



The earliest Christian community focused strongly on the wounds of the Risen Lord for two reasons: to affirm the fact that Christ, now raised from the dead was the same person who had lived with them; and to make sense of the physical wounds being inflicted on them for Christ's sake.

The story of Thomas, even with its mystical details, counters a magical notion of what the resurrection is about. Jesus bears the marks of his torture and death. His glorified body, though different, is connected to how the disciples knew and loved him. They can

recognise him through his words and his wounds.

We know the community of Ephesus, for which this Gospel is written, was experiencing great persecution. Is it any wonder, one generation after the earliest disciples, that the sign of Christ's Risen presence are his marks of suffering?

Our own world continues to be intrigued by manifestations of Jesus' wounds. Over recent years films like *Stigmata*, *Dogma*, *Agnes of God* and even the appalling *Daredevil* give a hysterical and cynical prominence to the stigmata. There are regular 'believe it or not' documentaries that usually follow suit. Even some pilgrims flocked to Padre Pio's monastery in the south of Italy to see if his hands really bled, or if his wounds really wept. This desire to see outward signs of inner faith is a long way short of Jesus telling us today, 'Happy are those who believe without seeing.'

Our day-to-day lives should be the clearest manifestation of the cross and resurrection of Christ.

It seems, however, that words and wounds still make a claim on us today. You and I know that we don't have to go to a stigmatic to see Christian battle wounds. We carry within us the death of the Lord. We all have our wounds. And we also know that, for many of us, it is precisely when we are wounded most deeply by life, that our doubts in the presence of God can be greatest.

The Easter story is not that we should be ashamed of this, or pretend it doesn't happen. Today's Gospel reminds us that it is into this chaos that Christ comes with words of peace, with empathy from the one who was wounded for our sake and with the mission to forgive as we are forgiven.

Years ago I remember struggling with some personal issues during a retreat. One day, when I felt lowest about myself, the retreat director, adapting today's psalm, 117, said to me, 'you realise that the stone rejected by the builder becomes the corner stone'. By this he meant that often God takes that part of ourselves we don't like, forgives it, heals it, and uses it most powerfully to demonstrate that the pattern of the life, death and resurrection of Christ continues in all believers who bear his name and carry his wounds.

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St. Joseph the Worker Church
44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Sunday Masses

7:00am & 8:30am

(Please book on line)

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday
7:00am

**(No need to book for weekday
Mass)**

Gold Coast University Hospital
Friday Mass at 10.30am
Rosary 10.00am

Guardian Angels' Church
99 Scarborough St., Southport

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Reconciliation : 4.30pm

Saturday (Vigil) 5.30 pm
Sunday 7:00am & 9:00am

(Please book on line)

Prayers & Adoration

Wednesday 12.00noon -1.00pm

Weekday Mass

Friday 12:30pm

Mary Immaculate Church

31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4.30pm
Sunday 9:00am & 5.30pm, including
the Korean Mass
(Please book on line)

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 9:00am
Thursday 9:00am

No need to book for weekday Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**The priests may use the following greeting after the sign of the Cross
at the beginning of Mass –**

“Priest: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.”

“You will respond: And with your Spirit.”

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And that's what happened to Thomas. Christ took his fears, doubts and disbelief and transformed them into a powerful Christian witness that has sustained generations of us who struggle with life and faith.

So at this Easter Eucharist we are offered the same opportunity to discover that the stone rejected within us, or among us, is the one which God wants to use as the cornerstone. When we see this happening, when we see God taking the part of us we consider most unlovable and using it for good, then we want to cry out with the psalmist, 'This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.'

Richard Leonard SJ

WEDNESDAY HOLY HOUR AT GUARDIAN ANGELS

You are invited to spend an hour with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Starting sharp at 12 noon the Blessed Sacrament is exposed followed by silent prayer, Holy Rosary with meditations on the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction before the conclusion at 1pm. Confession is available.

No bookings required.



A VOCATION VIEW: Easter: resurrection and new life; to be begotten by God. A new life achieved from a conquered tomb. Meaning for life for people for thousands of years. Nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. “As the father sent me, so I am sending you...”.

Planned Giving Envelopes. The planned giving envelopes are ready to be collected on the table at the entrance of each church. Thank you

THANK YOU A big thank you to everyone who helped with the Easter Ceremonies. Musicians, readers, altar servers, sacristans, flower arrangers, ministers of the Eucharist, those who helped set up the church, all those who in anyway helped, To everyone of you who attended the Mass. The Easter Triduum was magnificent. Thank you. God Bless

Fr Gerard & Fr Stephen



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN 2021

The online registration for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion is now available and will close on Friday, 23rd of April.

The First Holy Communion Mass will be held at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore.

First Session

Saturday 5 June 2021 at 4.30pm (Vigil Mass)

Second Session

Sunday 6 June 2021 at 5.30pm

This First Holy Communion programme is for children who have already celebrated **the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2019 & 2020.**

The Candidates for First Holy Communion must be a Baptised Catholic. Those candidates who are unsure if they qualify, please contact Maria Blancia on 5510 2222.

**Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday Year B/1
1st Reading – Acts 3:13-15,17-19 - 2nd Reading – 1 John 2:1-5
Gospel - Luke 24:35-48**

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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.*



Recently Deceased:
Elizabeth Roberts, Terence Rossall

*The names of our sick and
deceased family & friends
Will be recorded in these books*



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



The word of God on this Second Sunday of Easter, which throughout the Church is called "Divine Mercy Sunday."

In the various readings, the liturgy indicates the path of mercy which, while re-establishing the relationship of each person with God, also creates new relations of fraternal solidarity among all human beings." St John Paul II

Through the Paschal Mystery of his death and Resurrection, the Risen Lord shares with us the fruits of his victory over the darkness of sin and death. Let us open our hearts to receive these fruits and with St Thomas let us say, "My Lord and My God" and with Sr Faustina let us say "Jesus I trust in you".

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SAINT MARTIN I, POPE AND MARTYR

(Feast day 12th April)



Martin was born near Todi, Umbria, in the place now named after him (Pian di San Martino). According to his biographer Theodore, Martin was of noble birth, of commanding intelligence, and of great charity to the poor. Piazza states that he belonged to the order of St. Basil.^[1]

In 641, Pope John IV sent the abbot Martin into Dalmatia and Istria with large sums of money to alleviate the distress of the inhabitants, and redeem captives seized during the invasion of the Slavs. As the ruined churches could not be rebuilt, the relics of some of the more important Dalmatian saints were brought to Rome, where John then erected an oratory in their honour.^[2] Martin acted as *apocrisarius* or legate at Constantinople in the early years of the pontificate of Theodore I (642–49), and was a deacon at the time of his election in 649.

ANGELS KITCHEN DONATIONS

Anyone wishing to make donations to Angels Kitchens can do so by using the Angels Kitchen Money Donations Tins at the back of our churches. Or by contacting the Parish Office, Tony and Janice Ludington at the 4.30 PM Mass on Saturday and George Bent at the 9 AM Mass on Sundays. Also phone contacts are Tony on 0418 189 492 and George on 0412 961 447. **Thank You for you kind donations**

**CATHOLIC LEADER— Is now available on the
table at the entrance of the church. \$4**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED ON A FRIDAY.**

**Registrations for Mass will close
on the Thursday at 12.30pm**

WALKING GROUP. At **St Joseph the Worker church, Imperial Parade, Labrador. Saturday at 6am.** Interested persons wishing to join us should ring **Janece on 0408 763 772.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

That Easter Day with Joy was Bright

That Easter day with joy was bright,
the sun shone out with fairer light,
Alleluia, alleluia!
when to their longing eyes restored,
the glad apostles saw their Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!

His risen flesh with radiance glowed
his wounded hands and feet
he showed,
Alleluia, alleluia!
those scars
their solemn witness gave
that Christ was risen from the grave.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!

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GLORY TO GOD Mass of St Francis

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God,
almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand
of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the
Father.
Amen. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM- SUNG

Peace be with You

Chorus:

***My peace I leave you,
my peace I give you.
Do not let your hearts be afraid,
for I'm returning to my Father,
to prepare a place for you.***

When I'm gone I will send my spirit,
who will guide and strengthen you,
and your joy will be found in giving,
with the peace and love he brings.

Chorus

Come to me all you who labour,
and are burdened down with care,
for I will give you comfort
and rest for your weary hearts. **Chorus**

For the peace that I will give you
is not the peace the world expects.
In the world you will find sorrow,
but have faith, I have conquered all.

Chorus

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!
You are the Christ everlasting,
born for us all of a Virgin,
you have conquered death,
opened heaven to all believers.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

GIFTS PROCESSION

Without Seeing You

Refrain:

***Without seeing you, we love you,
without touching you, we embrace,
without knowing you, we follow,
without seeing you, we believe.***

We return to you deep within,
leave the past to the dust,
turn to you with tears and fasting.
You are ready to forgive. **R**

The sparrow will find a home,
near to you O God.
How happy we who dwell with you, for
ever in your house. **R**

For ever we sing to you
of your goodness, O God,
proclaiming to all the world
of your faithfulness and love. **R**

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

COMMUNION PROCESSION

We Walk by Faith

We walk by faith, and not by sight,
no gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke
but we believe him near.

We may not touch
his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod,
yet in his promise we rejoice
and cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
and may our faith abound,
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found,

that when our life of faith is done
in realms of clearer light
we may behold you as you are
in full and endless sight.

We walk by faith, and not by sight,
no gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke
but we believe him near.

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Firmly I Believe and Truly

Firmly I believe and truly
God is three and God is one,
and I next acknowledge duly
manhood taken by the Son.

And I trust and hope most fully
in that manhood crucified,
and each thought and deed unruly
do to death, as he has died.

Simply to his grace and wholly
light and life and strength belong,
and I love supremely solely
him the holy, him the strong.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Morning has Broken

Morning has broken
like the first morning.
Blackbird has spoken
like the first bird.
Praise for the singing,
praise for the morning,
praise for them springing
fresh from the word.

Sweet the rain's new fall
sunlit from heaven,
like the first dew fall
on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness
where his feet pass.

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Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible
and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the
Father before all ages. God from God, Light from
Light, true God from true God, begotten, not
made, consubstantial with the Father; through
him, all things were made. For us men and wom-
en and for, our salvation he came down from
heaven,**

**(At the words that follow, up to and including
'and became man', all bow)**

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Vir-
gin Mary, and became man.**

**For our sake, he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and
rose again on the third day**

**in accordance, with the Scriptures. He ascended
into heaven and is seated at the right hand of
the Father. He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead and his kingdom will
have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church.**

**I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the
dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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