Sunday Readings

YEAR B

First Reading — Is 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part. I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

Second Reading — Phil 2:6-11 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

Gospel — Mk 14:1 - 15:47

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the elders and the scribes, in short the whole Sanhedrin, had their plan ready. They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' 'It is you who say it' he answered. And the chief priests brought many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again, 'Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you!' But to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made no further reply. At festival time Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate the customary favour. Pilate answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the king of the Jews?' For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. The Pilate spoke again, 'But in that case,' he said to them 'what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?' They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' 'Why?' Pilate asked them 'What harm has he done?' But they shouted all the louder, 'Crucify him!' So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be scourged, handed him over to be crucified. The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him, 'Hail, king of the Jews!' They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes. They led him out to crucify him. They enlisted a passer-by, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull. They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour when they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews.' And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left. The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said, 'Aha! So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save vourself; come down from the cross!' The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. 'He saved others,' they said 'he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.' Even those who were crucified with him taunted him. When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this they said, 'Listen, he is calling on Elijah'. Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink saying, 'Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.' But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. (All kneel and pause a moment). And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said, 'In truth this man was a son of God.'



A house of welcome to all and a place of service to all

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year B

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March 29, 2015

Salvation through Jesus

In today's Gospel of Mark we read an account of the Last Supper. Jesus takes bread, blesses it, breaks it and gives it to his disciples, saying: "Take it, this is my body." Then he takes the cup of wine and says: "This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many." (Mark 14:24) Jesus is clearly thinking of shedding his blood; he foresees his death and accepts that death. The paschal celebration was both a meal shared with his disciples and also an anticipation of his sacrificial death. Why was Jesus willing to die for others?

We can find the answer in another text from Mark's gospel. Jesus says: "The Son of Man came not to serve, but to be served and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10: 45) To ransom someone means to set someone free at cost to oneself; Jesus' freeing us cost him his life. Those for whom Jesus was willing to die are captives; the poor who are captives of economic systems; the outcasts who are the captives of social exclusion; the powerless who are captives of oppressive regimes; and sinners who are the captives of their own bad decisions and habits. Those who wield power are the high priest with his religious power; the scribes with their legal power; the Roman governor with his political power.

Weekly Mass Timings:

7.00 am 8.00 am Monday: 5.30 pm Wednesday: Tuesday: Thursday: 7.00 am Friday: 5.30 pm 8.30 am Saturday:

Saturday: Vigil 6.30 pm (Novena 6.00 pm)

8.00 am, 9.30 am, 11.00 am & 6.00 pm Sunday:

Reconciliation: Saturday: 11.00am - 12.00 noon and 5.00pm - 6.00pm







Fr. Jeponino Assistant Priest



Fr. Cyprian Shikokoti Priest in Residence



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Jesus seeks to set people free. In response those who have power will use that power to remove him and kill him. Those who have religious power accuse him of blasphemy; those who have legal power will have him condemned in a rigged trial; those who have political power will have him executed. Those who suffer from their own sinful decisions will refuse to accept the gift of forgiveness that he offers.

However, the saving effects of Jesus' death were soon manifested. The Roman Centurion, the one directly responsible for the death of Jesus, was profoundly changed. When he saw how Jesus died, he said: "Truly this man was God's son." (Mark 15: 39). If we understand Jesus' death with faith like this, we can grasp how his death brings us new life.

The Father sent his Son to give himself for the poor and the outcasts and for all sinners. He could foresee that if his Son came into our world as it is, those who held power would resist him and would kill him. But out of love for the oppressed and sinners, that Father did not hold back and sent his son into the world.

Brian Johnstone CSsR @ Redemptorists 2015

Baptisms:

We welcome Chloe Anne Miller, Neve Rosalie Hayton, Sisa Nabola Turukawa, and Bernice Philomena Titoko into our Parish Community.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Deaths:

Please pray for Lee Kuan Yew who passed away recently.

Anniversaries:

Please pray for Giuseppe Portelli, Dorothy Mali, Katie O'Donnell and Sarah Montague whose anniversaries occur around this time.

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Section A Claude Janello

Section B Glenn Trimm

More For Youth

Stronger Teens

Our next Stronger Teens Youth Group will be a laser tag night out at Lazer Blazein Southlands Shopping Centre on the 24th of April. The cost is \$18 which includes 2 games for the evening, and we'll be meeting up at 7pm at the venue. There will be prizes to win on the night, so bring you're A-Game!



Calling all altar servers and special ministers!

As the time has come we are asking all youth special ministers to please help out on Good Fri-day. If you are able to help out please send us an email or contact Josh and Aura so that they can organise everything for the day. Also for the altar servers we are looking to have some of the stronger teens serve at Stations of the Cross at 10.30am on Good Friday. Please once again contact us for any further information.

WORLD YOUTH DAY!



Do you want your faith to be shared with others? Do you want to travel to Poland? Do you want to have the experience of a life time? Well... World Youth Day is your answer! We will be hosting an information evening THIS Monday 30th of March at 7pm in the parish hall where you will be able to know the final price of trip and the journey that you will be embarking on. Even if you are still unsure we would love to see you there. At this time we will also be looking at some ways to fundraise and other important things that you should know. See you then!

YOUTH FUNDRAISING QUIZ NIGHT

We will be having a Parish Quiz Night to fundraise for World Youth Day on Friday 17th of April. We would like to invite everyone from our Parish community to take part. Each table consists of a team of 6, with the price of \$60 per table (\$10/pp). The evening will begin at 7pm. Lots of prizes are up for grabs, can't wait to see you there! We will drinks for sale too. But it is B.Y.O food and alcohol.

If you would like to book a table, please email us at youth@batemancatholic.org and we will be in touch. We are asking if you could please donate things which can go towards being the prizes won during the night. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Thank you all in advance and don't forget to save the date!

Community Events

Each Wednesday during Lent - the CYM Chaplain Fr Brennan will lead young adults through the series 'Catholicism - The New Evangelisation' (by Fr Robert Barron). Join them for Mass at 5:30pm at the CYM office in Highgate followed by Holy Hour at 6:30pm. Then supper is available for \$5. At 7:30(ish) they will commence the program viewing & discussion groups.

Parish News

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES 2015

March 30	MONDAY	7.00am	Mass in the Church			
March 31	TUESDAY	5.30pm 7.00pm	Mass in the Church Mass of Chrism – in St. Mary's Cathedral (All Welcome)			
April 01	WEDNESDAY	8.00am	Mass in the Church			
April 02	HOLY THURSDAY	7.30pm	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER			
April 03	GOOD FRIDAY	10.30am 3.00pm	Stations of the Cross THE LORD'S PASSION (in the Church)			
April 04	HOLY SATURDAY	7.00pm	EASTER VIGIL MASS			
April 05	EASTER SUNDAY	8am, 9.30am	, 11am & 6pm			

HOLY WEEK RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION TIMES

GOOD FRIDAY After the Stations of the Cross

Approximately from 11.00am
After the 3.00pm Service

HOLY SATURDAY 11.00am – 12.00 noon

LITURGICAL COLOURS

Holy Thursday White Good Friday Red

Easter Vigil/Easter White/Gold/Yellow

Chaplets of the Divine Mercy

Please note that the normal monthly devotion will not be held on 8th April 2015 due to its proximity to Divine Mercy Sunday. The chaplets will be held at 3.00pm on Divine Mercy Sunday instead followed by Mass on Sunday 12th April. This devotion normally on the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 7.30pm. The May devotion will be held on Wednesday 13th May 2015. It will be accompanied by Exposition and followed by Benediction. All are welcome. If you have not been before, why don't you come along and be uplifted? Enquiries to George Lopez on 9310 9493 (H) or 6242 0702 (W)

Invitation From Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB to the Annual Chrism Mass

I invite you to attend the Chrism Mass which I will concelebrate with the Priests of the Archdiocese of Perth at St Mary's Cathedral on Tuesday 31 March at 7.00pm. During this Mass the Holy Oils will be blessed and the Oil of Chrism consecrated. The Priests will also renew their Ordination Commitment. The Laity are invited t renew their commitment to holiness of life and to service of the Church and society.

A Reflection Week-end for Women

Friday 17th—19th April; Commencing 5pm 17th—1pm on 19th.

Theme: "How have our images of God grown as a result of the bridges we have encountered in life?"

This reflection weekend is designed to experience quiet space away from your busy schedule in order to recognise the gift of faith that sustains you.

Venue: St John of God Retreat Centre: 47 Gloucester Cres, Shoalwater. **Enq**: Sr. Ann Cullinane sig on 0418130200 or email annsig@gmail.com

Kenyan Mission & Cultural Experience

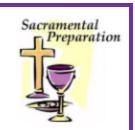
A small group of friends from Perth are preparing to visit Fr Cyprian's and Fr Ken's Villages in Western Kenya during the month of January next year for a 2-3 weeks Mission & Cultural Experience. Opportunities for Cultural exchange, teaching and medical experiences are most available even for only 2-3 weeks. We also have the opportunity to experience 2-3 days of Kenya Safari in Amboseli National Park and or Tsavo National Park. If you are interested in something like this, please contact Fr. Cyprian on 0450464678 or Fr. Ken on 08 92741495 or Mobile 0434934286.

SACRAMENTAL DATES for 2015

Reconciliation: 15/16 September 2015 **First Holy Communion:** 20/21 June 2015

Confirmation: 8/9 August 2015

Please note that Confirmation is a 2 year program.



DIOCESAN NOTICES

IONA PRESENTATION COLLEGE ANNUAL PRODUCTION

Iona Presentation College is bringing their annual production of "The Wiz" to the Regal Theatre from 28—30 March 2015. The students have been working extremely hard on this production and would like to invite you to experience this production first hand. Group bookings can be made for their Matinee Show on Monday 30 March 2015. Further gueries can be made at the school office on 9285 5269.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

Your wedding was just one day in your life, but your marriage is forever. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can put the newness back into your relationship. Give yourself and your spouse time away from pressures of work and everyday responsibilities.

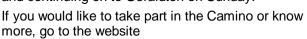
You'll love the difference a Marriage Encounter Weekend can make. Contact Joe & Margaret on 0424220625 for info/booking or email

WAbooking@wwme.org.au Website—www.wwme.org.au

Weekends 17-19 April 2015, 31 July—2August 2015, Swanleigh, Middle Swan.

CAMINO SAN FRANCISCO

The CAMINO SAN FRANCISCO is a two day guided walk or pilgrimage from Northampton to Geraldton on the weekend of May 1-3. Participants will gather in Northampton on Friday evening, enjoy a meal, the movie "THE WAY" and receive their Camino Passports before setting off to Nanson on Saturday and continuing on to Geraldton on Sunday.





www.monsignorhawes.com.au/camino/

Or phone Fr. Robert cross at the Bishop's House 9921 3221 (office hours only)

SMILE!

The little girl aged four knew the religious significance of Christmas, but hadn't yet had explained the meaning of Easter. On Good Friday morning she turned on the television to find her favourite preschool program replaced by the story of the crucifixion. As soon as it finished, she raced up to her mother and gasped, "Have you heard what's happened to Jesus?"