

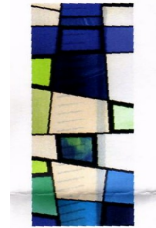
THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Sixth Sunday of Easter

17 May 2020



That Easter Morn

O sons and daughters, let us sing!
The King of Heaven, the glorious King,
Over death today rose triumphing.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

That Easter morn, at break of day,
The faithful women went their way
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

An angel clad in white they see,
Who sat, and spake unto the three,
“Your Lord doth go to Galilee.”
Alleluia! Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days,
To God your voices raise,
In laud, and jubilee, and praise.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Attr. Jean Tisserand (15th Century)
Trans. John Mason Neale (1818-1866)
Music. Mark Schweizer

This parish is committed to Child Safety and complies with Diocesan and State requirements. This is a shared responsibility of staff and parish. Please see the back of pew leaflet for contact details.

At Worship Today:

**O God,
you have prepared for those who love you
joys beyond our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love for you,
that, loving you above all else,
we may obtain your promises
that exceed all we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

9.45 am (Sung Eucharist)

Preaching & Presiding:	The Venerable Dianne
Liturgy Setting:	Dianne Gome
Processional:	TIS 161 Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord
Sentence:	‘Those who love me will keep my word,’ Jesus promises, ‘and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.’
First Reading:	Acts 17.22-31
Gospel Acclamation:	



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Gospel:	John 14.15-21
Offertory:	O Jesus, Joy of all the Earth Tune: TIS 194 (Puer Nobis Nascitur)
Choir Anthem:	That Easter Morn (see front of pew sheet)
Recessional Hymn:	TIS 517 Hallelujah! Sing to Jesus

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First Reading: Acts 17.22-31

22 Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. 23 For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. 24 The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, 25 nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. 26 From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, 27 so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. 28 For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring." 29 Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. 30 While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, 31 because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

Gospel Reading: John 14.15-21

¹⁵ 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸ 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

Roster for May**Seventh Sunday of Easter – 24 May**

Acts 1: 6 – 14 John Russell

Intercessions Jenny Bowers

Day of Pentecost – 31st May

Acts 2: 1 – 21 Elaine Fasken

1 Corinthians 12: 1 – 13 Rowena Ferguson

Intercessions in various languages

Thank You

Contact Joan West if you are able to help

From Your Vicar

How can we be glad that Jesus is gone? It is not enough to say he's not really gone; his Spirit is still here. Jesus himself is depicted by John as agreeing that his departure was a bereavement for the first disciples, and represents a test for us of the later generations.

On April 17, 2007, Professor Stephen Hawking was honoured by his college, Conville & Caius, Cambridge, by having a new building named after him. The ceremony was conducted by no less a personage than Prince Philip, Chancellor of the University. Stephen was not there: he was detained by a prior engagement. He was in Texas, preparing to be flown into near-space, to experience weightlessness (His college published a picture of this event, with the assurance that he was enjoying it). He was not physically at the dedication of the building, but those present felt a unity with him in his new quest for discovery. Jesus is not far away, enjoying weightlessness; his personal presence is more than vivid sympathy, as his personal absence from us is not just a distance, but a direct challenge.

Part of that challenge is the summons to take leave of our selves, to be transformed into his likeness. In haunting phrases (which we adapt here only where inclusiveness calls for it), C.S. Lewis said, in an Oxford University sermon in 1941, "It is possible for each to think too much of one's own potential glory hereafter; it is hardly possible for us to think too often or too deeply about that of our neighbour. The load, or weight, or burden of my neighbour's glory should be laid daily on my back, a load so heavy that only humility can carry it, and the backs of the proud will be broken. It is a serious thing to live in a society of possible gods and goddesses, to remember that the dullest and most uninteresting person you may talk to may one day be a creature which, if you saw it now, you would be strongly tempted to worship, or else a horror and a corruption which you now meet, if at all, only in a nightmare" (C. S. Lewis, *The Weight of Glory* London S.P.C.K 1942) page 22. Taken from an article in *Homily Service* May 2008 page 159 – 160.

Pax (peace)
Dianne

PHOEBE'S JAMS

Phoebe Wilkinson-North has plenty of jams, pickles, marmalades and relishes looking for a home. If parishioners phone Phoebe, she will organise a delivery date to your door in the near future.



The Church Office is now **closed**. If you wish to continue to bring food items for the Asylum Seekers or your offertory, they can be left in Dianne's front porch.

Your invitation.

The parish is invited to join the online launch of Christine Mallouhi's new book *Whispers of Presence* through the Wellspring Centre in Ashburton. It is a combined CE service effort with Frances Wang the editor. This is the link to the newsletter and special launch sale and Christine's interview.

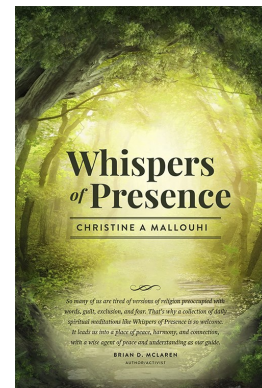
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It is available as an e-book on Smashwords :

<https://www.smashwords.com/books/view/1015679>

Paperback at Amazon, Book Depository, Booktopia and Dymocks.

We will celebrate together with food and drink sometime in the future, hopefully soon!



Evening Meditation Gatherings

On the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month meditation sessions are offered, via Zoom, in the Contemplative Traditions of Christian Meditation. The sessions start at 7.30pm but you can enter into the gathering after 7.15pm. Interested parishioners can contact Michael Mosley for more information. The next session will be on Thursday 14th May then on Thursday 28th May.

Are you looking for a project to help fill your time in isolation?

Mothers Union and the Social Justice Committee are encouraging you to be involved in this project.

If you like to knit or crochet, we are looking to provide the following items:

- beanies, mittens and scarves for those in need
- covers for children's cots and bassinets
- tiny hats for preemie babies
- larger blankets
- knitted squares that can be made into blankets
- knitted toys

Please feel free to contact me if you need help with patterns or if you have other suggestions about what we might make.



Joan West

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GREAT DREAM

Ten keys to happier living

GIVING



Do things for others

RELATING



Connect with people

EXERCISING



Take care of your body

AWARENESS



Live life mindfully

TRYING OUT



Keep learning new things

DIRECTION



Have goals to look forward to

RESILIENCE



Find ways to bounce back

EMOTIONS



Look for what's good

ACEPTANCE



Be comfortable with who you are

MEANING



Be part of something bigger

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

www.actionforhappiness.org

This Sunday's Hymns

PROCESSIONAL TIS 161

'Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord!'

1. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.
2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm
has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name – the Lord, the Mighty One.
3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by,
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to
flight,
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

*Timothy Dudley-Smith
1926-*

OFFERTORY

'O Jesus, joy of all the earth'

1. O Jesus, joy of all the earth,
in knowing you, we know our worth;
for, born with us, you came to tell
that God our maker loves us well.
2. You feed the hungry, love the poor;
to life and hope you are the door.
To bind our broken hearts you came;
we hear you call us each by name.
3. You do not judge by outward show,
but every secret thought you know,
and, full of mercy, you forgive
and set us free again to live.
4. O keep us walking in the light,
for we are precious in your sight.
May all your truth and love and grace
be echoed in our songs of praise.

words: Elizabeth J. Smith

RECESSIONAL TIS 517 'Hallelujah! Sing To Jesus'

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| 1. Hallelujah! sing to Jesus,
his the sceptre, his the throne;
hallelujah! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
hark, the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
'Jesus out of every nation
has redeemed us by his blood.' | 2 Hallelujah! bread of heaven,
and on earth our food, our stay;
hallelujah! here the sinful
flee to you from day to day;
intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's redeemer, plead for me
where the songs of all the sin-
less
sweep across the crystal sea. | 3. Hallelujah! King eternal,
you the Lord of lords we own;
hallelujah! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heav'n your
throne:
you within the veil have entered,
robed in flesh, our great high
priest;
you on earth both priest and
victim
in the eucharistic feast. |
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William Chatterton Dix. 1837-1898

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The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

Assistant Curate

(Tues, Wed & Thurs mornings, Fri, Sun)

The Revd Greg Wong

Children's and Families' Minister

(Tues 10.00 am - 3.00 pm, Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm, Sun 10.30 am - 12.30 pm)

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SERVICE: Sunday 9.45 am