

ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH WARNCLIFFE ROAD EAST IVANHOE

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 15th APRIL 2018





SUNDAY

8:00 am Said Eucharist 10:00 am Sung Eucharist

WEDNESDAY

10:00 am Said Eucharist

FRIDAY

10:00 am Holy Communion – Dowell Court

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SERVICE ROSTER FOR SUNDAY 15th April

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Ray Cleary

Organist: Roger Brown

Servers: Neil Appleby, Joan Skene, Sandra O'Grady

Eucharistic Assistants: Alison Smart Readers: Brian Monteith

Sides person:

Morning Tea:

Church Cleaning

Rosemary Cotter, Bob Hill

Denise and George Hill

Mary and Richard Hoy

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Locum Letter for the 15th April 2018

I am sure that many of you like me would have been disappointed and questioned the judgment of the Victorian Opposition's decision to break the longstanding protocol on "pairing" on Good Friday and the subsequent party leadership announcement making the claim that the "ends justifies the means" on the legislation before the house regarding the provision of fire services across the state. Two members of the opposition had requested leave for religious reasons and requested a "pair" so they could worship and not disadvantage the Parliament. The Government agreed and provided the "pair'. It is now apparent that the actions to bring back the two members was a premeditated decision to act in the way they did and the opposition have indicated that they would do the same again. The opposition shows no remorse, unlike our cricketers for making a blatant error of judgment. I am also surprised that the Speaker of the House did not intervene. If this is so can we expect others who commit an offence before the law to say and do likewise? Both Government and Opposition have an obligation to act with integrity at all times and to behave in a manner expected of us all.

It is not my practice to comment directly on specific party political issues but when our elected parliamentary leaders act in this way then as a community we are diminished. Nor do I want to suggest that Government is also not at fault. Likewise the action of the two members in question also diminishes Christian faith and practice.

Jesus throughout the Gospels challenges both the religious and political leaders of his day for their abuse of power and failure to act with integrity and justice. He was crucified for his advocacy for the poor and oppressed and by the failure of the religious leaders to embrace the call to renew the spiritual life of the Temple and the faith. At all times he acted with integrity committed to the hope that is promised in the resurrection. In today's world it is our calling also to act with integrity and to call others to do otherwise whether they be of the household of faith or not.

Christ is Risen. He is Risen indeed. Alleluia Ray

Anglicare and St Mark's Fitzroy food basket is another way to share with others the bounty of our community. Please support this initiative generously.

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BUILDING MAINTENANCE EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

Steve Howard 9499 6410 or 0400 890020, Alison Smart, Vince Cristiano, George Hall. Any person welcome to join, just ask anyone on the BMC. Please write NON-urgent maintenance items on the Building Maintenance List found on the table in the church.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All are welcome to follow the Way of the Cross at any time that the Church is open. A booklet is available as a guide to your meditation.

A copy of the Locum's Sermon is posted on the Church Website stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org

Readings for Sunday April 22nd

Acts 4.5-12; Psalm 23; 1 John 3.16-24; John 10.11-18

The Order of Service for the Eucharist commences at Page 119 of the green 'A Prayer Book for Australia.' The readings and hymn numbers for today are below.

Introit: God be in my Head -Walford Davies

Hymns:

Processional 127 To the name of our salvation

Gradual 306 By your kingly power

Offertory 283 Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands

Final 299 I know that my redeemer lives

Communion Motet: If ye love me -Tallis

Postlude: Fugue, from Prelude and Fugue in G BWV 541-JS Bach

Recordings of postludes played at St George's are posted in the Music section of the

church website: stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org

Sentence

Turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord. Acts 3.19–20

Collect

Lord of life,

by submitting to death, you conquered the grave;

by being lifted upon the cross, you draw all peoples to you;

by being raised from the dead,

you restore to humanity all that was lost through sin:

be with us in your risen power,

that in word and deed we may proclaim

the marvellous mystery of death and resurrection.

For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity. Amen.

Collect at the time of choosing an incumbent

Bountiful God,

Give to this parish a faithful pastor

Who will faithfully speak your word

And minister your sacraments;

An encourager who will equip your people for ministry

And enable us to fulfil our calling.

Give to those who will choose, wisdom

Discernment and patience,

And to us give warm and generous hearts,

For Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

A reading from the book of Acts

Acts 3.12-20

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised

from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah appointed for you, that is, Jesus.

For the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**



- Answer me when I call O | God of my | righteousness: when I was hard-pressed you set me free be gracious to me | now and | hear my | prayer.
- 2 Children of earth how long will you turn my | glory to my | shame:

how long will you love what is |worthless and | seek • after | lies?

- 3 Know that the Lord has shown me his | wonderful | kindness: when I call to the | Lord | he will | hear me.
- 4 Tremble and | do no | sin:

commune with your own heart up|on your | bed • and be | still.

- Offer the sacrifices | that are | right: and | put your | trust • in the | Lord.
- 6 There are many who say
 'Who will | show us any | good?:

the light of your countenance O | Lord has | gone | from us.'

- 7 Yet you have given my | heart more | gladness: than they have when their |corn • wine and | oil in|crease.
- 8 In peace I will lie | down and | sleep: for you alone Lord | make me | dwell in | safety.

A Reading from the first book of John

1 John 2.15-17; 3.1-6

Do not love the world or the things in the world. The love of the Father is not in those who love the world; for all that is in the world—the desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, the pride in riches—comes not from the Father but from the world. And the world and its desire are passing away, but those who do the will of God live for ever. See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him.

For the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Luke 24.36b-48

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.'

Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Prayers for those in need: (list renewed monthly: Brian Monteith, Leanne Barker, Lesley Tracey, Paul Finch, Dino Fernando, Phillip Joubert, Louise Miller and others known to you. We pray for those who love and care for them.

Year's Mind

Ian Alison NORRIS	15th April	1995
Paula Nicole KEMP	16th April	1993
Albert Victor DIXON	17th April	1971
Bertha HODGSON	17th April	1981
John James HARRIS	18th April	2013
Kenneth Eric COSSUM	19th April	2004
George Francis LAMBDEN	19th April	1976
Kenneth Nicholson McFARLANE	19th April	1989
Stella May (Marya) SYMONS	19th April	2008
Rolf NICOLAISEN	20th April	1981
Alma Ada WHITE	20th April	1988
Robert KAEGI	21st April	1972
Daniel Alexander LEES	21st April	1993
Alan McCALLUM	21st April	1993
Lois Murielle KING	21st April	1997

THE NEWSSTAND

You may have seen **TMA Online's** newest weekly feature, The Newsstand, which brings together a selection of religious news items from Australia and around the world in one easy to find place. We've had some great reactions from readers so far, and encouraged as we are by the feedback, we've decided to push this new feature a little more.

We'd be greatly appreciative if you could share this week's Newsstand through your networks to help get the word out, because we think it offers a real value in our media landscape. With less and less mainstream media attention dedicated to issues related to faith, it can be hard to find articulate points of view beyond the publications we're familiar with. Senior journalist Mark

Brolly scours the web for the week's most interesting, important and engaging pieces on faith and the modern world so you don't have to. For example, in this week's Newsstand:

- Bendigo announces new Dean
- "Sacred space" #1 with Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy
- Why it matters that Jesus wasn't white
- What would Jesus do about tax and government spending?
- And much more

Here's a link: http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/news/News-views-Australia-world-040418. We hope you consider helping to spread the word.

COMING EVENTS AND SERVICES

15 th April	Third Sunday of Easter
	7.30pm Parish Council
22 nd April	Fourth Sunday of Easter
	2pm Film: Mary Magdalene at the Palace Cinema
29 th April	Fifth Sunday of Easter
6 th May	Sixth Sunday of Easter

Film: Mary Magdalene

Date: Sunday 22 April

Theatre: Palace Balwyn, 231 Whitehorse Rd

Time: 2 pm

Cost: \$15 includes light afternoon tea at theatre at completion of film.

Discussion: At completion of film Father Ray will lead a discussion during afternoon tea.

Dinner: Optional dinner at Colombo's, 250 Whitehorse Rd.

