



St Joseph's Parish—Cedara

Weekend 30 Mar & 31 Mar 2024

EASTER VIGIL AND EASTER SUNDAY

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The EASTER TRIDUUM (4 Parts | 3 Days)

The Paschal Mystery is God's plan of redemption for the fallen human race through the passion, death, and resurrection of the God-man Jesus Christ.

Holy Thursday: The "washing of the feet" ceremony, where we wash the feet of others, is to signify our role in service—just as Jesus did with His disciples.

Good Friday: This is the day of the crucifixion—the day Jesus died for the sins of the world. The parish altar is plain and bare. *No consecrated Host in the church.* **Jesus is gone.**

Holy Saturday. On this day Christ is in the tomb. *It is still a day of fasting and sorrow before the Easter Vigil begins that evening. Jesus descended to the realm of the dead on Holy Saturday to save the righteous souls, who died before his crucifixion.*

Easter Vigil (& Easter Sunday) Mass is held after nightfall on Holy Saturday, or before dawn on Easter Sunday, in celebration of the resurrection of Jesus.

(Easter Vigil &) Easter Sunday is what we've all been waiting for! The forty days of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during Lent was in preparation for this day: [THE RESURRECTION](#).

"Easter is the 'Feast of feasts!'. The mystery of the Resurrection, in which Christ crushed death, permeates with its powerful energy across all time, until all is subjected to him."

Easter Message— from Fr. Mhlanganisi (parish priest)

Easter is the principal festival of the Christian church, which celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ on the third day after the Crucifixion. Let us be grateful that we are part of the Community the world-over that keeps alive this important event of human life!

*I am also grateful that I have joined you in this community of St Josephs (Cedara) so that I may make my humble contribution to this community of faith. My firm belief is that we need to observe greater moments of silence, where we say and speak less so that the mystery remains prominent in our hearts and make us the icons of God. We also must keep the martyrdom of the first millennium Christians who out of their blood these truths remain visible in this 21st century. So, we take the baton of martyrdom with pride. **I wish a great Easter to everybody.***

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEK (30Mar / 31Mar)

	<i>Easter Vigil 6.00pm</i>	<i>Sun 8.00am</i>	<i>Sat 5.00pm</i>	<i>Sun 8.00am</i>
<i>Welcome</i>	As per program	Nigel Du Trevou	Nan Gray / Leah Napier	Mike Lowell / Pam
<i>Sacristans</i>	As per program	Ronel Du Trevou	Trish Nel	Wendy Boshoff
<i>Readers</i>	As per program	Nigel / Ronel Du Trevou	Nan Gray / Leah Napier	Mike Lowell / Pam Passmore
<i>Collection</i>	As per program	Nigel / Ronel Du Trevou	Nan / Trish / Leah	Sophia & Hannah
<i>Ministers</i>	As per program	Nigel / Ronel Du Trevou	Please assist	Wendy Boshoff / Pam
<i>Flowers / Tea</i>	<i>Bev Lalor</i>	Ann	<i>Pat Shangase</i>	Wendy
<i>Intention</i>				

~~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~~

- **THANK YOU!:** As a parish we extend our sincere thanks and heartfelt gratitude to all involved in the preparations and participation for ALL the services and masses of Holy Week!
- **CONGRATULATIONS:** To all our candidates being received into the Church in their final step in our RCIA program. *All the Church shares your joy. Be strengthened by our prayers for your new life in Christ!*
- **MASSES this WEEK**
EASTER WED: 3 Apr, 17.30 (with Adoration at 17.00)
FIRST FRI: 5 Apr, 06.00
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: 7 Apr. (normal weekend mass times)
- **RCIA 2024 / 2025:** The next course for adult initiation into the church will begin in May 2024 after Easter. Anyone interested please speak to Fr Dlamini or Nigel or Sipo.
- **WELCOME TO ANY NEW PARISHIONERS:** To any new parishioners, *WELCOME TO ST JOSEPH'S CEDARA!*
- **WHATSAPP GROUP:** Any new or existing parishioners not on our parish group, please speak to Len (076 028-8242) or Simon (083 634-6171)

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Thank you to all who contribute regularly.

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BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

28 Mar—James Greenwood
29 Mar—Mekwenhle Mbanjwa
31 Mar—Mia Luphinda
01 Apr—Michael Napier
04 Apr—Hillary Schutte

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Please pray for all the parishioners sick, lonely or sad at this time, that they may feel God's consoling warmth of our parish in them.

MASS TIMES & SACREMENTS:

Tue — **11am** (1st Tue / month; Garlington)

Wed & Adoration— **5pm**

Fri. — **6am** (1st Fri each month)

Sat. — **5pm**

Sun.— **8am** (English)

Sun.— **10am** (Isizulu)

Confession:

Fri. — **After Mass** (1st Fri each month)

Sat — **Before Mass:** 4.10pm (1st Sat each month)

Alternatively — by appointment

Baptism — by appointment

Marriage — by appointment

Rosary — Thursdays. 10am

(Pia — 082 589 3580 or

Catherine — 082 969 4300)

Mens Group — Fridays. 7am

(Except first Fridays)

(Rowan — 082 901 7633)

RCIA — Thursdays. 6pm

(Nigel — 066 214 9902 - English

Sipo — 084 583 4340 - Isizulu)

Bible Sharing — every 2nd Wed

Dave Geber — 082 338 4044

Catechism — Wednesdays, 4.45pm

Pre Holy Communion

Robyn (071 402 6476)

First Holy Communion

Veronica (082 939 1191)

Post Holy Communion

Anto (079 935 4721)

Confirmation—Wed, 6.30pm

OMI Brothers

Collections — Every week

"Food for the Hungry"

Bring donations weekly to mass