



# RESURRECTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

10<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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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.  
Saturday & Sunday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm.

### RESURRECTION PRIMARY SCHOOL

John Connors - Principal – 8312 6312  
[principal@rskingspark.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@rskingspark.catholic.edu.au)

### PARISH MEETING NIGHT

All Parish Groups meet monthly on the 1st Wednesday. We begin with prayer at 7.15pm; individual groups meet between 7.30pm and 8.30pm.

### BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of each month. Prior enrolment and preparation required.

### BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Should you or somebody you know wish to become a Catholic, there is a great program called R.C.I.A.

Contact Pauline Debrincat or Fr. Gerard at the Parish Office.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome. Please collect your information package from the Welcome Desk or Parish Office.

### PARISH FINANCE

The Parish is financially dependent on our Stewardship envelopes. Contact the Parish Office for details.

### FACEBOOK ENQUIRIES

Questions and suggestions for our Facebook Page should be directed to [resparish.ict@gmail.com](mailto:resparish.ict@gmail.com). Alternatively, you can send a message directly to our Facebook page by clicking the “message” button. Either way, the Comms Team will respond.

### RESURRECTION YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Are you a young adult? Does sharing a meal with new friends sound like something you'd enjoy?

If you answered 'yes' to any of these, the Resurrection Young Adults may be the group for you!

## Mass Times

Saturday

6.00 pm

Sunday

9.00 am  
10.30 am

### Weekdays

Monday

6.00 pm

Tuesday

9.30 am

Thursday

7.00 pm

Friday

8.30 am

## This Week at Resurrection

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019

6.00pm

No Mass

*Office Closed*

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019

9.30am

Mass

10.00am

55Plus Movie & Morning Tea

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019

9.30am

Communion Service

10.00am

Rosary

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019

9.15am

Men's Group Meeting

4.00pm

RE Level 3

7.00pm

Mass

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019

8.50am

Mass

9.30am

Stations of the cross

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019

6.00pm

Mass

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019

2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

9.00am

Mass

10.30am

Mass



*We pray in thanksgiving for Joseph Pirotta, Carmen Xerri and all those who have died recently.*

*We pray for Rodrigo Labung, Margaret & Louis Gatt, Inocencia Zalun and all those whose anniversary occur at about this time.*

*Please also pray for all those who are sick.*

#### **FAREWELL JOHN CONNORS ~ SCHOOL PRINCIPAL**

I wish to advise that I have accepted the resignation of our principal, Mr John Connors.

John has taken into account a number of factors in coming to this decision: his health & wellbeing and access to his family to name just two. He has been a Principal for nearly twenty years and served Catholic Education here in Melbourne as well as in Western Australia and Northern Territory for 37 years and feels it is time to put his energies elsewhere. John will be finishing work at Resurrection Catholic Primary School at the end of Term 1.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank John for his valuable contribution to our school community.

#### **PROJECT COMPASSION**

On Ash Wednesday, Caritas Australia, the international aid and development agency of the Catholic Church, launches its annual Project Compassion appeal – one of Australia's largest humanitarian fundraising and awareness raising campaigns.

Project Compassion runs through the six weeks of Lent. It brings together communities across the country in solidarity with the world's poor to eradicate poverty and help build a world of hope. Money raised through Project Compassion goes towards Caritas Australia's humanitarian and long-term development programs in countries across Africa, Asia, the Pacific and Australia's First Peoples. In 2018, more than \$10.8 million was donated to Project Compassion.

#### **LENTEN REFLECTION**

Preparing our Lenten commitments each year is meant to give our spiritual life a lift, and we are called to "remember". We are offering the following times : Monday 11am, Thursday 7.30pm and Saturday 10am.

#### **WE NEED YOUR HELP**

We have just commenced our new roster for 2019 with all our new sign ups however we need your help in the following ministries:

9am Special Ministry of Communion

9am Sacristy

10.30am Coffee Clean Up

9am Hospitality

9am Overseers

If you would like to join and sign up for any of the above ministries please contact the parish office.

Thank you to everyone who attended the 2019 formation meetings. We appreciate your ongoing support.

#### **STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES**

Stewardship Envelopes are due for distribution weekending 16th/17th March. If anyone can assist with the distribution before and after each mass please contact the parish office.

**SCHOOL FAMILIES** will have stewardship letters distributed to the school prior to the weekend on Wednesday 13th March. Please check your eldest child's bag for the letter.

#### **LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

There will be no 6pm Mass on 11th March, Labour Day public holiday. The parish office will also be closed.

#### **COLLECTIONS DURING MASS**

There has been many discussions regarding the 2 collections at Mass.

The purpose of the two collections at Mass are:

- 1st collection will go towards the works of the parish.
- The 2nd collection goes toward the presbytery.

**PLEASE NOTE** there is no need to tear the envelope, the stewardship side and presbytery side go together, the parish office will arrange the separation.

Please feel free to contact the parish office if you require any further information.

#### **55 PLUS**

55 Plus group cordially invites you to a movie screening "Norman Wisdom" and morning tea on the following dates:

12th March, 28th March, 8th April, 15th April, 23rd April.

The cost \$5.00, please express your interest to Elizabeth by calling 0435 791 390.





*We proclaim a crucified Christ*

1Cor1.23

Dear Friends in Christ,

At a time when the early Christian community was at a very low ebb, experiencing internal shame and external criticism, St Paul acknowledged among his fellow believers that "if one member suffers, all suffer together" (1 Cor 12:26). In this past week of great pain and shame, of bewilderment and disheartenment, has not our own experience as members of the Church in Melbourne been one of great suffering together?

The release of the news regarding the conviction of Cardinal George Pell for child sexual abuse has polarised our society on a broad level, from which none of us are immune. I want to acknowledge the devastating impact this may have had on each and every one of you, both in the release of the details and in how this news has been publicly received. Your heart is hurting; and your home of faith is hurting!

We will each experience any amount of confusing and conflicting feelings. At this time please reach out for support if you feel you need it, and be present to those around you who may need to talk, or even to have space, as they come to terms with what this means for them personally. Especially, can I encourage you to pour out your heart to the Lord, who holds each one of us tenderly in His love and care.

You have every right to hold your own personal understanding of what has unfolded. I ask that you be mindful of the judicial process still underway. Our opinions must remain respectful of this process, and our speech offered in charity. As in all things, and at all times, let our actions and words be offered in truth with love (Eph 4:15).

In all this we must never forget those who walk with this pain every day, whose lives remain devastated by the impact of sexual abuse inflicted on them in their vulnerability. To the survivors, to their families, and to their friends and colleagues, I again offer my deepest apology for wrongs that have been done by those who have abused their position of ministry and care.

**Most Rev Peter A Comensoli**  
Archbishop of Melbourne





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To all of you, I renew my commitment to work assiduously to bring justice and healing where needed. I also invite you to join with me in building up our local Christian communities in every way whereby our children, young people, and all who are vulnerable can safely and securely flourish in faith, hope and love. We can never do enough in this regard, for it is the true way of the Gospel. At the end of this letter you will find contact information for reporting and personal support, I strongly encourage you to use these if required.

You read this today having come to pray and join each other in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. You have gathered not merely in a building but as followers of Christ and friends in the Lord. The Eucharist is our greatest Sacrament of healing; may today bring you closer to the healing presence of our Lord and brother, Jesus. For “you are the body of Christ and individually members of it,” and you do not stand alone (1 Cor 12:27).

May our Blessed Mother Mary, Untier of Knots, accompany us towards the light and hope of her Risen Son.

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli  
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*The Victorian Police SANO Task Force investigates past abuse that has occurred in religious and non-government organisations. If you have personally experienced sexual abuse, or know of someone who has, SANO may be contacted on: 1800 110 007 or through [sanotaskforce@police.vic.gov.au](mailto:sanotaskforce@police.vic.gov.au) Alternatively, you may dial Victoria Police on 000.*

*If you have experienced abuse by a member of the clergy, an employee, volunteer or a layperson of the Melbourne Archdiocese please contact the Archdiocesan Professional Standards Unit on (03) 9926 5630 or via: [professional.standards@cam.org.au](mailto:professional.standards@cam.org.au)*

## 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019 Second Sunday of Lent

	6 P M	9 A M	10.30 A M	
<b>MASS OVERSEERS</b>	Marlene Axiak	Vilinda Rebutillo	Marissa Medilo	
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	Rachael Bonavia Anna Wright	Kathy Wale Mary Gatt Rosario De Jesus	Christine Perram Gabrielle Alamo Genevieve Alamo Delia Collins	
<b>DATA PROJECTOR</b>	Johann Noronha	Daniel D'Souza	Jomar Inot	
<b>CAMERA OPERATOR</b>	N/A	N/A	Genevieve Alamo	
<b>PROCLAIMERS</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup> Response	Cristina Salcedo Isabella Portelli	Elizabeth Osegueda Vilinda Rebutillo	Gerard Alamo Vincent Alamo	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Intercessions	Max Michel Geraldine Holt	Teresita Tena Minh Pham	Ramona Cazar Vivian Alamo	
<b>Emergencies</b>	Henry Dunn	N/A	Mark Gatt	
<b>COLLECTORS</b>	Jacob Spiteri Jimmy Attard Joseph Thompson Michael Dutkowsky Neil Gonsalves Ollie Farrugia Rocky Hughes Tony Zahra	Frank Gatt Aimeree Manabat Louis Manabat Oliver D'Souza Paul BOssini Tristan Wolfe Emmanuel Galea	Jonathan Medilo Richard Marshall Roberto Bracco Royston Du-Pratt Sam Farrugia Tilo Matagi	Tony Tuimauga Wesley Yuan Teresita Danga Daborah Agok
<b>SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</b>	Fr Gerard Keith Geraldine Holt Rocky Hughes Noel Oliver Doris Oliver Lina Sylvester Virginia Snudden Blossom Tallent Carol Tedesco Joyce Zahra	Fr Gerard Keith Maryanne Psaila Nadia Young Minh-Tam Pham Pauline Debrincat Jacqueline Wolfe Colleen Wolfe Vilinda Rebutillo Judy Leckie Mauri Sendapperuma	Fr Gerard Keith Yvonne Utoasega Suzanna Tienzo Veronica Santiago Mary Rulla Lynette Pirotta Cleo Oliveria Marques Navarro	Atalinia Ulugia-Sa'En Evelina Tuimauga Jonathan Medilo Richard Marshall Lilian Libang Patricia Meyn Josephine Medilo Maria Lapid
<b>Emergencies:</b>	Henry Dunn	Kathy Wale	Phu Le	
<b>SACRISTY DUTY</b>	Melanie Apap	Need Volunteer	Catherine Pedralvez	Teresita Villar
<b>COFFEE MAKERS</b>	Charlie Galea Anna Wright	Margaret Gray Bannerman Anthony Scerri	Mary Rulla Suzanna Tienzo Emilia Rivera	
<b>COFFEE CLEAN-UP</b>	Michelle Polidano Mirjana Dutkowsky Grace Eppingstall	Grace Mifsud Doris Frendo Paul Bossini	Jane Inot Need Volunteer	
<b>CHURCH CLEANERS No ROSTER</b>			<b>FLOWERS:</b> No Flowers  <b>ALTAR LINEN:</b> Spira Attard  <b>PARISH OFFICE CLEANING :</b> Nadia Mina	



Reading 1

**Gn 15:5-12, 17-18**

The Lord God took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness. He then said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." "O Lord GOD," he asked, "how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He answered him, "Bring me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old she-goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." Abram brought him all these, split them in two, and placed each half opposite the other; but the birds he did not cut up. Birds of prey swooped down on the carcasses, but Abram stayed with them. As the sun was about to set, a trance fell upon Abram, and a deep, terrifying darkness enveloped him. When the sun had set and it was dark, there appeared a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch, which passed between those pieces. It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates."

Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14.**

R. (1a) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Reading 2

**Phil 3:17—4:1**

Join with others in being imitators of me, brothers and sisters, and observe those who thus conduct themselves according to the model you have in us. For many, as I have often told you and now tell you even in tears, conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction. Their God is their stomach; their glory is in their "shame." Their minds are occupied with earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He

will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord.

Gospel

**Phil 3:20—4:1**

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***Stewardship Reflection***

*"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." (Genesis 15:7)*

*Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing equally in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?*