



or Mt 28:1-10

He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee.

After the Sabbath, and towards dawn on the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala and the other Mary went to visit the sepulchre. And all at once there was a violent earthquake, for the angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled away the stone and sat on it. His face was like lightning, his robe white as snow. The guards were so shaken, so frightened of him, that they were like dead men.

But the angel spoke; and he said to the women, 'There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would. Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him." Now I have told you.' Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples.

And there, coming to meet them, was Jesus. 'Greetings,' he said. And the women came up to him and, falling down before him, clasped his feet. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers that they must leave for Galilee; they will see me there.'

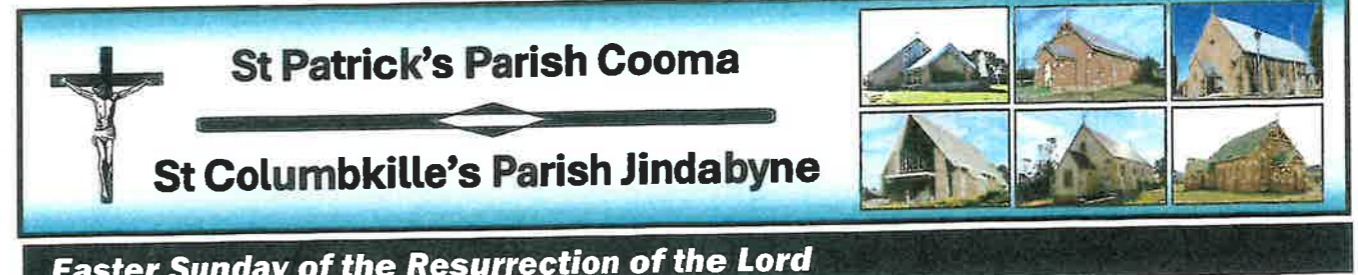
Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Easter is the season of mystagogical catechesis, that instruction that unpacks the hidden mystery of the experience of the sacraments of initiation received or renewed at Easter. The readings of each Sunday concentrate on some aspect of this mystery. The central theme of this Sunday is newness of life in Christ. This newness is not without its historical context. It burst forth first in the resurrection of Christ, and then through the preaching of the first Christians.

The readings testify that if we die with Christ, we will appear with him in glory; if we cast out the old yeast, we will be fresh dough. And when this wondrous transformation takes place, everything is new; everything is fresh. To what newness are we called? To what must we die in order to rise transformed? What old yeast of corruption must be cast out in order that we might be fresh dough? At Easter we renew our baptismal vows. What is it that we really renounce? Ours is a world of violence, of prejudice, of indifference. Too often we harbour feelings of anger and resentment, of selfishness and disdain. Easter proclaims that Christ has died and has risen; with him we die to all of the wickedness in our lives and in our world, and we set our hearts on higher things, on sincerity and on truth.

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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

First Reading Acts 10:34, 37-43

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.'

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.

or

(R.) Alleluia.

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

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.

or: **1 Cor 5:6-8**

Throw away the old yeast, that you may be new dough.

You must know how even a small amount of yeast is enough to leaven all the dough, so get rid of all the old yeast, and make yourselves into a completely new batch of bread, unleavened as you are meant to be. Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast, then, by getting rid of all the old yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

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

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.



St Patrick's Parish Cooma
St Columbkille's Parish Jindabyne



EASTER SUNDAY , Year A

5 April 2026

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WEEKEND MASS & LW&HC TIMES

Adaminaby

No Mass until further notice

Berridale

2nd & 4th Sunday

Vigil Mass Saturday 3.30pm

All other Sundays

LW&HC 10am Sunday

Cooma

Mass Sunday 10am

Mass Tue, Thu & Fri 10am

Except 3rd Friday of month

Mass Yallambee Lodge 9.30am

Mass Hudson House Respect 11am

Jindabyne

Vigil Mass Saturday 5pm

Except 5th Sunday

LW&HC 5pm Saturday

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1st Sunday

Vigil Mass Saturday 3pm

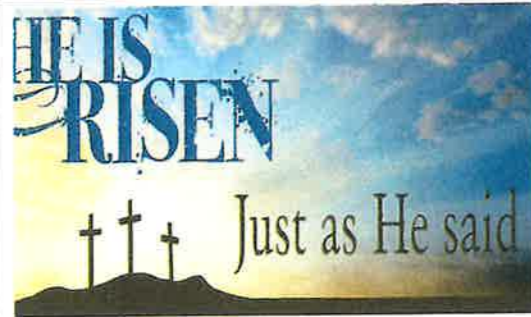
All other Sundays

LW&HC at 5pm Saturday

Numeralla

2nd Sunday LW&HC 5pm

4th Sunday Mass 5pm



HAPPY EASTER



Sacramental Program – Key Dates for 2026

Families are invited to note the following dates for this year's Sacramental Program:

- ❖ **Confirmation:** 14 June
- ❖ **First Reconciliation:** 2 July
- ❖ **First Holy Communion:** 13 September

For a detailed information letter, please contact our Parish Sacramental Coordinator, Belinda Wilkins via email:

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READINGS FOR SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER/ Year A

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Second Reading: 1 Pet 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31



PARISH CALENDAR

Week- 6 April 2026

MON -
TUE No Mass
WED No Mass
THU 10am Mass
FRI 10am Mass
SAT 2nd Sunday of the month
3.30pm Berridale Mass
5pm Jindabyne Vigil Mass
SUN 10am Cooma
5.30pm Numeralla LWHC

REMEMBERING THEIR FAITH AND LOVE

We pray for those who have recently departed this life.

"We have loved them in Life: Let us not forget them in death."

Fr Dermot Clinton, Norma Love

Anniversaries & Intentions

for those whom special prayers have been requested, may they be welcomed into the glory of the Risen Lord and rest in eternal peace.

Janice Marion, Leanne Miners, Geoff Miners, Kath Shanley, Christopher Collins, Brian Collins, Keith & Debbie Tozer, Les Stewart, Terry Redden, Geoff Fitzgerald, Terry Locker, Danny Nassar, David Barron, John Rudd, Carol Jones, Frank Pusswald, George Karooz, Seage family & Hans Neumeyer, Yarra Gregor, Maurice Fletcher, Robyn Battye.

We pray to the Lord.

For the sick within our families, friends and parish community

and all who have asked for our prayers, may they be granted strength, comfort and healing.

We pray to the Lord.



Prayer of the Faithful

Response: (R)

"Lord Hear our prayer"

PRIEST On this most holy day we lift up our hearts in prayer for all who celebrate their new life in Christ.

COMMENTATOR:

For our Pope and bishops: that their Easter message may challenge self-centredness and proclaim the peace that Jesus promises.
We pray to the Lord.

For all the newly baptized and confirmed: that they may be faithful disciples of Jesus, bearers of the light of Christ in their lives, and witnesses to Christ in their words and deeds.
We pray to the Lord.

For the gift of peace: that the Spirit of God will bring forth a springtime of peace especially in the Ukraine, in our cities and towns and in our own hearts.
We pray to the Lord.

For all who do not have faith in the Resurrection: that God will touch their hearts and lead them to an encounter with the Risen Lord.
We pray to the Lord.

For all who have died, especially all who have been killed, and who are still being killed, in the terrible war raging at the present time in the Ukraine, that they may be raised up with the Risen Jesus.
We pray to the Lord.

Let us pray with Mary" Hail Mary.....

PRIEST: God of Life, receive our prayer today that your Son's radiant light will continue to shine upon all. We ask this through the same Jesus, our Lord. Amen.



Archbishop's Easter Message 2026
The Silences of Easter

<https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/the-silences-of-easter-archbishops-easter-message-2026/>

A copy is available at the entrance

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this Lent

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Sacrament of Baptism -

We congratulate & welcome into our Parish family Scottie Blair Pepper daughter of Liam and Kiarna, as today she is Baptised with water into our Catholic Church at Jindabyne.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RCIA CANDIDATE AS TODAY WE WELCOME INTO FULL COMMUNION WITH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN JINDABYNE

ANNA LOUISE PERDRIAU