



RESURRECTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

15TH February, 2026

Resurrection Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

OFFICE AND CONTACT DETAILS

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.
Closed for lunch between 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm.
Sunday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Resurrection Primary School
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Parish at Prayer Mass Times

Saturday

6.00 pm

Sunday

9.00 am
10.30 am

Weekdays

Monday

9.30 am

Tuesday

9.30 am

Thursday

6.00 pm

Friday

7.00 pm

(1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH)

RECONCILIATION - FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH AT 9.30AM

Lent at Resurrection

- **Ash Wednesday** - 18th February Mass at 10am (school children in attendance) and 7pm.
- **Monday** - 9.30am Mass with the Prayer of the Church. Prior to the Mass there will be 20 minutes of Christian Meditation.
- **Tuesday** - 9.30am Mass with the Prayer of the Church. Prior to the Mass there will be 20 minutes of Christian Meditation.
- **Wednesday - 9.30am Communion Service and Rosary**
- **Wednesday Christ's Catholic Community Prayer Group** 6.30pm - 8pm. Reflection on Sunday readings, Rosary, and praying for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
- **Thursday** - 6pm Mass with the Prayer of the Church. Prior to the Mass there will be 20 minutes of Christian Meditation. At the conclusion of Mass there will be the Divine Mercy Chaplet.
- **Saturday - Gospel Reflection at 10am**

Parish Retreat

Monday 23rd March to Saturday 28th March

*We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we stand.
We pay our respects to the Elders, past and present.*



Welcome, Fr Nestus

We are delighted to welcome Fr Nestus from Buguya, Uganda. He will be celebrating Mass with us on Saturday 28th February and Sunday 1st March. We pray that his time with us will be blessed and fruitful, and we look forward to sharing in faith and fellowship together.

Almsgiving



St Vincent de Paul Grocery Bags – Ash Wednesday 18th February

Grocery bags from St Vincent de Paul will be available at the Ash Wednesday Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to take a bag and fill it with non-perishable items that are within their use-by date.

All donated food will be delivered to families in our community who are doing it tough.

Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH MEETINGS

- Parish Leadership Team - **Tuesday 17th February at 7pm** in the school planning room.
- Special Ministers to the housebound - **Wednesday 25th February at 7pm** in the school planning room.

50th Anniversary Dinner Dance -

The dinner dance is now **sold out**. If you are interested in attending please contact the office and you will be placed on a wait list.



If you have already booked and have any special dietary requirements, please contact the Parish Office so we can ensure your needs are accommodated.

Project Compassion 2026

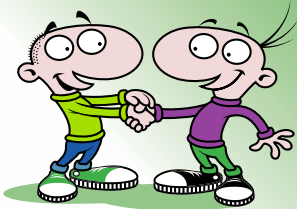
As we begin our Lenten journey, Caritas invites us to take part in their 40-day campaign supporting vulnerable communities both here and around the world.

Throughout Lent, parishioners are encouraged to pray, fast, and give in solidarity with those in need. Your generosity helps Caritas continue its vital mission of compassion, justice, and hope.

We pray for Natalina Caccamo, Brad Collins, Patrick Dabadie and all those who have died recently.

We pray for Sydney Vas, Aquilino Baltazar, Danny Wico, Afonso Sam, Lay Tui Fung, Jose Lay, Mira Vasilious Kozari, Mercieca family, Gatt Family, Alfred Frendo, Mary Falzon Wintrup, Fr John O'Reilly, Herve Rosse, Jean France Hennequin, Evelina Atonio, Arlette Marie, Dora Scales, Mario DeBono, Correlia Cardona, Julian Pietruszkiewicz and all those whose anniversary occur at about this time.

Please also pray for all those who are sick.



Be reconciled before you offer your gift to God

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Gospel

Matthew 5:23-24

Go and make peace with your neighbour first, then come and offer your gift.

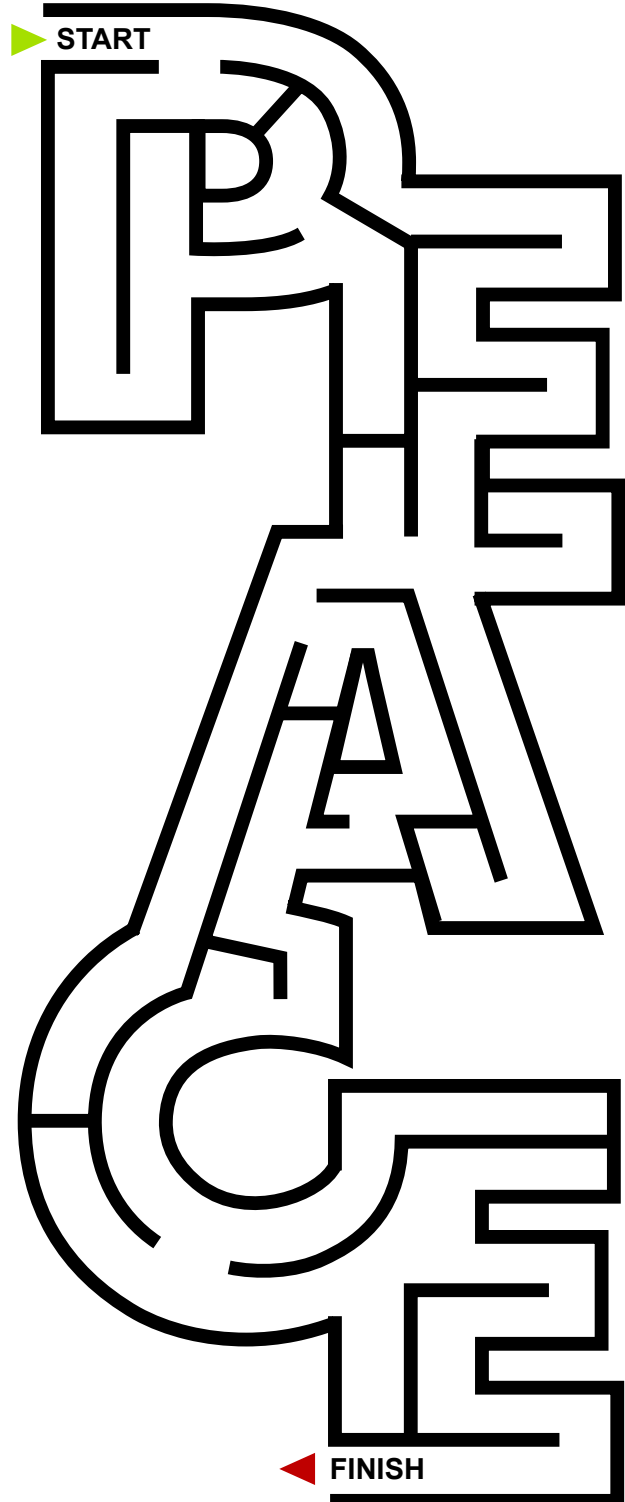
Jesus said to his disciples: If you are bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first, and then come back and present your offering.

Jesus wants us to make peace with those who we have wronged

When someone does wrong things against me, I can make peace with them by....

When I do wrong things against someone, I can make peace with them by....

Find your way through the maze



Ash Wednesday
18th February 2026
7.00pm



Mass Overseer: Yvonne Utoasega

Hospitality: 1. Michelle Mercieca 2.

Data Projection: **Need Volunteer**

Proclaimers: 1st Reader: Marlene Axiak

Psalm: Jacqui Yuan

2nd Reader: Marlene Axiak

Prayers: Jacqui Yuan

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| Ashes: | 1. | Fr Gerard | 4. | Angelita Ramat |
| | 2. | Cathy Downing | 5. | Aurora Asuncion |
| | 3. | Geraldine Holt | 6. | Yvonne Utoasega |

Eucharistic Ministers:

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| B1 | Michelle Mercieca | B4 | Angelita Ramat |
| B2 | Fr Gerard | B5 | Aurora Asuncion |
| B3 | Geraldine Holt | B6 | Yvonne Utoasega |

Sacristy Duty: Aurora Asuncion Tessie Villar

21st & 22nd February 2026
First Sunday of Lent

| | 6.00pm | 9.00 AM | 10.30 AM |
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| MASS OVERSEERS | Michelle Mercieca | Kathy Wale | Marissa Medilo |
| HOSPITALITY | Jane Caruana Joe Caruana Charlie Grech | Margaret Vella Mario Vella | Angelita Ramat Maria Lagura Brian Briffa |
| DATA PROJECTOR | Julia Portelli | Jacob Rebustillo | Jomar Inot |
| PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions | Cathy Downing Marlene Axiak Cathy Downing Marlene Axiak | Elizabeth Michaelson Jacob Rebustillo Elizabeth Michaelson Jacob Rebustillo | Angelita Ramat Aurora Ascuncion Angelita Ramat Aurora Ascuncion |
| COLLECTORS | Noel Oliver Joseph Caruana Harley Cassar Jimmy Attard Charlie Grech | Frank Grech Mario Vella Virgilio Romerona Edwin Rebustillo | Isidro Asuncion Graeme Fraser Brian Briffa Marta Molina Teddy Bernardo Carmel Vassallo Yvonne Utoasega Paul Bossini Tilo Matagi |
| SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION | Fr Gerard Keith Rocky Hughes Olga Hughes Henry Dunn | Fr Gerard Keith Eve Balfour Rosemarie Balfour Minh Pham | Fr Gerard Keith Teresita Villar Kate Pedralvez Jacqueline Yuan Cleo Olivera |
| SACRISTY DUTY | Helen Muscat | Elizabeth Michaelson | Cecilia Navarro |
| COFFEE MAKERS | Need Volunteer Need Volunteer | Leon D'Souza Rosemarie Balfour | Jacqueline Yuan Wes Yuan |
| COFFEE CLEAN UP | Need Volunteer Need Volunteer | Imelda Dizon Rosita Perez | Paul Bossini Brendon Wates Michael Utoasega |

ST SEBASTIAN SENIORS

The committee invites you to Mass at 3pm on Sunday 15th February, followed by a procession with the St. Sebastian statue, the Maltese Association Flag Bearers, and music by the MMG Concert Band of Victoria and DJ Dominic.





READING 1

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so man became a living being. Then the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and placed there the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the LORD God made various trees grow that were delightful to look at and good for food, with the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Now the serpent was the most cunning of all the animals that the LORD God had made. The serpent asked the woman, "Did God really tell you not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?" The woman answered the serpent: "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; it is only about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden that God said, 'You shall not eat it or even touch it, lest you die.'" But the serpent said to the woman: "You certainly will not die! No, God knows well that the moment you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods who know what is good and what is evil." The woman saw that the tree was good for food, pleasing to the eyes, and desirable for gaining wisdom. So she took some of its fruit and ate it; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17

R. (cf. 3a) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

READING 2

Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12,

17-19 Brothers and sisters: Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned. For if, by the transgression of the one, death came to reign through that one, how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through the one Jesus Christ. In conclusion, just as through one transgression condemnation came upon all, so, through one

righteous act, acquittal and life came to all. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so, through the obedience of the one, the many will be made righteous.

GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply, "It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God." Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written: He will command his angels concerning you and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone." Jesus answered him, "Again it is written, You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test." Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

Reflection

"At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry." Matthew 4:1-2

By fasting, Jesus emptied Himself of worldly concerns and the temptations they bring. We encounter temptations on a daily basis. By emptying ourselves of worldly concerns, we are able to see the simple gifts God places around us and find them fulfilling beyond any material desires.