

Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia
Parish Church of the City since 1846



'The Return of the Prodigal Son', Batoni (1773)

LENT 4 - LAETARE SUNDAY

31ST MARCH 2019

God of compassion, you are slow to anger, and full of mercy, welcoming sinners who return to you with penitent hearts: receive in your loving embrace all who come home to you, and seat them at your bountiful table, that, with all your children, they may feast with delight on all that satisfies the hungry heart. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

Please feel free to take this pew sheet home.

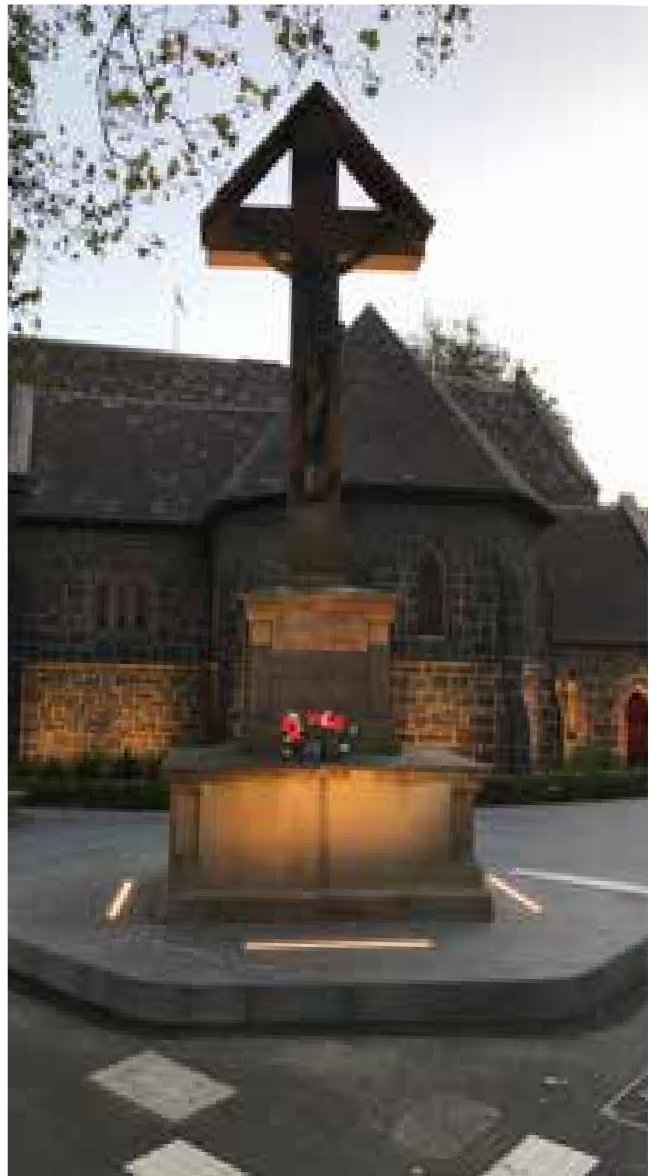
VICAR'S MUSINGS

Today we celebrate Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday in Lent. The name comes from the Latin *laetare*, the singular imperative of *laetari* “to rejoice”, from the introit to the Latin Mass: *Lætare Jerusalem: et conventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam* “Rejoice, O Jerusalem: and come together all you that love her.” Also known as Mothering Sunday or Refreshment Sunday, today is a day of relaxation from the rigours of the Lenten fast; a day of hope; a Paschal foretaste, 21 days ahead of our Easter celebrations. The Rose-coloured vestments, and the Simnel Cakes that we share today (thanks to the bakers!) are reminders of the rich liturgical traditions we inherit, and the profound theological truths on which they are built.

It is particularly fitting this week that the landscapers have returned the Corner Plaza site to the church, and taken down the blue fences that were first put up in August last year. All of us who have worked so hard towards this day are indeed most joyful and thankful: Warden and Project Manager, Nick Lambard-Scott; Foundation Chair, John Taaff; Fundraising Committee Chair, Krystyna Campbell-Pretty; Social Enterprise Committee Secretary, Bill Mole; and everyone who has supported the Project over the past four years on various committees and through your kind donations and prayers. *Deo gratias!*

As soon as the fences came down, the general public began enjoying the Corner Plaza space. “This is lovely; thank you!” one passer by said to me, as I was sitting on the new bench, enjoying the sun and waiting for a meeting with the Architect. There will be a grand opening around St Peter’s Day, after the last bits and pieces are finished: a security gate, cleaning of the Wayside Cross, and some long-overdue work on the church roof. And in the meantime, on Palm Sunday, when we traditionally gather at the Wayside Cross, there will be a blessing of the Corner Plaza and the newly restored Memorial Garden.

After Easter the Social Enterprise Coffee Caravan will start trading on the Corner Plaza five days a week, providing volunteer opportunities and employment pathways for those experiencing homelessness. The SE Management Committee – myself (Acting-Chair), Bill Mole (Company Secretary), Barbara Tane (Treasurer), Max Skurrie and Alex Gamser – are working hard towards this goal, alongside the volunteer Operational Manager Ree Boddé: to fit out the coffee caravan with a coffee machine and other equipment, set up EFTPOS, register the business name “Heaven at The Hill”, complete GST registration, finalise insurance, secure Melbourne City compliance, employ a Head Barista etc.



8:00 am Mass

Celebrant: Fr Hugh Kempster

Preacher: Paul Daniels

9:30 am Family Mass

Celebrant: Fr Greg Davies

Preacher: Paul Daniels

Deacon: Fr Hugh Kempster

Children's Talk: Fr Hugh Kempster

Reader: Carole Tedja

Intercessor: Catherine McGovern

Hymns: Entrance : 74 Offertory : 457(ii) Post-Communion : 294

Communion Voluntary: Marchand Tierce en Taille

Postlude: Bach O Lamm Gottes unschuldig (BWV 656)

11:00 am High Mass

Celebrant: Fr Philip Gill

Preacher: Paul Daniels

Deacon: Fr Hugh Kempster

Reader: Susan Southall

Intercessor: Geoff Sutherland

Hymns: Entrance : 74 Gradual : 457(ii) Offertory : 280 Post-Communion : 294

Mass Setting: Morales: Missa Mille Regretz

Motet: Purcell I was glad

Postlude: Bach O Lamm Gottes unschuldig (BWV 656)

6:00 pm Mass & Stations of the Cross

Officiant: Fr Hugh Kempster

Next Sunday 7th April: 5th Sunday of Lent

Mass Readings: Isaiah 43.16-21, Philippians 3.8-14 & John 8.1-11

Readers & Intercessors: C. Tedja, A. Scott Pendlebury, H. Drummond & N. Climenhaga

Celebrants: Fr Hugh Kempster, Fr Philip Gill & Fr David Peake

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME WILL SOON END - 7TH APRIL

Please remember that on Sunday 7th April 2019, at 3:00 am, Daylight Saving ends and your clocks must be turned back 1 hour. So enjoy the lie in!

CELL OF THE HOLY HOUSE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM: MELBOURNE.

The Cell meets for the 8am Mass every 3rd Saturday of each month. As that Saturday in April is Holy Saturday, we will meet the following Saturday, April 27th.

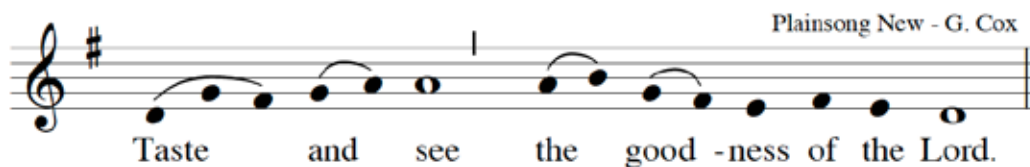
Fr Don Edgar

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Joshua 5.9a, 10-12

After the Israelites had crossed over the Jordan river, and entered the promised land, the Lord said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.” While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the Passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Psalm : 34.1-2, 3-4, 5-6



I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise continually shall be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad. R.
O magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me,
and delivered me from all my fears. R.
Look to him, and be radiant;
so your faces shall never be ashamed.
This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord,
and was saved from every trouble. R.

Second Reading : 2 Corinthians 5.17-21

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake God made Christ to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Christ we might become the righteousness of God.

Gospel : Luke 15.1-3, 11-32

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So he told them a parable: “There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So the father divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. The young man would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. “But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands. So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate. Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. The slave replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then the elder son became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’”

PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

Gail Edwards, John Harvey, Noelene Jones, Sam Lawson,
Bill Loughnan, David McCall BISHOP, Peter McDougall, Kel McMeeken, Lisa Morris,
Gia Nu Luu, Margaret Rees, Allen Rei, John Ross, George Shaw, Flyn Stewart,
Gael Drummond Williams, Valerie Wild, John Willis, Shane Zieck, and Peter.

AS WELL AS:

Carole Ainio, Jenny Allen, Mary Armour, Chris Bennie, Michael Boyle PRIEST,
John Crocker, Cheryl Duff, Cliff Gornall, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large,
Margaret Lea, Ken Letts PRIEST, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Reg Mills PRIEST,
Joyce Newton, Liz Prideaux, Graham Ritchie, Helen Rowley, Bella Saadala,
Barbara Ure-Smith, Peter Swindells, Ruth Tindale, Hugh Todd, Annette Wood;
and also Andrew, Jan and Chad.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED : Bernadette McQuillan, Janice Wilson,
Graeme James Winterton PRIEST

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun	31	Elena Irene Gunston
Mon	1	Ida Beatrice Anderson, Olive Vera Duggan, Charles Edward Hays, Audrey May Pennington
Tue	2	Lewis Radford BISHOP, Janet Margaret Petty
Wed	3	SISTER BRIDGET CSC, Ethel Crotty
Thu	4	Helen Gilbert, Geva Elizabeth Weigall MacMillan, Gilbert Williams PRIEST
Fri	5	Isabella Bates, Christopher Peter John Berry, Agnes Briggs, Patricia Amelia Gravette
Sat	6	James Brown PRIEST, William James Churchman, Mary Lee, Frank Nicholls, Joan Williams

PARISH DIARY

<i>Sunday 7th April</i>	'Walk with Mary' city procession beginning at St Patrick's Cathedral with prayers and mass at 2pm
<i>Sunday 14th April</i>	Palm Sunday at St Peter's with Mass (BCP) at 8:00am Procession and Blessing of Palms High Mass at 10:00am and Mass at 6:00pm.
<i>Thursday 18th April</i>	Maundy Thursday at St Peter's with 6:15pm High Mass - Concelebrated Mass and Washing of the Feet followed by a watch of 'the Passion'.
<i>Friday 19th April</i>	Good Friday at St Peter's with Liturgy at 9:00am, followed by Melbourne City Churches 'Way of the Cross' through the City to St Paul's Cathedral by 12 noon as well as Tenebrae at 8:00pm.
<i>Saturday 20th April</i>	Easter Vigil at St Peter's with a Ceremony of the New Fire, Confirmation & first Mass of Easter Day at 8:00pm.
<i>Sunday 21st April</i>	Easter Day at St Peter's with Mass (BCP) at 8.00am, 9.30am Family Mass, 11.00am Procession and High Mass and 6.00pm Mass
<i>Sunday 28th April</i>	The Canterbury Singers to sing at St Peter's Evensong & Benediction, in the church at 6:00pm
<i>Tuesday 30th April</i>	Professional Standards Seminar at St Peter's Eastern Hill between 10am and 3pm in the Parish Hall. Tea and Coffee will be provided.

FLOWERS FOR EASTER

Each year, rather than asking you to give up something, we ask that you give something instead! We need extra funds for flowers for Maundy Thursday and Holy Saturday night and Easter Day. If everyone makes a contribution we can fund the usual lovely flowers for the 'Garden of Gethsemane' in the Handfield Chapel. These flowers are then distributed to various places in church for Easter Eve and Day.

You can donate in several different ways:

- by putting cash in an envelope marked with 'Flowers for Easter' and the amount enclosed, and place it in the collection plate.
- by giving money to whomever is manning the Welcome Table. It is then put in the safe for banking the following week, or
- by depositing funds into the church account: SPEH.
BSB: 703-122,
Acc No: 05005124.

Please put 'Easter Flowers' as the reference. We are very grateful for your donations.

Helen Drummond

LENT AND PREPRATION FOR HOLY WEEK

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON LENTEN COURSE – 2.30pm

All are warmly invited to the Vicarage at 2.30pm each Wednesday in Lent. Our study text is Joan Chittister, *Wisdom Distilled from the Daily*, on Saint Benedict and the Benedictine Rule.

CONFIRMATION, FIRST COMMUNION & BAPTISM

If you or members of your family are interested in preparing for Confirmation, First Communion or Baptism in 2019, please contact Fr Hugh (vicar@stpeters.org.au). Traditionally our main service of the year for these initiation rites is Easter Vigil, on Saturday 20th April, when our Bishop will be joining us. All are welcome to attend.

WATCH OF THE PASSION - MAUNDY THURSDAY

On Maundy Thursday, following the Concelebrated Mass and Washing of the Feet, we have a Watch of The Passion. This is an opportunity to pray before the Tabernacle in the Handfield Chapel. Please sign up on the roster if you would like to participate.



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Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday

14th April

8.00am

Mass (BCP)

10.00am

Procession and Blessing of Palms - High Mass

6.00pm

Mass & Stations of the Cross

Maundy Thursday

18th April

6.15pm

Concelebrated Mass and Washing
of the Feet, followed by Watch of the Passion

Good Friday

19th April

9.00am

Good Friday Liturgy, followed by Melbourne
City Churches 'Way of the Cross' through the
City to St Paul's Cathedral by 12 noon

8.00pm

Tenebrae

Easter Vigil

20th April

8.00pm

Ceremony of the New Fire, Confirmation
& First Mass of Easter Day

Easter Day

21st April

8.00am

Mass (BCP)

9.30am

Family Mass

11.00am

Procession and High Mass

6.00pm

Mass

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ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

A large haul of spiritual and Anglican books were retrieved yesterday from a donated estate – thank you Bruce Kellett and Peter Yewers for all your great efforts in driving boxloads to our secret stash for the Book fair on Saturday September 14th.

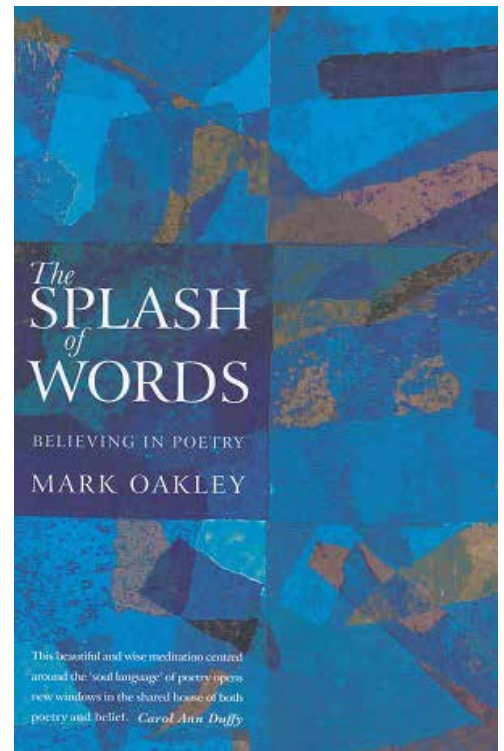
Easter cards are now available. And, a beautiful new range of Art Cards with whimsical and thoughtful sayings have come in this week.

A recommended book for contemplative, poetic reading and reflection:

The Splash of Words: Believing in Poetry by
Mark Oakley

Like throwing a pebble into water, a poem causes a 'splash of words' whose ripples can transform the way we see the world, ourselves and God.

These 40 poems are from contemporary poets, as well as earlier generations. Each is accompanied by a reflection, based on a deep understanding of poets and their art, which explores why poetry is vital to faith and how scripture, liturgy and theology are all poetry in motion.



Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 9.30am to 4.30 pm Sunday - after 9.30am & 11am Mass

15 Gisborne St Melbourne 3002

Situated in the Parish Hall building on the street side, facing St Patrick's Cathedral

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Sunday Services

8.00 am Mass (BCP)
9.30 am Family Mass
11.00 am High Mass
6.00 pm Mass/Evensong & Benediction

Refreshments are available in the Parish Hall after each of the Sunday morning services

Weekday Services

Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays)
Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm
Wed: Mass at 1.15pm
Sat: Mass at 9.00am (Cell of our Lady of Walsingham, 3rd Saturday of the month)

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	Rwth Stuckey (People)	03 9662 2391
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Parish Council

Membership:

Nicholas Browne (secretary)
Helen Drummond
Stephen Duckett (chair)
Rachel Ellyard
Fr Hugh Kempster
Nick Lambarde-Scott
William Southey
David Spriggs
Rwth Stuckey
Peter Wild
Peter Yewers

*We are an inclusive
and welcoming Church,
built on the lands of the
Wurundjeri people.
We are committed to
social justice, equality and
diversity. Our mission
is: "Catholic Evangelism:
Growing in God's love".*