

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

EASTER SUNDAY / C

17 APRIL 2022

CHRIST IS RISEN. ALLELUIA! The empty tomb, and the neatly folded burial cloths, were signs that led the Beloved Disciple to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In the witness of the apostles, and the faithfulness, courage and love of our fellow Christians, we too have powerful signs that Christ is risen and lives among us. Observing them, our faith cries out: 'Alleluia!'

DAY MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 138:18, 5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.

You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you are the image of unseen God: Lord have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You are the firstborn of all creation: Christ have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: Lord have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / 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.

COLLECT

P. O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

10:34, 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP 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

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

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.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE

The sequence may be said or sung.

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. / The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; / and Christ, the undefiled, / hath sinners to his Father reconciled. / Death with life contended; combat strangely ended! / Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. / Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. / The tomb the Living did enclose; / I saw Christ's glory as he rose! / The angels there attesting, / shroud with grave-clothes resting. / Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. / That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. / Victorious king, thy mercy show!

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

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

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

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Replaces the Profession of Faith.

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

P. Do you renounce Satan?

All: I do.

P. And all his works?

All: I do.

P. And all his empty show?

All: I do.

P. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

All: I do.

P. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

All: I do.

P. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

All: I do.

P. And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep

us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.

All: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, we offer the sacrifice by which your Church is wondrously reborn and nourished. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I OF EASTER

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. 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.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON 1 Cor 5:7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Look upon your Church, O God, with unfailing love and favour, so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries, she may come to the glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended, alleluia, alleluia!

R. Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

THE EASTER VIGIL

I. THE SOLEMN BEGINNING OF THE VIGIL

Preparation and Lighting of the Candle
Easter Proclamation (*Exsultet*)

II. LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Genesis 1:1-2:2

RESPONSORIAL PSALM from Ps 103

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, / and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING Genesis 22:1-18

RESPONSORIAL PSALM from Ps 15

R. Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

THIRD READING Exodus 14:15-15:1

CANTICLE From Ex 15

R. Let us sing to the Lord; / he has covered himself in glory.

FOURTH READING Isaiah 54:5-14

RESPONSORIAL PSALM From Ps 29

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

FIFTH READING Isaiah 55:1-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM From Isa 12

R. You will draw water joyfully / from the springs of salvation.

SIXTH READING Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4

RESPONSORIAL PSALM From Ps 18

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

SEVENTH READING Ezekiel 36:16-28

RESPONSORIAL PSALM From Ps 41

R. Like a deer that longs for running streams, / my soul longs for you, my God.

EPISTLE Romans 6:3-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 117

R. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mark 16:1-7

III. BAPTISMAL LITURGY

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

(see far left column)

IV. LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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Easter Sunday, Year C


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MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am & 5.00pm

Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 am

MASS OPEN TO ALL; MASKS / DISTANCING BE
SENSIBLE & CARING / ALWAYS SANITISE;

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:12–16, Apoc 1:9–13, 17–19, Jn 20:19–31

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 9am

BAPTISMS: Please ring the Parish Office for future bookings

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PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS:

Contact Margaret O'Donnell at DoncasterRE@cam.org.au

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP: has restarted!!

Wednesdays at 9.45 am in the church meeting room.

Contact Terry Morton 0402 307 384.

CORNERSTONE YOUTH GROUP: (on hold)

First Friday of the month from 7pm-9pm

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: (has restarted)

Hopefully monthly on a Friday from 7pm—9.30pm

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE: Third Monday of the month at 7.30pm in Church meeting room

ST GREGORY'S TENNIS CLUB: Membership enquiries:

Gianna Alessio (President) 0438 410 506

Please pray for:

Those who are sick at this time including Chianna Sacco, Roy Dos Santos, Judith Morton, Lilia Go, Theresa Yong, Maria Stone, Eliseo Pardillo, Siat Lin, Iris Henson Chan, Vincent Aloï, Margaret Dobran, Andrew Wilson, Fr Matthew Abraham CSsR, Wang Wei Qiao, Paul Materazzo, Ian Angus, Bernadette Sheridan, Eliasari, Dennis Clarke, Veronica, Maria, Veronica, Luz, Carolina, Andrea, Marisa, Rodolfo, Angel, Gustavo, Margaret Hansen, Fati, Patricia McLeod, Angelique Giacomini

And Those who died recently and for the repose of the souls of Antonino Ferraro, Josef Jerosh, Michele Marrone, Cecelia See Kim Huah, Ahimm Ong Kok Aun, James Neo, Lusy Booah, Raffaella Gattini, and all those whose anniversaries occur at about this time.

Words from Fr Charles:

Happy Easter! Welcome to the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ! Welcome to your salvation! Welcome to the new life of being a part of God's very self. Welcome to sharing God's self through the Body and Blood of his Son.

Happy Easter!

How has your week been leading into this sad and difficult and joyous and wonderful celebration of the last three days of Jesus' life, death and resurrection?

Are you 'ok' with your Lenten observances? With the ways in which you have sought to once again enter into the life to which Jesus Christ calls us? I pray that they have led you to a little more openness of heart and mind and soul and a little more strength in living our faith.

Are you aware how much effort goes into preparing for each of the three main elements of the Easter celebrations? Each year I am amazed at how many different things need organising and how many people need to be involved.

Cleaning, flowers, setting up (or stripping) the altar, setting up an altar of repose, working through the details of each element to work out who is presiding, who are the lectors and commentators, who sets up the church, who prepares the paschal candle and the small individual candles, how many hosts do we need to consecrate at the Mass of the Last Supper so we have sufficient for the Passion on Friday, who stays late on Thursday to lock up, who are the altar servers and what are their duties, who will light the thurible and have the incense on hand, how high should the table be on which to place the gifts, do we have the crosses for veneration placed on tables or held by people and who does the holding, what parts do we want to use in proclaiming the Passion on Palm Sunday and on Good Friday, which set of Stations of the Cross do we want to use, who are the supply priests to cover the Masses Fr Charles cannot be present for, and the list goes on and on?

Thank you to everyone who helps makes this important season happen so beautifully.

If we think back to these days as Jesus lived them it was complicated back then too and needed lots of people to contribute. Disciples to get the colt for Jesus to ride on; 'someone' to make the upper room available; people to prepare the food for the Passover meal (quite a major task in itself); disciples to get the final preparations ready for the meal; servants to be present. Those are some of the things from Jesus' side. Then there is the 'other side' – the side that is seeking to condemn Jesus: there were soldiers and servants and elders and lots of others preparing for the trial of Jesus, it didn't just happen.

It is important to recognise this reality of massive human participation in God's work. In sending his Son to save us God wants to come close to us, to walk with us, to have us be a part of the work of salvation: to do anything else would be to deny our being created in God's image and would deny us our freedom to be fully human and to choose to follow God's call.

Thank you and thank you again to everyone who has helped prepare for these three days leading us into the resurrection so beautifully.

I pray you will be able to enter ever more deeply into the love that God brings us at Easter.

God bless, Father Charles

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THIS WEEK

Sat 6.30pm

Sun 08.30am

Sun 10.30am

Sun 5.00pm

N/A

LECTORS

Ward Italiano, Peter Whiting, Joanne Dinneen, Noel McClelland

Peter Molinari, Angela Molinari

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Mary Tonti-Filippini, Nita Pereira

**CARE OF THE CHURCH:** (22Apr) Carole Tang, Clelia Tedesco**FLOWERS:** (Fri 22 Apr) Connie Amalfi**NEXT WEEK 22-23 April**

Sat 6.00pm

Sun 8.30am

Sun 10.30am

5.00pm

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FACE COVERINGS / DISTANCING: be sensible and respect others and the need for still being careful.**Easter Sunday
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Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.** You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au or by calling 1800 024 413

Masses with congregations: QR Code check-in is no longer required. Still we must hand sanitise. Parish staff and volunteers within the Parish setting and its outreach are still required to be up to date with their vaccination.

Masses next Sunday: Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8:30 am/10:30 am/5pm

Weekday Mass times Tuesday, Thursday: 9:15 am St Kevin's Lower Templestowe; Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 am St Greg's Doncaster.

Facebook: It is getting more difficult to live-stream as we have many Masses where children are a direct part of the celebration of the Mass. I will continue to live-stream when possible (9:15 am from St Kevin's Tu/Th; Sunday morning 10:00 St Kevin's or 10:30 St Gregory's).

Divine Mercy Sunday Mass, Sun 24th Apr 2pm, Ss Peter and Paul's Doncaster East

You are warmly invited to a special Divine Mercy Sunday devotion at Ss Peter and Paul's Parish, on Sun 24th Apr 2022. The service begins with rosary at 2pm followed by confession, adoration and special mass. Fr Charles Balnaves will join Fr Jerald Mariadas in hearing confessions on the day. The primary focus of this devotion is the merciful love of God and the desire to let that love and mercy flow through one's own heart towards those in need of it.

Invite a friend: Invite someone you know who is wondering about coming back to Mass. Invite someone you know who is toying with the idea of faith. Spend a little time with them, see if you can help – not forcing but offering to journey with them.

St Gregory the Great Catholic Primary School - Open Days In 2022

Tue 3rd May, Tue 17th May & Tue 8th Nov from 9am—1pm. Register at www.sgdoncaster.catholic.edu.au/events

Parish Facilities: The Tennis Club Room and Courts and the Hall and the Parish Room are becoming available. Room bookings can be made: st.gregoryhall3108@gmail.com and Jess will get back to you. Tennis club use for tennis playing: contact Gianna on 0438 410 506. Thinking of a gathering? Think of us (after Easter).

The Doncaster RSL needs help for ANZAC day: call 0466 026 820 or 0425 718 937 or Email appealsdoncasterrsl@gmail.com

Piety Stall : Marketing/Sales Skills? We've had a few people offer help but still need more. We still need the marketing side: please, a one-off provision of advice. Contact Mary Wilson on 0433682285".

Pilgrimage Statue: The Statue of Mary is available for home visits for two or more weeks. If you like to also have Her on any special dates throughout the year ahead please contact Dot Haynes on 0425718937 or email to dothaynes041@gmail.com.

The ACU Centre for Liturgy is offering a new online training program for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, supported by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. Classes start April 27. For further information see our website <http://www.acu.edu.au/centreforliturgy/pastoral-training> or contact the Centre on (02)9701 4751 or

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