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*Bulletin Highlights*

*Fifth Sunday of Lent ~ Year C*

*7th April 2019*

Lent IS A TIME TO  
GROW  
CLOSER TO JESUS

### *Gospel*

The accompanying picture reveals the scene in this week's Gospel. It's a comparatively simple picture but communicates a deep truth about forgiveness and evokes deep human emotion.



### *Confirmation Program*

The enrolment process begins on the weekend of 27/28 April after Masses. The timeline for the programme will be distributed and names will be recorded.



## INVITATION TO THE CHRISM MASS ~ TUE. 16 APR. 7:00 PM

Each year during Holy Week the Chrism Mass is celebrated at St Francis Xavier Cathedral in Wollongong. This offering of Holy Mass is one of the most solemn and significant liturgies of our Church. During Mass, the Priests of the Diocese renew their commitment to priestly service; Bishop Brian blesses the **Oil of Catechumens (for Baptism)** and the **Oil of the Infirmorum (for Anointing of the Sick)** and Consecrates the **Oil of Chrism (for Baptism, Confirmation, and Sacred Orders, as well as for the consecration of altars)**. The oils are then distributed to clergy to be used during the year with their local communities. Everyone is warmly invited to join Bishop Brian and our clergy to celebrate this significant event in the life of the Diocese.



### *Holy Week and Easter Weekend ~ Advance Notice*

#### **Palm Sunday Weekend 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> April**

Masses on Palm Sunday will be as usual but the 10:00 AM begins outside with the blessing of branches

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>** ~Chrism Mass in Wollongong 7.30PM

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>** ~ Second Rite of Reconciliation 7.00PM

**Holy Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>** ~Mass of the Lord's Last Supper 7.00PM

**Good Friday 19<sup>th</sup>** ~ Stations at 10:00 AM;  
Passion at 3:00 PM

**Holy Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>** ~ **Easter Vigil at 6:00 PM**

**Easter Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April** ~Note change of Mass times

**Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM**

Different Mass times are for the Easter Weekend only



### *Palm Sunday*

The 10AM Mass next week will begin with the Blessing of Palms outside the church. Parishioners are asked to avoid parking their cars outside the chapel if possible.



### *2<sup>nd</sup> Rite of Rec.*

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Rite of Reconciliation has been scheduled for Wednesday 17th at 7:00 PM. There will be about five priests present.