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14 March 2021

4th Sunday of
Lent

Year A

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

First Reading: *A reading from the first book of Samuel (16:1, 6-7, 10-13)*

The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed one stands there before him,' but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height for I have rejected him; God does not see as man sees; man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.' Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these.' He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.' Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord, said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one.' At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

Responsorial Psalm: (Ps. 22)

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

- The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. (R)
- He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. (R)
- You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. (R)
- Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. (R)

Second Reading: *A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (5:8-14)*

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said: Wake up from your sleep, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: *A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (9:1-41)*

As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.' They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a Sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He made a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God; he does not keep the Sabbath.' Others said, 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet' replied the man. 'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away. Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped him.'

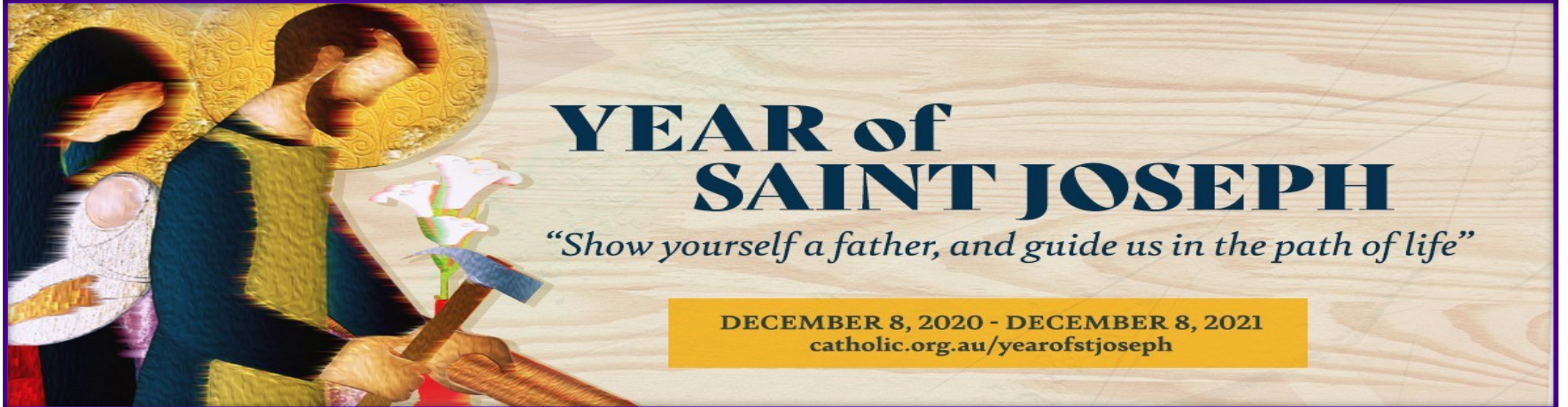
Memorial Acclamation: When we eat this bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord anointed my eyes; I went, I washed I saw and I believed in God.

PASTORAL CORNER

In the 4th week of Lent, the Gospel tells of Jesus healing the blind man. There are fascinating aspects to this story such as using saliva and mud, to the reactions and confrontation by the Pharisees who suffer blindness of another kind and, who are not seen in a positive light. Their rancour is in sharp contrast to the blind man's simple faith. Jesus tells the blind man that his faith has healed him. How much do you rely on faith in your everyday life? In times of trial who do you turn to automatically?

This week reflect on ways you can exercise faith and give encouragement and support to those around you who may need an example of someone else's faith to find their own.



SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH

Friday, 19 March 2021

This year's Solemnity of St Joseph falls in this gracious Year of St Joseph. To support the celebration of the Year of St Joseph we will have our Mass at **6.00 pm**. Leading up to the Solemnity, from **Tuesday, 16 March to Friday 19 March**, we will pray the Litany of St Joseph, the consecration to St Joseph and the Prayer from Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *Patris Corde* at the conclusion of the Mass.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE 2021

TUESDAY, 30 MARCH 2021

Chrism Mass – 7.00pm at the Cathedral

★ *Please note there will be NO 6.00 pm Mass at St Emilie's.*



HOLY THURSDAY, 1 APRIL 2021

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.00pm

★ *Adoration at the Altar of Repose will be until midnight.*



GOOD FRIDAY, 2 APRIL 2021

✠ Stations of the Cross at 10.00am
(Inside the church)

✠ Liturgy of the Passion of Our Lord at 3.00pm

★ *There will be ONE collection for the Holy Places.*



EASTER VIGIL SATURDAY, 3 APRIL 2021

Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection at 8.00pm

★ *We start outside, following "The Light of Christ" into the darkened Church.*



EASTER SUNDAY, 4 APRIL 2021

Masses at 7.30am and 9.30am

★ *Please note there will be NO 5.00pm Mass.*

ST EMILIE's PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM ENROLMENTS FOR 2021

A reminder to all Parish parents, who have children making either the **Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion or Confirmation this year**. You are required to fill out a Sacramental Enrolment Form for your child and these are now available in the church foyer for parents to enrol their children in the Sacramental Program. This applies to children at St Emilie's Primary School and children attending the Parish RE Program After School Classes.

ST EMILIE'S PARISH RE PROGRAM CLASSES

Are now running on **Tuesdays from 4 - 5pm**. However, we are still accepting enrolments. Just bring your children on a **Tuesday at 3.45 pm**, and we can complete their enrolment then. Class Fees apply, with extra **fees** for Sacraments and we can only process cash. New families enrolling need to bring a copy of their **Child's Baptismal Certificate**. Enquiries to Lyn Harkins at email lharkins@iinet.net.au or phone **0404 325 900**.

ALTAR SERVERS 2021

If you are already an Altar Server at St Emilie's please complete a "**Recommitment Form**". If you have been an Altar Server at St Emilie's before. If you would like to join us as a new Altar Server, please complete an Application Form. For any further information, please contact **David Hartley on 08 9258 3226**.

SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

We will celebrate the Second Rite of Reconciliation at St Emilie's on **Tuesday, 23 March 2021 at 7.00 pm**.

PALM SUNDAY

There will be some palms available at the door of the church. However we would appreciate if you could bring your own. The blessing of the palms will take place outside of the church.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

14th MARCH 2021



Arsad, an Indonesian farmer, had no toilet at home and was often sick due to the practice of open defecation. Through Caritas Australia's support, Arsad and his community improved hygiene and sanitation, and funded their own toilets.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help improve health and wellbeing of communities in Indonesia so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a better future for all.

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KINDY ENROLMENTS 2022

If you have a child who will be going into Kindy next year (**born between 1/7/2017 - 30/06/2018**), please ensure you have submitted an Application for Enrolment form to the Office **by Thursday, 1st April**. Interviews for Kindy 2022 places will be held in early Term 2 of this year. Letters regarding the interview process will be sent out later this Term. An Application for Enrolment can be collected from the Front Office or by going to the school website: http://web.stemilescps.wa.edu.au/?page_id=81



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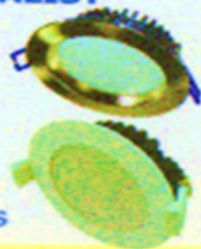
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