



Second Sunday of Easter

11 April 2021

Resurrection

John Donne

Moyst with one drop of thy blood, my dry soule
Shall (though she now be in extreme degree
Too stony hard, and yet too fleshly,) bee
Freed by that drop, from being starv'd, hard, or foule,
And life, by this death abled, shall controule
Death, whom thy death slue; nor shall to mee
Feare of first or last death, bring miserie,
If in thy little booke my name thou enroule,
Flesh in that long sleep is not putrified,
But made that there, of which, and for which 'twas;
Nor can by other meanes be glorified.
May then sinnes sleep, and deaths soone from me passe,
That wak't from both, I againe risen may
Salute the last, and everlasting day.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the people of the Kulin nation, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

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:

8.00 am

Preaching & Presiding: Ven Dianne

**Hymn: TIS 393 'Christ is Alive, With Joy
We Sing' v 1,2,5 & 6**

Risen Christ,
whose absence leaves us in despair
but whose presence is overwhelming:
breathe on us with your abundant life,
that where we cannot see
we may have courage to believe
that we may be raised with you. Amen.

The Sanctuary bell will be rung 5 minutes before the service begins to observe a time of quiet.

10.00 am

Presiding:

Preaching:

Liturgy Setting:

Processional:

Sentence:

First Reading:

Psalm Response:

Revd Greg

Ven Dianne

Curtis Stephan

TIS 393 'Christ is Alive, With Joy We Sing' v.1,2,5& 6

**'Peace be with you,' says the Lord. 'As the Father
has sent me, so I send you.'**

1 John 1.1-2.2



Psalm:

Ps 133

Gospel Acclamation:



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Gospel:

John 20.19-31

Offertory:

'Holy Spirit, Living Water'

Choir Anthem:

'Love Is, Love Is, Love Is Love' by Abbie Betinis

Recessional Hymn:

'Faith Will Not Grow From Words Alone'

People of all Christian churches, who are communicants of their own church, are invited to share Holy Communion with us

First Reading: 1 John 1.1-2.2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— 2 this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— 3 we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. 4 We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. 5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; 7 but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. 2 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; 2 and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Gospel Reading: John 20.19-31

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among **them and said, 'Peace be with you.'** 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. **21 Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I**

send you.' 22 When he had said this, he **breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'**24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other **disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.'** But **he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'** 26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and **stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'** 27 Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but **believe.'** 28 Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' 29 Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have **come to believe.'**30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 31 But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.



Third Thursday Brunch

The Third Thursday brunch recommences this Thursday 15th April.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN
"Christ is Alive, With Joy We Sing!"

Christ is alive, with joy we sing;
we celebrate our risen Lord,
praising the glory of his name
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

He is the grain of wheat that died,
sown in distress and reaped in joy,
yielding a harvest of new life.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

He is the bread that comes from God,
broken to feed us in our need,
given to bring eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ is alive, with joy we sing;
we celebrate our risen Lord,
praising the glory of his name.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Pamela Stotter 1944 -

OFFERTORY HYMN
"Holy Spirit, Living Water"

Holy Spirit, living water,
flow in us and set us free.
Cleanse our unbelief and sorrow,
wash our eyes and make us see.

Holy Spirit, come as wind and
blow the dust of death away.
Breathe the gift of life into us,
lighten hearts to laugh and play.

Holy Spirit, rushing fire,
burn with truth and justice here.
Catch our minds alight with passion,
perfect love that casts out fear.

Holy Spirit, come in silence,
wordlessly to heal and bless.
Be the heart that prays within us,

fill the void with tenderness.

Holy Spirit, blessed Wisdom,
teach us all of God's delight.
Offer us the wine of grace and
make us children of the Light.

Words Elizabeth J. Smith

RECESSIONAL HYMN
'Faith Will Not Grow From Words Alone'

Faith will not grow from words alone,
from proofs provided, scripture known;
our faith must feel its way about,
and live with question-marks and doubt.

The pattern Jesus showed, we share:
life comes through death, hope through despair.
God is made known in brokenness,
and faith feeds on God's emptiness.

The church still tells how Jesus came
through death to glorious life again -
the strangest story! Yet, maybe,
our faith will thrive on mystery.

Faith takes the little that we know,
and calls for hope, and tells us: Go!
Love and take courage, come what may;
Christ will be with us on the way.

words: Elizabeth J. Smith

House sitter needed

A House/cat sitter is needed over May and June. Contact Christine Mallouhi





"A Fete By Any Other Name"

Expressions of Interest To Participate

This year we would normally be having a fete however the Parish Council have been considering how we can make the workload lighter for everyone. To this end, we are considering having **in the Parish Centre perhaps a bookstall, cake stall, and Phoebe's jams. This is instead of organising and setting up a full suite of stalls like Trash and Treasure, jewellery, Christmas, toy stalls etc. We are also considering holding in conjunction with the parish centre stalls, a "Mini Car-Boot Sale" in the car park with the stalls restricted to parishioners. We aim for it also to be a nice gathering together of the community and opening up our grounds for outsiders to come in since they have been unable to come for most of 2020.**

So your Parish Council is seeking expressions of interest from parishioners who may be interested in participating in selling your valuables/trinkets/dust-gathering items/whatever, and **thereby helping fund the Parish's ongoing commitments to the community. As far as anyone of us can remember, this Parish has never done this before so we would like to gauge parishioners' level of interest first of all. If you want to declutter your house/garage/shed/Aladdin's Cave etc. this will be a great opportunity to benefit both you and the Parish.**

Note that this is not a traditional car-boot sale – the idea is that you bring your car loaded with **your items, you price them, and you take home what you don't sell so it meets our aim of cutting down on the overall workload expected for a fete. As it is a "fete by any other name", it is a major fundraiser for the parish so we plan on asking each seller if you will be so generous as to give all your proceeds to the Parish (you may or may not be sainted on the spot!).**

The proposed time and date are 10am – 2pm on Saturday, 23rd October 2021; and the location is the Parish carpark. As with previous fetes, the event will be open to the public; and we also would like to have a limited number of outside stalls such as a sausage sizzle and a coffee cart.

This is just an expression of interest so if you are interested in participating as a seller please leave your name and contact number with Katherine Rushby in the Parish or John Foster before the end of April 2021.

Thanking you in anticipation of your interest.





Social Gathering/Hopper Night

We are planning a hopper night for Friday 7th May at 6.30pm.

\$20 per adult, \$10 for children 10 yrs and under.

As this price barely covers cost, the organising group would like to hold a raffle with about 5 prizes.

If anyone is willing to donate an item for the raffle please tell Shanti Lieversz, Karen Henricus or Shiranee Sinnathamby

Tickets will be on sale next week after both services.

Kids' movie will be provided in the Old Church.



Ladies Guild

Opportunity Shop Week

The Ladies Guild will be operating The Lions Club Opportunity Shop in Wadham Parade, Mount Waverley from Monday 3rd May to Friday 7th May.

Could you please put aside any saleable items for delivery to the shop on Tuesday 27th April.



GARDENING GROUP

Next Saturday 17th April, the Garden Group will again convene to spruce up the church grounds. 9.30 am onwards.

New members will be made most welcome.

Enquiries : Maggie & Graeme Dellora



Afternoon Meditation Gatherings

1st Wednesday of the month at 2.30pm in the Chapel, based on Ignatian Spirituality. A Sacred Space where you can find rest and stillness, listen and centre yourself. Spiritual food is offered to aid reflection and meditation. Contact Val Dyke. Next session will be on 5th May 2021.

The Thursday Evening Meditation Group

We continue to meet on Zoom on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of the month at 7.30pm. Our next session will be on April 22 at 7.30pm. Zoom links are emailed to members prior to the sessions or enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley. The session following April 22 will be May 13 at 7.30pm.

Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday Third Sunday of Easter

- April 11, 2021

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Eucharist

11.30 am Baptism

Monday 12

Tuesday 13

Wednesday 14

6.30-9.30 pm Kiwanis (Old Church)

Thursday 15

10.00 am Thursday Eucharist & brunch

Friday 16

Saturday 17

3.00 - 10.00 pm Chinese Church

Sunday 18 Easter 3

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Eucharist with Baptism

Galahkookemu: Following the path of Benedict in modern life.

We will meet on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7pm at Mitcham until further notice. We welcome newcomers. Visit and see if this is for you. Contact Christine Mallouhi



Tamil Christian Church services

2nd and 4th Sunday from 3pm

Next week: Third Sunday of Easter

- April 18, 2021

8am

Server Brett Gaffney

Welcomers Shanti Lieversz
Celia Gant

Reader Joanne Burns
1 John 2: 15 - 17; 3: 1 - 6

10am

Welcomers Natalie Stroud
Fiona Nicholson Stocker

Readers Jenny Brown
1 John 2: 15 - 17; 3: 1 - 6

Intercessor Graeme Dellora

Covid Cleaning Roster

Sunday 11th April

8.00am Stephen and Hannah Lo
10.00am Margaret Crawford
Zelda Williams

Thursday 15th April

10.00am Val Dyke
Lyn Ryan

Sunday 18th April

8.00am Suga Blanchard
Mo Smethurst
10.00am Jun Yano
Anne Richardson

Joyriver Chinese Church

Saturdays from 3pm

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The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

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(Day off - Monday)

The Revd Greg Wong

Children's and Families' Minister

Lisa Eames

(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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Val Dyke

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**SERVICES: Sunday 8.00 & 10.00 am
Thursday 10.00 am**