

**1390.03DEATHS:** Alastair Waters, Anthony Corporal.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Evan Kelly, Erika Karadzic

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Tony Chappel, Hazel Reid, Helen Tarttelin, Deidre Frain, Joe Clarke, Frank Gatto, Gerry Josey, Rita Van Ryt, Ted Helmuth, Dorothy Chalmers, Veronica Cullen, Julieta Sturrock, Marie Blunck, BJ Castley, Syd Britland, Judith Billanes, Jovi Baier, Otto Hava, Will Carland, Peter King, Jorja Price, Gerry Smith, Bozo Pinjuh, Paul O'Connor, Sr Margaret Scott (Immaculata), Ernie Shambrook, May Dunne, Veronica Spain, Meryl Pavan, Ebony Lees, Lyn Galley, Ted Butterworth, Stephen Jamison, June Oliver, Albert Fernandez, Angela Fell, Sr. Kath Clancy, Terry Casey, Janelle Ryan, Jim Telford, Fred Dowse, Laurie Raynes, Lally Biondi, Glen Major, Michael Anderson.

**Third Sunday of Lent**

Exodus 20: 1-3, 7-8, 12-17  
St Paul to Corinthians 1:22-25  
John 2: 13-25

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23  
St Paul to Ephesians 2:4-10  
John 3: 14-21



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	<b>\$2073.38</b>	
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**SOME IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP:**

March	17 <sup>th</sup>	St Patrick’s Day	Mass 8am
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Liturgy meeting for Holy Week	at 3.30pm
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Surviving the Loss of a Child Meeting	9.30am
		Feast of St Joseph’s	Mass at 5.30pm
		St Pat’s Concert LJH	6.30pm
	20 <sup>th</sup>	Stations of the Cross	6pm in the Church each Friday in Lent
	26 <sup>th</sup>	Seniors’ Morning Tea	
	28/29 <sup>th</sup>	St Paul His Journeys & Mission	
	31 <sup>st</sup>	M/C Festival Meeting	6pm

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**WEBSITE OF THE WEEK:** <http://cf.thepmrc.org/activities> The March CathFamily E-newsletter features the Lenten Ritual – Stations of the Cross. Two versions of the Stations are included, one for younger children and one for families. They may be useful for school liturgies or for families to use as a reflection. They have many other ideas for the Church Year there too.

**YOUTH GROUP:** We are having the first Youth Group for 2009. We would like to start the year off with some ice-breakers, pizza and a movie. **WHO:** All children in Grade 5 - 9 are invited to attend.

**WHEN:** 6pm Mass and 7:15 - 9:30 (pizza and movie) Saturday the 21st of March. **WHERE:** Mass at Good Shepherd and then parents are to transport their children to St Joseph’s Library. **COST:** \$5 for pizza and other supplies.

**RODEO ENTRANT:** Jasmin Minnecon from Centacare Family Services is fundraising for Jangawala Drop-in Centre, for the Rodeo Queen Quest Competition. Her first fund raising venture is 100 X 100 board, Raffle tickets are \$100 and Prize money is \$5,000. You can purchase a ticket at the Parish Office this coming week.

**LENT LENT LENT LENT**

**CARITAS/PROJECT COMPASSION APPEAL:** As always, you are able to make donations throughout the Lenten Season, or leave any amounts with the Parish Office.

**LECTIO DIVINA:** Praying the scriptures in Lent is a booklet available to us all with reflections for each Sunday in Lent and some thoughts on this way of praying with the Bible. Copies are available at the Church doors today. Take them and share their wisdom with others too.

**THE “LITTLE BLACK BOOK”:** Six –minute reflections on the Weekly Gospels for Lent 2009. **Cost: \$ 4.00 each** and The Little Purple Book for Kids (\$ 4.00) are available from the Piety Shop at the front of the Church. These are helpful Resources for personal prayer and reflection.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** are held each Friday at 6pm in the Church during Lent. All are welcome to attend.

**LAURA JOHNSON HOME: St Patrick’s Day Concert** will be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March and it is at an earlier start time of 6.30pm. All are welcome, *begorrah!*

**CONFIRMATION – FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION** has begun. Parents are requested to pay \$35 for their child’s work booklets and resources to either their RE Co-ordinator or here at the Parish Office. Any queries please contact us on 4743 6088.

**R.E. IN STATE SCHOOLS:** Thank you to the catechists who have taken up this ministry. Your work in our state schools is appreciated. We are blessed in this parish to have your commitment, time and energy to this role. Resources have arrived and are now available at the Parish Office.

**YEAR OF ST PAUL 2009:** Visiting speaker, Brendan Byrne sj will be in Mount Isa on Sat 28/3/09 and Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> to share with us insights into Paul’s Letter and life. He will share on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March from 3pm to 5.30pm and Sunday from 10.30am to 1pm. Everyone is really welcome to attend. Mark it on you calendar now.

**MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL NEWS:** We offer our thanks to the outgoing committee of 2008 for a job well done. If you would like to receive the minutes of M/C meetings by email, please give your email address to the Office. Anyone who wants to look **help with plants can start potting now.**

**PALMS AUSTRALIA:** Palms Australia receives many requests from parishes, dioceses, schools and hospitals around the world for skilled volunteers to assist/improve their situation. We are aiming to recruit another 20 volunteers from around Australia to attend our July preparation course. As Project Compassion stirs thoughts of justice in you, perhaps you could do more than simply donate. This would be an ideal time for you to hear about volunteering opportunities. Perhaps you could be the teacher, trainer or doctor Palms Australia could provide to a community in need of their skills. Contact [brendan@palms.org.au](mailto:brendan@palms.org.au)

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** Resumed in February so please contact Sue Dando on 47438487 or 0438001942 for more information. Come along Monday at 8am in Church.

**SURVIVING THE LOSS OF A CHILD:** Any parents interested in meeting to share about the loss of their child – are welcome to come this Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March from 9.30am to 12 noon in Mary MacKillop Room. Supporters are welcome too.

**MORNING TEA:** The first Tuesday of each month our parish provides morning tea to the residents at Laura Johnson Home. We are looking for any helpers from 9.30am to 11.30am who may be able to offer this. Due to regulations we don’t cook at home for this any longer but we do need people to help prepare and serve. Please give your name in to the Parish Office.

**LITURGY PLANNING MEETING:** This Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, at 3.30pm in the Office.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: I applied my heart to what I observed and learned a lesson from what I saw. Proverbs 24:32.**