

*Lent 5* 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023



8am Presiding and Preaching: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra
 10am Presiding: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra
 10am Preaching: Robert Gribben

Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne. Thank you for joining us in worship. Please join in saying the text marked in bold and singing the musical responses and hymns.

#### INTRODUCTION

Today's readings speak of re-creation, resurrection, and new life. Without death there is no glory, and no true life. The life restored to Lazarus is temporary; the resurrection of Jesus brings eternal life.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN

**TIS 560** 



- All my hope on God is founded; all my trust he will renew, through all change and chance he guides me, only good and only true. God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.
- 2. Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust;

all we build with care and labour, tower and temple, fall to dust. But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

- 3. God's great goodness lasts for ever, deep his wisdom, passing thought; splendour, light and life attend him, beauty springing out of naught. Evermore from his store new-born worlds rise and adore.
- 4. Daily the almighty giver will his bounteous gifts bestow; in his will our souls find pleasure, leading us where'er we go. Love will stand at his hand, joy shall wait for his command.
- 5. Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son. Hear Christ call one and all: those who follow shall not fall.

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#### **COLLECT FOR ASH WEDNESDAY**

#### Priest kneeling at the altar says:

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Assistant:

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered off. Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our Maker and our Judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### COLLECT

Life-giving God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death: breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for the reading

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel:

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.' So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God : Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

Ezekiel 37.1-14

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

#### PSALM 130



Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! **Response.** 

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. **Response.** 

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning. **Response.** 

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities. **Response.** 

#### SECOND READING:

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans:

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

# THE GRADUAL HYMN



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**TIS 226** 

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- 1. Thou art the way: by thee alone from sin and death we flee; and they who would the Father seek must seek him, Lord, by thee.
- 2. Thou art the truth: thy word alone true wisdom can impart; thou only canst inform the mind and purify the heart.

- 3. Thou art the life: the rending tomb proclaims thy conquering arm; and those who put their trust in thee nor death nor hell shall harm.
- 4. Thou art the way, the truth, the life: grant us that way to know, that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys eternal flow.

George Washington Doane 1799-1859 alt.

THE GOSPEL

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory
I am the resurrection and the life says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die forever.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

The Lord be with you: And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John:

#### Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.' When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.' When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not

have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.' Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

John 11.1-45

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

#### SERMON

#### THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. **INTERCESSIONS** 

After each section:

Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

And at the end:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### THE GREETINGS OF PEACE

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. **We meet in his name and share his peace.** 





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#### THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

#### Blessèd be God for ever.

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become for us the cup of salvation.

#### Blessèd be God for ever.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**



All glory and honour, thanks and praise be given to you at all times and in all places, Lord, holy Father, true and living God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For he is your eternal Word through whom you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image.

In your great love you gave him to be made man for us and to share our common life.

In obedience to your will your Son our Saviour offered himself as a perfect sacrifice, and died upon the cross for our redemption. Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin and reconciled us to yourself, our God and Father.

He is our great high priest whom you raised from death and exalted to your right hand on high where he ever lives to intercede for us. Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit and made us a royal priesthood called to serve you for ever. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of

heaven we proclaim your great and glorious name, for every praising you and singing:



Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, and we pray that we who eat and drink them in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit in obedience to our Saviour Christ in remembrance of his death and passion may be partakers of his body and his blood.

Who on the night he was betrayed took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,

and again giving you thanks

he gave it to his disciples, saying,

'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Father, with this bread and this cup, We do as our Saviour has commanded; We celebrate the redemption he has won for us; We proclaim his perfect sacrifice Made once for all upon the cross, His mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; And we look for his coming to fulfil all things according to your will. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, Unite us in the body of your Son, And bring us with all your people Into the joy of your eternal kingdom; Through Jesus Christ our Lord With whom in whom By the power of the Holy Spirit, We worship you, Father almighty, now and forever.



#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

#### The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, **for we all share in the one bread.** 



#### **AGNUS DEI**

#### THE INVITATION

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

#### COMMUNION

#### THE ANTHEM

"Out of the Deep". John Church (1675 - 1741)

"Christ was made obedient even to death, death on the cross. God therefore exalted him and gave him a name excelling all others."

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord Jesus Christ you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you; give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign now and forever. **Amen** 

#### Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

**TIS 139** 



- 1. O love of God, how strong and true, eternal and yet ever new, uncomprehended and unbought, beyond all knowledge and all thought!
- 2. O wide-embracing, wondrous love, we read you in the sky above, we read you in the earth below, in seas that swell and streams that flow.
- 3. We read you best in him who came to bear for us the cross of shame,

sent by the Father from on high, our life to live, our death to die.

- 4. We read your power to bless and save ev'n in the darkness of the grave; still more in resurrection light we read the fullness of your might.
- 5. O love of God, our shield and stay through all the perils of our way; eternal love, in you we rest, for ever safe, for ever blest.

Horatius Bonar 1808–89 Music: Sydney H. Nicholson

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of the Spirit.

#### THE BLESSING

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: In the name of Christ. Amen.

#### POSTLUDE

"Herzliebster Jesu".

#### PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need: including Paul, Neil and Tricia, Father Rob, Bishop John (Parkes), Bianca and family, Gerard, Annie and Ben, Colette and John, Karina and Anna.

Those who have recently died: Paul Kathner.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Evan Laurie Burge (priest) and Lilian Quinan.

If there is a name that should be included, please advise the Parish Office by email <u>office@stmarys.org.au</u>

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### **Fish Friday**

Please note that this last Fish Friday event has been cancelled due to the funeral service for Paul Kathner.

## **Dates for Easter**

Palm Sunday: 8.00am & 10.00am 2nd April Palm Sunday Walk for Justice for Refugees:

<u>State Library at 2.00pm</u> <u>Maundy Thursday: 8.00pm 6th April</u>

Good Friday: 10.00am 7th April

Great Paschal Vigil: 9.00pm Saturday 8th April

Easter Day: 10.00am 9th April

Roster: Sign up for roles here: https://linktr.ee/stmarysroster			
	March 26th	April 2nd	
8:00am Reader	Jenny Langmead	Sheila Byard	
10:00am Readers	Paul Eikelboom Elizabeth Brookes	Alice Christofi Lewis Gurr-Stephen	
Serving Team	As per serving roster	As per serving roster	
Welcome	Anne Sunderland	Samuel Miller	
Introduction & Intercessions	Audrey Statham	TBC	
Video/AV	Paul Eikelboom	Adam Wing	
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Rosie Moloney	Rosie Moloney	
Morning Tea	Susan Gribben Audrey Statham	Helen McCallum David Keuneman	
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	Parish Council +1	
Flowers	No Flowers	No Flowers	

## **St Mary's Parish Notices**

#### Palm Sunday Walk for Justice for Refugees 2023

WHEN: Sunday 2 April 2023 at 1:30 PM

WHERE: State Library Victoria, corner Swanston and Latrobe Streets, Melbourne. Palm Sunday each year is an occasion to bear witness to the priority of compassion and to call for justice for refugees and people seeking asylum. It is also a time to celebrate the contribution that so many refugees have made to Australian society in a wide range of endeavours. It is a time to stand together. This Palm Sunday there will be music at State Library from 1.30pm. At 2pm there will be speakers including Dr Monique Ryan MP, people with lived experience of bridging visas and Temporary Protection Visas, and faith leaders such as Ukrainian Bishop Mykola Bychok. The Walk goes to Parliament Gardens for more music and speeches. A group from St Mary's will meet up with other Melbourne Anglicans at 1:50 pm in front of State Library under the diocesan banner, 'Anglicans Walking Together – Justice for Refugees'. Please invite friends, church and family to stand in solidarity with refugees and people seeking asylum. Hope to see you there!

For updates, see the event Facebook page: https://m.facebook.com/events/1607844152985818?mibextid=Z0UBBX

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