5th April, Palm Sunday Year A

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In our Prayers: Eileen Gaynor, Noelene Williams, Ray Fairman,

Kashaya Kuemmel,

For our Deceased: Frank (*Johno*) O'Dwyer, Maurice Bobbin, (*Fr Troy's father*), Lawrence Stout, Lola Litchfield, Margaret Passlow (*anniversaries*

No Mass or Liturgies

Reflection

As they enter Jerusalem, Jesus' group and many other pilgrims are singing with joy at the end of their long walk. Now they are near the gates of the city. Jesus has planned to make this last part of the trip on a donkey, as a humble pilgrim who enters the city, wishing everyone peace. Just then, enlivened by the festive mood of the Passover—and the imminence of God's reign, which Jesus has talked about so much—they begin to cheer him on. Some of them cut whatever branches or foliage they find along the road; others lay out their tunics as he passes. They are expressing their faith in God's reign, and their gratitude to Jesus. It is not a solemn reception organised to welcome an illustrious, powerful celebrity. It is spontaneous act of homage by the disciples and followers who have come with him.

Taken from the book, Jesus, by Jose Pagola p 340

Project Compassion

Dominic, 47 is a former teacher and father of six from Papua New Guinea. In 2016, he became involved with the Caritas Australia's Safe House and Family Anonymous programs and turned a difficult life and an unhappy relationship around. The program provides gender-based violence prevention training, counselling services and safe accommodation for women and children survivors of violence. Now a community trainer, he works with other men to help them to change their behaviour and build more harmonious family lives. Dominic and his wife, Christophylda say that their relationship has been transformed – and their family life is now harmonious, happy and safe.



You can donate by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Mass Online

If you would like to avail yourself of Mass online you can do so by clicking on the link below. There are other resources as well on Catholic Voice. https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/

Planned Giving

As always, we, the parishioners are grateful for the generosity of one another in the financial support of the parish. During this time with no Mass or liturgies in the local church, accounts still need to be paid. Following are the bank account details for you if you would like to deposit directly into the relevant bank account:

Ardlethan Parish Account BSB 062-786 Acc No 000015130 Ariah Park Parish Account BSB 062-786 Acc No 000015114 Central Presbytery Fund BSB 062-786 Acc No 000029248

Holy Week Ceremonies

There will be **NO** Holy Week Ceremonies this year.



Prayer for Coronavirus Outbreak
God of love and care, keep us,
under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,

and lift up all who are suffering in any way at all, that we may rejoice in your comfort

knowing that nothing can separate us from your love, Amen.

Dear Friends,

As we move into Holy Week this year, a Holy Year that will be different to any previous Holy Weeks, may we be assured that as Jesus travelled to Jerusalem he too will journey with us during this time through the Calvary of the Coronavirus to the glory of Resurrection. Thank you for the many ways you are being the



Body of Christ to those in our community and beyond. Let us continue to entrust to the care of God all those affected in any way by the fallout from Covid 19. Let us pray particularly for the medical staff, parliamentarians and all those striving to protect one and all.

Sr Maureen McDermott rsj

There must be always remaining in every life, some place for the singing of angels, some place for that which in itself is breathlessly beautiful.

Howard Thurman