

St Joseph's Catholic Parish

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection
of the Lord – Year B, 4 April, 2021

Embracing the communities of
Cherbourg, Durong, Goomeri,
Murgon, Proston and Wondai



Unity in diversity ... being one in Christ through Baptism!



For Three Days

For three days we have sat with the reality that the God who created us and came to us as Jesus, died for the love of us. That is a huge truth that we still need to process. When we go through Holy Week and Easter and count the eggs we receive, we need to just pause. Pause to remember what we are saying in reality – God became human, was crucified and rose from the dead.

Easter is a time; therefore, of joy. Joy that the fulfilment of God's promise means eternal life to those who accept Jesus into their hearts and lives. We are the people of the Resurrection. People that humbly know that we have sinned and that through the love of God we are saved.

Each of us needs to move into the love of God. Not just by believing, but by living our lives as Christians. There was a fluffy hymn when I was a child – "They'll know we are Christians by our Love." The song and theology are iffy, but the title is true. It is through the love in our lives that we radiate our faith and the message of Jesus.

As we celebrate Easter, let us radiate the love of Christ in the joy of the Resurrection. **He is Risen!!**

Parish Safeguarding Commitment

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The parish's commitment to safeguarding is captured in the 3Ps;

Safe People. Parish personnel, especially those who work with children and vulnerable adults, will be properly selected, recruited, screened, trained and they accept their safeguarding obligations.

Safe Practices. All parish activities, ministries and services, especially those involving children and vulnerable adults, will be assessed for risks of abuse and appropriate safeguards will be applied.

Safe Places. All locations in which parish activities, ministries and services are undertaken, especially those involving children and vulnerable adults, will be assessed for risks of abuse and appropriate safeguards will be applied.

Safeguarding Principles

The following principles guide how safeguarding is undertaken in the parish:

- Safeguarding is a shared responsibility for all personnel – the protection of children and vulnerable adults is everyone's responsibility.
- The parish will prioritise the wellbeing and best interests of children and vulnerable adults who come into contact with its activities, ministries and services.
- The parish has a zero tolerance approach to abuse and will respond promptly and effectively to all abuse concerns, allegations and incidents.
- The parish will comply with the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards and relevant statutory obligations related to the protection of children and vulnerable adults.

Sunday Missals



An order has been placed for the Sunday missals. There is a problem with stock, but the order is in and I will let you know when the order reaches us. Until I received the invoice I will not know the exact price, but they have given us a discount and it may be cheaper than I anticipated.

Masses for Easter

There will be no weekday Masses this week in the parish. The next Mass will be the Friday Castra Mass at 9.00am (which is a Sunday Mass).

During this week the parish office will be closed.

Saturday, 10 April

Proston, 9.00am

Wondai, 5.00pm

Sunday, 11 April

Murgon, 8.00am

Durong, 10.30am

Today's readings

Acts 10:34,37-43; Colossians 3:1-4;
John 20:1-9

Response:

This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become
our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy
in the Lord. Alleluia!

Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6
John 20:19-31

PROJECT COMPASSION
BE MORE



For over half a century, generations of Australians have participated in Project Compassion, making it one of the nation's longest running charity campaigns.

Throughout five decades of natural disasters, conflicts and crises, Caritas Australia has worked alongside vulnerable communities with the generous support of Australians. Project Compassion has also helped with access to education, health services, agricultural training and through programs that reduce maternal and infant mortality.

This year, we have presented five stories from people striving to 'Be More' – just a few amongst the millions who have been helped through Project Compassion.

As we celebrate this Australian icon, we would like to thank generations of supporters nationwide for their generosity, which allows us to move forward with lifesaving strategies to tackle new challenges.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world lift themselves and their communities out of poverty.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



Saint Henry Walpole – 7th April

By the gallows where Saint Edmund Campion was put to death stood a young student of law, Henry Walpole who, inspired by the example of Campion, resolved to become a Catholic. Born in 1558 at Docking, near Sandringham in Norfolk, the eldest son of a Norfolk squire, he spent seven years (1567-1574) at the Norwich Grammar School, and three at Peterhouse, Cambridge. He left the University without taking a degree (most likely because he was unwilling to take the oath of supremacy imposed on every graduate), and entered Gray's Inn to study law in 1578.

Soon after Campion's martyrdom in 1581, which called him from his lukewarm Catholicism, he wrote a small book of poetry on the martyr which was secretly printed and circulated in London. The authorities were enraged and Walpole fled London for his home in Norfolk, and from there he escaped to France.

After staying in Brussels for a year, he became military chaplain to the English and Irish Catholics of Sir William Stanley's regiment in the Spanish forces. He was captured and taken to the English fort at Flushing where he was tortured and ransomed by his brother Michael and his Jesuit superiors. He then went to Tournai for his third year of probation, after which he was then sent to help with the founding of the new English seminaries at Seville and Valladolid. In 1593 he travelled to Philip II of Spain to obtain permission to found Saint Omers (now Stonyhurst) College.

He then travelled to England, landing with his youngest brother Thomas near Bridlington on the night of the 6th and 7th December 1593. They reached ten miles inland towards Kelham before they were arrested by the authorities who took them to York Castle. The infamous priest hunter Richard Topcliffe asked for permission to transfer him to London,



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Collection for 28/3/2021

Loose.....	\$532.00
Planned Giving.....	\$318.55
Total.....	\$850.55

We pray for those who are sick:

Noa van Elswijk; Michael Druce.

which was duly granted, and he was transferred to the Tower of London in February 1594.



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