



2nd Sunday of Easter
Sunday 27 April 2025
8am & 10am, Rev'd Robyn Boyd

Paschal Mass Setting by R Proulx

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

INTRODUCTION

During this season of Easter - for 50 days, until the Feast of Pentecost - our readings emphasise hope, new life, and the ongoing presence of Christ as we meet with him in his resurrection appearances.

Today in our gospel, the disciple Thomas is not at all easily satisfied about Jesus' return. And that's OK. Doubt isn't an issue to Jesus. It's indifference, fear, cynicism and despair that keeps faith at bay, and works against peace, love and the possibility of new life in us and in the world.

Pope Francis – A life anchored in the Gospel. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN TIS 360

Gtr. Capo 1 Eb(D) Cm(Bm) Bb(A) / Eb(D)

Eb(D) Cm(Bm) Bb(A) / Eb(D) Ab(G) Eb(D)
 F(E) Bb(A) / Eb(D) Ab(G) Eb(D) Bb(A) / Eb(D)
 Eb(D) Ab(G) Eb(D) Bb(A) / Ab(G) Bb(A) Eb(D) / Ab(G)
 Bb(A) Cm(Bm) / F(E) Bb(A) / Eb(D)
 Ab(G) C7(B7) Fm(Em) Bb(A) Bb7(A7) Eb(D)

1. Light's reddening dawn gleams through the sky;
 heav'n thunders forth its victory;
alleluia, alleluia!
 the glad earth shouts her triumph high
 and groaning hell makes wild reply:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!
2. That Eastertide with joy was bright,
 the sun shone our with fairer light,
 when to their longing eye restored
 th'apostles saw their risen Lord.
3. He showed to them his hands, his side,
 where yet the glorious wounds abide:
 the tokens true which made it plain
 their Lord indeed was risen again.

4. Jesus, the king of gentleness,
come now yourself our hearts possess,
that we may give you all our days
the tribute of our grateful praise.

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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

Christ is risen, alleluia! **He is risen indeed, alleluia!**

[At 10am] The choir sings the Vidi aquam as all are sprinkled with water from the baptismal font.

Cantor then All.
Springs of wa - ter, bless the Lord.

Cantor then All.
Give him glo - ry and praise for ev - er

Springs of water bless the Lord.

Springs of water bless the Lord.

Give him glory and praise for ever.

Give him glory and praise for ever.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

Silence may be kept

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

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.

ABSOLUTION

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.**

GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
received our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most High**

**Jesus Christ
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the father. Amen.**

Choir/All

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you - we

give you thanks we praise you for your glo-ry. Glo-ry to God in the high - est and

peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther. Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy on us; You are

sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa-ther, re - ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly Spi - rit in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. Go-ry to God in the

high - est and peace - to God's peo - ple on earth. A - men.

COLLECT

Living God, for whom no door is closed, no heart unlocked: draw us beyond our doubts, till we see your Christ and touch his wounds where they bleed in others. This we ask through Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Please sit.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

(Act 5:27-32)

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

PSALM 118 (PSALTER #119)

Peter R. Hallock

On this day the Lord has
act - ed; — we will re-joyce and be glad in it.

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The Lord is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory
in the tents of the righteous. *Response*
“The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!

The right hand of the Lord is exalted!
The right hand of the Lord has triumphed”

I shall not die, but live
and declare the works of the Lord. *Response*

The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief corner stone

This is the Lord’s doing,
And it is marvellous in our eyes. *Response*

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SECOND READING

A reading from the Book of Revelation:

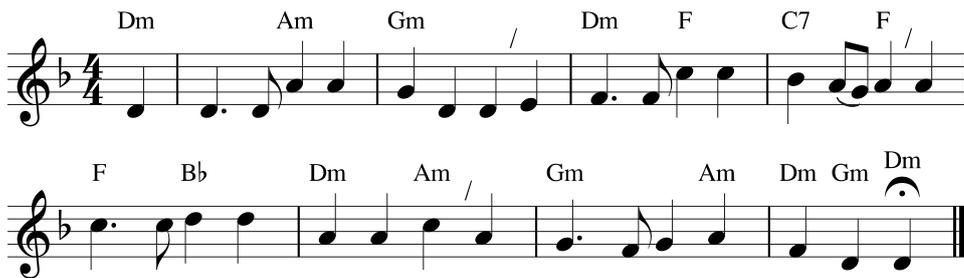
John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace
from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven
spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful
witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.
To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made
us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory
and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those
who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.
So it is to be. Amen. ‘I am the Alpha and the Omega’, says the Lord
God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

(Revelation 1:4-8)

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

GRADUAL HYMN TIS 649



1. These things did Thomas count as real:
the warmth of blood, the chill of steel,
the grain of wood, the heft of stone,
the last frail twitch of flesh and bone.
2. The vision of his sceptic mind
was keen enough to make him blind
to any unexpected act
too large for his small world of fact.
3. His reasoned certainties denied
that one could live when one had died,
until his fingers read like Braille
the markings of the spear and nail.
4. May we, O God, by grace believe
and thus the risen Christ receive,
whose raw, imprinted palms reached out
and beckoned Thomas from his doubt.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand.



Alleluia, **alleluia!**

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
Happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe. **Alleluia!**
The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

[At 8am] Words only.

A reading from the holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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.’ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’ When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.’ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 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.’ 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.’ 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.’ Thomas answered him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ 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.’ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 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.

(John 20:19-31)

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

SERMON

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

PEACE

Please stand

The risen Lord came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you!'. Then they were glad when they saw the Lord. The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN TIS 363

Introduction

Em B Em Am6

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -

B Em Am Em Am6 B Em

- ia, al - - le - lu - ia!

Verses

Em G Am B Em C

G Am B Em Am B

Em Am6 B Em Am Em Am6 Em *D.S.* §

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1. My daughters and my sons hear tell —
The king of heav'n, the glorious king
is risen today from death and hell.
Alleluia, alleluia.
2. Now Mary and Salome come
to show their last love for their friend,
and fit his body for the tomb.
Alleluia, alleluia.
3. Amazed, they hear the angel's word,
whose shining form confronts their fear,
'In Galilee you'll find your Lord!'
Alleluia, alleluia.
4. His followers huddle in despair,
when suddenly he's in the room,
saying, 'My peace is yours to share.'
Alleluia, alleluia.
5. But Thomas, lonely in his grief,
hears only later, 'He is risen',

and simply cannot find belief.

Alleluia, alleluia.

6. 'Look, Thomas, see my wounded side.
Reach out, and touch my feet and hands,
then dare believe that I'm alive.'

Alleluia, alleluia.

7. And now he knows it is the Lord.
He sees the hands, the feet, the side.
He cries for joy, 'You are my God!'

Alleluia, alleluia.

8. How happy those who come to faith,
although they have not seen the Lord
For they shall have eternal life –

Alleluia, alleluia.

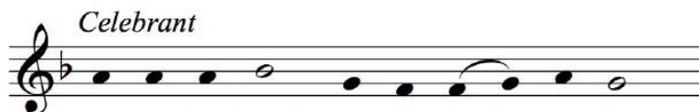
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PREPARATION OF GIFTS

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation ...
Blessèd be God for ever.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sursum Corda

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
	
The Lord be with you.	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
	
Lift up your hearts.	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
	
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours...
... for ever praising you and saying/singing:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might.
 Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Merciful God, we thank you ...
 Great is the mystery of faith:

Dy - ing you de - stroyed our death, ris - ing you re - stored our life. Lord
 Je - sus, come in glo - ry, come in glo - ry.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded ...
 ... in songs of never-ending praise:

A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

As this broken bread was once many grains, which have been gathered together and made one bread: **So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

AGNUS DEI

Lamb - of God, Lamb - of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world: mi - se - re - re no - bis, have
mer - cy on us. Have mer - cy on us.
Lamb - of God, Lamb - of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world: do - na no - bis pa - cem,
grant us peace. Grant us peace.

INVITATION

COMMUNION

Anthem: *'Sonata IV, Movt 1, Op 2 No 4'* by G F Handel, performed by Elizabeth Brookes & Michael Noble.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

The Priest offers the prayer, followed by,

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.

RECESSIONAL HYMN TIS 585 (A&M Rev 204)

Em C G D G Am D G
C Am G D G Am Em
Bm Em D G C D G
C Am G D G Am Em

1. If Christ had not been raised from death
our faith would be in vain,
our preaching but a waste of breath,
our sin and guilt remain.
But now the Lord is risen indeed;
he rules in earth and heaven:
his gospel meets a world of need –
in Christ we are forgiven.
2. If Christ still lay within the tomb
then death would be the end,
and we should face our final doom
with neither guide nor friend.
But now the Saviour is raised up,
so when a Christian dies
we mourn, yet look to God in hope –
in Christ the saints arise!

3. If Christ had not been truly raised
 his Church would live a lie;
 his name should nevermore be praised,
 his words deserve to die.
 But now our great Redeemer lives;
 though him we are restored:
 his word endures, his Church revives
 in Christ, our risen Lord.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - - - - lu - ia.

Postlude

All are invited for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the Service.

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need, including Isaiah, Matthew Champion, Fr Frank Moloney and Bobby Holmes.

Pray also for those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: James Carnegie and James Paul Wang.

If there is a name to be included, please email office@stmarys.org.au (Names will be listed for 1 month unless otherwise specified)

Morning Prayer held on Mon/Wed/Fri, 8.30am. Click the link below <https://bit.ly/49910N4> Meeting ID: 826 4665 0345, Passcode: 464706. (Weekday Eucharist is back with Mthr Robyn every Thursday, 12pm)

St Mary's Parish Notices

- 2025 AVE Easter Edition is here, printed copies at the front porch of the Church or read online on our website (bottom LH corner of the Home Page) <https://www.stmarys.org.au/>
- Harvest Festival Celebration: Sun 4 May after 10am service. Contact Marion/Helen/Susan if you can help with: making preserves (labels at the front porch), donating home-grown produce or volunteering for the day. You can find printed posters/flyers around the Church, invite your friends and family!
- Rather than the set lectionary for Easter 3, the readings for Harvest Festival are: Joel 2:21-28, Psalm 147 (parts thereof), 2 Corinthians 9:6-15, Luke 12:13-21.
- We will welcome Fr Stuart Soley with Induction of New Incumbent on Wed 11 June at 7pm.
- Thank you for your food donations to Anglicare Victoria/St Mark's Community Care. For tax deductible donations please visit <https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/> - 'Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society' - 'St Mary's North Melbourne—Relief Program'.

- Your support for the Parish is appreciated. To authorise direct debit, contact Parish Treasurer via treasurer@stmarys.org.au For occasional/regular giving, direct funds to Parish Giving account with Anglican Development Fund: BSB: 703-122 / Acc: 05004687 / Acc Name: St Mary's Anglican Church North Melbourne.

<i>St Mary's Roster</i>		
	Sun 27 April 2025 Easter 2	Sun 4 May 2025 Easter 3
8:00am Reader	Judie Bainbridge	Rhondda Fahey
10:00am Readers	Helen McCallum Robert Gribben	* Calvin Lee John Blanch *
Serving Team	Alice Christofi (C) Sam Miller (C)	Peter O'Donoghue Anne Sunderland (C)
Welcome	Adam Wing	Alice Christofi (C)
Introduction & Intercession	Audrey Statham	Geoff Jenkins
Video/AV	Adam Wing	Adam Wing
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Harriet Jenkins/ Rosie Moloney	Harriet Jenkins/ Rosie Moloney
Morning Tea	Michael Noble Margaret Noble	Helen McCallum David Keuneman

** See notes in the Notice above regarding Harvest Festival readings.*

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