Easter Sunday 31 March 2024

Acknowledgement of Country. As a community, we recognise that the church is built and our worship is offered on the traditional lands of the Kaurna people, and close to Tarntanyangga (Victoria Square), which is still an important meeting place for the Kaurna people today. We express our gratitude in the sharing of this land; our sorrow for the personal, spiritual and cultural costs of that sharing; and our hope that we may walk together in harmony, in the spirit of Reconciliation.

A ministry of prayer for healing and wholeness will be offered in the Holy Innocents Chapel during the Communion of the People. If you would like to make a note of prayer points or special intentions for prayer, please use the card which is available at the rear of the church.

When the bell rings, all stand and sing the hymn.

LLANFAIR



Let us proceed in peace. Alleluia.

▶ In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia.

Easter glory fills the sky, alleluia, Christ now lives, no more to die, alleluia; darkness has been put to flight, alleluia, by the living Lord of light, alleluia.

See, the stone is rolled away, alleluia, from the tomb where once he lay, alleluia; he has risen as he said, alleluia, glorious firstborn from the dead, alleluia.

Mary, Mother, greet your Son, alleluia, radiant from his triumph won, alleluia; by his cross you shared his pain, alleluia, so for ever share his reign, alleluia.

Magd'len, wipe away your tears, alleluia: he has come who calms your fears, alleluia; hear the master speak your name, alleluia; turn to him with heart aflame, alleluia.

Seek not life within the tomb, alleluia; Christ stands in the upper room, alleluia: risen glory he conceals, alleluia, risen body he reveals, alleluia.

Station at the Font

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son called Mary Magdalene to be a witness of his resurrection: mercifully grant that by your grace we may be forgiven and healed, and may know you in the power of your Son's risen life; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The font is censed, and the procession resumes.

Though we see his face no more, alleluia, he is with us as before, alleluia: glory veiled, he is our priest, alleluia, his true flesh and blood our feast, alleluia.

Christ, the victor over death, alleluia, breathes on us the Spirit's breath, alleluia. Paradise is our reward, alleluia, endless Easter with our Lord, alleluia.

James Quinn SJ, 1919-2010 Together in Song 388

The choir sings the Entrance Antiphon

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Greeting

The bishop greets the people.

▶ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Peace be with you.

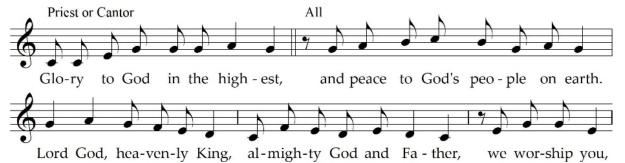
And also with you.

Christ is risen, alleluia!

He is risen indeed, alleluia!

The celebrant or another minister may briefly introduce the Mass of the day.

Hymn of Praise





Collect

Let us pray.

Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of your Son you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts 10.34-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius:

'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the

prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

For the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

From Psalm 118

O give thanks to the Lord for he is good, And his loving mercy never fails: Let every child of Israel say That his love endures for ever.

Victorious is the Lord's right hand, The Lord's right hand has raised me up: I shall not die, but live, And declare the works of the Lord.

The stone which the builders refused, Has become the chief corner-stone: This is the Lord's own work, And it is marvellous in our eyes.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15.1-11

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you – unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them – though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

For the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

Sequence Victimae Paschali

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.

- 1 Christians, to the Paschal victim offer your thankful praises!
- 2 A lamb the sheep redeemeth: Christ, who only is sinless, reconcileth sinners to the Father.

1 Cominthians 15 1 11

Chant: George Woodward 1848-1934

- 3 Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous: the Prince of Life, who died, reigns immortal.
- 4 Speak, Mary, declaring what thou sawest, wayfaring:
- 5 "The tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus' resurrection;
- 6 Bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting.
- 7 Yea, Christ my hope is arisen; to Galilee he will go before you."
- 8 Happy they who hear the witness, Mary's word believing Above the tales of doubt and deceiving.
- 9 Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining; have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!

Amen. Alleluia.

Gospel John 20.1–18

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

▲ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher).

Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Bishop Denise Ferguson

The Rites of Confirmation and Reaffirmation

The Presentation

The bishop invites Michael and Peter and their sponsors to stand in view of the congregation.

The bishop invites the sponsors of confirmation candidates to present the candidates.

We welcome those who have come to be confirmed. I invite their sponsors to present them now.

The sponsors answer

We present Michael who comes to be confirmed.

The bishop invites the sponsors of reaffirmation candidates to present the candidates.

We welcome those who have been baptised and confirmed, and now come to seek God's blessing as they reaffirm their faith. I invite their sponsors to present them now.

The sponsors answer

We present Peter who come to reaffirm his faith.

The Decision

The bishop says to those who are to receive the laying on of hands.

Before God and this congregation, you must affirm that you turn to Christ and reject all that is evil:

Do you turn to Christ?

Michael and Peter respond:

I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins?

Michael and Peter respond:

I repent of my sins.

Do you reject selfish living, and all that is false and unjust?

Michael and Peter respond:

I reject them all.

Do you renounce Satan and all evil?

I renounce all that is evil.

The bishop says to the candidates

Will you each, by God's grace, strive to live as a disciple of Christ, loving God with your whole heart, and your neighbour as yourself, until your life's end?

Michael and Peter respond:

I will, with God's help.

The bishop says to the congregation

You have heard these our brothers respond to Christ.

Will you support them in this calling?

The congregation answers

We will.

A minister says

Let us pray for those who have affirmed their baptism and are to receive the laying on of hands.

Merciful God, deliver them from all evil that they may walk in the way of truth and life;

Lord in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Open their hearts by the Holy Spirit to your grace and truth;

Lord in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church;

Lord in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Send them into the world to witness to your love and justice;

Lord in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Bring them and us all into the fullness of your peace and glory;

Lord in your mercy

hear our prayer.

The Profession of Faith

The bishop says to the candidates, and to the whole congregation:

I now ask you to affirm as yours the faith of the Church.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in God the Son?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; from there he will come to judge | the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The bishop says to the congregation

This is the faith of the Church.

The congregation responds

This is our faith:

We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Confirmation

The bishop says

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord now, and for ever. Amen.

The bishop continues

Almighty and everliving God, you have given your servants new birth by water and the Spirit, and have forgiven them their sins.

Strengthen them, we pray, with the Holy Spirit that they may grow in grace.

Increase in them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of discernment and inner strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and fill them with wonder and awe at your presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Michael kneels before the bishop, who lays a hand upon him saying

Strengthen, Lord, your servant Michael with your Holy Spirit.

And Michael answers with the congregation

Amen.

The congregation joins with the bishop in saying this prayer after all the candidates have received the laying on of hands.

Defend, O Lord these your servants with your heavenly grace, that they may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more until they come to your everlasting kingdom. Amen.

Reaffirmation

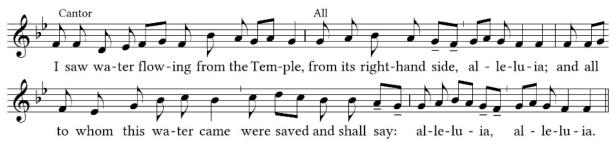
Peter kneels before the bishop, who lays hands upon him saying

Peter, may the Holy Spirit who has begun a good work in you direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, bless, preserve and keep you.

And Peter answers with the congregation

Amen.

The bishop sprinkles the people with the blessed water, while all sing:



Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

God's Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The choir sings

The right hand of the Lord does mighty things: the right hand of the Lord raises up. I shall not die but live: and proclaim the works of the Lord. Alleluia.

The hymn is sung, during which a Collection will be taken up.

ELLACOMBE



The Day of Resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness,
The Passover of God!
From death to life eternal,
From earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over
With hymns of victory.

- 2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
 That we may see aright
 The Lord in rays eternal
 Of resurrection-light;
 And, listening to his accents,
 May hear so calm and plain
 His own 'All hail,' and, hearing,
 May raise the victor strain.
- 3 Now let the heavens be joyful,
 And earth her song begin,
 The round world keep high triumph,
 And all that is therein;
 Let all things seen and unseen
 Their notes in gladness blend,
 For Christ the Lord hath risen,
 Our joy that hath no end.

When all is prepared, the bishop says,

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Father almighty.

May the Lord accept our sacrifice for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good, and the good of all God's holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

God our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

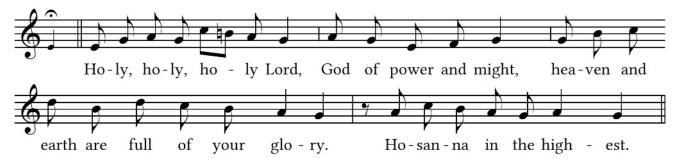
It is right to praise you, faithful God, always and everywhere, for with your only begotten Son and life-giving Spirit, you are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting.

At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing a universe of beauty and splendour, bringing light from darkness and order from chaos.

You formed us, male and female, in your image, and endowed us with creative power.
We turned away from you but you did not abandon us.

You called us by name and searched us out, making a covenant of mercy, giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets.

And so we praise you, joining with your faithful people of every time and place, singing the eternal song:





Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

When the fullness of time was come, you sent your Son, to be born of Mary.

Bright image of your glory, he learnt obedience to you in all things, even to death on a cross, breaking the power of evil, freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight. You raised him from death, exalting him to glory, and the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed your Son Jesus Christ shared food with his friends, his companions on the way. While at table he took bread, blessed, and broke it, and giving it to them, said: 'Take, eat; this is my body.'

He took a cup of wine, and, giving thanks, he gave it to them, and said, 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Do this in remembrance of me.'

Therefore, living God, as we obey his command, we remember his life of obedience to you, his suffering and death, his resurrection and exaltation, and his promise to be with us for ever. With this bread and this cup we celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



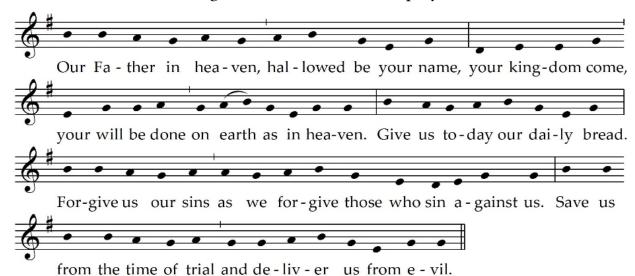
Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration that all who eat and drink at this table may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood

to serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people, may we proclaim the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:



The celebrant continues alone

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

And all make the prayer their own, singing



For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

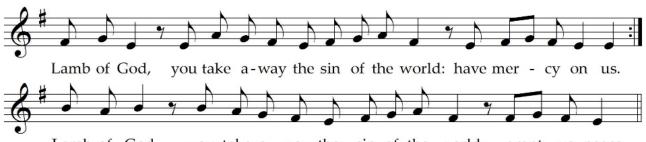
The priest breaks the bread, saying

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.

While the bread is broken Agnus Dei is sung.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

All receive Holy Communion.

Communicants are asked to approach in single file, maintaining physical distance, returning to their places via the side aisles.

Those who are not to receive the Blessed Sacrament are invited to unite themselves with Jesus by making a Spiritual Communion.

Act of Spiritual Communion

St Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there, and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Healing ministry will be offered in the Holy Innocents chapel. Please enter the chapel one at a time. You may wish to record prayer points or remembrances on a piece of paper prior to Mass.

Communion Antiphon

1 Corinthians 5.7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

God of life, bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter sacrament. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**



Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won; Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

- 2 Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting:
- 3 No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life; Life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife, Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love; Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:

A toi la gloire, O Resuscité Edmond Budry 1854-1932 trans. Richard Hoyle 1875-1939

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

May almighty God bless you on this solemn feast of Easter, and may he protect you against all sin.

Amen.

Through the resurrection of his Son, God has granted us healing. May he fulfill his promises, and bless you with eternal life.

Amen.

You have mourned for Christ's sufferings; now you celebrate the joy of his resurrection. May you come with joy to the feast which lasts for ever.

Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, ♣ and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Dismissal

The celebrant, deacon or another minister sings



All respond



While Regina cœli is sung, the celebrant and ministers move to the Shrine of Our Lady.

Joy to thee, O Queen of heaven, alleluia! He whom thou was meet to bear, alleluia! As he promised hath arisen, alleluia! Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God,

Who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we pray, that with his mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NOTICES

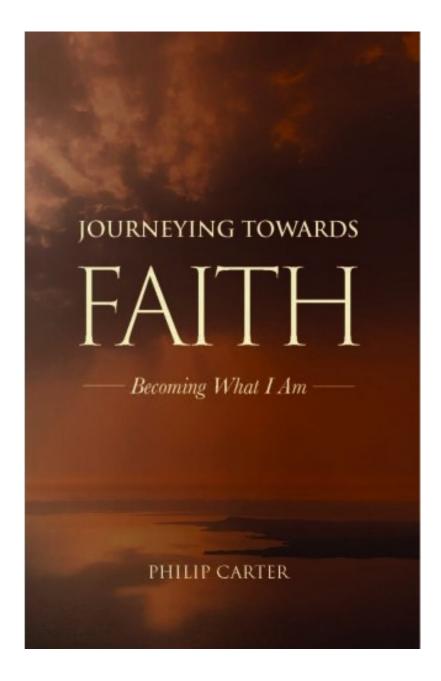
HAPPY EASTER TO ALL! CHRIST IS RISEN!

Please join us after Mass for refreshments. A former priest of the Parish was wont to remind us that Easter-tide is one uninterrupted celebration that is to be enjoyed with all possible vigour!

WELCOME to Bishop Denise Ferguson who is celebrating the Solemn Mass today and presiding at the rites of Confirmation and Reaffirmation. This is Bishop Denise's last visit to the Parish before her retirement later in the year. We were honoured to be the first parish in which she officiated as a bishop following her episcopal ordination, and she and Mark have been regular and welcome guests since that time.

We wish them both all the very best in their retirement.

THANKS SO MUCH to all those who have contributed to the celebration of Holy Week this year. Thanks especially to all those who have assisted with the many liturgies of the week, especially our musicians, and all those who have contributed behind the scenes in many ways.



Congratulations to Fr Philip Carter whose book *Journeying Towards Faith*: *Become What I Am* has recently been published by Coventry Press. The seven chapters in this book take seriously these celebrated words of Irenaeus. Confessing the Incarnation of Jesus of Nazareth, their underlying assumption is that Jesus did not come to offer us a particular way of being religious, but a universal way of being human.

The book is an invitation to become more fully alive and more fully human. It is out of the reality of our everyday lives – and in the context of our wounded and wounding world – where we can hear, through the questions Jesus asks, the call and challenge to have our thinking about ourselves, prayer, and our relationship with God, utterly transformed.

The book is available from the St Peter's Cathedral shop (10.30 – 1 pm Monday, 10.30 – 3.30 pm Tuesday to Friday) for \$19.95. (Autographs are free!)

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Thursday12 noon Regina Coeli; 12.10 pm Mass (traditional rite)Sunday10 am Sung Mass with children's ministry and choir

Mass is offered at St Peter's Cathedral from Monday to Friday at 7.30 am, and on Wednesday at 10 am. Inquiries about Baptisms and Weddings to Fr Steven Ogden.

Confessions or confidential personal time with a priest are always available on request.

Regular Giving and Donations

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The Magdalene Centre

82 Gilbert Street, Adelaide Tel (08) 8305 9389

Non-perishable food for those in need can be left in the baskets at the back of the church or delivered to the Magdalene Centre from 12 noon to 3 pm, Monday to Friday.

Donations of cash are welcome via https://anglicaresa.com.au/cause/magdalene-centre/.

The Collective of St Mary Magdalene (Mary Mags Dinner)

Pray for all those who receive the Collective's weekly support, and who are seeking meals and companionship at other times during the week.

Directory

Parish Priest: The Revd Dr Steven Ogden

Fr Steven's appointment is part-time. His days on duty are Tuesday to Thursday and Sunday.

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Next Sunday, 7 April, at 10 am - The 2nd Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 4.32-37 • Psalm 133 • 1 John 1.1 - 2.2 • John 20.19-31

For Your Prayers

Pray for responsible leadership among the nations as the COVID-19 pandemic continues; pray for an end to violence and oppression; pray for peace and justice, especially for refugees, asylum seekers, and those seeking places of safety and security.

Pray for all those who are troubled in body, mind or spirit, especially Paull, Sim, Jasmin, Henry, John Edwards (priest), Peter Garland (priest), Robert Whalley (priest), John Parkes (bishop), Stephan Clark (priest), Mark, Olivia, Nance, Neil, Elaine, Edward, Neil and Grace.

Pray for those who have died: those who have worked and worshipped in this place before us; those who have died as a result of COVID-19 and in other tragic circumstances; those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time, especially Julie Hooke. † Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.