



**Please pray for:** Frank & Alice May Purcell (deceased)

**Mass Times: Sunday 5th April 2020 – 6th Sunday of Lent**

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (A)**

Sunday, 05 Apr	<b>No Mass</b>	Solemn Mass
Sunday, 05 Apr	<b>No Mass</b>	Young Adults Mass
Monday, 06 Apr	<b>No Mass</b>	Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday, 07 Apr	<b>No Mass</b>	Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday, 08 Apr	<b>No Mass</b>	Wednesday of Holy Week
Thursday, 09 Apr	<b>No Mass</b>	Holy Thursday
Friday, 10 Apr	<b>No Mass</b>	Good Friday
Saturday, 11 Apr	<b>No Mass</b>	Holy Saturday



**Regular Confession Times:**

Monday to Friday: 11.45 am – 12.30 pm (before 12.35 pm Mass)  
Sunday: 5.30 pm (before 6.00 pm Mass)

**The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office**



If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. **Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on ph 02 9390 5812.**



A VOCATION VIEW: 'There is no true peace without fairness, truth, justice and solidarity.'

*Pope John Paul II*

*Dear everyone, we will be thinking of each of you in the solemnness of Holy Week - and as Easter approaches, with a wish and a prayer for renewal - and for the best of outcomes for what lies ahead of us; individually (and for those dear to us); as a parish community; and for our nation and the world. May God bless you all.*

**Farewell Daylight Saving – its been nice having you around!** Just a reminder that Daylight Saving ends at 2am on Palm Sunday morn when our clocks are magically wound back to 1am ☺ for an hour's extra sleep – and an hour less daylight at the end of each day – until Spring! Oh well, Autumn is here. ☺



**Sunday Mass** – is televised by **Channel Ten**, every Sunday at **6am** – this service is called '*Mass for you at Home*' – it is not known which church in Australia the Mass will be televised from and may vary each week.

**Good Friday & Easter Sunday Services - televised from St Mary's Cathedral – on Channel Seven**

- Good Friday – 3pm – The Lord's Passion
- Easter Sunday – 10.30am – Mass of the Resurrection
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**\*\*\*How you can financially support the Parish at this time\*\*\***

Dear everyone, we understand that COVID-19 is having a large financial impact on so many people, in addition to the health and life impact. This is naturally a very challenging time for our parish, too. As it is currently not possible to take up **First and Second collections**, **we would like to provide the following options for anyone who would like to donate**, in lieu of being at Mass and being able to contribute to the First and Second collections:

**Parish Bank Account – for anyone who would like to donate via an electronic funds transfer:**

- BSB: 062-784
- Account Number: 27025000
- Account Name: St Benedict's Catholic Parish (the Parish account is held at Commonwealth Bank)

**Parish Website link – for anyone who would like to make an online donation using a Visa card or Mastercard:**

<https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/broadwayparish>

Once you have gone into the above link, please select the correct option from the drop box, as follows:

- **To donate to the Parish** – select *General Donation* – (for the Second collection)
- **To donate to the Dominican community** – select *Pastoral Revenue* – (for the First collection)

**Below is a bar code which can be scanned to take you into the donation page on our website** – it leads to exactly the same place as the above link:



## Parish Drought and Bushfire Appeal disbursements

Hi all, just wanted to keep you posted on our drought and bushfire donations:

- \$360 has been donated to Rural Aid, for the purchase of 3 large and 3 small bales of hay
- \$360 has been donated to the Koala Hospital at Port Macquarie. In happier and healthier times, it's a great place to visit to witness the wonderful work the Hospital does and to spend time with these dear creatures and other animals who are also looked after at the Hospital
- \$360 will be donated to a Lake Conjola family who have lost their home – we are currently in touch with Retired Australian Army Major General Peter Dunn (coordinator of the Lake Conjola Bushfire Recovery) to organise this donation and we'll bring you further news on this in the time to come

Thanks, everyone!

## *Project Compassion 2020 – This year's Project Compassion theme is—Let's All Go Further Together!*

**Sakun's Story – India** – Thirty-two year old Sakun lives in a village in central east India. She developed Polio as a child and has difficulty walking. Until now Sakun, an indigenous Gond woman, has been isolated in her community, unable to earn a livelihood and without knowledge of government schemes that could help her. Sakun lives with her sister in a rural area of Chhattisgarh, India's poorest state. In 2018, Sakun joined a Caritas Australia funded program which is implemented by Caritas India and its local partner, Samarthan. Through their strategic guidance and support, Sakun has learned new skills and has gained important mobility. Sakun now earns her own income and makes a small profit which goes towards her family's basic needs. She is more resilient, more confident and more independent. With your help, Caritas Australia can help uplift vulnerable communities and support the right of indigenous peoples around the world.

**Tawonga's Story – Malawi** – Tawonga is a ten year old girl, living with a disability. She lives in a village in northern Malawi in a region plagued by food insecurity and poverty. For most of her life, her parents have struggled to put meals on the table. Tawonga often had to miss school because she was too sick from hunger. Tawonga's parents heard about the A+ program run by Caritas Australia's partner, Catholic Development Commission of Malawi. Her family learnt irrigation farming and was given fertiliser and high-yield seeds. With these new techniques, their production of crops almost tripled and they now grow enough food to provide three meals a day, ending the struggle of malnutrition and helping Tawonga thrive at school. Tawonga, whose name means 'thank you', says her community is blessed. With your help, this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children and strengthen the communities around them.

**Dominic's Story – Papua New Guinea** – Dominic, forty-seven, is a father of six from Papua New Guinea. In 2016, Caritas Australia and its PNG partner, Centre of Hope, invited Dominic to join its Safe House program. It provides gender-based violence prevention training, counselling services and safe accommodation for women and children survivors of violence. It also provides support for income-generating projects and life skills for young people. Dominic turned a difficult life and an unhappy relationship around. Now a community trainer, he works with other men to help them to change their behaviour and build more harmonious family lives.

**Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Parish Safeguarding Volunteer Online Induction Training. Working With Children Check & Code of Conduct** – St Benedict's Parish, Chippendale (Broadway) requires all of our volunteers to complete the Parish Safeguarding Volunteer online training, obtain a Working With Children Check and sign a Code of Conduct. It is MANDATORY that volunteers in all parishes comply with the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office training. Please contact Amanda or Brooke at St James' Parish, Forest Lodge on 9660 1407 or email [info@stjames-stbede.org.au](mailto:info@stjames-stbede.org.au) to obtain the link to the online training and required forms which will be sent to you via email. Thank you.

**Safeguarding training thank you** – A special thanks to everyone who attended Safeguarding training at St James' Hall in Forest Lodge on Saturday 14th March and to everyone who has completed their online training and has become compliant (WWCC and Code of Conduct also required for this) or is on their way to doing so. Please remember to let Brooke & Amanda know that you have completed your online training (on the above St James' Parish contacts) when you provide them with your WWCC and Code of Conduct – so that we have the whole picture. Many thanks.

