



22nd March 2026

# The Chimes Dallas & Meadow Heights

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR A SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH, 2026

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-11

Gospel: John 11:1-45

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### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Dallas: Tues - Fri. 9.15 am

1st Fri. Anointing Mass: Dallas 10 am

### WEEKEND MASSES:

Sat. Dallas Vigil Mass 6.00 pm

Sun. Meadow Heights 9.00 am

Dallas 11.00 am

### \*Note: Vietnamese Mass

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month: 9.00 am HFC

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month: 11.00 am HFC

### RECONCILIATION

Dallas Saturday 5.15 - 5.45 pm

Thursday 8.45 - 9.00 am

### LEGION OF MARY

Eng. Tues after 9.15am mass – Dallas

Viet. Sat. at 9 am at Holy Family Centre

### ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays 8:45am (English) Dallas

1st Friday 9.30 am before Mass

Fridays 6.30 pm (Viet) Holy Family Centre

Holy Hour: 5.30 – 6.30pm @ Meadow Heights

### BAPTISMS

Contact Parish Office during office hours

### WEDDINGS

Please contact Parish Office

Preferably 6 months before the wedding



The pure human emotion of Jesus in this text attests to the love he had for Lazarus, but this human affection is nothing compared with the future promise to which the actions of Jesus towards Lazarus will lead. For those without faith, the tomb is simply a place of human corruption and decay. Death has ultimate power over people. But for people of faith, the tomb holds no fear. It is ironic that in raising Lazarus to life, Jesus is ensuring his own death at the hands of 'the Jews' (see verses 49–53). Through the death and resurrection of Jesus, the power of sin and death is broken, and instead, resurrection and life are offered to all who would attest with Martha that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. It is Jesus who is the resurrection and the life! There is a fundamental difference between the death and resurrection of Lazarus and that of Jesus. Lazarus will return to death, symbolised by the fact that he still wears the clothes of death when he comes forth from the tomb. Jesus' death, however, will lead to a glory that lasts forever, symbolised by the fact that his death clothes are neatly folded and placed to one side when he emerges from the tomb (see John 20:6–7). The resurrection of Jesus brings eternal life. (Source: summit-on-line)

### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - YEAR A SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2026

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 21

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

Responsorial Psalm: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

### BAPTISM PREPARATION AND BAPTISM DATES

Next Baptism Preparation Day

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026

Holy Family Centre.

Baptism Date:

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2026

Holy Child  
Parish....

Is committed  
to a safe  
nurturing  
culture for all  
our children.

BOOKING THE HOLY  
FAMILY CENTRE

The Holy Family Centre is  
Available for any group or  
parishioners to book.

Please call the Parish Office  
on 9412 8409 to make a  
booking.

SCHEDULING APPTS  
WITH FR JOE

Please note that  
Parishioners are  
encouraged to schedule  
an appointment with Fr  
Joe as walk-in meetings  
are not always ideal.

PLEASE KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

**(Names of the sick will only be printed for a month, unless the Office has been notified otherwise)**

**SICK:** Joan Lobs, Shirley Martin, Adrian Zuccato, Nguyen Thi Thin, Le Thi Quy, Dina, Jack Ward, Lien, Connie, Miriam Smith, Florentino Casimiro, Farif Ashlaq, Beaderez Lamoc.

**REMEMBRANCES:** Luis De Jesus, Sr Anna Nguyen Thi Cung, Giuse Do Van Tinh, Ricardo Lindog, Mikaele Tuillau, Giuse Vo Ngoc Thanh, Tony Pace, Salvu Grech, Cesare di Gregorio, Alice Custodid, Alex Hoang Nguyen

**RECENT DEATHS:**

**LENT AND HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

SECOND RITE RECONCILIATION: 25<sup>TH</sup> March at 7pm

**HOLY THURSDAY: 2<sup>ND</sup> April**

**7pm - Mass**

8pm - 10:30pm Adoration

**GOOD FRIDAY: 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL**

10am - Stations of the Cross

11:30am - Reconciliation First Rite

**3pm - Passion of the Lord**

**HOLY SATURDAY: 4<sup>TH</sup> April**

**8:30pm - Mass**

**EASTER SUNDAY: 5<sup>TH</sup> April**

9:00am - Mass at Meadow Heights in English

11:00am - Mass at Dallas in Vietnamese

**LENTEN SERVICES 2026**

**Lenten Reflection:**

Starting from Wednesday, 25 February, after the 9:15 AM Mass at Holy Child's Church, Sr Veronica will lead.

From Wednesday 25 February, 7-8 pm at Brenda Nyssen's home. Parishioners interested in the evening session should contact the parish office.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:**

Fridays of Lent after the 9:15 AM Mass at Holy Child Church. Lahra to coordinate.

Fridays of Lent, 5:30-6 PM @ Meadow Heights. Fr Joe to coordinate.

There will still be a short Adoration of the Eucharist: 6:10-6:30 pm at Meadow Heights, presided over by Fr. Joe.

**Các nghi lễ Mùa Chay năm 2026**

Suy niệm Mùa Chay:

- Bắt đầu từ thứ Tư, ngày 25 tháng 2, sau Thánh lễ lúc 9:15 sáng tại Nhà thờ Chúa Hải Đồng, Sr Veronica sẽ hướng dẫn.
- Từ thứ Tư, ngày 25 tháng 2, từ 7-8 giờ tối tại nhà của Brenda Nyssen. Giáo dân muốn tham gia buổi tối xin liên hệ với văn phòng giáo xứ.

**Chang Đường Thánh Giá:**

Các ngày thứ Sáu trong Mùa Chay sau Thánh lễ lúc 9:15 sáng tại Nhà thờ Chúa Hải Đồng. Lahra sẽ điều phối.

Các ngày thứ Sáu trong Mùa Chay, từ 5:30-6 giờ chiều tại Meadow Heights. Cha Joe sẽ điều phối.

Văn sẽ có một buổi Cầu Thánh Thể ngắn: từ 6:10-6:30 chiều tại Meadow Heights, do Cha Joe chủ trì.

**Bishop Rene's Presentation on "Take the Way of the Gospel"**

Working together as a Christian community for the effectiveness of proclaiming the Gospel in our local area and in the spirit of Christian discipleship and synodality, Holy Child Parish invites all parishioners to get together with Bishop Rene Ramirez, Auxiliary Bishop Northern Region and Fr Thanh Tran, Parish Administrator, Mary Mother of the Church Parish Ivanhoe, on:

- **Sunday 22 March 2026 at 3.00 pm sharp**
- **Venue: Holy Family Centre, 133-135 Malmsbury Drive, Meadow Heights Vic 3048**

Following the presentation by Bishop Rene, translated in Vietnamese by Fr Thanh Tran for those parishioners who require it, refreshments will be served. Please rsvp to the parish office [dallas@cam.org.au](mailto:dallas@cam.org.au) no later than 15 March to assist with catering.

**PARISH PASTORAL CALENDAR MARCH 2026**

24	RCIA: 6:30 – 7.30pm @ Dallas
26	Catechetics Class for Confirmation: 5.00 – 6.00pm @ Dallas Cancelled
27	Holy Hours: 6-7.30pm @Meadow Heights – Stations of the Cross/Adoration/Viet Divine Mercy/Viet prayers
28	Working Bee 10am @ Dallas
29	Palm Sunday 6pm; 8.30am (Croatian) & 11am @ Dallas; 9am @ Meadow Heights
31	RCIA: 6 – 7.30pm @ Meadow Heights



**Feast Day During the Week**

23<sup>rd</sup> March – St Turibius  
 25<sup>th</sup> March – The Annunciation of the Lord

**Thanksgiving Collection**

Loose: \$473.90  
 Church (Actual): \$1118  
 Church (Pledge): \$1324.46  
 Presbytery (Actual): \$634.70  
 Presbytery (Pledge): \$950.55

**Flowers Donated By**



*Thank you* 

**Special Collection**

**COUNTING ROSTER FOR MARCH 2026**

Hai, Loan, An,	3/3/26
Judy, Juanita, Mele & Sr V	10/3/26
Hai, Loan, An	17/3/26
Judy, Juanita, Mele & Sr V	24/3/26

**DALLAS CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER FOR MAR 2026**

Group	Names	Date
A	Mele, Sarah Kempen, Magina Musingarabul	7-8 Mar
B	Viet Legion of Mary	14-15 Mar
C	Sam & Vicky Buhagiar, Cynthia	21-22 Mar
D	Van My Nguyen Family	28-29 Mar

**THIS Weekend ROSTERS: (21 Mar- 22 Mar 2026)**

	(SAT) 6.00 pm	(SUN) 9.00 am	(SUN) 11.00 am
<b>Readers</b>	Damian	Judy	Tuyet Ouang/Phuong Loan
<b>Commentators</b>	Vicky	Cong	Hanh
<b>Special Ministers</b>	Sr Veronica	Juanita	
<b>Money Collectors</b>	As Per	Volunteers	At Each Mass

**NEXT Weekend ROSTERS: (28-29 Mar 2026)**

	(SAT) 6.00 pm	(SUN) 9.00 am	(SUN) 11.00 am
<b>Readers</b>	Vicky	Veronica Smith	Anita/Thuy
<b>Commentators</b>	Hanh	Juanita	Lahra
<b>Special Ministers</b>	Vicky	Taafaonga	Mele
<b>Money Collectors</b>	As Per	Volunteers	At Each Mass

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### **Convocation of the Melbourne Synod 2026**

Parishes wishing to mark the convocation of the Melbourne Synod on the weekend of the third Sunday of Lent (7 and 8 March) may find the following resources useful:

- sample parish bulletin announcement
- prayer of the faithful
- prayer for the synod: Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus. This prayer may be helpful as a prayer after Communion at Mass, to commence meetings and for personal prayer
- homily notes compiled by Bishop Rene Ramirez
- link to frequently asked questions.

Sample bulletin announcement: weekend of 7 and 8 March

On the third Sunday of Lent, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli will formally convoke a Synod for the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The synod calls the Melbourne Church to journey together in communion, participation and mission, echoing Pope Francis' vision of a 'listening Church' (Evangelii Gaudium, §31). Informed by Vatican II's teaching, the Church is 'a people made one with the unity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit' (Lumen Gentium, §4).

There are three themes about which the church of Melbourne is being invited to discern:

- young discipleship
- missionary leadership
- formation and participation.

The synod assembly will be held across the weekend of 4-6 December 2026. Over these next months, a range of opportunities will be available for Melbourne Catholics to be part of the consultation process toward the synod. In the meantime, further information can be accessed at [melbournecatholic.org/synod2026](http://melbournecatholic.org/synod2026).

In the synodal Church 'the whole community, in the free and rich diversity of its members, is called together to pray, listen, analyse, dialogue, discern and offer advice on taking pastoral decisions (ITC 68) for mission' (Final Document, §87).

#### **1. What is a Synod?**

A Synod is a moment when the Church deliberately pauses to listen, pray, and discern together. It is not simply a meeting or a conference, but a spiritual process rooted in faith that the Holy Spirit continues to guide the Church today. In a Synod, we ask not only "What do we think?" but more importantly, "What is God asking of us at this moment in our mission?"

#### **2. Where does the word "Synod" come from?**

The word *Synod* comes from the Greek *syn-hodos*, meaning "walking together on the road." This reminds us that the Christian life is never meant to be lived alone. Faith is a shared journey, where we support one another, listen to one another, and discern together how best to follow Christ.

#### **3. Synodality is not new**

Synodality is not a modern invention. From the earliest days of the Church, Christians gathered to pray, listen, and discern together. In the Acts of the Apostles, the Church faced difficult questions and resolved them not through power struggles, but through prayer, dialogue, and trust in the Holy Spirit.