

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT / A

22 MARCH 2026

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.'

Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me. But I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Longer form, 11:1-45

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Hear us, almighty God, and, having instilled in your servants the teachings of the Christian faith, graciously purify them by the working of this sacrifice. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE OF 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

cf. Jn 11:26

Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. We pray, almighty God, that we may always be counted among the members of Christ, in whose Body and Blood we have communion. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

OUR SOURCE OF LIFE

As we come to the last Sunday of Lent, we celebrate the central meaning of Jesus' life—his gift of life. The story involves Lazarus and his sisters, Martha and Mary. These are Jesus' friends who are from the village of Bethany. When Jesus gets the message about Lazarus' dire illness, strangely, he does not go immediately to be with them but only after two days have passed.

The evangelist's words at this point link to the story from last Sunday: One 'can walk in the daytime without stumbling because he has the light of this world to see by.' It is this Light, Jesus, that then goes to Bethany, to bring the dead Lazarus to life. The interchange that Jesus has with Martha before he comes to Lazarus' tomb summarises a theology which John wants readers to transcend. Rather than wait for the general resurrection at the end time, Jesus is 'the resurrection and the life' now. Faith in him will bring people to life.

Space prevents a detailed examination of the narrative dynamic at play and the depths of the Gospel's symbolism behind the dialogues, Jesus' weeping, the various reactions to Jesus, Jesus' command to Lazarus to come from the tomb and the order to unbind Lazarus. On this final Sunday in Lent our gaze is squarely on Jesus. He is our source of life, now and into eternity. Today's Gospel invites us into a deeper communion with Jesus, who is 'the resurrection and the life'.

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THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE. The raising of Lazarus from the dead was a wonderful event. His sisters were overjoyed and many people came to believe in Jesus. But something more wonderful happened in Jesus' own death and resurrection. While Lazarus was restored to his former life, the death of Jesus produces a life that will last forever, a life that we receive in baptism. Let us pray for all who are to be baptised this Easter.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 42:1-2
Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries. P. Lord Jesus, you were lifted up to draw all people to yourself: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You shouldered the cross, to bear our suffering and sinfulness: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

You open for your people the way from death into life: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

The Gloria is not said during Lent.

COLLECT

P. By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ezek 37:12-14

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the

soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 129. R. v. 7

R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, / Lord, hear my voice! / O let your ears be attentive / to the voice of my pleading. **R.**
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, / Lord, who would survive? / But with you is found forgiveness: / for this we revere you. **R.**
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord, / I count on his word. / My soul is longing for the Lord / more than watchman for daybreak. / (Let the watchman count on daybreak / and Israel on the Lord.) **R.**
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy / and fullness of redemption, / Israel indeed he will redeem / from all its iniquity. **R.**

SECOND READING

Rom 8:8-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he will give life to your own mortal bodies.

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 11:25, 26

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL

Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

I am the resurrection and the life.

The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life.

If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?



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LITURGICAL TIMES

Weekend Masses: Saturday (vigil): 6.00pm Sunday: 7.30 & 9.30am Korean: 11.30 am Indonesian Mass: 4.00pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open 24 hours, 7 days a week. Entry from Marmion Street. For access contact Paul Menezes 0413 817 857

Weekday Masses: Monday (Communion Service): 9.00am; Tuesday: 5.30pm; Wednesday: 9.00am; Thursday: 5.30pm; Friday 9.00am

Indonesian Cenacle & Mass: 1st & 3rd Thursday 10.30am

Indonesian Community: St Anthony Novena, 3rd Tuesday of each month at 11.00am

Rosary: Recited after 9.00 am Mass on Wednesdays and Fridays except 1st Friday of the month

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30pm to 5.50pm and on request

Healing Mass: Friday, 10 April 2026 at 9.00am

Anointing of Sick: After each of the weekend masses on the 11 and 12 April 2026 and on request.

Novena and Benediction Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Tuesday 6.00pm.

22 Mar 2026	Fifth Sunday in Lent	Year A	#2297	29 Mar 2026	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	Year A	#2298
Acolytes	Sat 6.00pm C Bui			Acolytes	Sat 6.00pm P Ng		
	Sun 7.30am Volunteer				Sun 7.30am K Taylor		
	Sun 9.30am L Rebelo				Sun 9.30am P Redding		
Readers	Sat 6.00pm T D’Cruz and M Demelo			Readers	Sat 6.00pm K Gan and A Faria		
	Sun 7.30am K Taylor and Volunteer				Sun 7.30am P Neale and V France		
	Sun 9.30am S Clark and H Clark				Sun 9.30am M O’Keefe and G Pogorzelski		
Ministers	Sat 6.00pm I Kusnadi			Ministers	Sat 6.00pm C Bourke		
	Sun 7.30am P Robertson				Sun 7.30am Volunteer		
	Sun 9.30am L Nussey				Sun 9.30am A Chew		
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm E Simmons, EM Sajan, F Considine			Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm E & M Fong and T Murphy		
	Sun 7.30am Volunteer				Sun 7.30am Volunteer		
	Sun 9.30am K Varen, J Yeow and A Pavic				Sun 9.30am L & M Beaver and LM Brown		
Greeters	Sat 6.00pm T Iacobelis			Greeters	Sat 6.00pm S Klauz		
	Sun 7.30am R Cooper				Sun 7.30am Volunteer		
	Sun 9.30am G Pogorzelski				Sun 9.30am M Cabassi		
Children’s Liturgy	Sun 9.30am N Pavic			Children’s Liturgy	Sun 9.30am T Lee		
Our Lady Statue	Sat 21 Mar B & T D’Cruz			Our Lady Statue	Sat 28 Mar A Chew		
Flower Group	Sat 21 Mar P Ballantyne			Flower Group	Sat 28 Mar D Brayshaw		
External Clean	Sat 21 Mar G Della Maddalena			External Clean	Sat 28 Mar P and C Taylor		

Parish Mission Statement

LIVING WITNESSES TO THE BODY OF CHRIST

In the spirit of our Lord God, we,

the Pater Noster Community, strive to be living witnesses to the Body of Christ.

Guided by faith and love, we commit ourselves

to nurturing faith, reaching out to others, and reflecting the Grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

St Mary’s Cathedral Tour Guides Information Event

At our beautiful Cathedral, St Mary’s we have a very enthusiastic band of volunteers who conduct tours to schools, public and private organisations as well as the general public.

This voluntary Ministry was founded in February 2011 and has grown over the years from two to eleven tour guides. However, we would like to increase our numbers.

On Thursday, 23 April 2026 at 10.30am there will be a short tour followed by a light morning tea in the Cathedral’s Parish Centre.

The aim of this Open Day is a fact-finding event for those individuals who are available during the week and would like to find out more of what is involved. You will be able to ask questions, meet the other guides and perhaps decide to join. Your commitment would only be determined by your availability and may just one tour every month or so for approximately one hour.

All necessary training and resources are provided.

To register your attendance, or for more information, please call Carol Young (Tour Guide Co Ordinator) on 0417 097 455 or email: caroly7@bigpond.com.

Stations of the Cross: Friday, 27 March, 6.00pm

Acolyte: Ken Taylor

Altar Servers: Liam Beaver and Hugo Reid

Reader Vicki France

Easter Mass Times

Holy Thursday 2 April: 7.30pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Good Friday 3 April: 10.00am Stations of the Cross
3.00pm Lord’s Passion

Holy Saturday 4 April: 7.00pm Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday 5 April: 7.30am Mass
9.30am Mass
4.00pm Indonesian Mass

Food Collection Bin in the Foyer

The food bin in the corner of the Church foyer near the kitchen is for donations of dry and tinned food (ring top please) which go to help the homeless and those in need.

Some is used by Father Joseph in our Parish as part of the Outreach Program and the balance goes to St Pats Community Centre to help them cater to the needs of people in the Fremantle area with free hot lunches and emergency food packages.

The contents of the food bin is delivered each Monday morning by a Parishioner and volunteers at St Pats cook the meals.

There is a list of suggestions on the food bin as to what can be donated.

Pater Noster continues to donate on average a shopping bag a week of food items.

St Pats are sincerely grateful for our generosity.

Parish Photographs

The Parish has a library of photographs capturing our history but there are very few recent photographs.

The Parish Council would like to ensure special moments in our Parish are documented and photographs will be very important.

Any amateur photographers interested in assisting in this ongoing project are asked to speak to Father Joseph or Deacon John.

Also, if there are any Parishioners who have photographs which may be of significance to the Parish and you are keen to share; please let us know.

Adoration Chapel

Parishioners can pray before the presence of the Blessed Sacrament any time by visiting the Adoration Chapel.

Access to the Chapel is off Marmion Street and a code to enter is required, which can be obtained from Paul Menezes on 0413 817 857.

Catholic Archdiocese of Perth—Employment Opportunities

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has employment opportunities for suitably qualified persons to join its team and continue the good work of the Church.

For details and how to apply, refer to https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/employment.htm

- Recruitment Officer, People and Culture
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Maximum term, part time
- Pastoral Assistant, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
Permanent, full time
- Liaison, Deaf Support, Personal Advocacy Service
Casual
- Team Leader, Parish Finance
Permanent, full time

2nd COLLECTION from last weekend Masses: exceeded the Parish target. We are fortunate to have our Parishioners.

DIRECT DEBIT: please ask Father Joseph for a form and return completed to Father or Deacon John.

INTERNET BANKING: BSB: 086-006 No: 508212450 Name: Pater Noster Myaree Parish. Enter a brief description in the space provided, e.g. 2nd collection.

EFTPOS FACILITIES: available at each weekend masses. Please confirm if all or part funds are to go other than the 2nd collection.

NEWSLETTER: If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, please email newsletter@paternostermyaree.org.au

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