



ANGLICAN PARISH OF
GISBORNE
MACEDON | RIDDELLS CREEK | GISBORNE



Easter 6B

Sunday, 5th May, 2024

St Paul's, Gisborne 9 am
Church of the Resurrection, Macedon 10.30 am
St John's, Riddells Creek 4 pm

The Anglican Parish of Gisborne acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land, the peoples of the Kulin Nations, and we pay our respects to their elders, living, past and emerging.

The Parish of Gisborne is committed to being a Child Safe organisation.

Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to everyone who joins us for worship. Whether you are a visitor or a regular parishioner of the Anglican Church, you are invited to join us in Holy Communion. Please make yourself known to us and if you would like more information about our community and ministry, then please take a copy of our welcome brochure, visit our website or ask one of our welcomers.

The believers accompanying Peter were astonished that the Holy Spirit was being poured out even on to the Gentiles who heard the word. This must have been truly shocking to them. When and how have we seen God throwing open the doors to the Church even wider in our own experience? How have we responded? In awe and wonder, or angry that God has done something new that we do not understand?

- Pray for all whom the Church excludes, and pray that God will open the doors of our hearts and minds to be as welcoming as Christ would have us.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East, remembering especially Al-Ahli Hospital in Gaza City.

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This Week in Our Parish

Sunday 5th May

Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 Sung Eucharist – St Paul's

10:30 Sung Eucharist – CoR

12:30 Mission Lunch

4:00 Sunday Arvo @ 4 – St John's

10.30 Warrina

6:00 pm AA – Parish Centre

Friday 10th May

10:00 – 4:00 St Paul's Op Shop

10:00 – 4:00 Charity's Secret

Tuesday 7th May

10:00 – 1:00 St Paul's Op Shop

Saturday 11th May

9:00 – 12:00 Working Bee – CoR

9:00 – 1:00 Mothers Day Stall

10:00 – 1:00 St Paul's Op Shop

10:00 – 1:00 Charity's Secret

Wednesday 8th May

10:00 Eucharist – St Paul's

10:00 – 4:00 St Paul's Op Shop

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal - CoR

Sunday 12th May

Sunday after Ascension

9:00 Sung Eucharist – St Paul's

10:30 Sung Eucharist – CoR

4:00 Sunday Arvo @ 4 – St John's

Thursday 9th May

Ascension Day

10:00 – 4:00 St Paul's Op Shop

10:00 – 4:00 Charity's Secret

This Week's Readings:

Easter 6

Acts 10.44-48

1 John 5.1-12

Psalms 98

John 15.9-17

Next Week's Readings:

Easter 7

Acts 1.15-17,21-26

1 John 5.9-13

Psalms 1

John 17.6-19

Gathering Hymn
246 Christ is the world's light
(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

Blessed be God: ✠ Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.
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.

In a moment of quiet, let us confess to God all that holds us back from
the free-fall of faith in his Risen Christ.

Lord of the living and the dead:
because we treat the resurrection as a nice story that has no real power
to interrupt and convert our lives,
Lord, hear us and help us.

Because we would rather be miserable than embrace the joy of your
resurrection life:
Lord, hear us and help us.

Because we would prefer a tamer god, a more domesticated god, and
go nicely contained in the tomb of our small-mindedness,
Lord, hear us and help us.

President

Almighty God of love and power
pardon you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All stand.

Gloria in Excelsis

**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:
receive 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.**

Collect

Let us pray.

Loving God,
your Son has chosen us
and called us to be his friends:
give us grace to keep his commandments,
to love one another,
and to bear fruit which will abide;
through him who is the true vine,
the source of all our life,
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.**

As we prepare to hear God's Holy Word through the scriptures,
open our hearts and minds, Lord. Amen.

The Ministry of the Word

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 10, beginning at verse 44

Acts 10:44-48

At the conclusion the reader may say:

May your word live in us
and bear much fruit to your glory.

Psalm 98

TiS 57 (found in the red hymn book Together in Song)



Response: ***All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.***

Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvellous things.
With his own right hand and his holy arm
he has brought salvation. *R.*

The Lord has made known his salvation,
and has shown his righteousness for the nations.
He has remembered his mercy and truth
towards the house of Israel. *R.*
All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Let all the world be glad in him,
sing, rejoice and give him thanks. *R.*

Let music sound upon the harp,
and psalms be offered to his praise;
with trumpets and with sounds of joy
proclaim the praise of God our King. *R.*

A reading from the first letter of John, chapter 5 beginning at verse 1.

1 John 5:1-12

At the conclusion the reader may say:

May your word live in us
and bear much fruit to your glory.

Please remain standing to greet the Gospel:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

“I am the first and the last,” says the Lord, “and the living one
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.”

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 15,
beginning at the ninth verse

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 15: 9 – 17

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Breaking Open the Word

After a time of reflection, we affirm our faith.

Affirmation of Faith

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.**

The Ministry of Prayer

A member of the Parish leads us in prayer.

The response to “*Ever-loving God, in your mercy*” is **hear our prayer**

At the conclusion of the prayers, as the intercessor places the prayer requests on the Altar, we pray together:

**Hear the prayer of your Church, O God,
and fulfil the work you have begun
in the resurrection of your Christ;
so that through the gospel
your truth may be made known,
and through the witness of your people
the world may see your salvation.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Greeting of Peace

Christ has reconciled us to God by one body on the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may share a sign of peace with those around them.

The Offertory

534 Love is his word

(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

Our gifts of bread, wine and money are collected and then offered at the Altar.

With this bread that we bring

we shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring

we shall remember Jesus.

Bread for his body,

wine for his blood,

gifts from God to his table we bring.

God, whose name we praise,

let our hearts be set on Christ,

and our lives be lived in thanksgiving

for all your blessings to us.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Why we give thanks and praise:

All glory and honour, be yours now and always,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,

who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

What Jesus has done for us:

By his death on the cross,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin,
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.
And now we give you thanks
that you raised him to life triumphant,
and exalted him in glory.
By his victory over death,
the reign of sin is ended,
a new day has dawned,
a broken world is restored
and we are made whole once more.

We join the eternal song:

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Making Holy that which has been given:

Holy God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine,
and we pray that we who eat and drink them
in obedience to our Saviour Christ,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
may be partakers of his body and blood,
and be made one with him and with each other
in peace and love.

With this bread that we bring:

On the night he was betrayed Jesus 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 given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

With this wine that we bring:

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

The Mystery of Faith:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

How we follow Jesus Christ

As we eat and drink this holy sacrament,
renew us by your Spirit
that we may be united in the body of your Son
and serve you as a royal priesthood
in the joy of your eternal kingdom.

Receive our praises, Father,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom and in whom,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour 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 Breaking of the Bread and Communion

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 at St Paul's

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

Agnus Dei at Church of the Resurrection

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.**

The invitation to communion is given in these words.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
This is the table, not of the Church but of the Lord.
All are welcome to his table. Alleluia!

The Sending out of God's People

'Peace be with you,' says the Lord.
'As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

In your abiding love, O God,
be present to your people,
and as you have fed us with the gifts of heaven,
so make us pass into newness of life.

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

Post Communion Hymn

691 Faith will not grow from words alone
(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

Blessing and Dismissal

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;
and the blessing of God Almighty:
the ✠ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
be with you all evermore. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
In the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

MISSIONS RAFFLE | 11 Prizes to be won!

Raffle will be drawn **Sunday May 19th** all proceeds to Anglicare in support of their victims of domestic violence program. **Tickets 3 for \$5** available from Popsy, Rosemary or Margaret Poyser.

PETS IN THE PARK COMMUNITY APPEAL

Following on from last year's very successful Pets in the Park Community Appeal, our Parish Animal Welfare Group is once again organising pet food donations from our Macedon Ranges community to assist people who are homeless/at risk of homelessness to provide for their pets. Donation trolleys are at Riddells Creek Foodworks and Macedon IGA supermarkets for the remainder of April (from April 24 at Macedon) and throughout May.

Pets can be a vital source of companionship and emotional support for people experiencing homeless or the threat of same.

Janine Mc Dougall & Rosemary Homewood, Co-convenors, Parish Animal Welfare Group



**An incorporated association
promoting the Churches' Song**

**The Launch of the Association will be held
at St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne at 4pm on
Sunday 19 May 2024.**

Taking up the work of the Australian Hymn Book Pty Ltd, the AHA seeks to promote and develop congregational song in worship. Membership is open to all who are keen to further this mission.

Worship led by the Dean of Melbourne, the Very Revd Dr Andreas Loewe, the President of the Association, Ms Megan McLaughlin, noted hymn composer the Revd Dr Christopher Willcock sj, and the musicians of the Cathedral.

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE HERE

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MOTHERS' DAY STALL

Our "Mothers' Day Stall" will be held on Saturday the 11th of May from 9.00am – 1.00pm next to the Trading Post, 690 Mount Macedon Road, Mount Macedon.

Please prepare cakes, jams, preserves, crafts and plants to sell on the day. Cake plates are now available at each centre. Please take as many as you can and fill them with your favourite baking delights. If you need labels for your jams and preserves, please contact Alison. Labels can be custom printed for each batch.

We will be setting up around 8.30am on the day and would appreciate assistance with that. Transportation for tables, a few chairs and craft from the Church of the Resurrection would be much appreciated as would assistance with selling our home made produce during the morning.

Many thanks in anticipation of your generous support as always.

AN APPEAL TO PRESERVE THE PARISH BUS

Our beloved Parish Bus needs some body work and a repaint. The cost of the required works is \$5,000.00. Our Parish Bus is a valued asset and has dutifully served the Parish through supporting the Bus Ministry, couriating Parishioners, and local community members on outings, to Parish events as well as moving stock and equipment between various parish sites. The Bus is carefully maintained and garaged by James Lindsay who continues to actively support the Bus Ministry program as Bus Driver, as well as supervising Bus maintenance. The Parish Bus enables outreach to community members who live alone and others who are isolated. The Parish Council wants to find a way to maintain the Parish Bus and **asks for your help in raising the required funds.**



During the months of **April and May you have an opportunity to contribute to the Bus Appeal**, you may be able to donate personally or join with others in the parish to run a fundraising event. \$2,140 has already been generously donated, so the current target is \$2860. A weekly update will be provided throughout April and May on the Appeals progress. Donations to the **Bus Appeal** can be made electronically to the **Parish Special Bus Account (Bendigo Account BSB 633000 A/c No 198264707)** or by handing to a Church Warden **cash in a marked envelope – Bus Appeal.**



WORKING BEE

There is a working bee at Macedon on Saturday
11 May from 9am to 12 pm with morning tea provided.



**The Country Women's
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Join Us!



**2 - 4 PM ON SATURDAY
11 MAY**
**HIGH TEA WITH SPECIAL
GUEST SPEAKER
DR NGAIRE ELWOOD AM**

**Venue: Macedon CWA Hall, 662 Mount Macedon Road,
Mount Macedon**

About Dr Ngaire Elwood

Associate Professor Ngaire Elwood AM BSc(Hons) PhD MAICD has devoted her career to investigating, developing and providing improved therapies for the treatment of cancer, leukaemia and other disorders. She is the Director of the BMDI Cord Blood Bank at the Royal Children's Hospital and serves as Chair of the AusCord network of public cord blood banks. Dr Elwood is a resident of Mount Macedon. Dr Elwood was made a Member of the Order of Australia AM in the 2024 Australia Day Honours awards for significant service to medicine, particularly through stem cell research.

**Hosted by the Macedon Branch of the Country Women's
Association of Victoria Inc.**

COST

**\$40 PER PERSON
INCLUDES HIGH TEA
AND A GLASS OF
SPARKLING
WINE/MINERAL WATER
ON ARRIVAL**

EVENT ENQUIRIES

**Amanda Millar
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All very welcome  **Country Womens Association – Macedon Branch**

We respect First Nations Elders past, present and future and acknowledge the stories, traditions and living cultures of First Nations peoples of the lands on which our members meet, and commit to building a brighter future together.

www.cwaofvic.org.au

Agatha in Vivaldi's Venice



Saturday 25 May @ 3 pm

Church of the Resurrection
 cnr Honour Ave & Mt Macedon Rd, Macedon
 Enquiries: 0452 531 750

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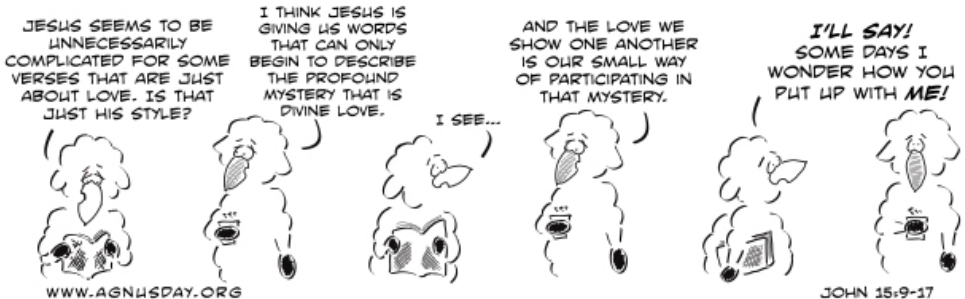
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with strings & continuo
 directed by Douglas Lawrence

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