FOR YOUR INFORMATION

NOTICES: All notices for inclusion are subject to approval and must be received to clean the Cathedral. Your assistance and by 12 noon Wednesday for publication the willingness to help is greatly appreciated. following Sunday.

Services This Week:

Sunday 28th March: 7.30am Eucharist 9.30am Morning Prayer

Please see the Notices sheet for the services for Easter weekend.

Readings for 4th April 2021:

Acts 10.34-43 Psalm Hymn to the Risen Christ 1 Corinthians 15.1-11 Mark 1-8

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Office hours – the office is currently open on Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9am to 12noon.

Low gluten wafers are available. Please indicate to the priest if you want low gluten wafers.

Thank you to the people who have offered

Date Claimer - Friday 16th April will be our next Social Night. More details are on the attached "Notices that don't fit sheet".

Morning Tea Rosters: We need volunteers for the morning tea roster at 7.30am and 9.30am services, beginning 4th April, Easter Sunday. Volunteers must be prepared to follow Covid Safe rules.

Please let Donna Parken or the wardens know if you are able to help.

BCA Boxes: During March, please bring in your money boxes for Bush Church Aid, the mission society that has been Reaching Australia for Christ since 1919. In our Diocese, BCA supports areas that would not have ministry without BCA. There are new boxes at the back, as well as literature about BCA. Noelle Frazer.

Pew Reflection: "If Christ spent an anguished night in prayer, if He burst out from the Cross, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' then surely we are also permitted doubt. But we must move on. To choose doubt as a philosophy of life is akin to choosing immobility as a means of transportation."

- Yann Martel, Life of Pi

Sunday Smile:



WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL 28 MAR. 2021 - 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT **SUNDAY OF THE PASSION (PALM SUNDAY)**



It is lovely to share in worship this morning. A very warm welcome to any newcomers or visitors.

Sentence:

At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2.10-11

Collect:

God of all, you gave your only begotten Son to take the form of a servant, and to be obedient even to death on a cross: give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus that, sharing in his humility, we may come to be with him in his glory, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY:

Church in Australia: Anglicare Australia

CQ Diocese: Vocational Deacons, Permission to Officiate, Retired Clergy, Clergy Widows, Clergy Widower

People in the Parish and Beyond: The elderly and housebound, the disabled, and those with mental

illnesses. Nursing Homes and Retirement Villages

Our partner Diocese - PNG: Diocese of the New Guinea Islands

Those known to us:

In Need: Brian and Jacqueline, Carmel, Ray, Phillip, Lorraine.

In Memoriam: Phyllis Aitken, Frank Luck, Damon Hiscock, John Genninges, Helen Winifred Vit, Veronica (Bonnie) Armstrong.

Recently Departed: Robert (Bob) Tompson. His funeral will be at the Cathedral on Thursday 1/4 at 12.30pm.

We care about you, so please let Dean Melusi or the Wardens know if you, a family member or someone you know, needs pastoral care or wants to be included in our prayers for healing.

28th March - Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50.4-9a

⁴ The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens - wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵ The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. ⁶ I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷ The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸ he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁹ It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Psalm 31.9-18

⁹ Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble:

my eye wastes away for grief, my throat also and my inward parts.

¹⁰ For my life wears out in sorrow, and my years with sighing:

my strength fails me in my affliction, and my bones are consumed.

¹¹ I am become the scorn of all my enemies:

and my neighbours wag their heads in derision.

¹² I am a thing of horror to my friends:

and those that see me in the street shrink from me.

¹³ I am forgotten like one dead and out of mind:

I have become like a broken vessel.

¹⁴ For I hear the whispering of many:

and fear is on every side;

¹⁵ while they plot together against me:

and scheme to take away my life.

¹⁶ But in you, Lord, have I put my trust:

I have said 'You are my God.'

¹⁷ All my days are in your hand:

O deliver me from the power of my enemies and from my persecutors.

¹⁸ Make your face to shine upon your servant:

and save me for your mercy's sake.

Philippians 2.5-11

⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel - Mark 15.1-39

¹ As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate, ² Pilate asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' He answered him, 'You say so.' Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, 'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.' 5 But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. 6 Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. 7 Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. 8 So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. 9 Then he answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' 10 For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. 11 But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. ¹² Pilate spoke to them again, 'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?' 13 They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' 14 Pilate asked them, 'Why, what evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more, 'Crucify him!' 15 So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. 16 Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. 17 And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. 18 And they began saluting him, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' 19 They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. ²⁰ After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. 21 They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. 22 Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). ²³ And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. 24 And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. ²⁵ It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶ The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews,' 27 And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. 29 Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saving, 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, 30 save yourself, and come down from the cross! 31 In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, 'He saved others; he cannot save himself. 32 Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.' Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. 33 When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, 34 At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' 35 When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.' 36 And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.' 37 Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. 38 And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom, ³⁹ Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!'

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Notices that Don't Fit

Road Closures for Friday 2nd April to Sunday 4th April: There is a handout outlining the road closures on good Friday to Easter Day available as you leave the Cathedral today. Please do not forget to collect your copy as the closures will affect traffic and parking around the Cathedral.

Ballads, Bards and Bites – 16 April

'To have fun, or not to have fun' – that is the question at our next social night on Friday 16 April, starting at 7pm. Come along to share in the food, music and frivolity as we celebrate poetry month and Shakespeare's birthday.

Bring along some friends, join in and have a good laugh. Who knows there may be some bards among us, or some spontaneous recitations of half remembered poems from school days! After all, who can forget 'I wandered lonely as a cloud' (W.Wordsworth).

\$15 entry covers meal and fun, with drinks on sale, and a raffle. For catering purposes please let us know by 11 April if you will be coming along.

And to even the playing field for those who know absolutely nothing about the Bard:

William Shakespeare was an English playwright, poet, and actor, widely regarded as the greatest writer in the English language and the world's greatest dramatist. He is often called England's national poet and the "Bard of Avon".

<u>Born</u>: April 1564, <u>Stratford-upon-Avon, United Kingdom</u> <u>Died</u>: 23 April 1616, <u>Stratford-upon-Avon, United Kingdom</u>

Spouse: Anne Hathaway (m. 1582–1616)

Anglicare Food Box.

The Anglicare Food box will now be emptied regularly. Thanks to those who have faithfully made donations in the past; Anglicare really appreciates the food. Please check the suggestions for suitable non-perishable grocery items on the lid of the box. Thank you. Noelle Frazer

EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday:

7.30pm Liturgy of the Last Supper.

Good Friday:

9.00am Liturgy of the cross and dramatic reading of the Gospel.

Easter Day:

7.30am Lighting of the Paschal Candle and Easter Day Eucharist.

9.30am Easter Day Eucharist.