

Anglican Parish of  
**St Luke**

Mosman

## **The Ascension of Our Lord**



**Said Eucharist**

**16 May 2021**

**9am**

# PLEASE PRAY FOR...



## **Our Diocese, Northern Region and our local church community**

The Archbishop-Elect:	The Very Reverend Kanishka Raffel
The Regional Bishop:	The Rt Revd Chris Edwards
Northern Region:	Parish of South Turrumurra
Local churches:	Parish of St John's Uniting Church, Neutral Bay; 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**

### **Immediate Sick:**

Jenny Willis, Nancy Lovitt

### **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, Robb 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 note: due to new COVID-19 restrictions, today there will be no congregational singing, masks are mandatory and you are requested to remain seated throughout the service except for the reception of Communion.*

### **Introit**

#### **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**

"Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation," says the Lord. *[Mark 16.15]*

### **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**

Lord, have mercy; **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy; **Christ have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy; **Lord, have mercy.**

## **Invitation to Confession and Absolution**

Christ has entered heaven itself, there to appear before God on our behalf.

*Silence may be kept.*

Let us therefore draw near in full assurance of faith, and confess our sins to the God of grace.

**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**  
*We say together*

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heav'nly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us:  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **The Collect**

Eternal God,  
by raising Jesus from the dead  
you proclaimed his victory,  
and by his ascension,  
you declared him Lord of all:  
lift up our hearts to heaven,  
where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Ministry of the Word**

### **The First Reading**

*Diana Long*

#### **A Reading from the Book of Acts**

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

*[Acts 1.1-11]*

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

## **Psalm 93**

*We say the Psalm by alternate verses*

The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty;  
the Lord is robed, he is girded with strength.

**He has established the world; it shall never be moved;  
your throne is established from of old;  
you are from everlasting.**

The floods have lifted up, O Lord,  
the floods have lifted up their voice;  
the floods lift up their roaring.

**More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters,  
more majestic than the waves of the sea,  
majestic on high is the Lord!**

Your decrees are very sure;  
holiness befits your house,  
O Lord, for evermore.

## **The Second Reading**

### **A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians**

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*[Ephesians 1.15-23]*

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**Thanks be to God**

## **Gradual Anthem**

### **The Gospel Reading**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark, Chapter 16, beginning at the 15<sup>th</sup> verse.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

And Jesus said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation. The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe: by using my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went out and proclaimed the good news everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that accompanied it.

*[Mark 16.15-20]*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**✠Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### **The Sermon - The Rector**

#### **The Creed**

Let us 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**

*Callum Close*

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.**

### **The Greeting of Peace**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
thank you for fulfilling the Scriptures and returning to the Father.  
Fill us with the joy of your continual presence and peace.

The peace of the risen, ascended Christ, be with you always. Alleluia!  
**And also with you. Alleluia!**



*Please do not physically exchange the Peace.*

## **The Offertory**

### **Offertory Anthem**

*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**

### **The Sursum Corda**

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.

You have highly exalted him,  
and given him the name above all other names,  
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow  
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

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

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

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:

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

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:

**✠ Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

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 Agnus Dei**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

*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.*

*Please wait to be invited to move forward along the centre aisle  
and then return to your seat by the side aisle.*

## **Communion Anthem**

### **The Sending Out of God's People**

God of glory

you sent your Son Jesus Christ into the world  
to preach the gospel of the kingdom.

Strengthen us who share this meal to continue his mission  
by living the good news we proclaim.

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**

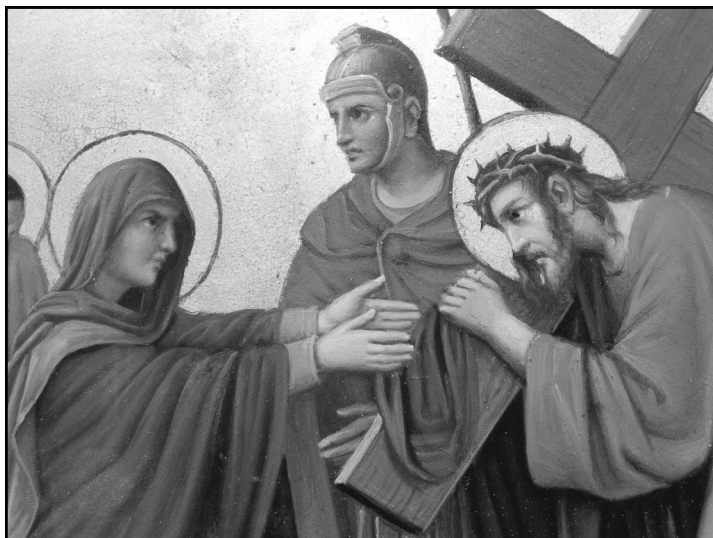
## The Blessing and Dismissal

Christ our exalted king pour upon you his abundant gifts and bring you to reign with him in glory; 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:** Carillon *from* 24 Pieces in Free Style (Louis Verne)



# NOTICES

## COMING EVENTS AT ST LUKE'S AND OTHER IMPORTANT ITEMS

### 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](mailto:office@stlukesmosman.org)

### DAY OF PENTECOST

Next Sunday, 23 May, we will celebrate the Day of Pentecost, that occasion on which the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus, engendering the birth of the Church. As in past years, I would encourage everyone to wear red for this significant event in our liturgical calendar.

### 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.



***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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## **What's On This Week 16/5/21**

**Today** 9am The Ascension of  
Our Lord  
Said Eucharist  
*Church*

**Tues** 7pm Parish Council  
*Zoom Meeting*

**Thurs** 11am Holy Eucharist  
*Lower Hall*  
11.45 Lunch  
*Café Jam*

## **Next Sunday 23/5/21**

9am Pentecost  
Sung Eucharist  
*Church*



**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.**