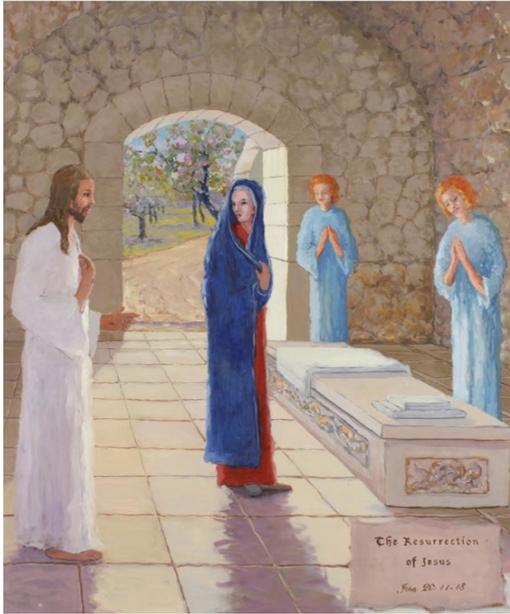


Surrexit Christus, spes mea – “**Christ, my hope, has risen**” (Easter Sequence).



This jubilant voice of the Church resounds in the hearts of all Christians today. The ancient hymn (*Easter Sequence*) puts these words on the lips of Mary Magdalene who on Sunday morning ran to the other disciples and breathlessly announced: “**I have seen the Lord!**” (Jn 20:18). We too, who have journeyed through the desert of Lent and the sorrowful days of the Passion, today raise the cry of joy and victory: “**He has risen! He has truly risen!**”

Joy and thanksgiving are particularly appropriate today on Easter Sunday as we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. With the entire Church, we proclaim that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Son of the Virgin Mary, one who shares humanity with us, has risen from the dead.

Last night at the Vigil Mass the Church recalled the great Easter proclamation as recorded in the Gospel of Saint Luke, the words of the angels spoken to the women who came to the tomb on that first Easter Sunday morning: "Why do you seek the living one among the dead? He is not here, but he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners and be crucified and rise on the third day."

Every Christian relives the experience of Mary Magdalene today. This involves an encounter which changes our lives: the encounter with The Risen Lord who lets us experience all God’s goodness and truth, who frees us from evil, heals us and restores our dignity. This is why Mary Magdalene calls Jesus “my hope”: he was the one who allowed her to be reborn, who gave her a new future, a life of goodness and freedom from evil.

The Easter proclamation spreads throughout the world with the joyful song of the **Alleluia**. Let us sing it with our lips and let us sing it above all with our hearts and our lives, with a manner of life that is simple, humble, and fruitful in good works. “*Surrexit Christus spes mea: praecedet vos in Galileam*” – Christ my hope is risen, and he goes before you into Galilee. The Risen One goes before us, and he accompanies us along the paths of our world. He is our hope; He is the true peace of the world.

Holy and blessed Easter to you and your families.

Fr Jan

EASTER MONDAY, 22ND APRIL 2019
MASS AT ST JOSEPH THE WORKER, LABRADOR AT 9AM

St. Joseph the Worker Church
44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Sunday Masses
7:00am & 8:30am

Weekday Masses
Monday & Wednesday
7:00am

Gold Coast University Hospital
Friday 10:30am

Guardian Angels’ Church
99 Scarborough St., Southport

Saturday Masses - 6:00pm

Sunday Masses
7:00am & 10:00am

Mass in Korean - 5pm

Weekday Mass
Friday 12:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 4:30pm to 5:15pm

Mary Immaculate Church
31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore
Ph: 5510 2222

Sunday Masses
8:30am & 6:00pm

Weekday Masses
Tuesday 9:00am
Thursday 5:30pm

1st Thursday of the Month
Holy Hour 4:15pm



Before Mass speak with God



During Mass, let God speak with you



After Mass, speak with others

ANZAC DAY: This year ANZC DAY will be celebrated in the middle of the Easter Octave, Thursday 25th of April. As in previous years the ANZAC Day Mass will be celebrated at **Guardian Angels Church Southport at 7 am.**

THERE WILL BE NO 5:30 MASS ON THAT DAY AT MARY IMMACULATE CHURCH Ashmore.

**DIVINE MERCY INVITATION
FOR SUNDAY 28TH APRIL 2019**

Guardian Angels Church Southport Schedule:

07.00am	Mass
07.45am	Eucharistic Exposition
08.20am	Rosary and Guided Reflections
09.00am	Spiritual talk
09.30am	Divine Mercy Chaplet
09.50am	Benediction
10.00am	Mass

Marian Valley will be celebrating the **Feast of the Divine Mercy on Sunday, 28th of April 2019** at the Marian Valley and would love for you to join us. The bus will be picking up at Mary Immaculate Church at Ashmore at about 8.00am and then onto the Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters, at approximately 8.15am. The bus will also collect passengers at Nerang Train Station at approximately 8.30am. The cost for the bus is \$20 return. When booking your seat, please verify your point of pickup. You can secure your seat with Paula on 0402 930918 or 5582 7950 or Madeline on 0405 252 367 or 5529 1573.

RCIA candidates and sponsors have been travelling a road of discovery over the last few months. The Easter Vigil marks the beginning of a Catholic journey for **Chloe Parker, Charlie Leach, Barry Anderson and Paul Grimshaw** who were baptised and received into full communion in the Catholic Church at Mary Immaculate Church. Again, I thank sponsors **Brenda Crilly-Hargrave, Terry Grounds, Catherine Lee and Andria Grimshaw** for their support. Also many thanks to **Helen Naug, Judy McMonagle, Br Peter Heaney and Fr Thomas** (catechists), who facilitated meetings in preparing this year RCIA participants. Welcome and Congratulations to all.



THANK YOU, the beautiful crosses you see above, were made last week for Guardian Angels Church by **Brenda Chung**. Brenda spent hours to turn the single palm tree leaves into the beautiful crosses that were blessed on Palm Sunday at Guardian Angel Church. It would be good if the children or students can learn from Brenda how to make such crosses from the palm tree leaves and then use them for Palm Sunday celebration. Something for the Children's liturgy to think about for next year. Fr Jan

Thank-you to all parishioners who have given their time and talents in preparing our Holy Triduum/Easter Liturgies this year. Liturgy always speaks to our senses and in this way it engages and encourages people to participate in worship. In preparing this years Holy Triduum Liturgy many people of our Parish have worked hard to achieve this end. To make this year the Holy Triduum beautiful to our eyes and resonating in our hearts many parishioners have to spent a lot of time to get everything right.

On Monday evenings, being guided by **Sharon Walsh** our choir has practised for hours psalms, hymns and other parts to be sung at Easter. This year **Lillie-Anne and Mya** joined our choir to sing at Easter. It is great to see these two young girls so committed in the music ministry. I thank their grandmothers who would bring their granddaughters many times to the church on Monday. I pray and hope that the example of **Lillie-Anne and Maya** will encourage others to join our choir. **Men, we need your voices to compliment the harmony of our choir.**

Other parishioners would spend hours to clean our churches; others were setting up decorations and altars. The liturgical ministries; organists, cantors, readers, sacristans, ministers of the Holy Communion, altar servers and collectors have worked with dedication and commitment behind the scenes of this year's Easter in Southport Parish. In short, what you see and hear at Guardian Angels, St Joseph's and Mary Immaculate at Easter hasn't happened by chance it is the result of dedicated work and shared responsibility of so many devoted parishioners of our Parish.

Fr Jan

Easter Holy Water the Easter Vigil liturgy is the most beautiful liturgy in the Roman Catholic Church. A significant part of this Liturgy is the blessing the Baptismal Water.

The water is a sign of purification and of baptism. Holy water, that is, water that has been ceremonially blessed at Easter Vigil is a sacramental. Sacramentals are "sacred signs which bear a resemblance to the sacraments [by which the faithful are] **given access to the stream of divine grace which flows from the paschal mystery of the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ the fountain from which all sacraments and sacramentals draw their power.**" [Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, No. 60]

This year the Easter holy water is available to be taken and kept at our homes and then to be used for special prayers and blessings. All Catholic churches have Holy Water fonts near the entrance so that people can dip their fingers and make the sign of the cross as they enter and leave the church. This simple gesture reminds believers of their consecration to Christ in baptism, and visibly indicates their acceptance of the Catholic faith. In the past a bottle of the Holy Water used to be found in every Catholic home, but the private use of the Holy Water has diminished, probably because people no longer know what it is used for or how to use it. However, it is a very powerful sign and children love to learn how to use the Holy Water as they head off in the morning for school. The holy water that has been blessed at Easter is available in our parish at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore. Take a bottle and keep it at home to use for special prayers and blessings. To cover the cost of these bottles we would appreciate you put one or two extra dollars on the collection plate. The Holy Water bottles can be collected from the white table next to the baptismal font.

Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday Year C

1st Reading - Acts 5:12-16, 2nd Reading - Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19, Gospel - John 20:19-31

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Our Parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.

Your Prayers Are Requested For Those In Need And Those Who Have Journeyed To The Father

Recently Deceased: Claire Sherry, Molly Gunther, Maureen Jeffries

Anniversary: Mary Stanfield, Judy West, Graham Johnson, Donna Hockey, Barry Stanfield, Patrick Michael Noonan

Sick and in Need: Mary Achilles, Teresita Adrid, Stephanie Alijahn, Elias Arulappan, Matt Aquino, David Austin (priest), Sue Barker, Douglas Bateman, Nicolai Bicher, John Booth, Robin Bourke, Christopher Browne, Theresa Birmingham, Matthew Byrne, Andrei Celes, Anne Chandler, Dave Curran, Lynette Dillon, Amado Dizon, Ely Deganos, Leoncia Dizon, Mario Jose Dizon, Conchita Djosovic, Clare Dobozy, Patricia Dowde, Lucio Dumas, Narelle Dwyer, Patricia Fisher, Sheryl Fleet, Tootsie Francia, Bernadette Gaspard, Ron Gledhill, Marcelle Guillon, Karen George, Patrick Guillon, Norm Harding Harry Hunter, Semeon Illescas, Margaret Iringan, Veronica James, Pat Keating, Claire Keefe Linda Kerr, Mary Kerwin, Bede Lawner, Elena Lazaro, Maria Malate, Angelina Mandarino, Evelyn Martinac, Ron Martinac, Maureen McCabe, Morin Min, Elizabeth Morris, Merlyn Morris, David Mulligan, Terry Neal, Kevin Nicholason, Jerry Obe, Grace Ogilvie, Francisca Park, Rob Peters, Debbie Poulton, Garth Rippin, Mervyn Francis Ryan, Yvonne See, Peter Selby, Arthur Smith, Jean Smith, Wiktorija Stojanovic, Patrick Sullivan, Pasqual Tantengo, Angela Taylor, Joe Tuesley, Christine Versace, David Walters, Victor Williams, Lorraine Wilson.

*Immaculate Heart of Mary we trust to your gentle care and intercessions
those we love and those who are sick, lonely or hurting.*

Help all of us Holy Mother to bear our burdens in this life until we share eternal life with God.

Baptismal Preparation Classes at Mary Immaculate Church.

For Parents planning to baptise their children in our parish, our **Online Baptismal Registration is now available**. The next Baptismal Prep will be on **Tuesday, 23rd of April**. To book please Register Online <https://scp.org.au> (Baptismal/Baptismal Prep/Registration).

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN 2019

*****ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED*****

First Holy Communion occurs in the year when children turn 9 (year 4) and is the climax of their Christian initiation. The preparation for Holy Communion also includes a simple celebration of the second rite of Penance.

First Meeting: Sunday, 28th April at 9:45am (after 8:30am Mass) or Thursday, 2nd May at 4pm.

Second Meeting: Sunday, 19th May at 9:45am (after 8:30am Mass) or Thursday, 23rd May @ 4pm.

2nd Rite Reconciliation: Monday, 27th May at 4pm or Tuesday, 28th May at 4pm and Guardian Angels Students Tuesday, 28th May at 10am

Practice: Thursday, 30th May at 4pm for Saturday, 1st of June 5pm First Holy Communion Ceremony or 6pm for Sunday 2nd of June 11am First Holy Communion Ceremony.

First Communion Ceremony: Saturday, 1st June at 5pm Or Sunday, 2nd June 2019 at 11:00am.

All parent information sessions and confirmation meetings are requirements and Both of the First Eucharist practice and First Eucharist celebration will be held in at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore.

For any queries please contact Maria Blancia on 5510 2222 or email her on MariaB@scp.org.au.



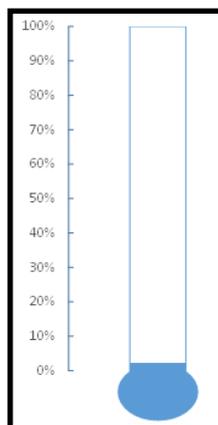
St Joseph the Worker Celebration on Wednesday, the 1st of May at 6pm, at Labrador there will be a celebration of St Joseph the Worker fiesta.

Because this year the feast of St Joseph falls on Wednesday (the 1st Wednesday of the month) we are going to honour Our Lady of Perpetual Succour and St Joseph in one celebration.

For this reason, the Novena to Our Lady begins at 5pm and then at 6pm there will be Mass.

At the end of the Mass in a procession with the statue of St Joseph parishioners will go to the annex where we are going to enjoy delicious food prepared by the Filipino Community.

Let us pray to St Joseph for his help to build the extension of the annex so that next year we will celebrate his feast in the new parish facility.



LCC Fundraising update!!!

Thank you to all parishioners who have already donated to our parish Lumen Christi Centre Project. Thank you for getting the ball rolling!!! While we thank those who have already made some generous contributions, we also encourage those who haven't, to please support this Fundraising.

Those who wish to donate please visit our website www.scp.org.au/LCC or collect the form from the church and return to the Southport Catholic Parish Office.

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NOW AVAILABLE
\$2 EACH**





RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

This Day Was Made by the Lord

Refrain:

*This day was made
by the Lord, let us rejoice,
let us be glad.
This day was made
by the Lord,
let us rejoice in salvation!*

I thank you, your love is eternal,
you have given me life,
you have given me life.
I will proclaim the wonders you do! **R**
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SPRINKLING RITE

Come to the Water

Refrain:

*Come to the water,
you who are thirsty,
though you have nothing,
I bid you come,
And be filled with the goodness I have
to offer.
Come! Listen! Live.*

Why spend your money
on what cannot fill
the emptiness deep
in your heart?
Listen to my word
And you will enjoy goodness and peace in
your heart. **R.**
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GIFTS PROCESSION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks.

Refrain:

*Alleluia, alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia,
give praise to his name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation. **R**

Spread the good news
o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and has risen. **R**

We have been crucified
with Christ
Now we shall live for ever. **R**
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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION^(ICEL)

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your
Cross and Resurrection you have set us
free.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
His, the sceptre, His, the throne;
Alleluia! His, the triumph,
His, the victory alone;

Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
“Jesus out of ev’ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood”

Alleluia! not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud
from sight received him,
when the forty days were o’er,
shall our hearts
forget his promise,
“I am with you ever more”?

Alleluia! Bread of angels,
and on earth our food, our stay.
Alleluia! here the sinful
come to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth’s Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal!
you the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth your footstool,
heav’n your throne.
You within the veil
have entered robed in flesh,
our great high priest;
you on earth both priest and victim
in the Eucharistic feast.
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REFLECTION HYMN

I am the Bread of Life

I am the Bread of life.
You who come to me
shall not hunger,
and who believe in me
shall not thirst.
No one can come to me,
unless the Father beckons

*And I will raise you up,
and I will raise, you up,
and I will raise you up,
on the last day!*

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life
of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live forever,
you shall live forever **R**

Unless you eat
of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of His blood,
and drink of His blood,
you shall not have life
within you. **R**

I am the Resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
even though you die,
You shall live for ever. **R**

Yes, Lord, I believe, that you are the
Christ, the Son of God,
who has come into the world. **R**
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Table of Plenty

Refrain:

*Come to the feast
of heaven and earth!
Come to the table of plenty!
God will provide
for all that we need,
Here at the table of plenty.*

O, come and sit at my table,
where saints and sinners
are friends.
I wait to welcome
the lost and lonely
to share the cup of my love. **R**

O, come and eat without money;
come to drink without price.
My feast of gladness
will feed your spirit
with faith and fullness of life. **R**

My bread will ever sustain you
through days of sorrow and woe.
My wine will flow
like a sea of gladness
to flood the depths of your soul. **R**

Your fields will flower in fullness,
your homes will flourish in peace.
For I, the giver
of home and harvest,
will send my rain on the soil. **R**
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RECESSIONAL

Sing to the Mountains

Refrain:

*Sing to the mountains
sing to the sea.
Raise your voices, lift your hearts.
This is the day the Lord has made.
Let all the earth rejoice.*

I will give thanks to you, my Lord.
You have answered my plea.
You have saved my soul from death.
You are my strength and my song. **R**

Holy, holy holy Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. **R**

This is the day
that the Lord has made.
Let us be glad and rejoice.
He has turned all death to life.
Sing of the glory of God. **R**
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