

Easter 5



Sung Eucharist 2 May 2021 9am

PLEASE PRAY FOR...



Our Diocese, Northern Region and our local church community

The Administrator: The Regional Bishop: Northern Region: Local churches: The Rt Revd Peter Hayward The Rt Revd Chris Edwards Parishes of Artarmon and Chatswood Mosman Uniting Church; clergy and people

Missions 2021

Anglicare Sydney: Mobile Community Pantry Program; Bill Farrand, Anglicare Community Services Manager

Bush Church Aid:

BCA Indigenous Ministry Officer, The Revd Neville Naden and Mrs Kathryn Naden

Anglican Board of Mission:

Sustainable Livelihoods Program, Kenya; The Revd John Deane, ABM Executive Director

Those we are holding in prayer

The Faithful Departed Eileen Menzies

Those Requiring On-Going Prayer:

Alex Dimitric, John Dimitric, Irina Dimitric, Justin Reid, Heather, Bernie Walsh, Christine Hurford, Shannour, Chloe Turner, Denise Thomas, Mary Douglas, Liam Gorman, Rosemary Walsh, Dallas Ford, Mary Ford, Jackie Lockhart, Angela Armstrong, Robert Rowlands, Tim Bolot, Rob Crawford, Nan Oliver

People in Residential and Home Care:

Dawn Holdaway, Richard Lloyd, Betty Gemmell, Mary Shuttleworth, Elaine Porter, Helen Huby, Dorothy Bashford, Pat Wood, Jean Barton, Robin Wilks, Denis Pearson

Gathering of God's People

Please stand for the Procession

Introit

The choir sings

While Morning Still Is Breaking

- 1.While morning still is breaking and day replaces night, beneath God's care awaking we thank him for new light. We thank him that he calls us to life and health anew; whatever now befalls us his care will still be true.
- 2.0 Israel's guardian, hear us, watch over us this day; in all we do be near us. For others, too, we pray; to you we would commend them, our church, our youth, our land; direct them and defend them when dangers are at hand.
- 3.0 grant us peace and gladness, give us our daily bread, shield us from grief and sadness, on us your blessings shed. Grant that our whole behaviour in truth and righteousness may praise you, Lord, our Saviour, whose holy name we bless.
- 4. You are our vine: O nourish your branches, so that we may grow in you and flourish and ever fruitful be; your Spirit pour within us, and let the gifts of grace to those good actions win us that best may show your praise.

Greeting

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Christ is risen. Alleluia. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Sentence

In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. *[1John 4.10-11]*

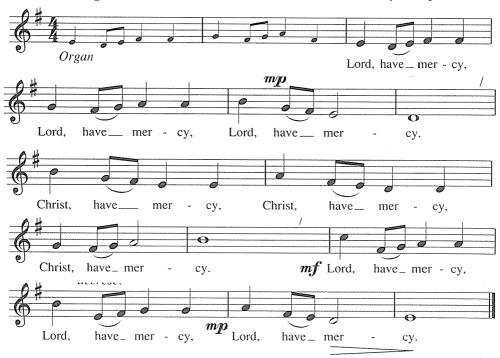
Prayer of Preparation

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen. The Kyries

Please sit to sing

Christ Church Mass by Philip Matthias



Invitation to Confession and Absolution

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

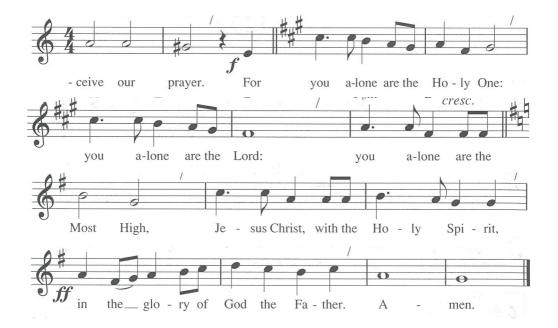
Silence may be kept.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and true heart.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gloria *Please stand to sing*

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The Collect

O God,

form the minds of your faithful people, that we may love what you command and desire what you promise, so that, amid the many changes of this world, our hearts may there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

Please be seated

The First Reading A Reading from the Book of Acts

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He

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asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

[Acts 8.26-40]

For the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 17.1, 5-6, 8, 15

Please remain seated to sing the Psalm Response

R: Lord, when your glory appears my joy will be full.

Lord, hear a cause that is just, pay heed to my cry. Turn your ear to my prayer: no deceit is on my lips. **R**

I kept my feet firmly in your paths, there was no faltering in my steps. I am here and I call; you will hear me, O God. Turn your ear to me; hear my words. **R**

The Second Reading A reading from the First Letter of John

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

[1 John 4.7-21]

For the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn *Please stand* **Fairest Lord Jesus, Lord of all creation**

- 1. Fairest Lord Jesus, Lord of all creation, Son of God, and Mary's son: you will I cherish, you will I honour, you are my soul's delight and crown.
- 2. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands robed in the greenness and bloom of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes the saddest heart to sing.
- 3. Fair are the flowers, fairer still the children in all the freshness of youth arrayed; yet is their beauty fading and fleeting; Lord Jesus, yours will never fade.

- 4. Fair is the moonlight, fairer still the sunshine, fair is the shimmering starry sky: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines clearer than all the heavenly host on high.
- 5. Jesus, all beauty, heavenly and earthly, in you is wondrously found to be; none can be nearer, fairer or dearer than you, my Saviour, are to me.

The Gospel Reading

Alleluia! Alleliua! Alleluia!

"Abide in me as I abide in you," says the Lord: "I am the vine, you are the branches." Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleliua! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John, Chapter 15, beginning at the 1st verse. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

[John 15. 1-8]

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Sermon - The Rector

The Creed

Let us stand and join together in the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father: through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the Community

Please be seated

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

Response after each segment of prayers

Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer

After the last petition

Hear us, Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. Ann Jobson

The Greeting of Peace

Please stand

The Risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you'. Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of the Risen Christ be always with you. Alleluia! And also with you. Alleluia!

Please do not physically exchange the Peace.

The Offertory Offertory Hymn

I Come With Joy To Meet My Lord (Tune: St Botolph)

- 1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved and free, in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.
- 2. I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed, the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.
- 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share each proud division ends. the love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends.
- 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord, his presence, always near, is in such friendship better known: we see, and praise him here.
- 5. Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways, and as his people in the world we'll live and speak his praise.

The Presider continues

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Blessed be God for ever.

The Great Thanksgiving

Please remain standing

The Sursum Corda *We sing together*

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Presider continues

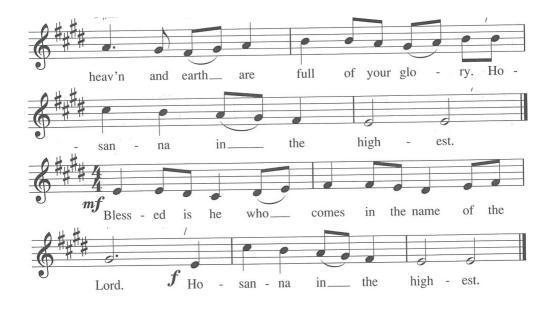
All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. By his death on the cross, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin, and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks that you raised him to life triumphant, and exalted him in glory. By his victory over death, the reign of sin is ended, a new day has dawned, a broken world is restored and we are made whole once more.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

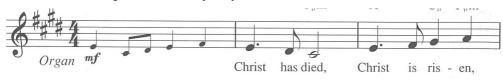




Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood. On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Deacon: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:





Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

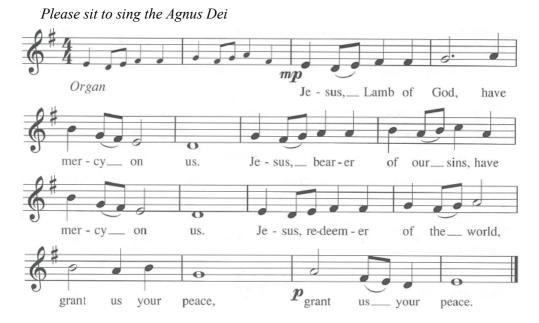


As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion

The Presider breaks the bread and says We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body **For we all share in the one bread.**



The Presider continues

The Gifts of God for the people of God. Come, let us take this holy sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. **Amen.**

Communion will now be administered to the congregation at the chancel steps.

<u>Please wait to be invited</u> to move forward along the centre aisle and then return to your seat by the side aisle.

Communion Anthem

Please remain seated while the choir sings

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

- 1. Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring; Love, drowned in death, shall never die.
- 2. Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, but saving, healing, here and now, and touching every place and time.
- 3. In every insult, rift and war, where colour, scorn or wealth divide, Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.

- 4. Women and men, in age and youth can feel the Spirit, hear the call, and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.
- 5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love and praise.

The Sending Out of God's People

Eternal God, giver of life, in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord. May we who celebrate this holy feast walk in his risen light and bring new life to all creation.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

Notices

Hymn Now Let Us From This Table Rise (Tune: Nagara)

- 1. Now let us from this table rise renewed in body, mind and soul; with Christ we die and live again, his selfless love has made us whole.
- 2. With minds alert, upheld by grace, to spread the Word in speech and deed, we follow in the steps of Christ, at one with all in hope and need.
- 3. To fill each human house with love, it is the sacrament of care; the work that Christ began to do we humbly pledge ourselves to share.
- 4. Then give us grace, Companion God, to choose again the pilgrim way, and help us to accept with joy the challenge of tomorrow's day.

The Blessing and Dismissal

The blessing of the Living God, who brings light out of darkness, be upon you now and forever.

The blessing of the Risen Christ, who sends you as apostles into all the world be upon you now and for ever.

The blessing of the Holy Spirit, who fills the church with joy and praise, be upon you now and for ever.

And the **■**blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia. **≇In the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Postlude: Largo from Trio Sonata in C minor BWV526 (J. S. Bach)

NOTICES

BLOKES' NIGHT OUT

Date: NEXT Wednesday 5 May **Time:** 6pm

Venue: Upper Duck, Hotel Mosman All blokes are invited to attend - bring a friend - and enjoy an evening of fellowship together over a casual meal. Any queries? Please contact Clive Taylor: 0419 243 114

THURSDAY HOLY EUCHARIST AND LUNCH

Our Thursday Holy Eucharist service is held weekly at 11am followed by lunch at Café Jam at 11.45am. Please book for either (or both) via the Parish Office on Tel: 9969 6910 or e: office@stlukesmosman.org

PUB LUNCH

Date: NEXT Sunday 9 May (N.B. - Mothers' Day!)

Time: 12 noon

Venue: Lower Duck, Hotel Mosman All are welcome to attend and enjoy a convivial Sunday lunch with parish friends. Please book through the Parish Office on 9969 6910 or e: <u>office@stlukesmosman.org</u>

SAFETY IN MINISTRY

St Luke's is committed to the principles of Safety in Ministry of the Anglican Diocese of Sydney. Copies of our Child-Safe, Child-Friendly policy are available in the porch and on the parish website. If you have any queries, please contact either Dr Jocelyn Chey, tel: 9967 5136 or the Rector, tel: 9969 6910.

COMING EVENTS AT ST LUKE'S AND OTHER IMPORTANT ITEMS

DIOCESAN SYNOD

The 1st Session of the 52nd Synod of our Diocese commences this week. Synod is the annual gathering of our Bishops, incumbent clergy and elected lay parish representatives and it is responsible for the 'order and good government' of the Anglican Church in our Diocese of Sydney. This year is also an Election Synod to elect our next Archbishop of Sydney. Please pray for the Rector, Paula Turner and Jocelyn Chey as they attend Synod on behalf of the parish, and for all members of Synod.

<u>A Prayer for Synod</u>

Almighty and everliving God, give wisdom and understanding to the members of the Synod of this Diocese. Teach them in all things to seek first your honour and glory. May they perceive what is right, have courage to pursue it and grace to accomplish it, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>A Prayer at the time of choosing an Archbishop</u>

Eternal God, shepherd and guide, in your mercy, give your Church in this diocese a shepherd after your own heart who will walk in your ways, and with loving care watch over your people. Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth. So may your Church be built up and your name glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday 27 June 2021 12 noon

Scottish Themed Mid-Winter Luncheon in the Seddon Hall.

All proceeds to St Luke's Missions: Anglicare, BCA and ABM.

MORE DETAILS SOON!!

Please send any notices for inclusion in the weekly bulletin to the office by 4.30pm Tuesday.

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Anglican Parish of St Luke

What's On This Week 2/5/21

Today 9am Easter 5 Sung Eucharist *Church*

Wed 6pm Blokes' Night Out Upper Duck Hotel Mosman

Thurs11amHoly Eucharist
Lower Hall11.45Lunch
Café Jam

Next Sunday 9/5/21

 9am Easter 6 (Mothers' Day) Sung Eucharist *Church* 12pm Pub Lunch Lower Duck Hotel Mosman



St Luke's is a place of rich and diverse liturgy, where life and faith connect. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of

gender, age, race, sexual orientation or religion.