

**26MAR – 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT (A)**

**First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14**

*During the exile, God's people were like a pile of dried bones*

**Responsorial: Psalm 129**

R. /: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

**Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11**

*In baptism we have died to sin, to rise to new life*

**Gospel: John 11:1-45**

*Jesus' raising of Lazarus shows his divine power*

*Belief in resurrection may seem one of the most abstract aspects of our religion, yet nothing makes such concrete and material demands on us.*

**Lord, there are many who are Lazarus in our community, seeming alive but really in the tomb:**

- those who are letting themselves be killed by alcohol or drugs,
- those who are cynical, who have no energy or enthusiasm,
- those who are lost in our own national history

We ask you to send them Jesus

- someone who will be a friend to them as Jesus was to Lazarus,
- will not be afraid to remove the stone that is closing them in,
- will ignore us when we protest that they are already four days in the grave and will smell,
- will call them to come out, and set them free.

**I am the resurrection.**

**If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.**

**(Jn 11:25-26).**

**ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**SUNDAY, 26-Mar** **5th SUNDAY OF LENT**  
Mass: 9.00am, 10.45am, 12.30pm & 7.30pm  
4.00pm – *Syro-Malabar Rite*

**MONDAY, 27-Mar** Mass: 9.30am

**TUESDAY, 28-Mar** Mass: 9.30am & 6.30pm

**WEDNESDAY, 29-Mar** Mass: 9.30am

**THURSDAY, 30-Mar** Mass: 9.30am & 6.30pm

**FRIDAY, 31-Mar** Stations of the Cross: 11.30am & 6.00pm (Led by children)  
Mass: 12.00noon

**SATURDAY, 01-Apr** Mass: 9.30am  
6.30pm – *Sunday Vigil Mass*

**SUNDAY, 02-Apr** **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**  
Mass: 9.00am, 10.45am, 12.30pm & 7.30pm  
Konkani Stations of the Cross at 3:15pm followed  
*Mass at 4.00pm in Konkani.*

## POPE'S INTENTION - MARCH 2023

**For victims of abuse:** We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

## WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Domingo Fernandes and Catherine Stock that the Lord may lay His healing hands on them and bring them His peace.

## LENT AT ST. JOSEPH'S 2022

<b>Stations of the Cross</b>	Every Friday 11.30am and 6.00pm (led by Children)
<b>Faith Sharing</b>	Every Tuesday 10.15am and Thursday 6.30pm
<b>Confession</b>	Confession will be heard every Tuesday and Thursday after the 6.30pm Mass.

**NEXT SUNDAY IS PALM SUNDAY,** Palms will be blessed and distributed at all Sunday Masses.

**Planned Giving Envelopes 2023:** The Planned Giving Envelopes will be distributed after all the weekend Masses at the Marian Centre. For convenience, please remember to bring your existing Envelop number.

**THE COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY PLACES** will be taken on Good Friday. Your donation will directly help in the care, protection and preservation of the sites associated with the life, death and resurrection of Jesus in the Holy Land.

**EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES** Special white envelopes are available in the church porch for those who donate by standing order or do not have planned giving envelopes and who wish to Gift aid their Easter contribution. Please fill in your details as required, insert your donation and place your sealed envelope in the normal collection bag.

## CONTACTLESS DONATION:

We now have two contactless payments digital plates available at the church porch. Please ensure you opt for Gift Aid. You can offer your Good Friday and Easter Offerings using the Contactless device.

**ANNUAL RETREAT:** Our Annual Parish Retreat went on very well. It was a great source of prayerful experience and blessings for all who attended. We are grateful to Fr Serafino Lanzetta for renewing and enriching our parish community. Sincere thanks to all those who worked so very hard to make the Retreat such a wonderful success.

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER AT ST. JOSEPH'S

### **PALM SUNDAY (2<sup>nd</sup> April):**

- Saturday : 6.30pm Vigil Mass
- Sunday : 9.00am, 10.45am, 12.30pm and 7.30pm
- Sunday : 3:15pm Stations of the Cross in Konkani followed by 4.00pm Konkani Mass

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY (6<sup>th</sup> April):**

- There will be no morning Mass and Church closed until 6.00pm.
- Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7.30pm followed by the watching at the Altar of Repose until Midnight.

### **GOOD FRIDAY (7<sup>th</sup> April):**

- 10.00am - Stations of the Cross for Children
- 12.00noon - Stations of the Cross
- 3.00pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion
- 6.00pm - Syro-Malabar Rite Stations of the Cross

### **HOLY SATURDAY (8<sup>th</sup> April):**

- No Morning Mass
- 10.00am - 11.00am: Confessions
- 6.30pm - Easter Vigil Service

### **EASTER SUNDAY (9<sup>th</sup> April):**

- 9.00am, 10.45am and 12.30pm (No evening Mass)