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**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - YR C**

**19TH & 20TH MARCH  
2022**

### REFLECTION *by Dianne Bergant CSA*

One major theme emerges from today's readings: incomprehensibility of God. We see it in the mysterious divine name, which distinguishes the God of Israel



from all others and yet leaves us in the dark as to its meaning. We see it as God communicates with us through inanimate objects and the people in our lives. Finally, we see that God both pardons iniquities and decides to root out unfruitful branches, and we are confused by such inconsistency.

In the midst of this ambiguity we have one sure source of stability – Christ. It is Christ who reveals the nature and meaning of the divine name; it is Christ who intercedes for us before God. Christ, the one who set his face toward Jerusalem, there to suffer and die, is the great messenger through whom God is revealed. He is the one who reveals majesty through the simplicity of a bush; he is the one who judges with the patience of a gardener. However, the limits of the experience and mercy of God in our lives are defined by our own openness. Despite the blessings that we receive in the wildernesses of our

lives, it could happen that God is not pleased with us. We must not take God's goodness for granted.

These readings close on a note of caution. Take care! We might be able to rest secure in the knowledge of the love and mercy of God, but these readings tell us that we should not dare to rest passively or complacently.

#### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL 6PM

SUNDAY 7.30AM & 9.30AM

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Wednesday at 6pm

Thursday & Friday at 9.10am

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(Principal - Mr Michael Pate)



**Third Sunday of Lent:  
19th & 20th March**



**Janice 44**, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, who tells stories through movements handed down over generations. With your support, Janice and the Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation support the community to generate income and employment, while keeping culture alive.

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You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.

# Parish News

**PLEASE NOTE THAT MASS WILL NOT TAKE PLACE  
ON TUESDAY 29TH MARCH.**

**COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION FOR EASTER  
WILL TAKE PLACE HERE AT CORPUS CHRISTI ON  
TUESDAY 29TH MARCH AT 7PM.**

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## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

**Thursday 14th April - 7.00pm**

**Mass of the Lord's Supper**

A beautiful celebration of the origins of our Eucharist.

**Friday 15th April - 10.00am**

**The Stations of the Cross**  
(in school grounds)

**Friday 15th April - 3.00pm**

**Celebration of the Passion of the Lord**

This moving ceremony honours the  
great sacrifice of Christ.

**Saturday 16th April - 7.00pm**

**(Note not 6.00pm)**

**The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**

This is the highlight of the Church year when we celebrate  
the greatest hope ever given to humanity.

**Sunday 17th April - 7.30am & 9.30am**

**Sunday of the Resurrection (Easter Sunday)**

A continuation of the celebration of resurrection when the  
new Easter light and Easter water of Baptism are used to  
help give a blessing of renewal.



## Ministry Roster for Easter...

If you are able to assist in volunteering in the ministries  
for the Easter Liturgies, please put your name on the list  
in the foyer. Thank you!

## Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer:

### Recently Deceased:

Vincent Bartolo (17/02/2022), Fr Spiro Galea  
(09/02/22)

### For those who are sick:

Rosa Pronesti, David Wakeling, Don Reid, Peter  
Sinnott, Eleanor Albertyn, Kevin and Mary O'Connor



## Parish Working Bee to Prepare the Grounds for Easter



**SATURDAY 9TH APRIL FROM 9AM TO 12 NOON**

Please bring your gardening tools, blowers,  
whipper snippers and any other items that can be  
used to weed the gardens and trim the plants.

Thank you for your support.

## Thank you from Peter Sinnott

I would like to thank the parish community of Corpus  
Christi for their prayers and wishes over the past months  
while I have been recovering.

I am so blessed to belong to the parish and have so many  
people praying and caring for me.

God Bless you all.  
Peter Sinnott



## The Net

If you know of anyone who is not receiving The Net via  
email and they would like to, please ask them to email the  
Parish Office..

## Advertising in The Net...

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1000 people per week for forty- eight weeks of the year. To  
ensure good exposure, we still only accept no more than  
twelve businesses for advertising.

For more details, contact Marie at the Parish Office during  
office hours.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE  
TELEPHONE IS STILL  
NOT WORKING PROPERLY.**

*We have an interim phone to which the office number  
has been diverted. However, there is no answering  
service on this phone so you cannot leave a message.*

***You are welcome to email at  
parishteam@corpuschristi.org.au***



**ALTHOUGH RESTRICTIONS HAVE NOW BEEN EASED,  
COVID-19 IS STILL IN THE COMMUNITY.**

**YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE CARE WITH SOCIAL  
DISTANCING BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER  
LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS.**

**EVEN THOUGH FACE MASKS ARE NO LONGER  
MANDATORY PLEASE FEEL WELCOME TO  
CONTINUE WEARING ONE.**

# Parish News

## Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal



This Lent, the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal will be raising funds for Catholic Care's Community Drop-In Centres across our Diocese of Parramatta.

With the help and support of our parish and faith communities, Catholic Care are working hard to reach people in need, and to reduce social isolation and loneliness throughout Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains, and we are truly grateful for your compassion and kind-hearted support.

**THE BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL WILL TAKE PLACE ON 26TH AND 27TH MARCH.**

## Planned Giving Envelopes

**IF YOU CONTRIBUTE TO THE PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM VIA THE ENVELOPE SYSTEM, NEW ENVELOPES FOR APRIL – OCTOBER 2022 ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM THE FOYER.**

**If you are:**

\* contributing to the Planned Giving Programme via the envelope system and would like to change to credit card or direct debit;

**or**

\* if you would like to join the Planned Giving Programme; please contact Marie at the Parish Office.

**Your gift to Planned Giving does help cover the running of your parish and also contributes towards outreach in our parish community and beyond.**

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March

*For a Christian response to bioethical challenges*



We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

## New Ministry Roster for 2022

**IF ANYONE WHO HAS TAKEN A BREAK FROM THE MINISTRY ROSTER WOULD LIKE TO RESUME VOLUNTEERING PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.**

## Call for Church Cleaners

A couple of people have come off the cleaning roster due to personal reasons. We thank them for their commitment and care over the past years. We are in need now for some volunteers to join the roster. It requires an hour of your time every 4 weeks on a Friday afternoon or Saturday morning. If you are able to join a cleaning team or would like more information, please contact the parish office.

## Catechist News... Are you able to help???

**The Catechist Team is currently in need of volunteers to teach in our government schools in 2022.**

If you can spare about an hour each week during school terms and would like to find out more about being a teacher or helper please contact the Parish Office. Whether you are young, middle-aged or retired, a shift worker or at university **we need you!!**

# Diocesan News

## Nepean Hospital

### Pastoral Care Volunteers Wanted

Pastoral Care Volunteers visit patients within many wards offering spiritual and emotional support. They do this on a weekly or fortnightly basis.

Much of the training will be 'on the job' but before this happens there will be four class room training days on

**MONDAYS 9TH, 16TH, 23RD & 30TH MAY**

All classes will take place from

**9.30am – 2.30pm**

and will take place at:

**Penrith Baptist Church**

**Morello Terrace, Caddens.**

If you are interested please email [Michael.turner3@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Michael.turner3@health.nsw.gov.au)

Closing Date: 31st March, 2022.

## Vinnies Support Centres

St Vincent de Paul Support Centres across Greater Sydney are still available and taking calls to arrange for food vouchers or other items to be provided to those in need. If you need assistance, call the Support Centre in Penrith on (02) 8861 9770. To find out more about what support is available, visit <http://vinnies.org.au/covidsupportnsw>

## Youth Ministry Leadership Pathway

A new pathway for leadership in youth ministry is here! Duc In Altum is an initiative of Catholic Youth Parramatta designed to provide practical youth ministry training, build community between youth leaders across the Diocese, and offer intentional time for prayer and reflection. For more information and details to sign up visit [parracatholic.org/ducinaltum/](http://parracatholic.org/ducinaltum/) or email [qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org](mailto:qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org)

## Catholic Schools Across the Diocese are Enrolling Now!

Our 80 Catholic schools are enrolling now for 2023. Come along to an open day to learn more and see what a Catholic education can offer your child. Find your local Catholic school and it's open day at <https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/whats-on/coming-up/catholic-school-open-days>






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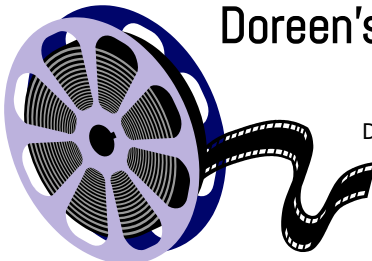
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