

Saint Mary MacKillop Parish Western Border

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

21 April 2019

First Reading

Acts 10:34. 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

(R.) This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.' (R.)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. (R.)
3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

Second Reading

Col 3:1-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 24:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, the women went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb, but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there. As they stood there not knowing what to think, two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side. Terrified, the women lowered their eyes. But the two men said to them, 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he has risen. Remember what he told you when he was still in Galilee: that the Son of Man had to be handed over into the power of sinful men and be crucified, and rise again on the third day?' And they remembered his words.

When the women returned from the tomb they told all this to the Eleven and to all the others. The women were Mary of Magdala, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them also told the apostles, but this story of theirs seemed pure nonsense, and they did not believe them.

Peter, however, went running to the tomb. He bent down and saw the binding cloths, but nothing else; he then went back home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of the Lord.

We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand, the Gunditjmarra people.

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Reconciliation (Confession): Sat. 5.30pm & after weekday Mass

We are a Child Safe Parish.

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Country Mass Schedule

St Joseph's Penshurst

	1 st Sun	2 nd Sun	3 rd Sun	4 th Sun	5 th Sun		
Penshurst 8:30am	No Service (To Hamilton)	Mass	Easter Sunday Mass	Mass	Mass		
						28th April 2019	
Dunkeld 8:30am	Mass	No Service (Glen)	Easter Mass 10.30am	SAWC	SAWC	Lector	St Joseph's School Mass
						Prayers	St Joseph's School Mass
Glenthompson 8:30am	SAWC	Mass	Easter Sunday Mass	Mass	SAWC	Gifts	St Joseph's School Mass
						Special Minister	Helen Brown
Macarthur 8:30am	Mass	No Service (To Ham)	No Service (To Ham)	No Service (To Ham)	No Service (To Ham)	Leader	
						Communion to Hospital	Catherine Loria

Our Parish Collections

1st Collection: Priest Support: \$ 605
2nd Collection: Stewardship 2019 FY
Full Year Pledged: \$107,369 Given: \$61,431

Western Border Parish Mission Outreach
(10% of Stewardship) This Financial Year;
Sr Lourdes—Kenya Mission \$3,000

Ministry Roster If you are unavailable for your ministry please try to arrange swap & advise office of change.

20 & 21 April Ministers of Communion					27 & 28 April Minister of Communion			
6 pm	See notice board for Easter Ministries				K Brewis, T Oliver & K Stevens.			
10.30am	See notice board for Easter Ministries				S Byron, T Irving, F Soulsby, P Fitzgerald & R Fitzgerald.			
Date	Welcome	Computer	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Commentator	Gifts	Cuppa	Count Team
20/04	Please	see	Notice board	for all	Easter	Ministries	Thank You.	Alida Aylmer & Kymhan
21/04	Please	see	Notice board	for all	Easter	Ministries	Thank You.	
27/04	Sandra McCaskill	Pauline Murphy	Jacinta Ryan	John Duyvestyn	Annette Mason	B & T Shanahan	B & J Roache	M Cook & Kymhan
28/04	F & D Soulsby	Felicity Shaw	Charlotte Stanhope	Angelina Juby	Ursula Murphy	J & T Ozoani	S & J Hockey	

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Deaths: Kees Onderwater Funeral Friday 26th April @ 10am.
Graham Sewell. Our prayers & sympathies are with these families.

Anniversary:

Marjorie Brundell, Dorothy Lucas, Lucy Causer, Jim O'Neill, Arthur Turner, Norma Garousse, William Scullion, Lilian Walker, Debra Jones, Brian Hodges, John Cogger, Paul Betschart.

SICK: Bella Leonard, Jack Handley, Naomi Phillips, Margaret Norris, Michael & Judy Bowden, Noreen Kenny, John Healy.

New Ministry roster
available
from Information Table.



Prayer

This is the day, Lord God, that you have made!
Raising Christ from the dead,
and raising us with Christ,
you have fashioned for yourself a new people,
washed in the flood of baptism,
sealed with gift of the Spirit,
invited to the banquet of the Lamb!
In the beauty of this Easter morning,
set our minds on the new life
to which you have called us;
place on our lips the words of witness
for which you have anointed us;
and ready our hearts to celebrate the festival,
with the unleavened bread of sincerity
and truth.
We ask this through Christ our Lord,
AMEN.

We welcome
into the family of God
through Baptism
Rhian Kylie Carreon
at St Mary's Church
on Sunday 21st April 2019.



Daughter of Rowena & Luther.

Our Diocesan Community - MARCH 2019

Available please take a copy home.

ANZAC DAY Thursday 25th



St Mary's 9am Mass.

Dawn service 6:30am
Cenotaph Melville oval.

March & Commemorative
service Cenotaph 10am.

Easter Message 2019

9 April 2019

Christchurch: the Call to Prayer and Compassion

On Friday, March 29, around 20,000 people gathered in Hagley Park in Christchurch. There were representatives of many faiths and many nations. They were there to remember the 50 victims who were killed in the attacks on mosques two weeks earlier. They were there to support the Muslim community and to support one another in a time of tragedy.

People bowed their heads as members of the Muslim faith and the Christchurch Interfaith Society read out the names of the victims. One of the survivors of the attack, Farid Ahmed, offered a prayer. He prayed for safety and security in New Zealand. He prayed for peace and happiness for people throughout the world.

A week before, there had been another gathering in the same park, which is near the Al Noor mosque. The call to prayer had been broadcast live on New Zealand radio and television. The imam, Gamal Fouda, had expressed the thanks of his community for the support that so many people had shown. "Thank you for your tears. Thank you for your flowers. Thank you for your love and compassion."

The attacks at the mosques on March 15 had shocked people in New Zealand and people around the world. There was bitter grief at the loss of loved ones, shot dead as they were gathered for prayer in what should have been a place of safety and peace. It was truly a day of trauma. Yet in the days and weeks that followed, people showed extraordinary strength as they came together to support one another through their time of sorrow.

I see two key elements in those gatherings following the shootings. One element was prayer to God. The other was compassion for all who were suffering. Members of many faith communities joined the Muslim community in offering prayers for those who had died, for their family members who were left behind and for all those who were distressed by the attacks. They prayed for the gift of peace in their city and peace throughout the world. There was also a great outpouring of compassion for those who had suffered and a resolve to support one another in a time of crisis.

People showed their support in the tears they shed, in the flowers they placed at the entrance to the mosques, and in many gestures of practical kindness to those in need.

The community in Christchurch has endured a time of darkness but there have also been rays of light piercing the gloom – light that has come through prayer to God and care for one another.

We will soon be celebrating Holy Week and Easter. In its own way, this is a celebration of darkness and light, the darkness of Christ's suffering and death, the light of his rising to new life. As we celebrate these days, we could draw on the experience of the last few weeks in Christchurch. We too can find strength through prayer to God and care for one another.

The prophet Zechariah speaks of "a spirit of kindness and prayer" (Zechariah 12:10). I invite you to enter into Holy Week and Easter in this spirit. In a prayerful spirit and a spirit of compassion, reflect on the sufferings of Christ and the sufferings of people around the world today. And in that same spirit, pray that God will raise us up as God raised up Jesus. Pray that our whole community will come through times of sorrow and be blessed with the gift of peace.

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR

