

Thursday 2nd April 2020

Dear Holy Spirit Parish Community,

It most certainly has been a different few months and weeks, we are having to do and put things in place that we would never have thought we would need to due to COVID-19.

The parish office has tried to stay open for as long as we could however with the new State Government regulations we will be working from home. Please know that we have things in place for all of us to stay connected and for us to keep you informed. We have put a new message on the answering machine for you to call **mobile number 0434 224 483** which will be checked each day Tue – Fri while we are in stage 3 restrictions also we would encourage you to send us an email ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au or jacinta.bibby@cam.org.au we will get back to you as soon as possible. Please if anyone needs to make contact with us call the office we will get back to you as soon as possible. I would encourage our Group and Team Leaders to stay in contact with your groups if anyone needs any assistance with this please let me know on the above contact details.

Please look at both our parish website <http://www.holyspiritparish.org.au> we have all our normal exciting news and updates and links for you including a very special one you have all been waiting for this week the archdiocesan website <https://www.cam.org.au/> **Pastoral Guidance for Parishes Regarding COVID-19** has many links for you to be able to watch mass you in your home and prayer groups.

This week we are delighted to introduce and very warmly welcome Fr Arsenio Tuazon our new Parish Priest. Fr Arsenio started this week in a very strange environment. I had the great pleasure of welcoming him on your behalf, however Im sure if you would like to send an email to Fr to make him feel welcome he would be delighted. Fr is writing an introduction for you all to read this week end I have encouraged him to put a photo so you can see him and when we can all come together after our time in isolation we will have a welcome to make him feel at home at HOLY SPIRIT PARISH.

Please stay safe and well with your families at this time we will have the readings for you to read together on this weekend PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD remember to gather some palm leaves if you can, you may like to display them on your front door or in a vase in your home.

[Mt 21:9](#)

Hosanna to the Son of David;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessings Jacinta.

See over for Easter Resources starting with our Parish Forgiveness Ceremony

Easter Resources:

Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Gerard and St Anne:

Forgiveness Ceremony: Why have you forsaken me?

[https://www.cam.org.au/Portals/47/Documents/Forgiveness Service Booklets/2020_04_09_ForgivenessServiceBookletEaster_Why_Have_you_Forsaken_Me.pdf](https://www.cam.org.au/Portals/47/Documents/Forgiveness%20Service%20Booklets/2020_04_09_ForgivenessServiceBookletEaster_Why_Have_you_Forsaken_Me.pdf)

Melbourne Catholic:

Holy Week @ Home: <https://mailchi.mp/cam.org.au/christmas-blessings-from-the-cam-communications-office-912193>

Liturgical documents produced by Liturgy Brisbane to enable families to celebrate simple liturgies at home for Holy Week

1. Palm Sunday: http://www.cam.org.au/Portals/47/Documents/COVID-19/Easter_2020_1_Palm_Sunday.pdf
2. End of Lent: http://www.cam.org.au/Portals/47/Documents/COVID-19/Easter_2020_2_The_End_of_Lent.pdf
3. Holy Thursday: http://www.cam.org.au/Portals/47/Documents/COVID-19/Easter_2020_3_Holy_Thursday.pdf
4. Good Friday: http://www.cam.org.au/Portals/47/Documents/COVID-19/Easter_2020_4_Good_Friday.pdf
5. Easter Sunday: http://www.cam.org.au/Portals/47/Documents/COVID-19/Easter_2020_5_Easter_Sunday.pdf