is God's; the self-emptying is God's. We have nothing to contribute to these amazing happenings. All we have to do is accept the salvation that is offered. On this day of Eucharist, our only response is a sacrifice of thanksgiving, a sacrifice that is really our openness to receive the sacrifice of God – the sacrifice of the lamb and the sacrifice of Jesus' self-emptying service.

Who could have imagined that any of this would happen? A motley group of runaway labourers escapes from the clutches of their superpower overlords; bread and wine is changed into the body and blood of a man who is being hunted down; the Son who was sent by God into the world washes the feet of his disciples. It is no wonder that Peter initially resisted. God's love for us is beyond comprehension. This night we are left with the directive: 'As I have done, so you must do.' Our thanksgiving is expressed in our own self-emptying service of others. Having received the gifts of God, we give them away; they flow from God through us to others.



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Friday of the Passion of the Lord
Year B

First Reading

Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12

Psalm

30:2. 6. 12-13. 15-17. 25.
R. Lk 23:46

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9

Gospel

John 18:1 - 19:42



ATTENTION: ALL VOLUNTEERS

A new volunteer register database has been set up across the Brisbane Archdiocese.

Please follow the link below:

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Friday of the Passion of the Lord Scripture Reflection

Today we meditate on Jesus our Passover. Silent like the paschal lamb that was sacrificed on behalf of the people, the suffering servant of the Lord allowed himself to be handed over to the slaughter. Though innocent, he took upon himself the guilt of the very ones who were victimising him. Through his suffering, Jesus justifies many; he is our true Passover. Jesus is not only the innocent victim, he is also the high priest who offers the passover sacrifice and leads us to the throne of God. He offers himself for us on the altar of the cross; he is our true Passover. He was then lifted up on the cross in triumph and exaltation. He is not a conquered king; he is a conquering king and as such he is our true Passover.

On Good Friday the cross gathers together all three images of Christ: suffering servant, high priest, conquering king. It is in the light of this cross that we see clearly how all three must be accepted at once, for we never contemplate one image without contemplating the others. In the midst of the passion, we see the victory; when we celebrate Easter, we do not forget the cross. As we venerate this cross, we gather together the memory of all of the living and the dead. With our petitions we bring to the cross all of the needs of the world. In this way, the cross becomes the true axis mundi, the centre of the universe, and Christ is revealed as the true Passover.

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The Easter Vigil in Holy Night Year B

First Reading

Genesis 1:1, 26-31

Psalm

Your Love Endures Forever

Second Reading

Exodus 14:15-15:1

Psalm

Your Love Endures Forever

Third Reading

Isaiah 55:1-11

Psalm

Your Love Endures Forever

Fourth Reading

Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4

Psalm

Your Love Endures Forever

Fifth Reading

Ezekiel 36:16-28

Psalm

Your Love Endures Forever

Epistle Reading

Romans 6:3-11

Response

Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 16:1-7



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Easter Vigil Scripture Reflection

On Holy Thursday we saw that God is the one who passes over; on Good Friday we recognised that Jesus is our real Passover. Today we contemplate our own passing over. Holy Saturday is a time of liminality; an in-between time. We are no longer in one place, but we have not yet arrived at the other. We are in the crossing. We are moving from darkness into light, from death to life, and we do this by passing through the waters of baptism.

In the dark of the night, we are called to follow God into the unknown. If we can do this, if we can risk all and leave behind the life to which we have grown accustomed, we will be able to survive in this period of liminality. The vigil readings end with a promise of regeneration. The waters that at first threatened us, can rejuvenate us. We now stand at the threshold of a new creation. The period of liminality is over. Our next step is into the waters of baptism, there to be recreated, to be born anew, to die and to rise in Christ.

Through baptism we enter into the mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus. Like those who heard the proclamation of the women, we are called to faith through the words of others. When we respond, our passing over will be complete and we will be embraced by Christ our True Passover.

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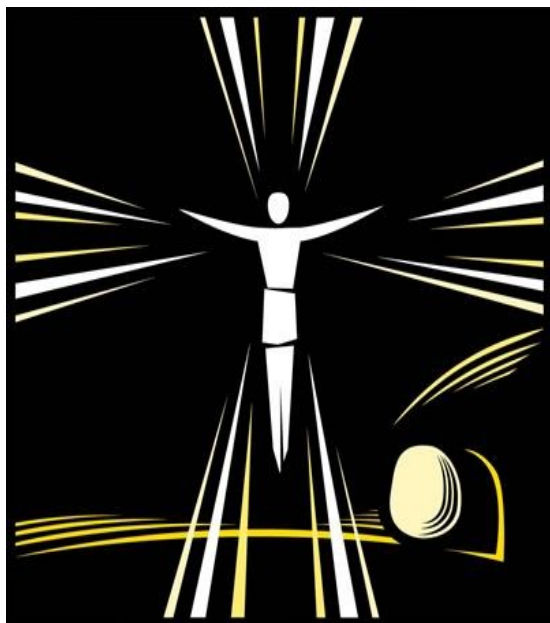
Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of The Lord Year B

First Reading
Acts 10:34, 37-43

Psalm
117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Second Reading
Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel
John 20:1-9



Parish Keys

If anybody has spare keys for St Anthony's Church or St Luke's Church please return it them to the office ASAP.



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Easter Sunday Scripture Reflection

Christ, my hope, has risen!

We have come, finally, to the season of joy and hope, following a long season of anguish and suffering. Many have struggled with the darkness of the past year. Many more have wept at tombs, asking 'where?', 'how?', 'why'? We have all been asked to carry crosses. Some of them have been almost unbearably heavy. Now, though, alongside his own cross, we stand with Jesus victorious and risen in glory.



We might be coming to this new season hesitantly, like the younger disciple (**Gospel**), perhaps still hurting from the scars of the year and hardly daring to hope. Or we may find ourselves, like Peter, rushing headlong, eager to see and to believe.

In the Acts of the Apostles (**First Reading**), we hear that the first witnesses were to go out with this good news and proclaim it to all people. We are the messengers of the Gospel today. And we are to bear witness by living 'unleavened' lives (**Second Reading**) full of truth, sincerity and humility.

As St Ignatius said, 'Love is shown more in deeds than in words'. Haven't we seen that this past year! So let us rejoice and be glad, and give thanks to the Lord (Psalm) this coming week.

Prepared by St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham

Please pray for...



Max Veal, Kerry Balcombe, Jane Martin, Anthony [Tony] Conner, Fr Ray Sanchez, Des Stapleton, Margaret Hobbs, David Haley, Alfreda Rossouw, Norma Adams, Peter Maciejewski, Ailsa Jensen, Niamh Hughes, Sharon MacKenzie, Luis Mendez, Sonia Mendez, Mary Tucker and Samuel Tyler along with all those in our community who are ill, and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

We commend those who have recently died, to the loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

If you wish to have a loved one's name mentioned in the parish newsletter for an anniversary, a remembrance or a prayer for the sick, please contact the Parish Office on 3820 0100.

Note: All names for prayers will remain in the newsletter for one month. To request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions please contact the Parish Office.



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Second Sunday of Easter Year B - Divine Mercy

First Reading

Acts 4:32-35

Psalm

117:2-4, 15-18, 22-24

Second Reading

1 John 5:1-6

Gospel

John 20:19-31



Best wishes and prayers to all the members of our Parish Community who are celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries in this Month of March and April. Congratulations!!!



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Scripture Reflection

Today we consider the presence of the Risen Lord. Where is he found? Each of the readings offers an answer to this question. The Risen Christ is found in the community of believers who follow the example of Jesus. Even non-believers recognised something marvellously different about the Christian community, and they exclaimed: These Christians, see how they love one another.

The Risen Christ is found in those who accept the truth of the resurrection on the word of others. The word of God preached by others has often brought us out of darkness into light, from the stranglehold of death to the birth of new life. The preaching of the disciples has been not only instructive, it has also been transformative.

The Risen Christ is found in the forgiveness of sin. Jesus made the frightened disciples ministers of divine forgiveness. The Spirit reconciles sinners with God and, thereby, with the rest of the believing community. Forgiveness is a tangible sign of Christ's mystical presence.

The Risen Christ is found in the physical manifestation of Christ's own wounds, the wounds that he offered to be touched. Since the community is the body of Christ, we touch the wounds of Christ when we touch the wounds of the community, when we go out to the sick and infirm, the dispossessed and the violated. As shocking as these wounds may appear, they are really glorious, because the Risen Lord has identified with them and has made them his own.

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"The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all."

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'





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Third Sunday of Easter Year B

First Reading
Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Psalm
4:2, 4, 7, 9

Second Reading
1 John 2:1-5

Gospel
Luke 24:35-48



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Scripture Reflection

The first sentence of the gospel reading sets the context for the themes of today: 'Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.' Who is the Jesus that they recognised? And what does this recognition require?

Jesus is the servant of the God of the early ancestors, the long awaited messiah, and the innocent sufferer portrayed in the prophetic tradition. He is the fulfilment of our deepest aspirations. When we gather around the table for the sacramental meal, we encounter the Risen Lord. There the sacred traditions of our religious heritage are opened for us and we are enabled to recognise him in the traditions and in the breaking of the bread.

In order to encounter the Risen Lord in the breaking of the bread and in the breaking open of the word, we need docile hearts ready to embrace the deepest meaning of our religious heritage. We need hearts that have been purified in the love of God; hearts that have been totally transformed. The commandment of love requires nothing less.

Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people described in the first reading, must live reformed lives. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people addressed in the second reading, must be obedient to God's commandment of love. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the disciples portrayed in the gospel, must preach the good news of God's forgiveness to all nations. Easter faith assures us that all of this is possible.

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Liturgical Musicians' Training Day


Greetings to all from the Archdiocesan Commission on the Liturgy. We are delighted to announce an upcoming workshop day for liturgical musicians. Please add this date to your diaries and keep a lookout for further details coming soon.



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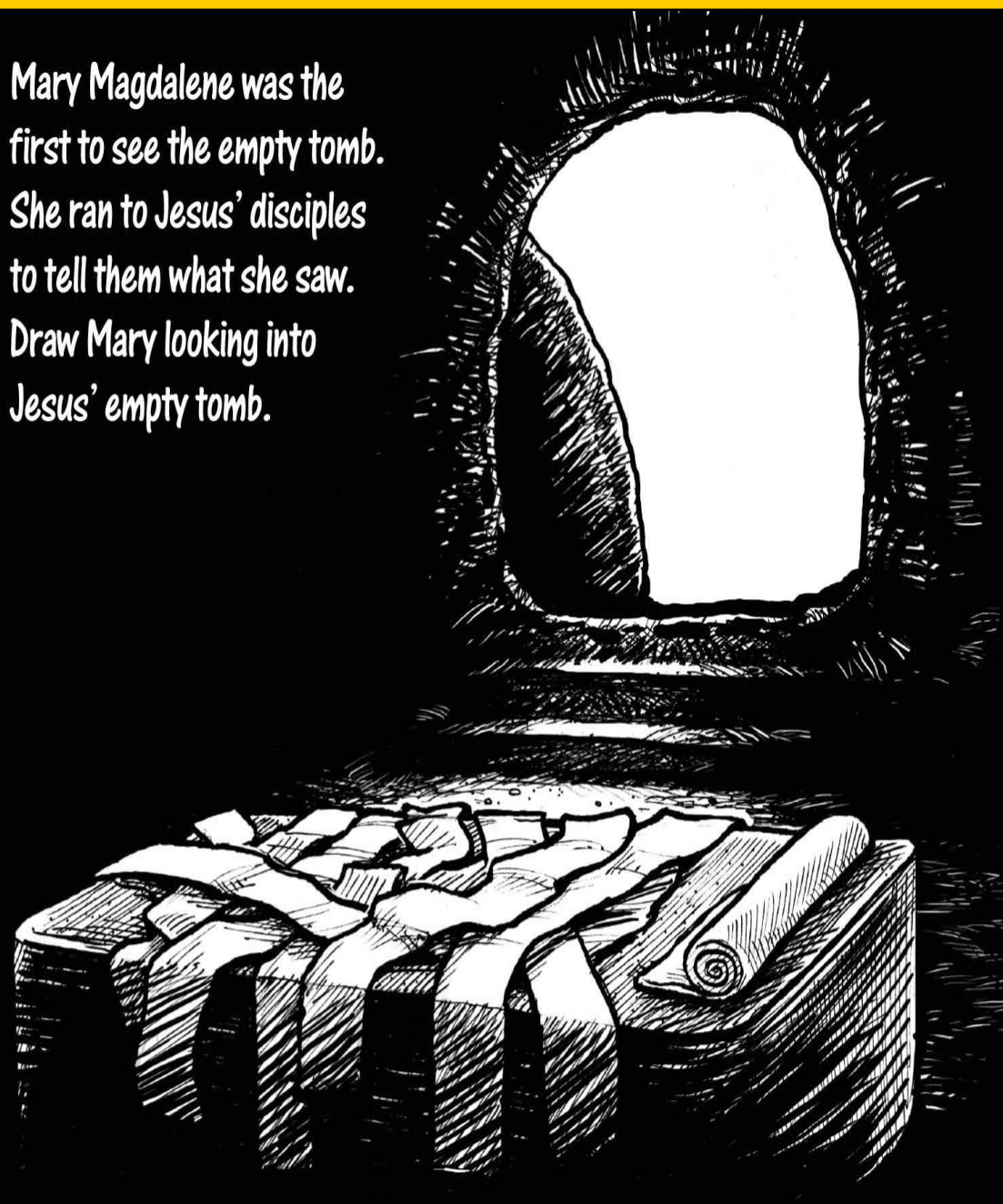
Liturgical Musicians Training Day
Saturday 15 MAY, 9:00am – 3:30pm
St Laurence's College, South Brisbane



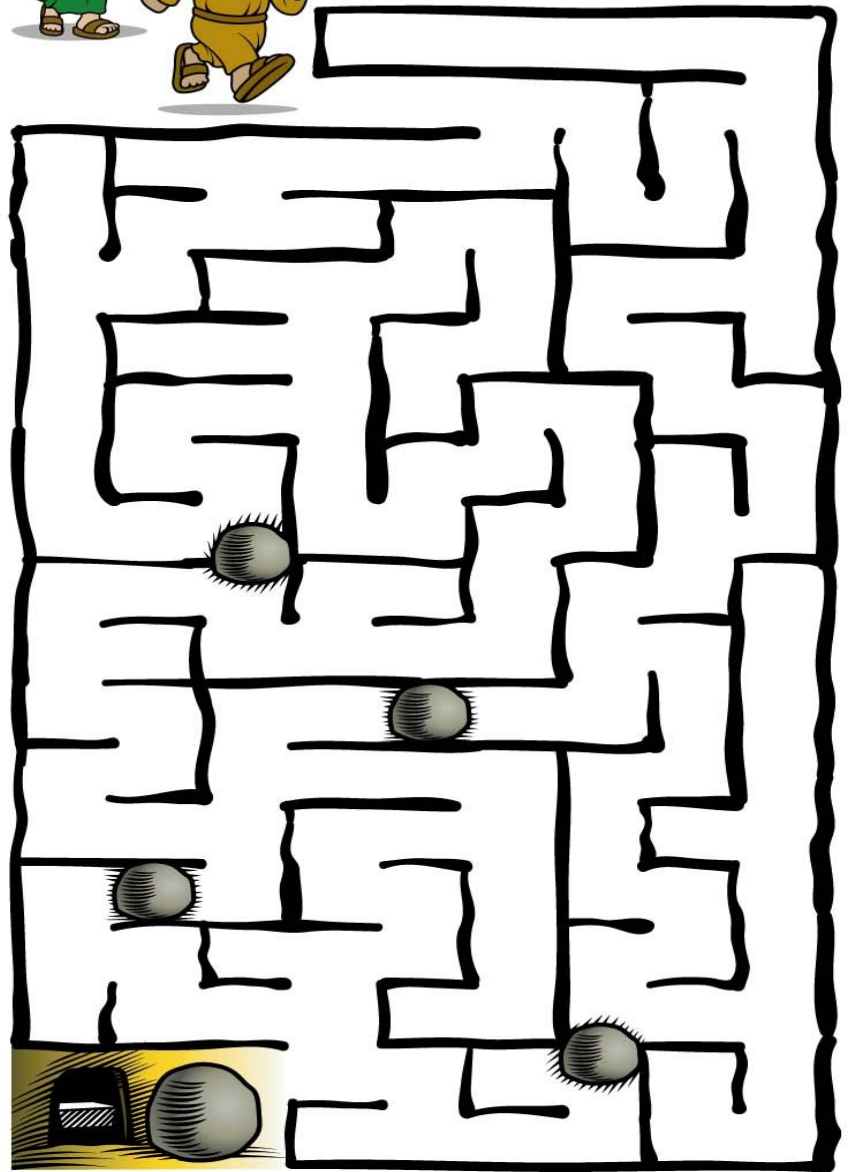
Parish Details
<p>Alexandra Hills</p> <p>St Anthony's Catholic Church</p> <p>St Anthony Drive,</p> <p>Alexandra Hills Q 4161</p> <p>Capalaba</p> <p>St Luke's Catholic Church</p> <p>45 Degen Road, Capalaba Q 4157</p> <p>https://stanthonyandstluke.org.au/</p> 
Parish Mass Times
<p><u>WEEKEND</u></p> <p>St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills Saturday 4.30pm Sunday 9.00am</p> <p>St Luke's Church, Capalaba Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 7.00am</p> <p><u>WEEKDAY</u></p> <p>Monday NO MASS Tuesday 9:00am St Luke's Wednesday 9:00am St Anthony's Thursday 4:30pm Rosary followed by Mass St Anthony's Friday 9:00am St Luke's</p> <p>WEEKDAY - School Masses (Refer to Weekly Newsletter for these as they are alternate weeks)</p>
Reconciliation
<p>Saturday St Anthony's Alexandra Hills 4.00pm - 4.30pm Or by appointment</p>
Anointing Mass
<p>Fourth Thursday of every 2nd month St Anthony's Church. 5:00pm</p>
Adoration
<p>First Wednesday of the month St Anthony's Church. 7:45am</p>
Education
<p>Alexandra Hills - St Anthony Drive St Anthony's Catholic Primary School 3820 1200 St Anthony's Kindergarten 3824 5061</p> <p>Capalaba - Degen Road St Luke's Catholic Primary School 3245 9595 St Luke's Catholic Child Care Centre 3245 3300</p>

Week at a glance from 5th April to 11th April			
<p>No weekly Masses</p> <p>Parish Office Easter Break Closure:</p>			
MONDAY	5 April	Parish Office Closed - No Mass	
TUESDAY	6 April	9:00am 11:30am 7:30pm	No Mass Rosary - St Luke's St Vincent's de Paul Meeting
WEDNESDAY	7 April	9:00am 4:00pm 7:00pm	No Mass Prayer of Two Hearts - St Anthony's Meditation - St Luke's
THURSDAY	8 April	4:30pm	No Mass
FRIDAY	9 April	9:00am	No Mass
SATURDAY	10 April	4:30pm 6:00pm	Mass - St Anthony's Mass - St Luke's
SUNDAY	11 April	7:00am 9:00am	Mass - St Luke's Mass - St Anthony's
Week at a glance from 12th April to 18th April			
MONDAY	12 April	Parish Office Closed - No Mass	
TUESDAY	13 April	9:00am 11:30am 7:00pm	Mass - St Luke's Rosary - St Luke's Liturgy Team Meeting
WEDNESDAY	14 April	9:00am 9:30am 4:00pm 7:00pm	Mass - St Anthony's Care and Concern Prayer of Two Hearts - St Anthony's Meditation - St Luke's
THURSDAY	15 April	4:30pm	Rosary followed Mass - St Anthony's
FRIDAY	16 April	9:00am	Mass - St Luke's
SATURDAY	17 April	4:30pm 6:00pm	Mass - St Anthony's Mass - St Luke's
SUNDAY	18 April	7:00am 9:00am 10:30am	Mass - St Luke's Mass - St Anthony's Baptisms - St Luke's
<p>Deanery Youth Gathering - Friday night, 30th April</p> <p>Join youth from parishes in the Redland/Bayside Deanery for a night of fun, food and faith!</p> <div>  <p>2 streams available: Grade 4 to 6 and Grade 7 upwards.</p> <p>Venue to be advised.</p> <p>For more information contact Dave at the Parish Office.</p>  </div>			
<div>  <p>Parish Cricket Match – Sunday afternoon, 2nd May</p> <p>Start working on your leg break and practicing your cover drive!</p> <p>For those who registered their interest, Dave will be emailing you with more details soon.</p> <p>Anyone else who is interested in participating, please contact Dave at the Parish Office.</p>  </div>			

Mary Magdalene was the first to see the empty tomb. She ran to Jesus' disciples to tell them what she saw. Draw Mary looking into Jesus' empty tomb.



Help the disciples find their way to Jesus' empty tomb.



A week after Jesus died he appeared to his disciples. They were very happy to see him. Draw the risen Jesus.



Jesus asked that the Good News be spread from Jerusalem to every nation. Unscramble the following words about the Good News.

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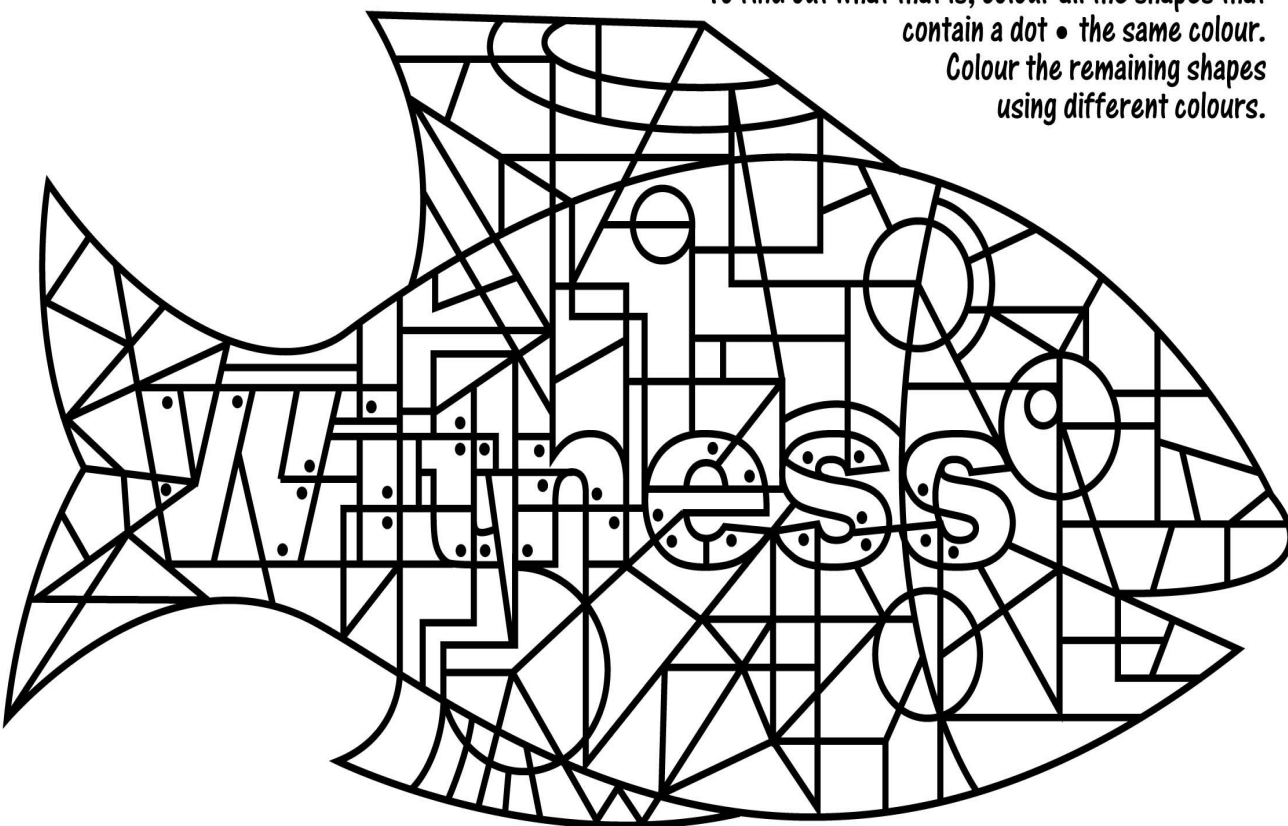
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There is something that Jesus asks us to do for him. To find out what that is, colour all the shapes that contain a dot • the same colour. Colour the remaining shapes using different colours.



When Jesus appeared to his disciples he was not a ghost, but truly alive! How did Jesus help the disciples believe that he had risen from the dead? Write or draw your answer.

