

Monday-Saturday, 25th —30th April, 2022

2nd Week of Easter - Year 2

MONDAY  
ANZAC DAY



ANZAC Day Prayer

*God of love and liberty, We bring our thanks today for the peace and security we enjoy.  
We remember those who in time of war faithfully served their country.  
We pray for their families, and for ourselves whose freedom was won at such a cost.  
Make us a people zealous for peace, and hasten that day when nation shall not lift up sword against nation neither learn war any more.  
This we pray in the name of the one who gave his life for the sake of the world:  
Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: **Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. Let them rest from their labours.**

FIRST READING: *Wisdom 3:1-9*  
The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them.  
In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die, their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us, like annihilation; but they are in peace. If they experienced punishment as men see it, their hope was rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their blessings be. God has put them to the test and proved them worthy to be with him; he has tested them like gold in a furnace, and accepted them as a holocaust. When the time comes for his visitation they will shine out; as sparks run through the stubble, so will they. They shall judge nations, rule over peoples, and the Lord will be their king for ever. They who trust in him will understand the truth, those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

PSALM: **I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

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Where are the scribes? Where are any of our thinkers today? Do you see now how God has shown up the foolishness of human wisdom? If it was God's wisdom that human wisdom should not know God, it was because God wanted to save those who have faith through the foolishness of the message that we preach. And so, while the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ: to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness but to those who have been called whether they are Jews or Greeks a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

ACCLAMATION: **Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: *John 12:23-28*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.*  
Jesus said to his disciples: 'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

I tell you, most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life.

If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am my servant will be there too.

If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled.

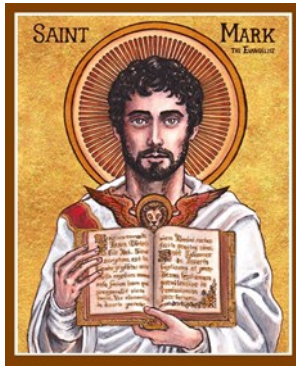
What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it is for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!

A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: **Greater love has no one than to lay down his life for his friends, says the Lord.**

## TUESDAY

*Feast of St Mark, evangelist*



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Go into all the world, And proclaim the Gospel to every creature, alleluia.**

**READING: 1 Pt 5:5-14**

*A reading from the first letter of St Peter*

All wrap yourselves in humility to be servants of each other, because God refuses the proud and will always favour the humble. Bow down, then, before the power of God now, and he will raise you up on the appointed day; unload all your worries on to him, since he is looking after you. Be calm but vigilant, because your enemy the devil is prowling round like a roaring lion, looking for someone to eat. Stand up to him, strong in faith and in the knowledge that your brothers all over the world are suffering the same things. You will have to suffer only for a little while: the God of all grace who called you to eternal glory in Christ will see that all is well again: he will confirm, strengthen and support you. His power lasts for ever and ever. Amen.

I write these few words to you through Silvanus, who is a brother I know I can trust, to encourage you never to let go this true grace of God to which I bear witness.

Your sister in Babylon, who is with you among the chosen, sends you greetings; so does my son, Mark.

Greet one another with a kiss of love.

Peace to you all who are in Christ.

**PSALM: For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.**

**ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia!**

**We preach a Christ who was crucified; he is the power and the wisdom of God. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: MK 16:15-20**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark*

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them, "Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover."

And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up to heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them

and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, says the Lord, Alleluia.**

## WEDNESDAY

*Mass of the Day*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will tell of your name to my kin, alleluia.**

**READING: Acts 5:17-26**

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

The high priest intervened with all his supporters from the party of the Sadducees. Prompted by jealousy, they arrested the apostles and had them put in the common gaol.

But at night the angel of the Lord opened the prison gates and said as he led them out, 'Go and stand in the Temple, and tell the people all about this new Life.' They did as they were told; they went into the Temple at dawn and began to preach.

When the high priest arrived, he and his supporters convened the Sanhedrin – this was the full Senate of Israel – and sent to the gaol for them to be brought. But when the officials arrived at the prison they found they were not inside, so they went back and reported, 'We found the gaol securely locked and the warders on duty at the gates, but when we unlocked the door we found no one inside.' When the captain of the Temple and the chief priests heard this news they wondered what this could mean. Then a man arrived with fresh news. 'At this very moment,' he said 'the men you imprisoned are in the Temple. They are standing there preaching to the people.'

The captain went with his men and fetched them. They were afraid to use force in case the people stoned them.

**PSALM: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**

**ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia!**

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**GOSPEL: John 3:16-21**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.*

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'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.

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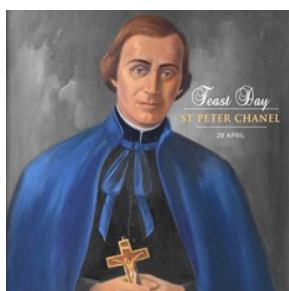
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And indeed, everybody who does wrong  
hates the light and avoids it,  
for fear his actions should be exposed;  
but the man who lives by the truth comes out  
into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that  
what he does is done in God.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: **I have chosen you from  
the world, says the Lord, and have appointed you to  
go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, alleluia.**

## THURSDAY

*St Peter Chanel*



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: **Perpetual light will shine on  
your Saints, O Lord, and life without end for ever,  
alleluia.**

READING: *1 Corinthians 1:18-25*

*A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.*

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who are not on the way to salvation, but those of us  
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PSALM: **Go out to all the world, and tell the Good  
News.**

ACCLAMATION: **Alleluia, alleluia! Come, follow me,  
says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my  
people. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: *Mark 1:14-20*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.*

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into  
Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from  
God. 'The time has come' he said, 'and the kingdom  
of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good  
News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw  
Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the  
lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to  
them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of  
men.' And at once they left their nets and followed  
him.

Going on a little farther, he saw James son of  
Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their  
boat, mending their nets. He called them at once  
and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the  
men he employed, they went after him.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: **Unless a grain of wheat  
falls into the ground and dies, it remains just a grain  
of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit,  
alleluia.**

## FRIDAY

*St Catherine of Siena*



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: **Here is a wise virgin,  
from among the number of the prudent, who went  
forth with lighted lamp to meet Christ, alleluia.**

READING: *1 John 1:5-2:2*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.*

This is what we have heard from Jesus Christ,  
and the message that we are announcing to you:  
God is light; there is no darkness in him at all.  
If we say that we are in union with God  
while we are living in darkness,

**ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30:**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.*

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON: If we walk in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of his Son Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin, alleluia.**

**FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND ADORATION**

**There will be Holy Mass at  
7.00 pm on  
Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> May  
(First Friday of the month)  
at St Kevin's Church  
followed by Adoration  
until 9.00 pm.**

**SECOND FRIDAYS  
OF EACH MONTH ADORATION  
AT ST PATRICK'S**

**7.30-8.00 PM: Confessions**

**8.00-8.30 pm: Mass**

**8.30-11pm: Adoration of the  
Blessed Sacrament**

**SATURDAY**

*Mass of the Day*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: O chosen people, proclaim the mighty works of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light, alleluia.**

**READING: Acts 6:1-7**

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

**PSALM: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

**ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: Jn 6:16-21**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.*

In the evening the disciples went down to the shore of the lake and got into a boat to make for Capernaum on the other side of the lake. It was getting dark by now and Jesus had still not rejoined them. The wind was strong, and the sea was getting rough. They had rowed three or four miles when they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming towards the boat. This frightened them, but he said, 'It is I. Do not be afraid.' They were for taking him into the boat, but in no time it reached the shore at the place they were making for.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Father, I wish that, where I am, those you gave me may also be with me, that they may see the glory that you gave me, alleluia.**