



RESURRECTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

7th March 2021

Resurrection Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

PARISH STAFF

Fr Gerard Keith - Parish Priest

Melanie Apap

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Chantal Sant

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.
Closed for lunch between 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm.
Sunday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

RESURRECTION PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mr Desmond Noack - Principal – 8312 6312
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Almsgiving

- St. Vincent de Paul: our conference is seeking non perishable items to be distributed to the poor in our region. Shopping bags will be available from the Church on Ash Wednesday onwards.
- Project Compassion: Boxes will be available from Ash Wednesday onwards. The proceeds help eradicate poverty and help build a world of hope.

After the Parish Leadership team meeting there was a call for action on two fronts:

- **Technology** - we are looking at how the parish can best use technology to assist in our liturgy, communication, outreach and stewardship.
- **Environment** - Each of us is called to do our part to care for the environment. Together with Resurrection Primary School we have established the **Kateri Sustainability Group** to foster awareness and action in environment care (see next page).

If you are interested in either of these two ministries, please contact Fr Gerard.

LENT
Is a time for...



Prayer

Mass Times

Saturday

6.00 pm

Sunday

9.00 am
10.30 am

Weekdays

Monday

Tuesday

Thursday

6.00 pm -

9.30 am

7.00 pm

- **Tuesday - Rosary at 10.00am**
- **Wednesday - Rosary at 10.00am**
- **Thursday - Divine Mercy** after the 7.00pm Thursday evening Mass.
- **Friday - Hearts on Fire** prayer group at 7.00pm
- **Saturday - Lenten Reflection** from 10am - 11am in the Church.
- **The Prayer of the Church (Divine Office)** is prayed at the start of each Mass.
- **Christian Meditation** after the Monday evening Mass and 20 minutes before the Tuesday and Thursday Mass.

We pray for all those who have died recently.

We pray for Nick Losschiavo, Leonora Laguara, Alister Bosser, Corry Sacco, Eufrocina Parel and for those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

We pray for all those who are sick, give them hope and courage they need today and everyday.

Please note Monday is a public holiday, therefore the office will be closed and there will be no Monday evening Mass.

PALM BRANCHES

Any parishioner who is able to supply palm branches (large/small) for Palm Sunday is asked to contact the parish office.



13th & 14th March 2021
4th Sunday of Lent

	6 P M	9 A M	10.30 A M
MASS OVERSEERS	Michelle Mercieca	Kathy Wale	Yvonne Utoasega
HOSPITALITY	Rachael Bonavia Anna Wright	Anna Cassar Andrew Cassar	Daniella Carapellotti
DATA PROJECTOR	Julia Portelli	Vincent Dizon	Jomar Inot
CAMERA OPERATOR	N/A	N/A	N/A
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	Henry Dunn Choir Henry Dunn Marissa Dunn	Elizabeth Michaelson Paula Prosia Elizabeth Michaelson Paula Prosia	Jane Inot Choir Jane Inot Atalina Ulugia-Sa'Ena
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Spira Attard Joe Caruana Jane Caruana	Fr Gerard Keith Marc Dicconson Minh Pham Karen D'Souza	Fr Gerard Keith Fely Baltazar Christine Perram Dolly Zipagan
SACRISTY DUTY	Spira Attard	Need Volunteer	Aurora Asuncion

KATERI

Sustainability News

A small group of parents, teachers and Father Gerard, have come together to help Resurrection become a more sustainable community. The name of our group will be Kateri as Saint Kateri is the patron saint of ecology and the environment.

What is sustainability?

Sustainability means to meet our needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs. If something is sustainable, it means you can keep using it without it running out.

At Resurrection, we aim to apply this to our everyday lives and to make sure we have an even more amazing Resurrection Catholic Primary School, Parish and world for generations to come!

In addition, Pope Francis says that we are "called to care for creation not only as responsible citizens, but also as followers of Christ!" (Laudato Si). Being sustainable is also ingrained in our faith as Christians.

To begin our sustainability journey, we encourage you to participate in **Clean Up Australia Day** which will be held this Sunday. Visit www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au for more information. We would also love to see photos of you and your family cleaning up Australia!

We welcome any ideas and suggestions from all members of our community regardless of age! Stay tuned for more developments from Kateri!



St Kateri

Pandemic shows need for new model of care for elderly, academy says

By: Carol Glatz

Date: February 9, 2021

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — A new attitude and approach toward the elderly are needed in today's world, especially in the places and ways they are cared for when they become more fragile, said the Pontifical Academy for Life.

To make sure the needs of older people are met and their gifts appreciated, renewed attention and new solutions must be given to assisted living facilities, architectural barriers, friendships and social support networks, in-home caregivers, families and younger family members and opportunities in parishes, the academy said in a new document.

Released Feb. 9, the 11-page "note" is titled, "Old Age: Our Future. The Elderly After the Pandemic," and was made available in six languages at academyforlife.va.

It offers a reflection on the importance of the elderly and the challenges the older generation faces and will face, given the World Health Organization's estimate that by 2050, the world will have 2 billion people over the age of 60, that is, one out of every five people in the world.

The academy also appealed to every facet of society, including families, health care providers, city administrators and local parishes to be more attentive to and inclusive of older people, reviewing and rebuilding the way they welcome and care for people in their fragility.

During an online news conference presenting the document Feb. 9, Archbishop Vincenzo Paglia, academy president, said the COVID-19 pandemic has laid bare chronic, underlying problems in the way older people are cared for.

"On all continents, the pandemic has primarily affected those who are old," he said, citing estimates that more than 2.3 million elderly people have died of COVID-19, the majority of whom were over 75. The pandemic has been "a real massacre of the elderly and the majority of them died in institutions for the elderly," he said.

"A serious rethinking is needed not only in relation to residences for the elderly but for the entire care system of the numerous elderly population that today characterizes all societies," he said. In light of Pope Francis' warning that the world will emerge from the pandemic either better or worse, the archbishop said, making things better "depends on us, on the way we start building our future today."

The document — focused on building a new future for the elderly — was the fourth published by the academy in relation to the pandemic and another two are in the works: one on children and another on the disabled, he said.

Msgr. Bruno-Marie Duffe, secretary of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, said at the news conference that the pandemic "has brought to light an important component of social relationships."

"The ability to take up the challenge of life — its unknowns and its joys — is based, in part, on the inspiration of dialogue between generations" in which they come together and encourage each other, sharing their dreams, wisdom and tenderness, he said.

Etsuo Akiba, academy member and professor at the University of Toyama, Japan, said that 98% of the people in Japan who have died of COVID-19 have been people 60 years old and over. Addressing the conference from Japan, she described the serious social and psychological difficulties facing young people, especially students, in urban settings. They face intense competition, bullying and seclusion, and older people often live far away in suburban settings where many of them fear becoming unable to care for themselves, she said.

However, she said the Toyama prefecture has sought to reject this segregation of generations, creating a “regional community of mutual aid.”

For example, she said, they are promoting the “Compact City Project” in collaboration with the university and landscape-gardening businesses.

They also have the “Toyama Day Care System,” which has become a national project, in which older people and differently abled children live together in a traditional Japanese home, designed for three generations, surrounded by nature and supported by family members and caregivers, she said.

“The present world war against COVID-19 is a rare chance for us to escape from an island country’s seclusive mentality and to get the cosmopolitan perspective” that is healthier and intergenerational, she added.

Among the main points in the academy’s document are:

— A duty to create the best conditions for the elderly to live “at home with one’s family if possible and with lifelong friends,” and in one’s own neighborhood with the provision of basic services.

— Housing should be adapted to their changing needs, including removing architectural barriers and providing integrated, skilled home medical care.

— New technologies and advances in telemedicine and artificial intelligence should be used responsibly so the elderly can receive assistance in a home setting.

— Independent living, assisted living, co-housing and other initiatives should be inspired by an attitude of mutual assistance, making it possible for the elderly to be autonomous in a community, and, ideally, intergenerational setting.

— Nursing homes should be redeveloped into providing medical services directly in the homes of the elderly and families should get the support they need so they can care for a loved one at home.

— Dioceses, parishes and church communities should promote “a more caring pastoral relationship with the elderly,” seeing them as a “great resource,” especially in faith formation and as living witnesses of the faith.

“This vision is not an abstract utopian or naive pretense. It can instead bring to life and nourish new and wiser public health policies and original proposals for a welfare system for the elderly” that is more effective and more humane, the note said.

“This requires an ethic of the public good and the principle of respect for the dignity of every individual” and it requires the help of everyone — the whole church, different religions, the world of culture, schools, volunteers, media companies and businesses — to support a “Copernican revolution” that makes it possible for the elderly to remain in the homes they know or in welcoming, loving environments.

MASS TIME CHANGES

Please note that on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday our Mass time has changed from 9am to **8.30am**.

For those attending this Mass, please make note of this change.



Third Sunday of Lent

Twenty-two-year-old Oliva lives in Tanzania with her farmer husband, two young sons and an adopted niece and nephew.

She didn’t have the opportunity to go to school growing up - and was embarrassed that she couldn’t read, write or count. Around 25 percent of Tanzanian girls and women over 15 years cannot read or write, with many families unable to afford school fees or uniforms.

Now, as an adult, Oliva runs a kiosk and works as a farm labourer - but her business was losing money because she couldn’t add up.

Then Oliva enrolled in Caritas Australia-supported

literacy and numeracy classes.

She also set up a classroom at home to teach her neighbours, for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes.

Oliva has now graduated, as have some of her students. Attendance at her classes is growing, her kiosk is thriving and she can help her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in the next local election.

Oliva aspires to “Be More” and wants to help her community to achieve its vision of a better life for all.

“I am proud to be a teacher who helps others to achieve their dream,” Oliva says.

