



YOUTH PASSION PLAY 2024

SATURDAY 23 MARCH 3PM

**PRESENTED BY
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CAST

JESUS

Patrick Wills

BETHANY AND JERUSALEM

PETER	Simon Wills
JOHN	Oscar Szarowicz
JAMES	Naomi Wills
JUDAS	Francesco Hamilton
THOMAS	Dominic Szarowicz
MARY MAGDALENE	Elizabeth Hamilton
MARTHA	Marygrace De Cillis
ANGEL	Rose Ward

HEROD'S PALACE

HEROD	Anselm Hamilton
HERODIA	Elizabeth Hamilton
HERODIA'S PAGE	Gabriel Hamilton
SALOME	Helena Hamilton
JOHN THE BAPTIST	Joseph Wills
YOUNG SYRIAN	Naomi Wills
SOLDIER	Oscar Szarowicz

The Passion play originated from the Good Friday liturgy of the Catholic Church, transitioning from Latin to vernacular languages by the fifteenth century. Inspired by the Oberammergau tradition, the Greenhill Lodge Youth Passion Play 2024 reverently honours its heritage. Following the Bubonic Plague in 1633, the residents of Oberammergau made a solemn pledge to perform a Passion Play every decade if their village was spared from further devastation. Miraculously, plague-related deaths ceased soon after villagers made this vow, and they faithfully fulfilled their promise by staging the first Passion Play in 1634. I pray that the Youth Passion Play serves as a profound homage to God, echoing the blessings witnessed in Oberammergau.

I extend my sincerest gratitude to all the children and their families, whose contributions made this Passion Play possible. A special acknowledgment goes to Patrick Wills, for his outstanding dedication to portraying the role of Jesus, and to my family, whose support was indispensable for this production.

In dedication, I offer the Youth Passion Play 2024 to our Blessed Mother, who faithfully followed Jesus to the tomb, and to Jesus, Our Saviour, who mercifully opened the gates of heaven for us sinners. May God shower His abundant blessings upon you all this Easter season.

Annalisa Panelli Hamilton
Director

