



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

9 April 2023

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.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

We pray for all who are sick in our parish community.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Sharon Gorman

ANNIVERSARIES

Francesco Favata, Stella & Jack Cutayar, Ivan Mance, Bernardo Quattrucci, Giancarlo Quattrucci, Sante Quattrucci & family, Augusto Fiore & family, Gaetano Fiore & family, Sam Ratnatunga, Francesco Maurici, Colomba, Giuseppe, Antonio & Rosa Maurici, Giovanni Luca, Sidari family

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Non-Catholic parents wishing to have their children Baptised Catholic, should consider attending our RCIA classes, which will commence in July. Please call the Parish Office or Mrs Teresa Paradowski on 9337 3103 for further information

PARISH SUPPORT Thank you all for your continued support. For those who prefer to, online donations can be made as follows:-

Presbytery Collection – 1st Collection

Account Name: St Peter's Presbytery A/C BSB: 083 347 Account No. 66541 7521 Reference as your first initial then surname, or remain anonymous

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EASTER FLOWERS

Thank you very much to those who donated towards our Altar Easter flowers.

EASTER OFFERINGS

Envelopes are available in the narthex.

EASTER HOUSE BLESSINGS

If you wish to have your house blessed for Easter by Fr Sebastian, please contact the Parish Office.

SAVE THE DATE – FRIDAY, 12TH MAY

Mother's Day Dinner – details to come.

PARISH NEWS



Wishing all parishioners and visitors to St Peter's a Blessed and Safe Easter

EASTER 'THANK YOU'

Thank you to all who attended & took part in our our Easter Triduum and Easter Sunday Services. These celebrations require a lot of preparation and planning and I express my sincere gratitude to all those who have assisted in any way over these days. We are blessed to have volunteers who have dedicated their time and talent to make these days a beautiful participation in the Death and Resurrection of Christ. Your efforts are much appreciated by myself and the entire Parish community. May God bless you all.

Fr. Arockia Sebastian

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

There will be no Morning Mass from Monday 10th April – Friday 14th April. Mass on those days will be at 7.00pm as part of the Divine Mercy Novena.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST OF MERCY

Started on Good Friday, 7th April, to Saturday, 15th April. Rosary, Mass and Divine Mercy Novena. 7.00pm on all days except on Saturdays (8th & 15th) which will be at 2.00pm.

DIVINE MERCY FEAST CELEBRATION – Sunday 16th April at 1.30pm. Adoration, Confessions, Rosary, Litany & Divine Mercy Chaplet. **3.00pm** – Holy Mass followed by blessing of the Divine Mercy Image.

R.C.I.A. CONGRATULATIONS & THANKS

Congratulations to Mohsen and Elham who received the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Eucharist at the Easter Vigil and to their children Elsa, Liam & Mila, who were Baptised in Christ. We pray that they continue to respond to the Lord's call in their lives. Many thanks to our RCIA Team, led by Teresa Paradowski and supported by Kerrie Williams, for this important ministry within our community.

ARCHBISHOP PETER ANDREW COMENSOLI'S EASTER 2023 MESSAGE 'Recognised, healed and sent'

Available to view on the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Website: melbournecatholic.org, or go to the Parish Website.

HAPPY EASTER FROM ALL AT CARITAS AUSTRALIA!

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week. There is a basket in the Church near the Altar. **Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2023 Lenten appeal.**

MOONEE VALLEY ALPHA for Young Adults is launching at St Monica's Church (Symons Centre) on Sunday nights from the 23rd of April 2023! So what is Alpha? Alpha is a series of small group conversations and videos, run over several weeks, that explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly environment. It's a place to connect with people over dinner, where you can say anything you like, or nothing at all. In a nutshell you can expect: delicious dinner + thought provoking videos + good conversation. Please register at <https://bit.ly/42BF1YM>. For enquiries, please contact Adam 0469583228 or mooneevalleyalpha@gmail.com

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MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass Times:

9.15am Saturday Morning Mass

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass

8.30am & 10.30am & 5.00pm Sunday Masses

Weekday Mass Times:

9.15am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction)

RECONCILIATION

9.45am Saturday; 5.30pm Saturday

(Please let the Priest know you would like to make your Confession)

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ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS



Wishing all St Peter's Primary school staff, students and their families, a safe and blessed Easter & School Holidays.

The Parish of St Peter's, Keilor East and the Diocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community.