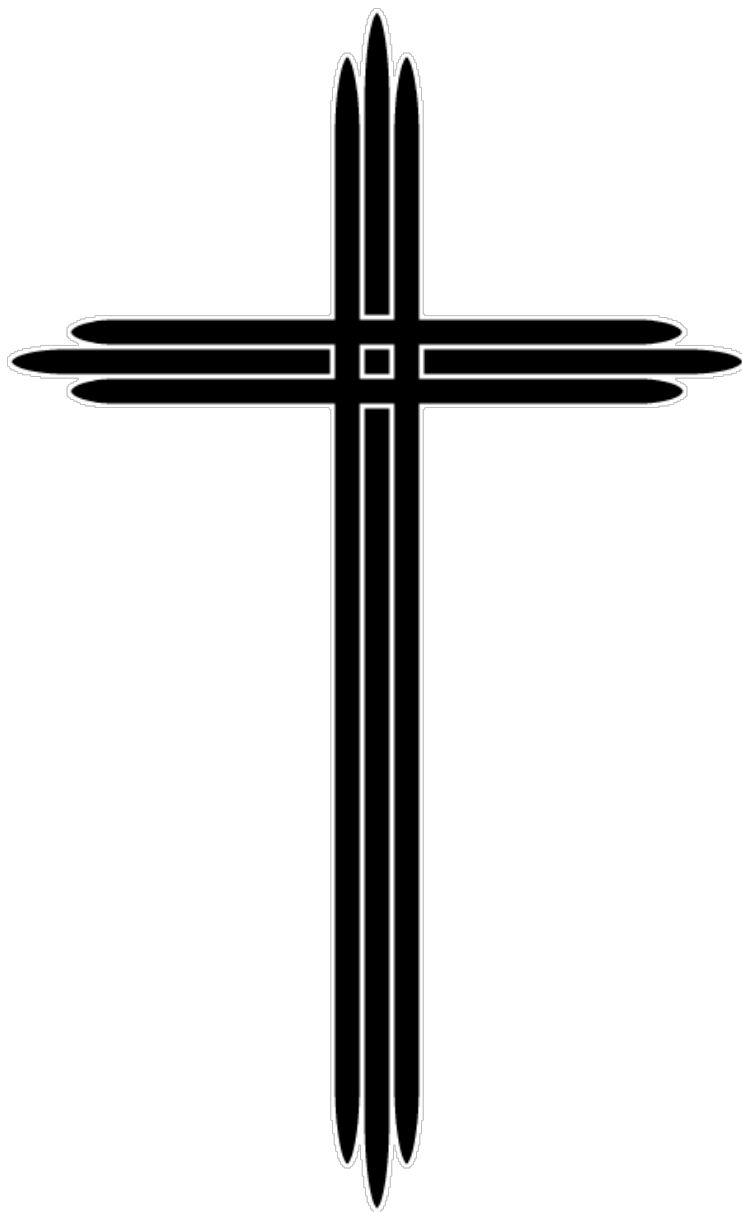


Welcome to
CHRIST CHURCH
THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST KILDA



The Fifth Sunday of Lent

17 March 2024

9.30am Parish Eucharist

Setting: Colin Smith, *Shalom Setting*

*Christ Church St Kilda Parish acknowledges the
Yaluk-ut Weelam Clan of the Boon Wurrung with deep respect.
We give thanks to God for their Elders, both past and present,
and their continuing relationship to this land.*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday March 19	9.30am Eucharist for the feast of St Joseph
Saturday April 6	10am-2pm Mini-Market
Sunday April 7	11am Parish Council
Monday April 8	9.30am Eucharist for the feast of the Annunciation (transferred from 25 March due to Holy Week)

Please ensure that your mobile phone is switched off

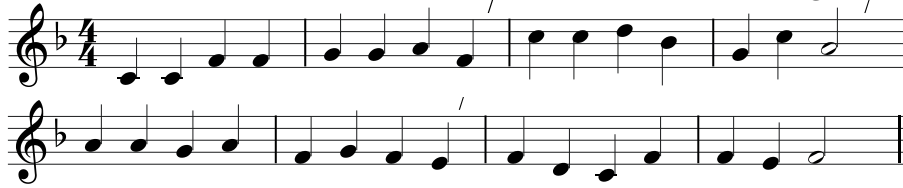
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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

All stand when the entrance bell is rung



**In the cross of Christ I glory,
towering o'er the wrecks of time;
all the light of sacred story
gathers round its head sublime.**

**Through the cross, Christ's love empowers us
worldliness and self deny;
by his Spirit it inspires us
him, through love, to glorify.**

**When the woes of life o'ertake us,
hopes deceive and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake us,
from it shines our peace and joy.**

**Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
by the cross are sanctified;
peace is there that knows no measure,
joys that through all time abide.**

**In the cross of Christ I glory,
towering o'er the wrecks of time;
all the light of sacred story
gathers round its head sublime.**

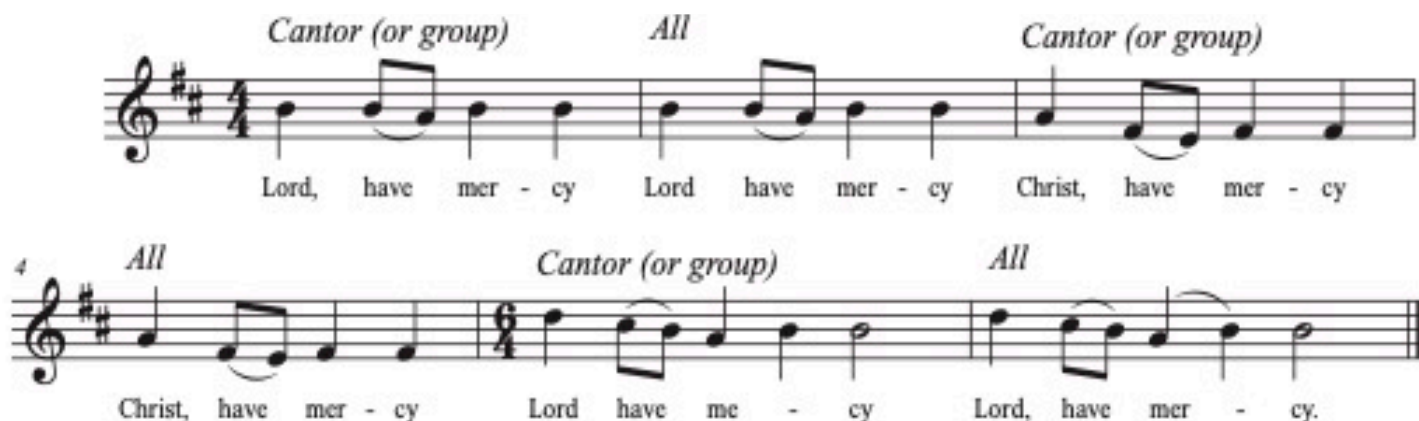
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**Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins,
whose mercy endures for ever.**

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

The celebrant introduces the service

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.



Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far 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.**

The celebrant reads the prayer of the day and the Lenten prayer

O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah

31.31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the Lord’, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord ; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Psalm 119

Repeat the response after the cantor and as indicated



They are happy whose way is blameless, who follow God's law! They are happy who do his will, seeking him with all their hearts.

Response

You have laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care. May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes. **Response**

Bless your servant and I shall live and obey your word. Open my eyes that I may see the wonders of your law. **Response**

Teach me the demands of your statutes and I will keep them to the end. Train me to observe your law, to keep it with my heart.

Response

Gelineau

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.'

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

All stand. Repeat the response after the cantor, and then as indicated

Gospel Acclamation:

Owen Alstott



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Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord;

And where I am, my servant will also be.

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 according to John

12.20-33

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who

hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

For the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

All sit

Sermon – Fr Craig D'Alton

All stand

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**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.**

All kneel or sit

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

After each prayer

...hear our prayer

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.**

All stand

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The altar is prepared and a collection is taken as all sing:



**Dear Father, Lord of humankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
reclothe us in our rightful mind:
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise,
in deeper reverence, praise.**

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee,
rise up and follow thee.

O sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love,
interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace,
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm,
O still small voice of calm.

John Greenleaf Whittier 1807–92 *alt.*
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The response to the Offertory Prayers is:

Blessed be God for ever.

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.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues.... praising you and singing:



The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues.... 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION

We who are many are one body:

For we all share in the one bread.

Cantor (or group) *All*

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

5 *Cantor (or group)* *All*

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

10 *Cantor (or group)* *All*

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

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

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

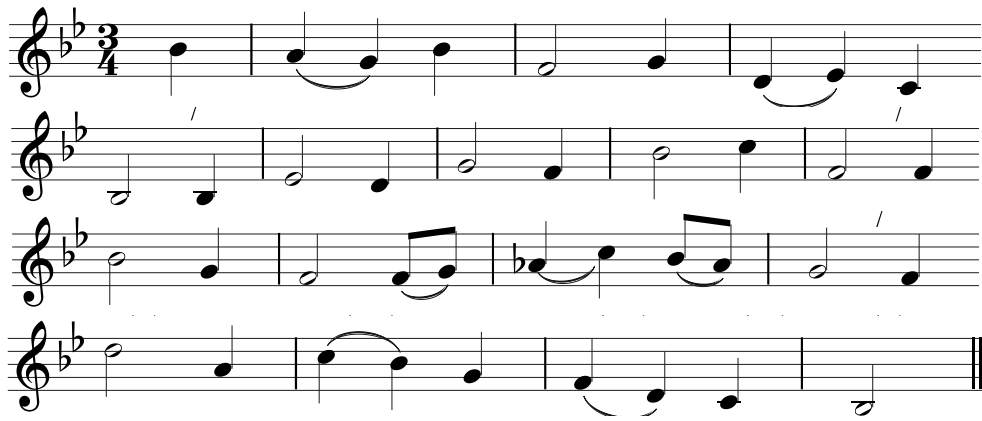
Communicant members of any church are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you would prefer a blessing, indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Communion is offered in both kinds. Please queue to receive the host (bread) first, and then the wine if you wish. All are welcome to receive the wine, but none must, as the sacrament is fully present in both species. PLEASE DO NOT INTINCT (DIP) THE HOST IN THE WINE as studies suggest this may be less hygienic than drinking from the common cup.

During Communion the cantor will sing "When God almighty came to be one of us"

After communion all stand

God of mercy, may we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world, through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE



**We sing the praise of him who died,
of him who died upon the cross;
the sinners' hope though all deride:
for this we count the world but loss.**

**Inscribed upon the cross we see
in shining letters, 'God is love';
he bears our sins upon the tree;
he brings us mercy from above.**

**The cross—it takes our guilt away,
it holds the fainting spirit up,
it cheers with hope the gloomy day
and sweetens every bitter cup:
it makes the coward spirit brave
and nerves the feeble arm for fight;
it takes all terror from the grave
and gilds the bed of death with light;
the balm of life, the cure of woe,
the measure and the pledge of love,
the sinner's refuge here below,
the angels' theme in heaven above.**

Thomas Kelly 1769–1855 *alt.*

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Announcements are made

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to live and work to your praise and glory.

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

All are welcome for Morning Tea in the Community Centre following the service.

From the Vicar

Dear parishioners and friends,

Next Sunday is Passion or “Palm” Sunday – the commencement of Holy Week. A goodly group has been learning about the major liturgies of Holy Week after morning tea during Lent, as this year we will undertake the full set of proper liturgies as recommended by the Liturgical Commission. I warmly encourage you to attend all, or as many as you are able, as together we journey to the cross and beyond.

Next Sunday’s Palm Liturgy will begin (weather-permitting) in the Memorial Garden. We will then process to the church for the Passion Liturgy and the remainder of the service. Immediately after the service, and before morning tea, there will be a short opportunity to run over some musical responses we will use during the remaining Holy Week services. This will only take ten minutes, but in the absence of a choir it will be good for everyone to be familiar with the responses in advance of the services. I encourage everyone to attend.

- Fr Craig

NOTICES

WINDOWS UPDATE

The restoration of the two windows in the sanctuary is proceeding apace, and the central Resurrection window was re-installed this week. It looks splendid! The Baptism of Christ window will return during Eastertide in time for the re-dedication of both windows by Bishop Genieve on the feast of Pentecost.

WORKING BEE

On Saturday 31 March (Holy Saturday) there will be a working bee to prepare the church for Easter services. All are welcome for Morning Prayer at 9am and cleaning to follow. BYO cleaning equipment!

EASTER EGGS

Donations of Easter Eggs to hand out at Easter services would be most welcome. Please bring any donations on Palm Sunday.

HOLY WEEK DIARY

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY – 24 March

9.30am Blessing of Palms and Parish Eucharist

Holy Monday Eucharist 9.30am

Holy Tuesday Eucharist 9.30am

Holy Wednesday Eucharist 9.30am

MAUNDY THURSDAY – 28 March

7.00pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

(The Church will remain open for the customary vigil for an hour.)

GOOD FRIDAY – 29 March

9.30am Ecumenical Service at Sacred Heart Catholic Church
(led by Port Phillip Uniting Church)

12 noon The Celebration of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY – 30 March

9.00am Morning Prayer, followed by working bee

8.00pm Great Vigil of Easter

EASTER DAY – 31 March

9.30am Easter Day Eucharist

ROSTER FOR MARCH

Date	1 st	2 nd	Intercessions	Euch Assistant	Offertory
17 Mar	Valerie	Lindy	Fr Ken	Valerie	Gary
24 Mar	Sandra	n/a	Philip	Geoffrey	Valerie

INTERCESSIONS

For the World:

For an end to political and military violence in the more than thirty countries currently in conflict; praying for the people of Palestine and Israel, Ukraine, Russia and South Sudan.

For the Church:

In the world-wide Community of Faith, we pray for the Episcopal Church (USA)(Bp Michael Curry). In Australia we pray for the diocese of Central Queensland (Bp Peter Grice). In this diocese we pray for St Paul's Geelong.

For the Community:

For the economically deprived and the homeless.

For the anxious, the isolated, and those overcome by fear.

For Christ Church Mission and the Community Centre staff and volunteers.

For the Sick: John, Joe, Charles, Aaron, Danny Allan, Byron, Elizabeth, Hugh, Mary & Brian and their carers, Helen, Fr Andrew, Evan, Ruth, Patty Dowd, Judy, Lee, Robyn, Fran, Peter, Greg and Sharyn and family & for those we name in our hearts.

For the Departed:

those who have died recently, and those whose Year's Mind occurs this week.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord & let light perpetual shine upon them.

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