



Regina Coeli Parish

Beverly Hills - In the Archdiocese of Sydney



Weekly Newsletter

Liturgy Times

SUNDAY:

8:30am, 10:00am.

Children's Liturgy during school term

TUESDAY: 8:30am Adoration, 9.15am Mass

WEDNESDAY: 7:00am

THURSDAY: 9:15am

FRIDAY: 8:30am Adoration, 9.15am Mass

SATURDAY: 9:00am

(Adoration and Reconciliation after Mass)

5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:30-10:00am; 4:25-4:50pm



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Palm / Passion Sunday 10 April 2022

One of the great ways of entering into Holy Week is via the Sacrament of Reconciliation. On Holy Tuesday I will make myself available for confession between 6-8PM. Please refer to the Easter Triduum timetable on page 2 for more opportunities for confession. On that note, here are three reasons for WHY CONFESSION:

Reason 1: A real experience of God's mercy! Who does not want a spiritual experience which affirms and strengthens our faith? For me, confession is a simple and practical way to attain a real faith experience whose value cannot be denied. I would even argue that a good confession can become an experiential proof of God's existence! I still remember one particularly memorable confession when I came out of the church as though I wanted to exclaim, 'Christ is risen!' Nevertheless, there is a "condition" of sorts. We need to confess - "bring out into the open" - the biggest and most pressing matters and not allow them to remain hidden due to, for example, embarrassment. Remember, priests are bound by the seal of confession. Furthermore, the confessionals are generally designed to facilitate anonymity (at least here at Regina Coeli). In other words, efforts have been made by the Church to minimise fear when it comes to the challenge of radically honest confession. As one politician famously said, 'There is nothing to fear except fear itself!' So, why not take the leap of faith? What we stand to lose is very little, if anything at all; by contrast what we stand to win is potentially life-changing!

Reason 2: A fresh new start before it is too late! A person who was to be baptised at the Easter Vigil once told me that he thought of baptism as a *reset* of sorts. For us who have already been baptised the sacrament of reconciliation is like a reset which gives us a fresh new start. For this reason confession is referred to at times as the second baptism. As we know, the more we succumb to sin the harder it becomes for us to stop. Without reset our small faults can grow into big faults. Worse yet, the state of entanglement can become the new "normal" such that we no longer even notice the faults. This is when we become compromised or corrupt, in which case fathers cannot be fathers, mothers cannot be mothers, priests cannot be priests, etc. We have forgotten who we truly are and therefore cannot deliver for others what is expected of us. Pope Benedict XVI once said, 'The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness!' A good confession helps us remember the greatness to which our Heavenly Father calls us!

Reason 3: An act of love! Scott Hahn is a prominent scripture scholar who used to be a Protestant minister. When he converted to Catholicism one of the treasures he discovered was the sacrament of reconciliation. One day his wife, who was a devout protestant yet to convert to Catholicism, said to him, 'I am not a Catholic. But I like it when you go to confession because you seem to come back as a better husband!' I think of the rigour with which some people exercised extreme caution during the pandemic because they did not want to pass on the virus to the vulnerable members of their family.

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The Week Ahead

Sun 10 April Palm Sunday	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass
Mon 11 April	No Mass
Tue 12 April	9.15am Mass 6-8pm Reconciliation
Wed 13 April	7am Mass



EASTER TRIDUUM @ REGINA COELI

HOLY THURSDAY

7pm The Lord's Supper
followed by Reconciliation

GOOD FRIDAY

10am Stations of the Cross
followed by Reconciliation

3pm The Passion of the Lord
followed by Reconciliation

HOLY SATURDAY

7:00pm Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY

8:30, 10am Mass



Happy Easter!

Recently Deceased

Giuseppa Campagna, Patricia McMellon, Peter Lyle, Nea Gooley, Gloria Fisher, Gennaro Sacco, Dorothy Browne, Kathleen Coleman, David Brown, Bill Gately

In Loving Memory

Irene Hall, Ariel Fiorini, Tarcisius Sujono Setio Kuncoro, Mary Crawford, Jimmy Simmons, Giuseppe Graniero, The Hayes Family, Anna Maria Cicuto, Joe Poolice

Please remember those who are in ill health especially:

Brian Moore, Josephina Algozzino, Mildred Petit, James Ybasco, Josh Venture, Carmen Bajada, Anne Kensey, Monica Costa, Quang Vo, Matt Nugent, Ann McDowell, Damiano Serravalle, George Dagher, Mrs Saba, Pat Mortimer, Mrs Donald Burch, Mary Daniels, Geoff McDowell,

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Continued from Page 1 The same logic would apply, perhaps even more than we might realise, when it comes to our sins: we don't want our loved ones to suffer because of the lingering effects of our unforgiven sins! When we are burdened by sin are we not more likely to be inward-looking, impatient, irritable, cowardly, despairing, greedy, lustful, etc.? To what extent has living with serious sins become the new "normal," as a result of which our loved ones are tragically and unnecessarily implicated in our own misery? A good confession really is an act of love toward others, with whom we wish to share the very best of ourselves, with minimal interference from the wounds of our sins. - Fr Peter -

The Diocese of Lismore 2022 Flood Appeal

The parish of Regina Coeli has raised over \$6000 for this appeal! Apparently, this is the largest amount ever raised by the ladies of St Vincent de Paul Society who are contributing from their own funds to bring up the total to **\$7000** which has already been transferred into the official account for the appeal. Thank you for your generous & sincere expressions of almsgiving this Lent!

Introducing the candidates for RCIA 2022

#4 Cindy

I was brought up in a Catholic family, my Mum used to take me to church every Sunday when we were in Hong Kong. However, I have never fully understood the Catholic values. After migrating to Australia, my mum has not resumed going to church due to work commitment and language barrier.

As years have gone by, I have had my own children and when it's time to decide which school my son should be going, I have applied to a Catholic school near home. From time to time, my son came home and asked me about all these Catholic values and meanings, which I do not have answers for. This prompted me to seek the meaning of God and life.

Finally I had the courage to reach out to Fr Peter to discuss the process of becoming a Catholic and here I am. Finally being able to understand and discuss the Catholic values, I am looking forward to become Catholic with my sons together.

#5 Jeanine

I grew up in Beverly Hills with my Mum, Dad and two sisters. I attended the local schools and have lived in the area for many years. For some reason I have always believed in God. I travel past the Church nearly every day and even visited over the years with my Father. I've enjoyed sessions with Father Peter's group. He is always happy to answer all our questions, no matter how random. There is so much to learn and I can't wait. I'm very pleased to have the opportunity to join the Church and be a part of this community.

Last Weekend 3 April 2022

2nd Collection \$1547.60

1st Collection \$578.15

Attendance

5PM	~103
8.30AM	~119
10AM	~120
Total	~342

Gospel Lk 19:28-40

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany at the place called the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village opposite, whereon entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat; untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" you shall say this, "The Lord has need of it"'. So those who were sent went away and found it as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' And they said, 'The Lord has need of it'. And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their garments on the colt they set Jesus upon it. And as he rode along, they spread their garments on the road. As he was now drawing near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!' And some of the Pharisees in the multitude said to him, 'Teacher, rebuke your disciples'. He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out'.

First Reading Is 50:4-7

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

(R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

- All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' (R.)
- Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. (R.)
- They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)
- I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.' (R.)

Second Reading Phil 2:6-11

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation Phil 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel Lk 22:14 - 23:56

N When the hour came Jesus took his place at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them, **J** I have longed to eat this passover with you before I suffer; because, I tell you, I shall not eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God. **N** Then, taking a cup, he gave thanks and said, **J** Take this and share it among you, because from now on, I tell you, I shall not drink wine until the kingdom of God comes. **N** Then he took some bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it and gave it to them, saying, **J** This is my body which will be given for you; do this as a memorial of me. **N** He did the same with the cup after supper, and said, **J** This cup is the new covenant in my blood which will be poured out for you. And yet, here with me on the table is the hand of the man who betrays me. The Son of Man does indeed go to his fate even as it has been decreed, but alas for that man by whom he is betrayed! **N** And they began to ask one another which of them it could be who was to do this thing. **A** dispute arose also between them about which should be reckoned the greatest, but he said to them, **J** Among pagans it is the kings who lord it over them, and those who have authority over them are given the title Benefactor. This must not happen with you. No; the greatest among you must behave as if he were the youngest, the leader as if he were the one who serves. For who is the greater: the one at table or the one who serves? The one at the table, surely? Yet here I am among you as one who serves! You are the men who have stood by me faithfully in my trials; and now I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father conferred one on me: you will eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on the thrones to judge the twelve tribes of Israel. Simon, Simon! Satan, you must know, has got his wish to sift you all like wheat; but I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail, and once you have recovered, you in your turn must strengthen your brothers. **N** He answered,

O Lord, I would be ready to go to prison with you, and to death. **N** Jesus replied, **J** I tell you, Peter, by the time the cock crows today you will have denied three times that you know me. **N** He said to them, **J** When I sent you out without purse or haversack or sandals, were you short of anything? **N** They answered, **C** No. **N** He said to them, **J** But now if you have a purse, take it: if you have a haversack, do the same; if you have no sword, sell your cloak and buy one, because I tell you these words of scripture have to be fulfilled in me: He let himself be taken for a criminal. Yes, what scripture says about me is even now reaching its fulfilment. **N** They said, **C** Lord, there are two swords here now. **N** He said to them, **J** That is enough! **N** He then left the upper room to make his way as usual to the Mount of Olives, with the disciples following. When they reached the place he said to them, **J** Pray not to be put to the test. **N** Then he withdrew from them, about a stone's throw away, and knelt down and prayed, saying, **J** Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Nevertheless, let your will be done, not mine. **N** Then an angel appeared to him coming from heaven to give him strength. In his anguish he prayed even more earnestly, and his sweat fell to the ground like great drops of blood. When he rose from prayer he went to the disciples and found them sleeping for sheer grief. He said to them, **J** Why are you asleep? Get up and pray not to be put to the test. **N** He was still speaking when a number of men appeared, and at the head of them the man called Judas, one of the Twelve, who went up to Jesus to kiss him. Jesus said, **J** Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss? **N** His followers, seeing what was happening, said, **C** Lord, shall we use our swords? **N** And one of them struck out at the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. But at this Jesus spoke, **J** Leave off! That will do! **N** And touching the man's ear he healed him. Then Jesus spoke to the chief priests and captains of the Temple guard and elders who had come for him. He said, **J** Am I a brigand that you had to set out with swords and clubs? When I was among you in the Temple day after day you never moved to lay hands on me. But this is your hour; this is the reign of darkness. **N** They seized him then and led him away, and they took him to the high priest's house. Peter followed at a distance. They had lit a fire in the middle of the courtyard and Peter sat down among them, and as he was sitting there by the blaze a servant-girl saw him, peered at him, and said, **O** This person was with him too. **N** But he denied it, saying, **O** Woman, I do not know him. **N** Shortly afterwards someone else saw him and said,