

## ***Easter Vigil –3<sup>rd</sup> April 2021***



### **PART 1: The Service of Light**

**(all gather at the front of the church)**

Blessing of the New Fire and Easter Candle.

***During Procession:***

**Priest:** The Light of Christ.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

*When the priest reaches the sanctuary and has placed the Easter candle in its stand and sings— The Easter*

**Proclamation (Exultet)**

**Responses:**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** And with your spirit.

**Priest:** Lift up your hearts.

**All:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**Priest:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All:** It is right and just.

### **PART 2: Liturgy of the Word**

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING: GENESIS (22:1-18)**

*Abraham's Sacrifice of Isaac*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PSALM 15:5,8-11)**

**Response:** Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

**PRAYER: (ALL STAND)**

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING: EXODUS (14:15-15:1)**

*Tell the children of Israel to march on, to walk through the sea on dry ground.*

**CANTICLE: EX 15:1-6, 17-18**

**Response:** Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

**PRAYER: (ALL STAND)**

**3<sup>RD</sup> READING: ISAIAH 55:1-11**

*Come to me and your soul will live. With you I will make an everlasting covenant.*

**CANTICLE: IS 12: 2-6**

**Response:** You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation

**PRAYER: (ALL STAND)**

**GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST (ALL SING)**

## **OPENING PRAYER OF THE MASS**

### **1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF THE MASS FROM ST. PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS (6:3-11)**

*Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS. 117**

**Response:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

**GOSPEL: MARK 16:1-7**

*He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee.*

## **HOMILY**

### **Part 3: Liturgy of Baptism**

**LITANY OF THE SAINTS (ALL STAND)**

**BLESSING OF BAPTISM WATER**

**THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES (LIGHT THE CANDLE)**

**(ALL REPLY: "I DO".)**

**BAPTISM OF RCIA CANDIDATES**

**SPRINKLING WITH BAPTISMAL WATER**

**CELEBRATION OF RECEPTION**

**CONFIRMATION**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

### **Part 4: Liturgy of the Eucharist**

**OFFERTORY**

**COMMUNION**

**SOLEMN BLESSING**

## **EASTER MESSAGE 2021**

**Archbishop Christopher Prowse**

### **Easter Hope in Uncertain Times**

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!**

**EASTER SUNDAY YR B 4/4/21**

**Entrance Antiphon:** I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

**Communion Antiphon:**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia

**Pope Francis' Prayer to St Joseph**

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father

and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

**Happy Easter:** No matter how different Easter might be these two years; the power of Jesus's resurrection remains constant. And through his resurrection, all things are made new—including your life, your hope, and your future! Because Easter is all about new life in Jesus Christ. He gives us the hope to move forward in our life. Let this Easter bring newness to our attitude, thinking and acting. May we all receive a deeper share in his gift of peace: "Peace be with you" the Risen Lord says to each of us. I pray that you receive the blessings of his peace, a peace the world cannot give. **A very happy and blessed Easter to each of you, and to your families.**

Frs Joshy & Alex

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: Tuesday, Wednesday.**

Entering the Church for Mass:

**Government requirements - check in**

**OPTIONS ARE:**

- ❖ You are required to scan QR NSW Services check in code before entry to the church.
- ❖ You can add others under 'dependents' as you check in if needed.
- ❖ If you don't have a mobile phone **please book through the Parish office**, between 9-12.30. You can book for the month.  
If you do not attend that Mass please ring and leave a message, so your name can be removed from that Mass record sheet.

**This is most important that we all do the 'honest' thing as we come to worship. This is the only way to help the Govt. for Contact tracing to protect the community from the spread of this virus.**

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**WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday - 6pm (Cathedral), 6pm (Taralga) (5pm- May)  
Sunday - 7am (OLOF), 10 am (Cathedral),  
9am (Crookwell)

**Binda** – 10.30am (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday) **Marulan** – 8am (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)

**Tarago** –8am (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday) **Tuena**- (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 9.30am -10am OLOF/ 5.30pm SPP

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday – 5pm, Wed & Thurs – 8am (OLOF),

Friday -12pm (Cathedral), Sat – 9am (OLOF)

**Parish web page** [cg.org.au/Goulburn/home.aspx](http://cg.org.au/Goulburn/home.aspx)

**Facebook:** Mary Queen of Apostles Goulburn- local updates

**Sacramental email:** [mqa.sacramental@gmail.com](mailto:mqa.sacramental@gmail.com)

**Masses: Govt.- Covid restrictions.**

**Seating: 1 person per 2sq metres rule!**

pews cleaned down after Mass- all help is greatly appreciated!

**Mass Offerings:** Please send to office, or central collection boxes. Masses are allocated on the Monday of each week

**Reminders for all Parishes:**

**CENSUS FORMS- all Parishes**

**Crookwell & Goulburn:** have you returned your Census form? Forms can be left in collection boxes in the church.

**Taralga:** your Census forms are available this weekend. THE CENSUS information updates addresses, phone numbers as many have moved, changed to mobiles etc. ALSO, to help us plan what Ministries your Parish need for the future planning.

**Gardening:** If you enjoy, and would like to help out in any of the parish gardens, (Goulburn, Crookwell, Taralga) to help maintain please ph the office.

**THANK YOU:** to all those who volunteered in helping to prepare for Easter. Special thanks to our parish secretary Sharon and the Parish Team members. I am so grateful; you are all such a blessing. Even though your names are not mentioned, you know how much I appreciate your support. May the love, light and joy of the Risen Lord fill your hearts and homes always. **A Blessed Easter!** Fr Joshy

**Recently Deceased:** Susan Hannan, Rex Brearley, Lena Pearson, Doreen Blake, Bryan Kennedy, Elsie McLaughlin, Michael Cramsie, John Price, Jeremy Clancy, Thomas Woodland, Jack Bailey,

**Anniversaries:** Audrey Byrne, Pauline Bowen, Colleen Sieler,

**Prayer List:** Shirley Roberts, Fayrouz Scorgie, Norma Smith, Dorothy Huntley, Fr Laurie Blake, Rodney Howarth, Marianne Barling, Carlota Cunha, Diane Booth, Cheryl Croker, Steve Woodland, David Bradley, Jacinta Ojwang, Paul Flannery, Monica Croke,