

LITURGY OF THE WORD
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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
R. Thanks be to God

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.'

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.

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

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
R. Thanks be to God

Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled. Death with life contended: combat strangely ended! Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as he rose! The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting. Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious king, thy mercy show!

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 Jn 20:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate Dawn has Broken – The Son is Risen

Women go to the tomb as dawn is breaking. The Power of Darkness which had Jesus unjustly sentenced, cruelly tortured and buried in the pitch blackness of the tomb, is conquered by the Son-Rise of all sun rises flooding our world and the whole of human history with Divine Light and Energy. This is the heart of our faith as Catholic Christians, which we celebrate with bon-fire (good fire) in darkness at the Easter Vigil. From that earthly element we light the Easter candle and the Exsultet is sung: 'Be glad, let earth be glad as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King.' The resurrection itself is nowhere described in the gospels, but we do have appearances of the Risen Lord Jesus. The first appearance was to a woman, Mary of Magdala. A title given to her by the early church was 'Apostle to the Apostles' because she was the bearer of the message which the male disciples initially did not believe. But eventually they too believed that Death had been done to death because the Son had risen. Christ's body was transfigured by the energy of Divine Love and we can, by grace, participate in that resurrection life of Our Lord. A glorious destiny awaits us, as indeed it awaits the whole cosmos as it is to be transformed by that resurrection life recreating the whole of creation. We could take a moment to pray that we, along with all that matters, are graced with the life-giving energy of the Risen Son and that we may join Mary of Magdala in spreading the Good News of Christ's victory over death. Alleluia

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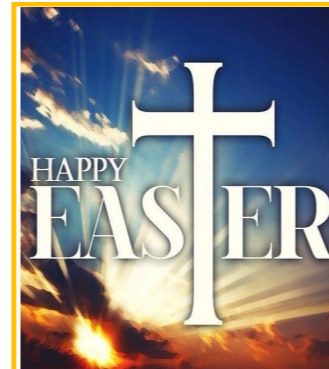
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**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

**Church
Cenacle Prayer Tues
@ 4.45**

**PPC Meeting
Thursday 21st @ 5pm
Church Meeting
Room**

**Saturday Mass will be
@ 5pm starting April
23rd and
run through
winter until October
1st**

**Wrap With Love
Wednesday 27th April
1.00pm
Meeting Room**

**Craft Group - resumes
after holidays**

**Adoration Friday @
5.30pm**

**COFFEE CLUB
Thursdays after Mass
Venue: Corrigans
Cove
All Welcome
COFFEE N CHAT**

EASTER SUNDAY- YEAR C

Archbishop's 2022 Easter Message

EASTER HUMANITY

In recent years it seems that our annual celebration of Easter accompanies some societal calamity. There have been bushfires, then the Covid pandemic and now the Russian-Ukraine conflict.

This current war is particularly disturbing because it arises not from nature or health issues but from a violence within the heart of our shared humanity. War is the very opposite to the peace and joy of Easter. It is a defeat for humanity. It seems that the new humanity made present in the Easter Jesus has been cast aside. Offered light eternal, war opts for living in darkness.

In our Easter Liturgy, a totally different humanity is announced.

The Easter Vigil (Exsultet) proclamation chants "Christ your Son, who coming back from death's domain, has shed his peaceful light on humanity and lives and reigns for ever and ever."

Embracing Easter humanity in the risen Jesus is clearly an unending task for every age, especially our present time.

Jesuit priest, Fr Andriy Zelinsky, Ukrainian military chaplain, describes the present war as "cruel, and is one of the most absurd, senseless wars in the history of Europe.... There is no reason for the violence". He calls for prayer as the way of "keeping hope alive that the war will come to an end and evil will never prevail." Praying for hope in war has a practical dimension.

As an Archdiocese, we are becoming deeper friends with our local Catholic Ukrainian priest, Fr Wally Kalinecki and Russian Orthodox priest, Fr Alexander Morozow. I have assured both communities of our prayers and support in these fragile times.

Ukrainian refugees are beginning to arrive in the Archdiocese. Many more will follow. I mentioned to Fr Kalinecki that our Archdiocese stands ready to provide whatever practical assistance deemed appropriate for these traumatised families.

Fr Zelinsky challenges us by stating: "Please wake up...we are stronger together...we find ourselves at a time when the greatest gift we have is in danger, that is, our humanity...come back to the gift of our humanity because it is something we need to treasure."

Easter humanity in Christ Crucified and Risen is not a sentimental religious pious thought. It is the very essence of our Christian humanity - mind, heart and deeds. As St Paul declares, when Christ is "your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him." (Col. 3/4)

May the Easter Jesus bless and protect you always! He is truly Risen! Alleluia!

Archbishop Christopher Prowse

**Pope Francis
Monthly Prayer
Intentions
APRIL**

For health care workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Tues 19th: 5.30 pm Mass
Wed 20th: 9:00 am Mass
Thurs 21st: 9.00 am Mass
Fri 22nd: 9.15 am Mass
5.30pm Adoration
Sat 23rd: 9.00 am Mass,
9.30 am Reconciliation,
5.00 pm Mass
Sun 24th: 9:00am Mass
5:00pm Family & Youth
Mass

HOLY WEEK TIMES

Holy Thursday 14 April

- 6pm Mass

Good Friday 15 April

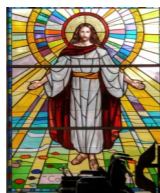
- Stations of the Cross 10am,
- Celebration of the Passion 3pm

Easter Saturday 16 April

- Easter Vigil 6pm

Easter Sunday 17 April

9am, 5pm Mass



"Come to the Fair"
for Maranatha Aged Care.

Saturday April 30th
**9.30am-3.00pm at the CWA Hall,
Edward Road, Batehaven**

INVITATION

TO NEXT GATHERING:

**"Authentic Happiness And Using Your
Signature Strengths and Virtues"**

on Tuesday April 26th in the Church
Meeting Room 9am registration for 9.15am
start-12.45pm.

Facilitator: Marie Weatherall.
Cost=FREE

BYO shared Morning Tea.

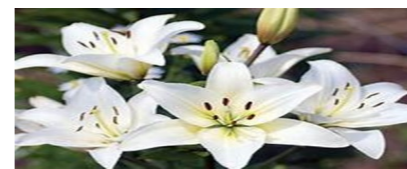
Bookings Essential by April 18th to Marie
Weatherall 0405 028 057.

Need more Information?
See summary sheet to take home in foyer
of church.

PRE-LOVED BOOK SALE

Thank you very much for your continued
contribution and support for our projects. I
really appreciate your prayers and care for
the poor and disadvantaged. May God
bless you and be with you.
**I wish you a holy and blessed Easter.
God bless, Sr Kim**

LIVING FAITH IN THE EVERYDAY



EASTER HOPE!

**"On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb
early in the morning, while it was still dark." John 20:1**

Jesus in the tomb is one proof we have that darkness is not the enemy.
Our greatest enemy is the unwillingness to believe in dawn, in resurrection.

Hope is what keeps the soul alive in bad times;
Hope gives us strength to go on despite the darkness of the moment.
When we celebrate Easter as the feast of hope, this is what we proclaim:

Hope is the foundation of happiness.
It makes tomorrow a destination rather than simply grounds
for the dread of disaster.

Hope is the gift of God to us.
The work it takes to make hope real is the gift we give back to God.

Hope is the instinct in us that something greater than what now is,
can become real. It is as much a call to respond
as it is a sign of what is lacking.

Hope is the cutting edge of vision.
It tells us that, indeed, another world is possible but just over the horizon.
Hope is not a free gift.

It does not come without a cost. It requires us to earn it.

Hope never solves anything.
It simply opens a necessary door in the human enterprise
and invites us, begs us, to walk through it -
for our sake, of course, but for the sake of the world, as well.

Hope is a quiet, whispered, wonderment saying over and over again
in the heart of each of us, **"Possibility, possibility, possibility."**

Most of all, **Hope** requires that we spin a few dreams for ourselves
that are possible, doable and desirable.
Then, all that's left is the doing of them.
(Sr Joan Chittister OSB, Easter 2021)



FAREWELL MORNING TEA

You are INVITED to attend a farewell
morning tea for Sr Marie on Sunday 1st
May after Mass
Please bring a plate to share

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**ROSTERS
HOLY WEEK**

Holy Thursday 6.00pm

Commentator P O'Kelly
1st Reader J O'Sullivan
2nd Reader A Horsfall
Eucharistic Ministers:
Maria Devine, Y Oerder
Computer: T Priest

Good Friday 3pm

Comment M Weatherall
Reader 1 J O'Sullivan
Reader 2 M O'Neill
Passion Narrator Sr Marie
Passion Others N Beatty
Eucharistic Ministers:
Liz Stevens, M Devine
Computer T Jackson

Easter Vigil Sat 6.00pm

Readers for four readings
J O'Sullivan, Sr Marie,
M Weatherall,
Epistle: A Jackson
Intercessions: J Quigley
Eucharistic Ministers:
K Lovering, M Devine
Computer: T Jackson

Easter Sunday 9am

Commentator A Skinner
Reader L Page
Eucharistic Ministers
J Wain, L Stevens
Computer: T Priest

Easter Sunday 5pm

Commentator S Ebejer
Reader P O'Kelly
Eucharistic Minister
Volunteer please
Computer:

Cleaning 18-22 April

B Coffey & M Paine

MORNING TEA

(Easter Sunday)
T van den Broek P Jobs

**23/24 APRIL
Cleaning**

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**5.00PM MASS Note
earlier time**

Welcomer:
Commentator M
Weatherall
Reader P Nolan
Eucharistic Minis-
ters A Rogers
Computer Screen K
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9.00 AM MASS:

Welcomer C Connell
Commentator L
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Reader: B Basevi
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ters C Schor L Ste-
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Computer Screen D
May.

5.00PM MASS:

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Reader: S Ebejer
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MORNING TEA: J
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**Help Urgently
Needed:**

Our PC Team Member at
Opal will be on Sick Leave
from May 4.

We need
people to visit and take HC
to 8 Catholics for two
months.

Need current Police Check
and/or WWCC.
Phone: Marie Weatherall
0405 028 057



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday 24th April we celebrate
Divine Mercy Sunday. Please join
us for a Holy hour from 3-4pm in
the church

**Donations of goods to St Vincent
de Paul**

Do not leave your appreciated items
outside at the back of the Store
ever. Please give/take needed items
during business hours to the store. This
prevents items from being stolen.

Dear Parishioners, Fr Martins will not be returning to the Parish
until December of this year as he wishes for more time to complete his
studies. Archbishop Christopher Prowse has advised that
Fr Tom Thornton will be returning to Batemans Bay on 29th April until
16th December and Fr Martins will be priest in residence at St Thomas
Aquinas Charnwood Parish, where the smaller workload
will allow Fr Martins time for his studies.

Remembering the Sick:

Fr John Walter, Mara Pranjic, Lola, Fr Kevin
Murphy, Allan Rogers, Pam Wilson, Antony
and Andrew, Lois White, Rita Condon, Ben
Copland, Femia and Mark, Roberto Alivio,
Vince Burns, John Dillon, James Lee, Trish
Hamilton, Daniel Coffey, Jim Banks, Dennis
Sheather, Mary Henderson, Diane Lanzon,
Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson,
Dawn Robinson, Allan Odium, Luke Ward,
Andrew Morton, Ken Evendon, Judy Betts,
Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Angela
Mylott, Jeanette Clarke, and those in our
local Nursing Homes and Hospital

Death Anniversaries:

Leovigeldo Durano Solamo, Sidney Grant
Sampson, Janice Marion, Terence
Thomson, Franciscus Timmer, Leon
Pallamoutagne, Anica Hrstic, Elsie
Waltham, Gregory Parsons, Robyn Albert,
Eli Chatfield, Leonard O'Hara,

**We pray for the recently deceased in the
Parish Community:**

Petronila Aballe, r Henry Byrne,
Christopher Hinton, Fr Laurie Blake, Pat
De Lucey, John Hann, Lorina Lirio,
Dermott, Margaret Harris, Wayne O'Toole,
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