



# CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Under the pastoral care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate



*The call of Jesus Christ, heard within the Church through people's need for salvation, draws us together as Missionary Oblates of Mary.' (Oblate Constitution 1)*

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

19TH APRIL 2026

On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week's Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

Source: Loyola Press



**The Road to Emmaus**

Painting by Liz Lemon Swindle (born 1953)  
Painted in 2018, Oil on canvas

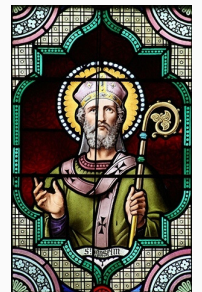
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See art reflection here: <https://tinyurl.com/3cps4kz5>

### SAINT OF THE WEEK (OM)

#### Saint Anselm (1033 - 1109) - Doctor of the Church

Anselm of Aosta, born in Italy, initially aspired to become a priest, but his father discouraged him and pushed him toward court life. Years later, inspired by the monk Lanfranc, Anselm joined a monastery in Bec, Normandy, where he quickly rose to become prior and began writing about the existence of God. In 1070, he was elected abbot, and after Lanfranc's death, he was eventually appointed archbishop of Canterbury under King Rufus, though only after political delays and conflict.

Anselm's time as archbishop was marked by ongoing disputes with English kings over control of the Church, leading to periods of exile. Despite this, he continued writing and defending Church authority, even participating in important councils. After further conflict and eventual compromise with King Henry I, Anselm spent his remaining years in England, strengthening the Church's position. He died in 1109 and was later honoured as a Doctor of the Church and the Father of Scholasticism for his use of reason to explain faith. See more here: <https://tinyurl.com/3ndmmwxb>



### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### First Reading - Acts 2:14, 36-41

*God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.*

#### Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 22

*R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

#### Second Reading - 1 Peter 1:20-25

*You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.*

#### Gospel Reading - John 10:1-10

*I am the gate of the sheepfold.*

### Mass Intentions

Week beginning 19th April - 9 am

- 21/04 Tuesday: Burpengary
- 22/04 Wednesday: St Peter's, Hong Kong
- 23/04 Thursday: Lesmurdie, Pickering Brook
- 24/04 Friday: Oblate Youth Ministries

*Weekend Masses are offered for the intentions of all in the Parish*

## MASSES & MEETINGS

### Cannon Hill - St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 9:00am  
Saturday - 6:00pm; Sunday - 9:30am

### Tingalpa - Holy Family Catholic Church:

Thursday - 9:00am; Sunday - 8:00am

**Reconciliation:** Saturday, 5:00pm - 5:30pm - St Oliver Plunkett Church

**Prayer Intentions Prayer Group:** Every Friday at 9.30am - St Oliver Plunkett Church (exc. during Lent).

**Eucharistic Adoration:** 1st Friday of the month following 9:00am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church (except during Lent).

**Baptisms:** 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month held after the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. (*Welcoming Mass combined with the Baptism Mass.*)

**Little Lanterns Liturgy:** 1st Sunday of the month (except January) during the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. All primary school-aged children are welcome to attend.

**Hospitality - Parish Morning Tea:** 1st Sunday of the month following Mass at both Churches; Every Wednesday after 9:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

## COMING UP...

- 23 APR - THU:** Connect Dinner, 6pm, Parish Hall  
**25 APR - SAT: ANZAC Day Mass,** 9:00am, SOPC; Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist.  
**26 APR - SUN:** Baptisms, SOPC; Good Shepherd Sunday - World Day of Prayer for Vocations.  
**29 APR - WED:** St Catherine of Siena, virgin and doctor of the Church (Memorial).  
**01 MAY - FRI:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9.30am, SOPC,  
**02 MAY - SAT:** St Athanasius, bishop and doctor of the Church (Memorial).  
**03 MAY - SUN:** Little Lanterns Liturgy, during 9.30am Mass, SOPC, Hospitality following Mass, SOCP & HFC.  
**09 MAY - THU:** Connect Dinner, 6pm, Parish Hall.  
**21 MAY - THU: St Eugene De Mazenod Foundation Day;** Connect Dinner, 6pm, Parish Hall.

## REGULAR MEETINGS

- MON: Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conference**  
Fortnightly at 6:15pm  
Next meeting: **Monday, 27th April**  
Contact: Paul 0418 750 367
- TUE: Parish Leadership Team**  
Fortnightly at 6:00pm  
Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 21st April**
- WED: Parish Liturgy Meeting**  
Monthly at 4:30pm  
Next Meeting: **Wednesday, TBA**
- THU: Parish Finance Council Meeting**  
Bi-monthly at 4:30pm  
Next Meeting: **Wednesday, 28th May**

### Plate Collections - 12th April 2026

1st Collection (Oblates): \$562.20 | 2nd Collection (Parish): \$515.75  
*Thank you for your ongoing support.*

## THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

*They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.*

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?' They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes it is true, The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

**First Reading - Acts 2:14, 22-33**

*It was impossible for him to be held by the power of Hades.*

**Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 15**

*R. Lord, you will show us the path of life.*

**Second Reading - 1 Peter 1:17-21**

*The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.*

**Gospel Reading - Luke 24:13-35**

*They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.*



*I would like to invite you to a very practical and frequently unappreciated form of abstinence: that of refraining from words that offend and hurt our neighbour.*

Pope Leo XIV, Lent 2026

### JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA

*Every Wednesday*

Cannon Hill - After 9am mass

*First Sunday of the Month*

Tingalpa - After 8am Mass

Cannon Hill - After 9.30am Mass

**All Welcome!!!**



We  love  
having you as part  
of our flock

Keep in touch with us  
via email



Signup Today!  
Just use the URL or QR code

### FLOCKNOTE

Be part of our community by joining our official parish database. All parishioners and visitors are invited to sign up or update your contact details to receive the latest news, events, and updates.

Stay informed, stay involved!

To register or go to:

<https://cannonhillparish.flocknote.com/register>



# PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

### OUR SICK

Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is sick and would appreciate a home visit. **We pray for those in the community who are sick. May the healing spirit of Christ bring them comfort and hope.**

Anna Slawek, Gary Smith, Margaret Kykkanen, Lameki Eketi, Damon Stokes; Eli Jorna, Marina Gilbert, Edgar Tan, Vincy Law Tan, Sam Swann, Athol Young, Ken Drego, Karen Marrinan, Carol-Ann Marrinan, Jeanette Hill, Lucia Giaccio, Rob Connolly, Ashley Anthony, Daniel Normyle, Lani Clow, Carol Flannigan, Catherine, Elizabeth and Monika, Harry Lynas, Michael Simpson, John la Spina, Von Leeman, Imelda Khoo, Lorretta Stephenson, Brian Crimmins, Angela White, Mary Stevenson, Veronica Roberts, Melisa Duffy.

### ANNIVERSARIES

Ruth Magdoza

*Names will remain on Our Sick list until advised otherwise. Please submit any items for the newsletter, including sick, recently deceased and anniversaries, by Thursday morning at the latest (preferably via email). Thank you.*

## CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH



### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00am - 2.30pm

### ADDRESS

**St Oliver Plunkett Church & Parish Centre**

21 Beauvardia St, Cannon Hill Q 4170

### Church of the Holy Family

41 Belmont Rd, Tingalpa Q 4173  
(enter via 56 Palgrave St)

### CONTACT

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Cannon Hill Catholic Parish

### PARISH TEAM

**Parish Administrator:** Fr John Patrick OMI  
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**Local Safeguarding Rep:** Ronda Vorrasi  
Mobile: 0494 166 815

### Parish Leadership Team:

Sachin Rasquinha, Ronda Vorrasi, Guy Elliot, Michael Hill, Lawrence Swann

## ANZAC DAY MASS

Saturday, 25th April  
9:00 am  
at St Oliver Plunkett Church

## ANZAC DAY

*lest we forget...*

Join us as we gather to commemorate ANZAC Day and pray for peace, justice, and the protection of all who serve.

## PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE

O LORD GOD, WE PRAY FOR PEACE & LOVE IN ALL THE NATIONS, AMONG ALL THE PEOPLE THAT ALL WARS AND HATRED WILL END. WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM WAR, INJUSTICE, & INTOLERANCE, FOR THE CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE, THE POOR & NEGLECTED ONES. WE PRAY FOR PEACE IN OUR LIFE, LANDS, NATIONS, FAMILIES & IN OUR HEARTS. LORD GIVE US WORLD PEACE. WE ASK YOUR MERCY IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. AMEN.

### Safeguarding in the Life of the Catholic Church

During the recent Theology of Safeguarding session held in Melbourne, Fr Hans Zollner SJ reflected on the responsibility of Church leaders and communities to create environments grounded in dignity, accountability, and care for the most vulnerable.

His insights highlight that safeguarding is not only a matter of policy and procedure, but also a reflection of the Church's mission and commitment to the protection of children and adults at risk.

The full video can be viewed at <https://tinyurl.com/mrx8k5dz>



All parishioners, along with their family and friends, are invited to **Connect Dinners** held every second Thursday in the Parish Hall. The next Connect Dinner will be held on **Thursday, 23rd April from 6pm to 8pm.** Please bring a dish to share and enjoy a short reflection followed by an engaging discussion. All are welcome!!!

## THANK YOU!



Caritas Australia sincerely thanks you for your generous support of Project Compassion this Lent.

If you still have your Project Compassion box or donation envelope at home, **please return by 30th April.** Every contribution, no matter the size, helps to bring hope and opportunity to people experiencing poverty and injustice.

Together, we are *Uniting Against Poverty* and walking alongside vulnerable communities as they build stronger, more sustainable futures.

### St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Primary School

Principal: Mr Greg Cran  
APRE: Maree Cockerill (Acting)

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### Iona College Catholic Boys College

Principal: Mr Trevor Goodwin

Rector: Fr. Joe Antony Manickam OMI

Phone: (07) 3893 8888

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From the moment the Oblates arrived in Fremantle in 1894, they have dedicated themselves to the mission of the Church in Australia. They dedicate themselves to serving the poor in parishes, schools, prisons, among the youth and with those on the streets. The Oblates preach Christ to the poor and the most abandoned and have served them in Australia for more than 100 years.

To learn more go to [www.omi.com.au](http://www.omi.com.au)

### DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your ongoing generosity and faithful support. Your contributions play a vital role in sustaining our parish ministries and enriching the lives of those we serve.

Donations can be made via the EFTPOS terminal at the church entrance (split between 1st and 2nd collections), or through our secure online direct debit facility (please contact the Parish Office to arrange).

For information regarding bequests, contact the Catholic Foundation on 3324 3200 or the Parish Office on 3853 7490.

Donate using the QR Code or <https://tinyurl.com/parish-donate>



# OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2026 27 MAY - 3 JUNE

**ALL IN**  
FOR RECONCILIATION

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE  
**RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN**

## National Reconciliation Week Precinct Choir

Join us in singing  
**"Beds Are Burning"**  
as we walk together in Reconciliation.

Practices	Recording
<b>Tuesday April 21</b> 12pm - 1pm Hanly Room	<b>Tuesday May 5</b> 12pm - 1pm Hanly Room
<b>Wednesday April 29</b> 12pm - 1pm Hanly Room	Please wear Centacare/AoB shirt if you have one

## Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

The Brisbane East Deanery will begin the **Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** study by Jeff Cavins **beginning in April**: Morning session at St Oliver Plunkett Church, Cannon Hill - **Thursday 23 April**, and an evening session at St James Church, Coorparoo - **Friday 24 April**. The course will run for **8 weeks** with a week's break in the middle. Through the fourteen narrative books of the Bible, this foundational study traces Salvation History from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church.

For more info, contact **Louise Simento** at **0456 700 040**.

## Hallow

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## Caritas Australia Lebanon Emergency Appeal

Lebanon is facing one of its most severe humanitarian crises in years, as a sudden surge in violence and mass evacuation orders force families to flee with nothing. Within 24 hours, Caritas Lebanon reported 667,831 newly displaced people seeking safety. Despite the volatile environment, Caritas Lebanon teams are operating across seven governorates, delivering food, essential items, healthcare, psychosocial support, water and hygiene assistance, and protection services. Let us stand in solidarity with our partners in Lebanon.

Learn more or make a donation today at [www.caritas.org.au/lebanon](http://www.caritas.org.au/lebanon)



## Hope in Action

### A Dialogue on Mission

Catholic Mission warmly invites you to a special evening of faith and fellowship as we welcome His Eminence Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, Archbishop of Yangon and Myanmar's first and only Cardinal.

Join us as Cardinal Bo shares his inspiring vision of "Hope in Action" - educating and empowering Myanmar's next generation to build a more peaceful, just and hopeful future.

Your generous contributions will support the enduring mission and activities of the Church in Myanmar.



Registration essential at <https://tinyurl.com/CMCardinalBo>

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**Saturday 2nd May 2026**

Time:  
4:15 pm for a 4:30 pm start  
followed by Mass at 6:00 pm

Venue:  
Hanly Room | Francis Rush Centre  
St Stephen's Cathedral  
196 Charlotte St, Brisbane