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3rd Sunday of Lent – Year C

19-20 March 2022

Entrance Procession

My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.

First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15

This is what you must say to the children of Israel: I Am has sent me to you.

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am,' he answered. 'Come no nearer,' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 102:1-4, 6-8, 11

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R.**

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **R.**

The Lord does deeds of justice,
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses
and his deeds to Israel's sons. **R.**

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.

For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him. **R.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

All this that happened to the people of Moses in the desert was written for our benefit.

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning, and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Repent, says the Lord;

the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

Unless you repent you will all perish as they did.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon

The sparrow finds a home,

and the swallow a nest for her young:

by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house,

for ever singing your praise.

Parish Contact Details:

Parish Priest: Fr Christopher FSF PP
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Parish Office Hours: 9.30am-1.30pm
Tues, Wed & Fri

Parish Masses & Services:

Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 6pm
Sunday: 8am, 10.00am
Live-streamed Masses [directly via YouTube \(Friars of St Francis\)](#)

Weekday Mass Times:

Tuesday: 9.00am
Wednesday: 7.30am
Thursday: 9.00am
Friday: 9.00am
Saturday: 7.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Thursday (during Holy Hour) 5.15pm - 5.45pm.
Saturday 5.00 - 5.45pm

Holy Hour and Exposition: Thursdays, 5.00pm - 6.00pm. Begins with Vespers (evening prayer of the Church) and finishes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

All Night Adoration: First Friday of each month, from 8.30pm throughout until Saturday morning, concluding with Benediction at about 7am.

Infant Baptism:

Baptisms held every third Sunday of the month at 11.30am. Please book with the Parish Secretary.

Sacrament of Matrimony and Weddings:

Please give at least 6 months' notice. Please book with the Parish Secretary

Sunday School: Years K-12 at 11am in St Bernadette's Primary School.
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Parish Prayer Groups:

Rosary:

Mon: 7.55am
Tues, Thurs & Fri: 8.25am
Wed & Sat: After 7.30am Mass
Sun: After 9.30am Mass

Legion of Mary: Fridays 9.45am

Parish Youth Groups:

Younger Teens: Years 6-8
Older Teens: Years: 9-12
Young Adults: 18-35
Catholic Central: 18+

Please contact Father Benedict for Youth Group enquires: brbenedictsf@bigpond.com or visit www.friarsofstfrancis.org

Parish Notice Board

- ❖ **Stations of the Cross during Lent:** Fridays at 7pm
- ❖ **Sunday School Each Sunday:** 11.00am – 12noon in the school. All school children are welcome (K-12).
- ❖ **Singers required for Saturday Vigil Mass Choir:** Parishioners are warmly invited to join one of our adult choirs, which regularly sings at the Saturday evening vigil mass. No rehearsals and no experience, or musical knowledge necessary - just an ability to sing in tune and the desire to praise God through music and singing. For further information, please contact John Petre on 0417 246 741.
- ❖ **Please sign the e-petition to ABOLISH the voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021** which closes Monday 25th April 2022:
<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lc/Pages/epetition-details.aspx?q=apWMtQo6WVdu1NOOVqOtYA==>
- ❖ **Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal for Catholic Care's Community Drop-In Centres:** Catholic Care is working hard to reach our neighbours in need and to reduce social isolation and loneliness throughout our community. Will you be a Good Samaritan and help Catholic Care reach our vulnerable neighbours, so they have safe, welcoming places to connect with others and access support? Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal. Thank you for your heartfelt prayers and support.
- ❖ **Monthly All Night Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday 1st April starting at 8.30pm with Exposition at 8.30pm and concluding with Benediction at 7am, followed by Mass at 7.30am.
- ❖ **Links:** Fr Christopher has given a couple of talks after these interviews. One of the interviews is from Dr Robert Malone, the inventor of the MRNA Vaccine.
<https://rumble.com/vwwv1h-truth-what-is-truth-an-interview-with-dr-robert-malone.html>
<https://rumble.com/vvqfrc-turning-point-australia.html>
Please consider subscribing if you like these – subscription is free.

Palm Sunday Masses

Saturday 9th April Vigil Mass: 6.00pm
Sunday 10th April: 8.00am & 10.00am

Easter Services 2022

Holy Thursday – 14th April

Confessions: 6pm-6.45pm
Holy Thursday Mass: 7pm

Easter Saturday – 16th April

Confessions: 6.30pm-7.15pm
Easter Vigil Mass: 7.30pm

Good Friday – 15th April

Stations of the Cross: 10am
Confessions: 2pm-2.45pm
Commemoration of the Passion: 3pm

Easter Sunday – 17th April

Masses: 8.00am & 10.00am

Youth Notices

- ❖ **Friday 1st April 6.30pm-9.00pm:** The Youth Group will be hosting a youth group formation night in the school hall (for youth in years 6-12).
- ❖ **Friday 22nd April 6.30pm-9.00pm:** The Youth Group will be hosting a social night (for youth in years 6-12).

Parish Bank Account details for Donations, Planned Giving or Direct Transfers:

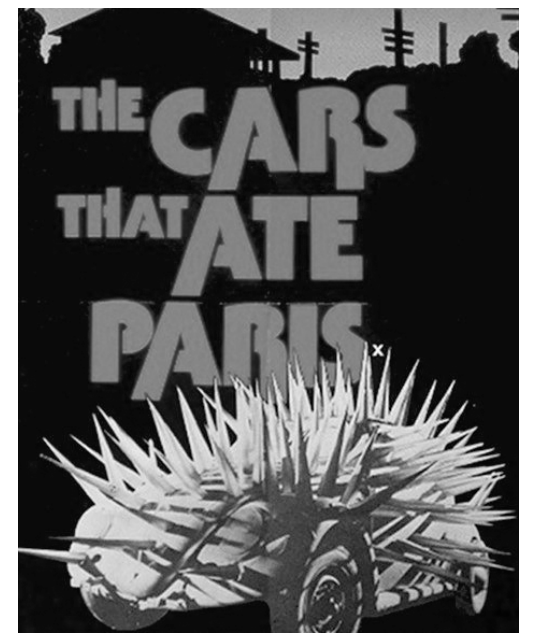
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From the Padre:



When I was about 16 years old, I auditioned for and obtained a part as an “extra” in the Australian Movie called “The Cars That Ate Paris.” It wasn’t a great movie! If you saw it, you probably would not recognise me – I was young and fresh-faced.



However, it was a fun experience, got me some good pocket money and taught me the goodness of many people. I was a naive young lad from Bathurst and had little idea of the wicked side of life. I did not realise what they were doing at the time, but a number of lovely young women in their twenties and thirties made sure they were with me when I was on set. They were always around and would chat with me during the whole time. Often, one would drive me home as well. The reason, unbeknown to me, was that there were a couple of predator homosexual actors in the film. I had no idea, and it was not till the last day that the ladies told me that they were protecting me. I look back upon them with such warmth and I have asked Our Lord to bless and reward them several times. You see that is real charity. Doing good, protecting the innocent, and standing up for what is right. Sadly, we live in a society that glorifies evil and immorality. There are grave warnings in the New Testament for those who embrace immorality and do not repent. Protecting the innocent ought to be our priority. We need to do something about the pornographic filth that permeates modern movies and TV Series which are reeking with corruption. Back in the 1930's *the National League of Decency, a Catholic group founded in 1934 by the Archbishop of Cincinnati, John T. McNicholas, was established. It was an organization dedicated to identifying for Catholic audiences, objectionable content in motion pictures.* They were so successful, that the Jews running Hollywood at the time “wept,” because Catholics boycotted as one all objectionable movies. Hollywood lost a lot of money and were forced to clean up all movies and TV shows. For almost three decades shows were clean and family friendly. What a wonderful way to put faith into practise by standing against public immorality and doing what we can to protect our children. While it is a very different world now, this does not mean we should not try our best to protect the innocence of children. It needs to be a priority. May the Holy Spirit inspire and help us.

Let us pray for all our sick relatives, friends and parishioners, especially:

Eleni Michael; Antoine Elazzi; Divna & Dusko Odrljin; Cathie Courage; Val Lavis; Michael Siddle; Dorothy Frost; Eleni Michael; and all our sick parishioners and loved ones.

Let us pray for our deceased loved ones, especially:

Frieda Piesch; Rita & Charlie Saliba; Carmelo Mifsud; Mary O'Maley; Hagop (Jacob) Apanian; Lolita Villones; Sister Mark Hagerty; The Holy Souls in Purgatory; ***May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.***

Saints of the Week:

23rd March - Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo

24th March - Saint Oscar Romero

25th March - THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

**Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in the battle; be our protection against the malice and snares of the
Devil. May God restrain him, we humbly pray, and You, O Prince of the heavenly
host, by the divine power cast into Hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who
roam through the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.**

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: have mercy on us. (3 times)
Immaculate Heart of Mary: pray for us**



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3 KG bucket \$36 free delivery if within metropolitan area.
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Glass jars 500gr \$8
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Roster for Ministries 26-27 Mar 2022

	Sat Vigil 6pm	Sun 8am	Sun 10am
Readers:	J Redolfi	D Tudehope	E Nott
Acolytes:	M J Bosco	JP Abi-Khattar	P Thomas
Altar Servers:	J Fernandes J Fernandes R Cipollone B Nakhoul S Fernandes	N Chehade J Melhem S Skocic L Rivera	B Gaynor D Mierzanowski M Mierzanowski R Atie N Higgins
Flower Donor:	Mr Stephen Rossi		
Altar Gowns:			
Floral Arrangers:	No Flowers (3 rd Sunday Lent)		
Altar Society:	G4: Thurs 24/03/22 @ 9.30am V Standfort, C Y Cheung, J Bonner		
Cleaners:	G3: Sat 26/03/22 @ 8am S Nakhoul, S Laoulach, M Baricevic, C Harb, M Gray, C Gillies & Family, C Koong, L Louke		