



Dungog & Gresford Parishes

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Incorporating worshipping communities at **St Mary's Church**, Brown Street, Dungog, **St Patrick's Church**, Rifle Street, Clarence Town, **St Helen's Church**, Park Street, East Gresford, **Sacred Heart Church**, Summerhill Road, Summer Hill via Vacy, and serving the surrounding districts.

SUNDAY 9 APRIL 2023

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION, YEAR A

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Parish Bulletin

Items for inclusion in the Parish Bulletin should be received at the Parish Office by 5pm on Wednesdays. Copies of the Bulletin are available from the Parish website and are updated weekly.

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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April:

"We pray for the spread and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens."

Project Compassion 2023

For those who may wish to have them, a supply of Project Compassion boxes or Weekly Envelopes are available from the churches. Please take a box or set of envelopes if you wish to.

This year there is also the option of donating via our Project Compassion fundraising page. This page can be found by using the following link bit.ly/3lvYYPE or via your mobile device with the QR code here.



Now that we have entered the Season of Easter, it would be appreciated if parishioners could make preparations to finalise any contributions so they can be remitted to Caritas Australia early in the coming weeks.

Parish Liturgical Conversations

As mentioned in last week's bulletin, if members of the parishes are interested in a series of conversations about the how and why of the Church's liturgy, please let Fr Andrew know.

Thoughts about other possible conversation series are also welcome.

The Catholic Parishes of Dungog & Gresford recognize that they sit upon the traditional country of the Worimi people. We acknowledge their cultural heritage, beliefs and continuing relationship with this land. We pay our respects to their Elders—past, present, and emerging—and commit ourselves to working together for reconciliation and justice.

The Parish Diary (for the week ahead)

The Octave of Easter

Monday 10 April

Monday within the Octave of Easter

Tuesday 11 April

Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Wednesday 12 April

Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

5.30pm Mass @ Dungog

Thursday 13 April

Thursday within the Octave of Easter

9.30am Mass @ Dungog

Friday 14 April

Friday within the Octave of Easter

9.30am Mass @ Dungog

Saturday 15 April

Saturday within the Octave of Easter

10am Baptism @ Clarence Town

5.30pm Mass @ East Gresford

Sunday 16 April

2nd Sunday of Easter (or Divine Mercy Sunday)

8am Mass @ Clarence Town

9.30am Mass @ Dungog

11am Baptisms @ Dungog

Morning Tea at Dungog

The next morning tea in Dungog will take place next Sunday after the 9.30am Mass. Please bring a plate to share, and join us for good food, good company, and good conversation.

In Your Charity, Please Pray for:

Those Who Have Died:

Those Whose Anniversary of Death Is In April:

Bede Gehrig, Ruth Jones, Lenore McDermott, Paula Murphy, Robert Holdom, Dorothy Bowtell, Rex Garland, Bruno Rocco, Herbert John Preece, Allie Allen, Peter Allen, Tom O'Driscoll, Paddy Kilpinen, Bill Tyne, Neil Faber.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.*

Those Who Are Sick: Maryann Smith, Tracy Copus, Daphne Bond, Maree McCulloch, Leonie Young, Lisa Reid, Lyn Barry, Bev Herbert, Denise Wenden, Warren Wade, Irene Robinson, Ray Tonkin (Qld), Luke Barry, Kathie Maynard, Kevin Ward, Brian Holstein, David Loudon, Michaela Brown, Phillip Hartup, Bella Duggan, Ella Rusak, Peter Byron, Bert Preece, Michael Primrose, Peter Rooke.

Today's Liturgy:

At the Easter Vigil:

1st Reading Genesis 1:1—2:2

Response Ps 32:
The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

2nd Reading Exodus 14:15—15:1

Response Exodus 15
Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

3rd Reading Isaiah 55:1-11

Response Isaiah 12
You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

4th Reading Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4

Response Ps 18:
Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Epistle Romans 6:3-11

Psalm Ps 117:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 28:1-10

At Sunday morning Masses:

1st Reading Acts 10:34, 37-43

Psalm Ps 117:
This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

2nd Reading Colossians 3:1-4

Acclamation 1 Corinthians 5:7-8
Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 28:1-10

At all Masses:

Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Safeguarding in our Parishes means ...

The safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults is important.

Our Catholic Parishes of Dungog & Gresford are committed to fostering communities of safety and care.

We acknowledge our legal, moral, and spiritual responsibilities to care for and uphold the dignity and rights of children, young people, and vulnerable adults.