

Anglican Parish of Gisborne



Easter 6C

May 25th/26th 2019

St John's, Riddells Creek – Saturday 5.30 pm

St Paul's, Gisborne – Sunday 9 am

Church of the Resurrection, Macedon – Sunday 10.30 am

*The 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.*

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 sidespersons.

Today's worship:

We Become What We Imagine

When I bring myself into the presence of God, I imagine him in many ways: as a loving father, a supporting sister, a caring mother, a severe teacher, an honest judge, a fellow traveller, an intimate friend, a gentle healer, a challenging leader, a demanding taskmaster. All these "personalities" create images in my mind that affect not only what I think, but also what I actually experience myself. I believe that true prayer makes us into what we imagine. To pray to God leads to becoming like God. . . .

The more we come to depend on the images offered to us by those who try to distract us, entertain us, use us for their purposes, and make us conform to the demands of a consumer society, the easier it is for us to lose our identity. These imposed images actually make us into the world that they represent, a world of hatred, violence, lust, greed, manipulations, and oppression. But when we believe that we are created in the image of God himself and come to realize that Christ came to let us reimagine this, then meditation and prayer can lead us to our true identity.

Henri Nouwen

Presider and Preacher at St John's and St Paul's: Fr Dennis Webster
Presider and Preacher at Church of the Resurrection Fr Andrew Covington

This Sunday: Easter 5	Acts 16.9-15	Psalm 67
	Revelation 21.10,22-22.5	John 14.23-29
Next Sunday: Easter 6	Acts 16.16-34	Psalm 97
	Revelation 22.12-14, 16,17,20,21	John 17.20-26

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Gathering of God's People

Introit Hymn
Together in Song | 14 Blessed be the everlasting God

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.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thought 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.**

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

You bid us to be reconciled before we come to your altar:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

On the cross you asked forgiveness for sinners:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You give to your Church the ministry of reconciliation.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

President

May Almighty God have mercy on us,

✠ forgive us our sins

and lead us into life everlasting.

In Jesus name. **Amen.**

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:

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

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

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 11, beginning at the first verse.

Acts 11.1-18

At the end of the reading:

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

Psalm 67



Let the peo-ples praise you, O God, let all the peo-ples praise you.

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God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
That your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations,
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad,
for you will judge the peoples righteously
and govern the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,
and God, our own God, will bless us.
God will bless us,
and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

A reading from the Revelation to Saint John the Divine

Revelation 21.10,22-22.5

At the end of the reading:

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

Please stand to greet the Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 14
beginning at verse 23

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 14.23-29

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.

An Affirmation of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

We believe and trust in one God,

✠ Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

At the conclusion of the prayers, the intercession book is placed on the altar as the following is said:

**Almighty God,
your ascended Son has sent us into the world
to preach the good news of your kingdom:
inspire us with your Spirit
and fill our hearts with the fire of your love,
that all who hear your Word
may be drawn to you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

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: handshake, hug or kiss (or any combination within reason!) with those around them.

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn

Together in Song 552 Come my way, my truth my life

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.

**Let our prayers rise before you, O God,
as we prepare your table.**

**Purify us by your gracious presence
and fashion our lives**

to be worthy of the praise we offer.

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.

It is truly right and just,
our duty and our salvation,
to praise you, Lord God, in every season,
but most of all in these most holy days
when Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed.

Christ is our eternal priest,
who pleads our cause eternally before you;
Christ is the victim who dies no more,
the Lamb who lives as slain for ever.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness.
The angels and the powers of all creation
sing the ageless hymn of your glory

**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.

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

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.'

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.'

Let us proclaim the Mystery of Faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.

✠ Renew us by your Holy Spirit
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:

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

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us,

and clothe us with power from on high. Alleluia.

The Lord's Prayer is said

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
as our Saviour taught us, so we 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.**



The dis - ci - ples_ knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.
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The bread which we break, Alleluia!
is the communion of the body of Christ.

We are one body, alleluia!
For though many, we share one bread.

The invitation to communion is given in these words.

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

Anthem at the Church of the Resurrection
God be in my head

1. Malcolm Archer, SASC vol 1, p. 18
2. H Walford Davies, TIS 549

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
Together in Song 687 God gives us a future

The Blessing and Dismissal

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement
grant you to live in such harmony with one another,
in accord with Christ Jesus,
that together you may with one voice
glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:
and the blessing of God almighty,
✠ the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

Postlude at the Church of the Resurrection
Allegro maestoso, op 15 no 7, Gustav Merkel

For more about *Thy Kingdom Come* and events that will be taking place, ways you can participate, inspiring stories and further resources, visit www.thykingdomcome.global

PRAYING FOR YOUR 5 DURING THY KINGDOM COME

Thy Kingdom Come encourages every Christian to pray for 5 individuals so that they would know God's love for them in Christ.

ASCENSION DAY May 30th Jesus

Pray for your 5 friends to encounter Jesus in all his grace, challenge and love, that they might say with St Paul, 'For me, to live is Christ'

FRIDAY AFTER ASCENSION May 31st Praise

Pray for your 5 to be woken up to all that they have already received from God in their lives, and all that he offers them in Christ, that they might praise him.

SATURDAY AFTER ASCENSION June 1st Thanks

Pray for your 5 to recognise the goodness of God in their lives, that they would turn to God in gratitude and trust.

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION June 2nd Sorry

Pray for your 5 to be led by the Holy Spirit to understand the cost of God's love for them in Christ, that this great sacrifice would lead them to repentance.

MONDAY June 3rd Offer

Pray for the Holy Spirit to bring an understanding of life in all its fullness that will be theirs as your 5 put everything they have at the disposal of God.

TUESDAY June 4th Pray for

Pray for the Holy Spirit to work in the lives of your 5 now, as you pray for specific things that you know they face.

WEDNESDAY June 5th Help

Pray for your 5 that they would know that they never have to face anything alone, but that in their need they would call on God for help.

THURSDAY June 6th Adore

For the eyes of your 5 to be opened to all that Jesus offers them and that they would turn their faces to him and enjoy the warmth of his love.

FRIDAY June 7th Celebrate

Pray for yourself and those others the Lord sends to help show your 5 their route home to God, that they would know the loving father running to greet them.

SATURDAY June 8th Silence

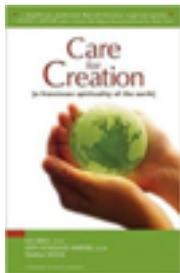
Pray for the Holy Spirit to put on your heart the desires of heaven for your 5.

THE DAY OF PENTECOST June 9th Thy Kingdom Come

Pray ‘Come Holy Spirit’ for your 5 friends, that they may joyfully enter the Kingdom of God and find themselves used by God to pray and act ‘Thy Kingdom Come.’

Notices

The Education for Ministry (EfM) group will be discussing “Care for Creation (a Franciscan spirituality of the earth)” - Ilia Delio, Keith Douglass Warner & Pamela Wood, at our meetings on June 23rd and 30th at 4.00pm at the Church of the Resurrection.



“In this thoughtful and inspiring book, the authors provide a great service to the earth and all its inhabitants. They show how a contemporary Franciscan spirituality of Creation following the footprints of Jesus with the guidance of Saint Francis of Assisi, can help renew the face of the earth in our own time.” – John F Haught. Ph.D., senior fellow, science and religion, Woodstock Theological .

If you would like to join us, please let Alison or Debra know. If we need to purchase more books, we will need to know this week in order for them to be shipped in time or alternatively you may like to source your own book on line.

Alison & Debra.

Blanket Appeal

Time to begin foraging through your cupboards for unwanted blankets and towels in support of the Parish Animal Welfare Network’s annual blanket appeal for the Mount Alexander Animal Welfare Shelter in Castlemaine throughout the month of June. Collection baskets will be left at each centre. Many thanks, Janine Mc Dougall & Rosemary Homewood, co-convenors, Parish Animal Welfare Network.

Big Raffle Tickets Now Available - 3 FOR \$5

Drawn on first Sunday in June

Tickets are available from:

Rosemary Homewood, Popsy Colquhoun and Elaine Millar

Ration Lunch Sunday June 30th, 1pm, Gisborne Centre

To commemorate Refugee Week, the Parish Refugee Support Group will be holding a ration lunch in support of Act For Peace's work with refugees languishing indefinitely in camps overseas. Entry by donation. Bookings: Janine Mc Dougall, (m) 0418171092, (email) withgrace@bigpond.com

Biggest Morning Tea

A well attended and delicious morning tea was held at the Parish Centre on Thursday when over 50 people from church and community gathered to support the Cancer Council. A very interesting and informative talk on cancer related diets, recovery and support was given by Naturopath Leisa Blanch.

Proceeds from the door and raffle amounted to \$727.00. Thanks are extended to Bakers Delight for their donation of scones. St Paul's Guild sponsored this event which has been held annually for 16 years during which time over \$8,000.00 has been raised. If anyone who would like to consult further with Leisa, her address is at Gisborne Health Essentials, 43 Brantome Street, Gisborne.

MISSION MASH '19



1kg POTATOES \$3 and 2kg FOR \$5

This week in the Parish

Sunday May 26th

9.00 am	Holy Communion	St Paul's Gisborne
10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	Church of the Resurrection Macedon
2.30pm	Field Committee	Church of the Resurrection Macedon
3.45 pm	Education for Ministry	Church of the Resurrection Macedon

Monday May 27th

10.00 am	Play Group	Parish Hall, Gisborne
1.30 pm	Card Group	Parish Centre, Gisborne

Tuesday May 28th

10.00 am	Play Group	Parish Hall, Gisborne
1.30 pm	Bible Study	Parish Centre, Gisborne
7.30 pm	Parish Council	Church of the Resurrection Macedon

Wednesday May 29th

10.00 am	Eucharist	St Paul's Gisborne
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Thursday May 30th ASCENSION DAY

Thy Kingdom Come

10.00 am	Eucharist	St John's Riddells Creek
6.00 pm	Meeting AA	Parish Centre, Gisborne
7.30 pm	Eucharist	Church of the Resurrection Macedon

Friday May 31st

Thy Kingdom Come

11.00am	Funeral: Ray Lane	St Mary's Woodend
11.00am	Pie Orders pick-up	Parish Centre

Saturday June 1st

Thy Kingdom Come

2.00 pm	Eucharist	The Oaks
5.30 pm	Eucharist	St John's Riddells Creek

Sunday June 2nd EASTER 7

Thy Kingdom Come

9.00 am	Holy Communion	St Paul's Gisborne
10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	Church of the Resurrection Macedon
3.45 pm	Education for Ministry	Church of the Resurrection Macedon

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A Right Royal Triv? a Night Games & Auction

Saturday



29th June 2019



7.00pm



Jubilee Hall

Smith St. Macedon

\$25 per head

Tables of 10

**BYO Supper and Drinks, Glasses &
Gold Coins for competitions**



**Dress - suitable for a royal occasion
Tea/Coffee and Chocolates Supplied**



Supporting Community Projects in the Macedon Ranges

To book a table or a place on a table:

Phone Alison 0418 394 201 or Brett 0400 877 018

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