

21 April, Easter Sunday Year C

TEMORA MISSION AREA

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Ardlethan/Sacred Heart Aria Park

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For our Deceased: Elaine Barry, Jim Daniher, Sr Marietta Drew, rsj, Deceased relatives, friends, parishioners, Margaret Passlow, Marie Golden, James (Kelly) Griffin, *(anniversaries)*

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April 27—28 Aria Park 6.00 p.m. Sat Mass
Mass Barmedman 8.00 a.m. Temora 10.00 a.m. Sunday
Liturgy Ardlethan **9.00 a.m.** Barellan 10.00 a.m.

Reflection

Christ is risen. alleluia!

The empty tomb, and the neatly folded burial cloths, were signs that led the beloved disciple to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In the witness of the apostles, and the faithfulness, courage and love of our fellow Christians, we too have powerful signs that Christ is risen and lives among us. Observing them, our faith cries out: *'alleluia!'*

Project Compassion

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Welcome Fr Mullen. *Thank you for being with us as we celebrate Easter.*

Baptism

Welcome Hamish and Georgie to the Catholic Community as you are baptised in the company of family and friends. We rejoice with your parents, Mari and Andrew, Heather and Dean and your family. May the Light of Christ be your guide as you grow into the fullness of the life God desires for you.



Anzac Day, *Lest we Forget*

We remember with pride and gratitude the ANZACS and those who have defended our country in any war. As we celebrate Anzac Day this week let us pray for peace and be peacemakers!

Season of Sowing

With the season of sowing starting, we will pray for sowing during for our liturgy next Sunday. You might like to bring some seeds to present as part of our ritual of blessing.

Easter Messages

Forgiveness is the door through which healing peace enters our world this Easter

One of the last statements of Jesus on the Calvary Cross was: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." (*Luke 23/24*). Forgiveness of every person who harms us is one of the great saving lessons of Good Friday. Then, the first words of the Risen Lord Jesus at the Resurrection Victory of Easter is: "Peace be with you." (*Luke 24/36*). Easter peace is the first gift to us from our healing God.

This Easter let us receive these gifts of forgiveness and healing peace like never before! Let us begin in our hearts, so easily torn apart by bitterness and selfishness.

Let forgiveness and healing peace flow into our families and friends. May these gifts give us courage to develop real neighbourliness to those in our streets and communities. Let the homeless and lonely this Easter receive not more pious sentiments but real practical charity and care. Let the forgiveness and healing peace of the Risen Lord Jesus reign this Easter! May we be filled with joy and hope.

Happy Easter to all!

Archbishop Christopher Prowse

Catholic Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn, Apostolic Administrator of Wagga Wagga

April 16, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

After going through the observances of Lent and Holy Week, we rejoice at the Lord's rising from the dead. His resurrection is the foundation and cornerstone of our faith. As St. Paul says 'if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is useless and your faith too is in vain' (*1 Cor 15:14*). Let us find strength and hope from the Risen Lord as we move forward. Easter brings so many promises of God to us - life is stronger than death, love can overcome hate, goodness ultimately triumphs over evil and eternity and glory with God in Heaven are our destiny. Thus the joy of new life through our Lord's resurrection is for us to experience throughout the whole year. I pray that Jesus may live in all our hearts, that we may always embrace Him with love and gratitude. May His love and His peace fill our hearts, our lives, our homes and our families. Have a blessed and joyful Easter.

Fr Sijo.

Dear Friends,

We have journeyed with Jesus during Lent and now we celebrate his resurrected presence with us, a presence that renews our faith, particularly when life's experiences become challenging; a presence that accompanies us on all our journeys; a presence that is hope in our sorrows and sufferings; a presence that lifts our heart in joy, confident in the victory of Jesus over death. Yes, Jesus has risen. The stone of the tomb has been rolled away. Is there a stone within me that I need to roll away so as to experience more deeply the love God has for me and our world?

May your Easter be rich in blessings.

Sr Maureen

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