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**Easter Vigil**

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7th April, 10am to 5pm *Divine Mercy Sunday*

**Hours of Grace**  
2024

L'ESTRO ARMONICO STRING ORCHESTRA  
PRESENTS  
**STABAT MATER**  
GOOD FRIDAY MUSICAL MEDITATION  
**29 MARCH 2024**  
7:00 PM  
HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
136 OXFORD RD INGLEBURN

ANITA KYLE Soprano  
VIRGINIA STACK Mezzo Soprano  
ZDZISLAW KOWALIK Conductor

**NO TICKET REQUIRED**  
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*Legion of Mary*

**Acies Ceremony**

The Annual Acies of the Campbelltown Curia  
Hosted by  
Our Lady of the Holy Family Praesidium Ingleburn

7pm Friday April 5th 2024  
at  
Holy Family Catholic Church Ingleburn  
136 Oxford Rd. Ingleburn NSW 2565

The Acies Ceremony Program: Legion Prayers, Recitation of the Rosary, Renewal of Legionary Promise & Consecration to our Blessed Mother Mary followed by Mass  
After Mass all are invited for refreshments in the church hall.

Acies, the central most important function of the Legion of Mary where we commit, consecrate ourselves and renew our promise to the Blessed Virgin Mary and her Legion, opening our hearts so that she may guide us and bless us through the year.

*Attendance is required for active members; auxiliaries are also invited.*

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**Holy Family  
Catholic Parish**

INGLEBURN & MINTO

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year B  
24 March 2024**

**Holy Family Church**  
136 Oxford Rd  
Ingleburn

**Holy Trinity Church**  
57 Guernsey Ave  
Minto

**Parish Office:** 136 Oxford Rd  
(PO Box 111) Ingleburn NSW 2565  
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**REFLECTION**

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. It celebrates the triumphant entry of Christ into Jerusalem. The readings for this Passion Sunday focus the sacrifice which Jesus Christ made for us. The reading for the procession of the palms tells of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The first reading from Isaiah foretells Jesus' suffering. The psalm sings "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?", which is the Psalm Jesus prayed from the cross. The second reading from Philippians speaks of how Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior. And in the gospel we hear how Jesus first celebrated the Passover, and then became the sacrificial lamb for us.

The passion narrative according to Mark brings some crucial symbols. These include the palms, the donkey, and the crowd. The Palms represent the royalty of Christ and his peaceful reign. The donkey is a symbol of Christ's humility. Though he is king, he chose to ride on a donkey, a humble animal. This is opposite to what we see today in our world. Our rulers and kings live lavishly, while their people live in poverty. Christ demonstrated his humility, through his solidarity with the poor and the weak.

The procession we do on Palm Sunday is done for two reasons. First, to honour Christ as he enters the royal city. That is why we sing: "Hosanna to the son of David, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." Second, to express our solidarity with Christ as he begins the journey that will ultimately lead to our salvation. As we sing hosanna on this day, we must ask God for the grace to remain faithful to the end.

**Please join us  
this Easter**

**Palm Sunday – 24 March**  
5pm Vigil Saturday (Ingleburn)  
8am (Minto)  
9am (Ingleburn)  
5pm (Ingleburn)

**Holy Thursday – 28 March (No 9am Mass)**  
7pm (Ingleburn) Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Adoration to follow Mass to 10pm

**Good Friday – 29 March (No 9am Mass)**  
10am (Ingleburn) Stations of the Cross  
10am (Minto) Stations of the Cross  
3pm (Ingleburn) Passion of our Lord

**Holy Saturday Vigil -30 March (No 5pm Mass)**  
7pm (Ingleburn)

**Easter Sunday – 31 March (No 5pm Mass)**  
8am (Minto)  
9am (Ingleburn)

**Reconciliation 1<sup>st</sup> Rite**

Tuesday 26 March	5:30pm (Ingleburn)
Wednesday 27 March	9:45am (Ingleburn) 5pm (Minto)
Holy Thursday 28 March	9:30am (Ingleburn)
Good Friday 29 March	5pm – 7pm (Ingleburn)
Each Saturday morning	from 9am (Ingleburn)

**SERVICE TIMES**

	Mass	Wed - Fri	9am
<b>Holy Family</b>		Tue	7pm
		Sat	5pm Vigil
		Sun	9am and 5pm
	Adoration	Tues	7.30pm
<b>Holy Trinity</b>	Benediction	First Friday of each month	9.30am
	Reconciliation	Tue Sat	6.30pm - 7pm 9am - 10am
<b>Holy Trinity</b>	Rosary	Mon	7pm
	Mass	Wed	6pm
		Sun	8am

## What's On In Our Parish

- 27 March Year 5 and Year 1 attending 9am Mass  
Legion of Mary - 7.30pm (everyone is welcome)
- 29 March Stabat Mater presented by Léstro Armonico String Orchestra - 7pm

## Liturgical Dates

- 25 March The Annunciation of the Lord



Congratulations to all the children of our parish and school who receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Friday, 22 March.

Together we pray they will always discover the wonder and peace of God's forgiveness and experience the loving presence of Jesus in this grace-filled sacrament.

### Project Compassion: Palm Sunday - 23 & 24 March



As Project Compassion 2024 comes to an end, we want to thank you for your incredibly generous support throughout Lent.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **for all future generations**.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes, online by scanning the QR code or by visiting the parish website. Boxes/envelopes should be returned by Easter Sunday.



**We pray ...** For peace in the world and especially for people suffering because of war, violence, exploitation, abuse or famine.  
For all the forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**For the sick and homebound:** Rose Davis, Margaret Rose Mellish, Celine Dion, Trevor Clancy, Peter Anthony Jacobs Snr, Erwin Andrade, Gina Macalalad, Marie Crotty, Sybra Hunt, David Harrison, Ann Marie Praud; Our sick relatives, friends and parishioners and all who have nobody to pray for them.

*May the saving power of the risen Lord bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies and send strength to their carers. Amen.*

**For our recently dearly departed:** Irene Ward, Luz U. Lopez, Clariza Sanchez, John Ward, Mary Vaz, Vincenzo Barletta, Patrick McNamara, Dominic Merlino, Yvonne Bell, Filippo Carmelo D'Antone, Draga Milicevic, Elian Pascal, Noal Bornstein, Dewi Suyati, Ron Perry, Ferdie Melder, Richard Gallaty, Paul Collins; Margaret Mary Clifford, Victor Jack Parkins, Lionel Dunkley, Mary Brown, Yolande Herisson, Patiariki Joseph, Val Morris, Margaret McNamara, Eugenia Villarosa, Kevin Sequeira, Dawn O'Donohue, Jolanta Swierk, Mary King, Joaquim Lopes.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

*May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*

**For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Tony Heginbotham, Angelo Rosario, Francoise Sidonie; For all children who have passed away; Members of the Hay family.

*Having returned to the Father, may they rest in peace. Amen.*

**Prayers of thanksgiving and personal intentions:** For all students sitting exams.

*Prayers are entered after the Mass is celebrated and will remain in the bulletin for 1 month.*

## FRIDAY WITH THE WORD OF GOD

During to the season of Lent, we will gather at 7.45pm, after the Stations of the Cross, for our Word of God reflection which during Lent, is our Lenten program



### Season of Lent 2024

**Stations of the Cross and Lenten Program:** Every Friday during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held at 7pm followed by the Lenten Program at 7.45pm



### Holy Thursday – The Lord's Supper

The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday vividly commemorates Jesus Christ's final meal with His disciples, marking the profound institution of the priesthood and the Eucharist. While not a day of obligation, attending this Mass is a deeply enriching experience that families are encouraged to share. It's a time to reflect on the gift of the Eucharist and the calling of the priesthood, foundational elements of Catholic faith. As we prepare for Holy Week during Palm Sunday Year B, it's an opportune moment to remind your community of the significance of this Mass, inviting them to partake in this solemn yet celebratory observance.

### Good Friday - Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Good Friday marks a solemn day for Catholics, commemorating Jesus Christ's crucifixion and His sacrificial love for humanity. Unlike other days, there is no Mass, but parishes hold special liturgies to reflect on Jesus' passion and death. This day offers a profound opportunity for families to gather, pray, and meditate on the depths of Jesus' love and the cost of our redemption.

### Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross are a lovely Lenten tradition. In the devotion, we make the journey to Calvary with our Lord Jesus Christ, focusing on how he suffered for us and his interactions with those he met on the way.

### Good Friday: Pergolesi's 'Stabat Mater' – L'Estro Armonico String Orchestra

GB Pergolesi's, "Stabat Mater" is a musical meditation on the suffering of Mary on Good Friday inspired by a poem by Jacopone da Todi. It refers to the prophecy of Simeon, that a sword shall pierce the heart of Christ's mother (Luke 2: 35,) describing Mary's intense sorrow at seeing her beloved Son on the cross.

### Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil liturgy is the most beautiful liturgy in the Roman Catholic Church. This walks through the Easter Vigil and includes the words to the *Exsultet*. Although celebrated Holy Saturday evening, it is the dramatic Easter vigil liturgy that marks the beginning of Easter. We are awaiting our master's return with our lamps full and burning, so that he will find us awake and seat us at his table (cf. Luke 12:35ff). All Catholics should try to attend this beautiful service. The vigil is divided into four parts: Service of Light, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of Baptism, and Liturgy of the Eucharist.

The readings for Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday remind us of God's goodness, power, and saving work throughout history. From the Creation Story to the Exodus from Egypt, God has been at work, leading his people to freedom and new life. In the Epistle reading, St. Paul exhorts us to die to sin and live for God, emphasizing the importance of baptism and faith in Jesus. And in the Gospel reading, we hear the amazing news of Jesus' Resurrection, which brings hope and new life to all who believe.

### Easter Sunday

At the heart of this special time in our Christian calendar is Easter Sunday, a day brimming with the joy of the Risen Lord. The readings on Easter Sunday point to the transformative power of Easter, emphasizing that Jesus' resurrection changes everything, urging us to align our lives with this reality. This resurrection life involves seeking what is above, reflecting our new identity in Christ.

### The Easter Octave

The Easter Octave is eight days of unbroken celebration, each treated as though they are one and the same day. This period invites us into deep reflection and joy over the life-giving mysteries of Christ's triumph over death.