



St John the Baptist Catholic Church-The Mother Church of Perth

A warm welcome to our Church. Countless Catholics and visitors have crossed the threshold of this holy place, sensing the presence of God and filling it with prayer and contemplation. Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our mission is to glorify God by our lives.

Canon Mulholland:

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**Sunday 02nd April 2023-Palm Sunday of
the Passion of the Lord-Year A**

Holy Mass

**“A man who fails to love the Mass fails to love
Christ.” -Saint Josemaría Escrivá**

**Fig Monday 03rd April-12.30pm-Requiem
Mass for Maggie Brown**

6pm

Temple Tuesday 04th -10am & 7pm

**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament &
Confessions from 6pm-6.45pm**

Spy Wednesday 05th-10am

**Chrim Mass in St Andrew's Cathedral,
Dundee at 7pm**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY 6th April- 7pm-Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper &
Watching at the Altar of Repose until Compline together at 9.00pm**

GOOD FRIDAY-FASTING & ABSTINENCE-07th April

9am-Office of Readings & Morning Prayer

3pm-Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7pm-Stations of the Cross

Sunday Masses: Saturday 4.00pm (Anticipatory Sunday Mass) 9.00am, 11.00am & 6.30 pm

Tuesdays: 6.00pm-6.45pm (Confessions in Church)

HOLY SATURDAY AT THE TOMB OF CHRIST 08th April

9am-Office of Readings & Morning Prayer

7.00pm-Solemn Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection

EASTER SUNDAY 09th April -Solemn Mass: 9am & 11am only

Responsorial Psalm: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Good Friday Penitential Walk & Stations of the Cross-10am-St John's-Kinnoull-St M Magdalene's

Why veil the cross and other images during Passiontide?

As Christ hid himself from the rage of the Jewish authorities (St John 8:59), so now He is hidden from the world in preparation for the mysteries of His passion. In His passion, our Saviour's divinity was almost totally eclipsed, so great was His suffering. Likewise, even His humanity was obscured – so much so that He could say through His prophet: *I am a worm and no man* (Psalm 21:7). His face and whole body were so disfigured by the blows and scourges that our Jesus was scarcely recognizable! Thus, the wounds He endured hid both His divinity and His humanity. For this reason, we veil the crosses in these final days of Lent – hiding our Saviour under the sad purple cloth.

RECENTLY DEAD: May Weir & Brian Kilkerr
ANNIVERSARIES: Sean Gallagher, Rose Mackle & Patrick Boyle
Fidelia animae per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace.



“As we enter Heaven, we will see them, so many of them, coming toward us and thanking us. We will ask who they are and they will say: ‘A poor soul you prayed for in purgatory.’”-The Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

TRIDUUM

Today, I invite everyone to consider with great care the invitation to

celebrate **Holy Week** to the full. I ask each and every one of you to prayerfully consider participating in the beautiful liturgies of Thursday evening, Friday afternoon and Saturday night. The Sacred Triduum, the three days in which our liturgies tell the whole story of Holy Thursday and Good Friday, and keep a solemn vigil awaiting the Resurrection, is the summit of the liturgical life of our precious Catholic faith. -Canon Mulholland.



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