

We encourage parents to enrol children well before their fifth birthday. You are welcome to visit the classroom before your child starts so you can meet the teacher and observe classroom routines.

## **Parish Office**

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## **Office Hours**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9.00 am - 3.00 pm

# **Parish Staff**

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#### Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6.00 pm Sunday: 8.30 am, 10.00 am

## **Daily Mass Times**

Monday Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion 9.00 am Tuesday—Thursday & Saturday 9.00 am Fridav 10.00 am **Exposition/Benediction** Thursdays 9.30 am



Saturday 9.30 am after morning Mass or by appointment Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered to anyone in danger of death. Please call the parish office. If you are sick

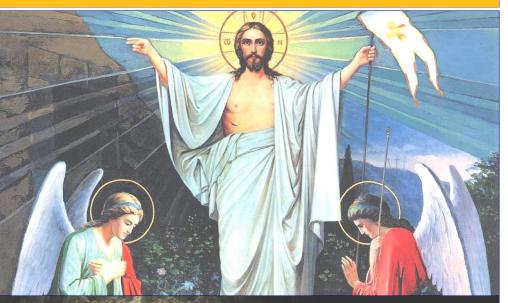
or undergoing surgery you are welcome to seek the Sacrament of Anointing any time after Mass or by appointment.

#### **Planned Giving Scheme**

If you would like to join the Parish Planned Giving Scheme please fill in the Parish Registration Form available from the table in the fover. For every dollar you donate, you get 33.33 cents back a tax credit.

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Death could not hold him. Rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. **MATTHEW 28** 

What significance to the post-Resurrection appearances of Christ have? The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains:

Mary Magdalene and the holy women who came to finish anointing the body of Jesus, which had been buried in haste because the Sabbath began on the evening of Good Friday, were the first to encounter the Risen One. (641)

Thus the women were the first messengers of Christ's Resurrection for the apostles themselves....

Everything that happened during those Paschal days involves each of the apostles - and Peter in particular - in the building of the new era begun on Easter morning.

As witnesses of the Risen One, they remain the foundation stones of his Church. the faith of the first community of believers is based on the witness of concrete men known to the Christians and for the most part still living among them.

Peter and the Twelve are the primary "witnesses to his Resurrection", but they are not the only ones - Paul speaks clearly of more than five hundred persons to whom Jesus appeared on a single occasion and also of James and of all the apostles. (642)



# What is the role of the "Paschal [i.e., <u>F</u>aster] candle"?

Paschales Solemnitatis explains:

The paschal candle has its proper place either by the ambo or by the altar and should be lit at least in all the more solemn liturgical celebrations of the

season until Pentecost Sunday, whether at Mass, or at Morning and Evening Prayer.

After the Easter season the candle should be kept with honor in the baptistry, so that in the celebration of Baptism the candles of the baptized may be lit from them. In the celebration of funerals, the paschal candle should be placed near the coffin to indicate that the death of a Christian is his own passover. The paschal candle should not otherwise be lit nor placed in the sanctuary outside the Easter season. (99)

# Easter Message from Father Benedict Francis

"Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father; we too may live a new life". (Romans 6:3)

#### Dear Friends

Easter is, primarily, celebration of new life in Jesus. As St Paul reminds us, we too may live a new life with the risen Christ. There are times on our life journey that we may experience loneliness, separations and endless sufferings. The message of Easter tells us that this is only part of our life together as God's people, that there is new life to be found for all of us, no matter how hard the journey at times.

Now that we have begun our Easter celebrations, let us be mindful of the fact that throughout the season of Easter, we continue to celebrate the reality of the Lord's resurrection and its meaning and impact for all of us.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a blessed and holy Easter.

I am truly grateful to all parishioners who, in their practice of Stewardship, have so generously given of their time, talents and treasure to help our celebrations go as well as possible. A special word of thanks goes to Permanent Deacon Jana , Ryan (Seminarian) Parish Staff Esther (Secretary) Anae & Lesina (Custodians) Jerome (Sacristan) Jackie (Choir co-ordinator), Susana (printing Newsletter), all the members of various Councils, Committees, Ethnic Communities, Choirs, Associations, Lay Ministers, Altar Servers, Florists, Sunday Liturgy Team, CTK School Community, all volunteers, benefactors and supporters for your selfless service and generous contributions towards the life and growth of the parish.

> May you all experience a joy filled and blessed Easter, renewed in mind and spirit.

We pray for all those who are in need of our prayers, are recovering from surgery or are terminally ill: Sandra Shear, Max Joseph F Ng Lam, Margaret Bal, Madonna OTT-Fereti,

#### and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Terry Page, Mary Davidson, Mary Bird, Bill Bird, Bryan Paynter, Herbert Mayall, Mary Kiely, Herb Mayall, Len James, Michael Abraham, Lyn InsleyMalia Taualofa, Frank Neven, Feui Fa'alogoifo Ta'atiti Setu, Alexander O'Reilly, Elizabeth Barnett

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.