



St Mark's Parish

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ANZAC DAY



NO GREATER LOVE:

Today we remember the heroism and courage of Australians and New Zealanders who sacrificed their lives in the fields of battle. We remember all of the civilian victims of war. Their voices pierce the silence, echoing the longing of the psalmist for the day when justice will flourish and there will be fullness of peace forever.

THE ODE

They shall grow not old
as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn
At the going down of the
sun and in the morning.

We will remember them
Lest we forget.



Rosemary,
the herb of
remembrance

St Mark's
Catholic
Church
Drummoyne

Great War
Memorial
1914 - 1918

We honour
their spirit and
we ask that you
remember them
in your prayers.



Edmund Henry (Jack) Collins

Private No. 4268, 29th Battalion. Died 23 March 1917

Joseph Ignatius Connell

Private No. 6619, 8th Field Ambulance. Died 26 October 1917

John Stephen Coolahan

Lieutenant 5th Machine Gun Company. Died 3 May 1918

Bernard Patrick Dawson

Private No. 2125, 2nd Battalion. Died 6 - 9 August 1915

Michael Hawley

Private No. 3538, 53rd Battalion. Died 19 July 1916

Peter Bernard Joseph O'Reilly

Lieutenant, 38th Battery 10th Field Artillery Brigade. Died 6 May 1917

Arvan James Prichard

Lieutenant 22nd Machine Gun Company. Died 18 July 1918

James Stuart Duncan Weir

Private No. 2867, 4th Battalion. Died 26 July 1916.

Colin Geoffrey Wilson

Private No. 1303, 33rd Battalion. Died 28 July 1918

John Michael Joseph Wills

Private No. 7099, 13th Battalion. Died 8 August 1918

Anzac Day

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Rev 14:13

(All) Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. Let them rest from their labours.

First Reading

Wis 3:1-9

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

He accepted them as a holocaust.

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them. In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die, their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us, like annihilation; but they are in peace. If they experienced punishment as men see it, their hope was rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be. God has put them to the test and proved them worthy to be with him; he has tested them like gold in a furnace, and accepted them as a holocaust. When the time comes for his visitation they will shine out; as sparks run through the stubble, so will they. They shall judge nations, rule over peoples, and the Lord will be their king for ever. They who trust in him will understand the truth, those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 114:5-6; 115:10-11. 15-16, R. v.9

(R.) I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. or Alleluia

1. How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me. **(R.)**

2. I trusted, even when I said: 'I am sorely afflicted,' and when I said in my alarm: 'No man can be trusted' **(R.)**

3. O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds. **(R.)**

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest...

Second Reading

1 Cor 1:18-25

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The language of the cross may be illogical to those who are not on the way to salvation, but those of us who are on the way see it as God's power to save. As scripture says: I shall destroy the wisdom of the wise and bring to nothing all the learning of the learned. Where are the philosophers now? Where are the scribes? Where are any of our thinkers today? Do you see now how God has shown up the foolishness of human wisdom? If it was God's wisdom that human wisdom should not know God, it was because God wanted to save those who have faith through the foolishness of the message that we preach. And so, while the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ: to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness but to those who have been called whether they are Jews or Greeks a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.



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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them. Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 12:23-28

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you, most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life.

If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled.

What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour?

But it is for this very reason that I have come to this hour.

Father, glorify your name!' A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.'

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty...

Prayer of the Faithful

Leader: On this national day of commemoration we are mindful of our one true Shepherd, Jesus Christ, who chose to lay down his life that we might rise to life with him. Let us turn to the Father of Jesus and entrust our fractured world into his care.

Reader: We pray for all defence and auxiliary personnel who lost their lives while on duty in theatres of war, especially members of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. May they live forever in the peace that only Christ can give.

(pause) Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for all who have been wounded or traumatised by their active service in places of violent conflict.

(pause) Lord hear us

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for all parents and all family members who grieve for loved ones lost to them because of war. May they be consoled by the love that conquers even death itself.

(pause) Lord hear us

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for all Australian and New Zealand service men and women who have died: may they rest in peace with you. *(pause)* Lord hear us

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for all who have been killed in hostilities now forgotten or denied, especially native peoples caught up in the frontier wars of colonisation. May they and their descendants be given the recognition that justice demands.

(pause) Lord hear us

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: God of mercy, on the day he rose from the dead your Son met his disciples with a greeting of peace. Hear our prayer for peace today as we remember and regret the terrible cost of war. Bless us and our world with your Spirit of peace. We make our prayers through the Risen Jesus the Lord. Amen!

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 15:13

(All) Greater love has no one than to lay down his life for his friends, says the Lord.

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THE SACREDNESS OF ANZAC

ANZAC can be broadly described as sacred, even though it is a human event, as are all human events sacred.

Why?

Because God walks in and is a present to us through every human event within our imperfect world. The birth of Christ, His taking flesh and living amongst us is enduring and transformational. Christ lives with us and is immersed within our human condition, both good and evil.

Secondly ANZAC is sacred because human life is sacred. Each human being is precious in God's sight. The life and fate of each soldier who died at Gallipoli matters to God. The nobility, the courage, heroism, the selfless acts and mateship of each matters to God and indeed are graced by Him. The immense grief of loved ones for the dead matters, God grieves with them as does the communal mourning of a nation stripped of so many young lives, this matters to God. This Anzac Day citizens will march with both pride and honour. This will be seen on their faces, both young and old, gathered in unity of purpose. This matters and is sacred to God. The sacredness of each human life compelled God to send his Son so that through his Death all may have life. Each generation will find new meaning in the celebration of Anzac day. Many in our secular world focus entirely on human values which is very good in itself. The prism of faith will hopefully allow us a far deeper and richer understanding of the human condition in the person of Jesus as we ponder the significance of this Anzac event and deal resiliently with world events.

In Christ's Death and Resurrection we have a source of hope that not only support us in those catastrophic events but can aide us greatly in the challenges of every day human existence. Ritual is sacred, for we Catholics the sacraments are the ultimate sacred ritual, the salvific events in which we find Christ. The Holy Eucharist is our daily Bread, the seedbed for regular nourishment for life's journey, the source of life.

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THE LAST POST: In military tradition, the Last Post is the bugle call that signifies the end of the day's activities. It is also sounded at military funerals to indicate that the soldier has gone to his final rest and at commemorative services such as Anzac Day and Remembrance Day.

The Last Post is one of a number of bugle calls in military tradition that mark the phases of the day. While Reveille signals the start of a soldier's day, the Last Post signals its end.

The call is believed to have originally been part of a more elaborate routine, known in the British Army as "tattoo", that began in the 17th century. In the evening, a duty officer had to do the rounds of his unit's position, checking that the sentry posts were manned and rounding up the off-duty soldiers and packing them off to their beds or billets. The officer would be accompanied by one or more musicians. The "first post" was sounded when he started his rounds and, as the party went from post to post, a drum was played. The drum beats told off-duty soldiers it was time to rest; if the soldiers were in a town, the beats told them it was time to leave the pubs. (The word "tattoo" comes from the Dutch for "turn off the taps" of beer kegs; Americans call this "taps" or "drum taps".) Another bugle call was sounded when the officer's party completed its rounds, reaching the "last post" – this signalled that the night sentries were alert at their posts and gave one last warning to the other soldiers.

The Last Post was eventually incorporated into funeral and memorial services as a final farewell, and symbolises the duty of the dead is over and they can rest in peace.



The Anzac Day

What is Anzac Day?

Anzac Day, 25 April, is one of Australia's most important national occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War.

What does ANZAC stand for?

ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The soldiers in those forces quickly became known as Anzacs, and the pride they took in that name endures to this day.

Australians recognise 25 April as a day of national remembrance, which takes two forms. Commemorative services are held across the nation at dawn – the time of the original landing, while later in the day, former servicemen and servicewomen meet to take part in marches through the country's major cities and in many smaller centres. Commemorative ceremonies are more formal, and are held at war memorials around the country. In these ways, Anzac Day is a time at which Australians reflect on the many different meanings of war.

Why is this day special to Australians?

When war broke out in 1914 Australia had been a federated nation for only 13 years, and its government was eager to establish a reputation among the nations of the world. When Britain declared war in August 1914 Australia was automatically placed on the side of the Commonwealth.

In 1915 Australian and New Zealand soldiers formed part of the expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli peninsula in order to open the Dardanelles to the allied navies. The ultimate objective was to capture Constantinople (now Istanbul), the capital of the Ottoman Empire, an ally of Germany.



AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are one and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who've come across the seas
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.



ANZAC Biscuits

50g Flour	50g Butter
75g Sugar	1tbsp Golden Syrup
$\frac{1}{3}$ C Coconut	$\frac{1}{2}$ tsp Baking Soda
$\frac{1}{3}$ C Rolled Oats	2tbsp Boiling Water

1. Mix together flour, sugar, coconut and rolled oats.
2. Melt butter and golden syrup.
3. Dissolve baking soda in the boiling water and add to butter and golden syrup.
4. Make a well in the centre of flour, stir in the liquid.
5. Place in spoonfuls on cold greased trays.
6. Bake 15 to 20 minutes at 180°C.



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Masks are recommended, thank you for social distancing, please respect the sacredness of our church and remember to turn off your phone during the Mass.

St Mark's Parish, Drummoyne acknowledges the Wangal people, one of 29 tribes of the Eora nation and the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand. We pay our respects to them and for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.

