4 April, Easter Sunday, Year B

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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In our Prayers: Linda Grinter, Robyn Richards, Neville Caldow, Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel,
For our Deceased: Nell McAuley, Paul Apps, Veronica Jardine, Leo Griffin, Vonnie Lyons, Frank (Johno) O'Dwyer, Margaret Passlow *(anniversaries)*

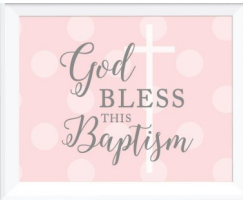
April 11—12 Ariah Park **6.00 p.m. Sat Mass**

Mass Barmedman 8.00 a.m. Temora 10.00 a.m. Sunday

Liturgy Ardlethan **9.00 a.m.** Barellan 10.00 a.m.

Reflection
Christ is Risen. Alleluia! The empty tomb, and the neatly folded burial cloths, were signs that led the disciples to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In the witness of the apostles, and the faithfulness, courage and love of our fellow Christians, we too have powerful signs that Christ is risen and lives among us. Observing them, our faith cries out: 'Alleluia!'

Baptism of Olivia Mary Griffin
We rejoice with the Griffin and Bell families as Olivia Mary is baptised into the Catholic Community this weekend. May the Light of Christ be their guide as they grow into the fullness of the life God desires for them.



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Easter Messages
Easter Hope in Uncertain Times ***Archbishop Christopher Prowse***
This time last year all the Churches of the Archdiocese were closed due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. Now, thanks be to God, the Churches are all open, albeit with Covid protocols activated.
The situation now in Greater Brisbane indicates that we continue to live in a state of uncertainty. Covid lockdowns can happen at a moment's notice. Thankfully our own part of Australia has been largely free from such uncertainties for many months. That is not the case overseas. Many of us are truly concerned for friends and relatives still in overseas lockdowns after many months. Yet in the midst of such isolation, uncertainty and employment insecurity, we celebrate the hope of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus at Easter. More so than ever, Easter joy offers us a deep hope and inner security to know that Jesus is with us in all our fragilities. God's closeness to us is once again celebrated in our parish Masses and gatherings at Easter. The Risen Lord is our peace and the anchor of our lives. Over Easter, with even greater fervour, we reach out in closeness to others in our families and community who feel vulnerable and alone in this continuing strange time. To the entire world we join in the joyful Easter chorus of the ages and praise God in hope by saying: HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!
Happy and Holy Easter to all!

Fr Sijo:
Dear Parishioners, After going through the observances of Lent and Holy Week, we rejoice at the Lord's rising from the dead. His resurrection is the foundation and cornerstone of our faith. Let us find strength and hope from the Risen Lord as we move forward. I pray that Jesus may live in all our hearts, that we may always embrace Him with love and gratitude. May His love and His peace fill our hearts, our lives, our homes and our families. Have a blessed and joyful Easter.

Easter Surrounds Us
As we take time to ponder the final week in the life of Jesus, culminating in the wonder-filled feast of Easter we continued to be touched not only by the love outpoured of Jesus but how people continue to imitate Jesus in his death and rising in their everyday lives. For me I have witnessed such love here in our local community: people rising to a new day with hope and a generous heart, even though the previous day had struggles and disappointments; assisting those in need, not looking for anything in return; ensuring that our church is cared for, our grounds are tidied, that rosters are maintained and accounts paid; the joy of a baby being welcomed into the church community as the family grieves the death of the great grandfather. Why do we live the Gospel in this way? We have been inspired by Jesus and those who witness his love and faithfulness. May our God continue to encourage us with Hope, reminding us that Life will always overcome any form of death or destruction. May Easter blessings surround you.
Sr Maureen McDermott rsj

Pope Francis
As we gaze into the night sky, can we be moved to wonder?
Can we still be moved by God's love?
Let us be amazed by Jesus so that we can start living again, for the grandeur of life lies not in possessions and promotions but in realising that we are loved and in experiencing the beauty of loving others.'
Pope Francis Palm Sunday 28 March 2021

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