



this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

Classic art usually portrays the two disciples travelling on the road to Emmaus with the unknown Wayfarer as male. But is it possible that one of them was a woman, and the two disciples were actually husband and wife? Luke names one as Cleopas. In John 19:25, one of the women standing by the cross of Jesus is 'Mary the wife of Clopas' (note the different spelling). We can imagine, then, that Cleopas and his wife were discussing the reports of the women that Jesus had risen from the dead. When they recognised Jesus at the breaking of the bread in their house, Mary could have said to her husband: "I told you so. Why didn't you believe the women!"

The Emmaus story is a masterpiece that mirrors everyone's journey from darkness to light, from sorrow to joy. 'Stay with us, for it is nearly evening' is not only an expression of hospitality to a stranger. It is also a cry to the Lord to stay with us even when everything around us seems dark.

Saint John Paul II draws this lesson from the story: 'Amid our questions and difficulties, and even our bitter disappointments, the divine Wayfarer continues to walk at our side, opening to us the Scriptures and leading us to a deeper understanding of the mysteries of God. When we meet him fully, we will pass from the light of the Word to the light streaming from the "Bread of Life", the supreme fulfilment of his promise to "be with us always, to the end of the age" (cf. Mt 28:20)' (*Mane Nobiscum Domine*, 2).

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FIRST READING

Acts 2:14, 22-33

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

It was impossible for him to be held by the power of Hades. On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always, / for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me. / So my heart was glad / and my tongue cried out with joy: / my body, too, will rest in the hope / that you will not abandon my soul to Hades / nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. / You have made known the way of life to me, / you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM

Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11. R. v. 11

R. Lord, you will show us the path of life. (or Alleluia!)

1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. / I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.' / O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; / it is you yourself who are my prize. R.

2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, / who even at night directs my heart. / I keep the Lord ever in my sight: / since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. R.

3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; / even my body shall rest in safety. / For you will not leave my soul among the dead, / nor let your beloved know decay. R.

4. You will show me the path of life, / the fullness of joy in your presence, / at your right hand happiness for ever. R.

SECOND READING

1 Pet 1:17-21

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia! / Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: / make our hearts burn with love when you speak. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 24:13-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked

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Catholic Charismatic Renewal Jubilee Celebrations St. Clement of Rome Parish

This year marks the Jubilee Year of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Movement. We are privileged to have the Jubilee Cross in our Parish. We ask God's Spirit to enlighten us over the week so we can each live the mission of Jesus in our lives and a world greatly in need of healing and peace. Personal prayer intentions may be written and placed in the box at the foot of the cross, and these offered up in prayer as the Cross makes its visit to the different Catholic Parishes. These remain private and confidential.

Recent Deaths & Death Anniversaries

Please note, starting in May, a Clip board will be available in the Foyer. We ask that you place the names that you wish to be included in the bulletin and read out at the weekend Masses. All the names will be collected each week on a Thursday at mid day to be included in the bulletin. Thank you.

Si prega di notare, a partire da Maggio un appunto sara' disponibile nel foyer della Chiesa. Vi preghiamo di inserire i nomi di quelli che desiderate a essere inclusi nel Bollettino e da leggere durante le Messe. Tutti i nomi saranno raccolti ogni settimana di giovedì a mezzogiorno per essere inclusi nel bollettino. Grazie

We are in urgent need of the following volunteers :

- 1) Projectionist—anyone wishing to operate the PowerPoint & Music for the weekend Masses Sat 5.30pm & Sun 9am.
- 2) PowerPoint presentation writers. Typing up the Mass on to the slides for weekend Masses.

Training will be provided to anyone interested. Please contact Mariangela at the Parish Office or leave your details on the clip board provided in the Foyer. Thank You.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

Week of Prayer with The Jubilee Cross

WHEN
April 29 to May 6

WHERE

St. Clement of Rome Parish

7 Egan Drive, Bulleen Vic 3105
03 98503262



ALL ARE WELCOME

www.stclementsparishbulleen.org.au

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SAT 29 APRIL: JUBILEE CROSS ARRIVES AT PARISH
5.30PM MASS
SUN 30 APRIL
9.00AM, 11.00AM
6.00PM MASS (MARONITE)
MON 1 MAY:
9.15 AM MASS FOLLOWED BY MEDITATION (ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER)
TUESDAY 2 MAY:
9.15AM MASS (ITALIAN) FOLLOWED BY PRAYER AND MEDITATION (ITALIAN)
WEDNESDAY 3 MAY:
9.15AM MASS AND MARIAN DEVOTION
THURSDAY 4 MAY:
9.15 AM MASS 7.00PM ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE (AS ONE FAMILY)
FRIDAY 5 MAY:
9.15AM MASS FOLLOWED BY STATIONS OF THE CROSS
SATURDAY 6 MAY:
5.30 PM MASS CROSS LEAVES ST. CLEMENT OF ROME

Prayer intentions can be written and placed at the foot of the cross.

PARISH DIARY

Mon 1st May @ 9.15am—School Mass (Feast of St. Joseph) followed by Meditation
 Tue 2nd May @ 9.15am—Mass followed by Prayer & Meditation (Italian)
 Tue 2nd May @ 4.30pm—Confirmation Classes in the Parish Office
 Wed 3rd May @ 9.15am—Mass and Marian Devotion
 Thurs 4th May @ 7pm—Ecumenical Prayer Service
 Fri 5th May @ 9.15am—Mass followed by Stations of the Cross
 Fri 5th May @ 6pm—Youth Group in the Clifton Centre

Collections Last Weekend
1st Collection (Thanksgiving)
 Actual — 2,759
2nd Collection (Presbytery)
 Actual — 1,234
Many thanks & every Blessing!

DONCARE Food Appeal

The St Clement of Rome, Bulleen, St Vincent de Paul Conference is calling for food donations to help DONCARE replenish its depleted Emergency Relief Food Pantry. Foods such as long life milk, pasta sauce (not pasta), 1 kilo packets of rice, coffee, tinned fruit, biscuits, spreads/jam would be greatly appreciated. Other foods as in the Notice in the Church Entry would be gratefully received.

The St Vincent de Paul Conference's Mission is to assist our friends in need and we also do this by working cooperatively with DONCARE. Thank you for your generosity.

John Bruce
 President, SVDP Conference Bulleen

Sacramental Program 2017

Sacrament of Confirmation—

Classes : Every Tuesday from @ 4.30pm -5.30pm in the Parish Office.

Parents' Information Session: Thursday 20th July 2017 @ 7.30pm

Commissioning Mass: Saturday 22 July 2017

Confirmation: 6 August, 2017 @ 2.30pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral

FIRST EUCHARIST: TERM 3

Last Date for enrolment: 1 July 2017

Classes commence: Tuesday, 18 July 2017 @ 4.30pm-5.30pm in the Clifton Centre

Reconciliation before First Communion: Saturday 23

September 2017 @ 10.00am

First Communion for After School RE children: Saturday 23 September 2017 @ 5.30pm

The fee to cover all administrative and resource cost is \$150 per sacrament per child. Fees payable on enrolment through the Parish Office. Please see Bernadine who is in charge of accounts. Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the website or collected from the Parish Office. All enrolment forms must be completed and submitted by the last date for enrolment.

Flood Appeal

Archbishop Denis Hart has suggested we take a collection for the flood affected people of in New South Wales. The collection will take place this weekend at all Masses.

Direct deposit details are given below for those who wish to make electronic contributions :

CBA Account—BSB:062-565 Account No : 1085 4726

Name : Trustees of the Roman Catholic Church Diocese of Lismore

Reference : Your Name

Liturgy Roster

		Sat 5.30pm	Sun 9am
29/30 April	<i>Sacristan</i>	John Bruce	Francis & Gloria Ng
	<i>COMMENTATOR</i>	Jacinta De La Cruz	Grace Canatelli
	<i>Reader</i>	Rene De La Cruz	Jim Cowhey
	<i>Special Ministers</i>	Martin Teh	Grace Canatelli
		Rita Gagliardi	Anne Fusca
		Warwick Wright	Fulvia Gerasolimo
			Gabriella Grande
			Eleanora Mascitti
			Sylvia Mascitti
			David Mitchell
6/7 May	<i>Sacristan</i>	John Bruce	Francis & Gloria Ng
	<i>COMMENTATOR</i>	John Bruce	Jim Cowhey
	<i>Reader</i>	Paul Sammut	Tim Landsberg
	<i>Special Ministers</i>	Enza Wilcox Grace Canatelli	Pam Mitchell
		Linda Cultrera	Gloria Ng
			Maria Papalia
			Elsa Waters
			Chris Zordan
			Trish Atherton
			Grace Canatelli



Congratulations to Mary & Charlie Stroud
On their 60th Wedding Anniversary this weekend

Craft Sale

St Clement's Craft Ladies have organized a craft sale to be held at the Bulleen Plaza on Thursday 11th May from 9am—4pm. Please support. Please ring Marcella 98582369 for information.

Annual Mass Count

Over the four weekends in May, beginning from 6/7th May weekend, the annual Mass Count will take place at St Clement's at all Masses. Collectors at weekend Masses are asked to compile the figures and complete the forms please. Thank You.



MASS TIMES, RECONCILIATION & OTHER SACRAMENTS

Mass Times: Sat 5:30pm (*Vigil*), Sun - 9am, 11am (*Italian*) & 6pm (*Maronite Community Mass*)

Tues 9:15am (*Italian*), Wed-Sat 9:15am. **Eucharistic Adoration:** Tues-Fri 8-9am (in the Chapel)

Reconciliation: Sat 10am (and on request). **Marian Devotions:** Sat 8.40am.

Baptisms: Welcoming (3rd weekend) & Baptism (4th weekend) every month. Weddings: By Appointment.



Recently Deceased : Salvatrice Spada

Death Anniversaries : Lucy Natawidjaja, Paul Di Battista, Maria & Salvatore Deiana, Vittorio Casale, Carmelo Sorbera

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen