



Lent 3 Year B

St John's Riddells Creek Saturday 5.30 p.m.

St Paul's Gisborne, Sunday 9 a.m.

Church of the Resurrection Sunday 10.30 a.m.

March 3rd/4th, 2018

Welcome

A warm welcome to our Parish

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 sides-persons.

Angry Jesus? Nowhere in the text does it actually say that Jesus was angry, yet, there are people who believe that Jesus overturns the trading tables and shows great strength of purpose, he must have been angry. The problem for some is that anger is equated for one of the seven deadly sins, *wrath*. That is where we leave our purpose of love aside and act in fury. So, is Jesus acting in fury, or out of love? In terms of the point that follows, the cleansing of the Temple by removing those who would make it inaccessible to the common person is the beginning of the rebuilding of God's presence on Earth. By the end of this week, Jesus would be tried, dead, buried and then risen.

How about *righteous anger*? The interesting theologian Thomas Aquinas, in the 12th century wrote: *Anger is "the name of a passion. A passion of the sensitive appetite is good in so far as it is regulated by reason, whereas it is evil if it set the order of reason aside."* Reasonable anger? Now, there's a thought...

Readings for Today: Exodus 20.1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1.18-25; John 2.13-22

Readings for Next Weekend: Numbers 21.4-9; Psalm 107.1-3,17-22; Ephesians 2.1-10; John 3.14-21

Parish Fire Policy:

If a CODE RED day is declared [this is the most extreme rating] and this occurs on a Saturday or Sunday – then please note that all services and/or parish activities will be cancelled on that day.

This policy will also apply during the week and to all our centres. For other fire danger ratings, it is important that everyone implement their own fire plan. Your own fire plan must always take precedence even if you are on a rostered duty.

The Gathering of the People

The people stand and sing the Trisagion as the minister/s process

This setting is intended to be sung three times.

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y.

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The musical score consists of two systems of vocal lines. The first system has a soprano line and a bass line. The second system also has a soprano line and a bass line. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first system's lyrics are "Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y." and the second system's lyrics are "Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us." The notes are in a simple, homophonic style.

The invocation is then said by the Presider.

The words printed in bold type are said or sung by the people.

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

The Presider greets the people in these words.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts be 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.**

The Kyries may be said or sung:

All sing:

Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

Choir only: Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy

² All sing:

Christ have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy.

Choir only: Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy

³ All sing:

Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

Confession and Absolution

The minister introduces the confession with these words.

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.

Silence

**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.**

The Presider pronounces God's forgiveness to which the people reply Amen.

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all
who turn to him in faith:
✠ pardon you and set you free
from all yours sins,
strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The prayer of the day is said by the Presider.

Holy God,
you display the depth of your wisdom
in the cross of Christ.
Let that wisdom fashion us anew
as a community of faith,
of obedience to your commandments
and of longing for your justice.
Draw us into the depths of your mystery,
and in the body of the risen Christ
give to us that holy place
where we may serve you in peace.
We ask this in the name of Jesus
who is one with you and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

The Ministry of the Word

The people sit for the reading/s from the scriptures.

First Lesson: Exodus 20.1-17

After the Lesson, the reader says

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

Psalm 19



The sky tells the glo-ry of God, tells the gen-ius of God's work.

The sky tells the glory of God, tells the genius of God's work

The sky tells the glory of God,
tells the genius of God's work.
Day carries the news to day,
night brings the message to night.

Without a word, without a sound,
without a voice being heard,
and yet their message fills the world,
their news reaches its rim.

There God has pitched a tent
for the sun to rest and rise renewed
like a bridegroom rising from bed,
an athlete eager to run a race.

It springs from the edge of the earth,
runs a course across the sky
to win the race at heaven's end.
Nothing on earth escapes its heat.

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Howard Hughes
1930—

The people remain seated for the second reading.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1.18-25

After the Lesson, the reader says

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

The people stand and the following may be sung for the gospel procession.

First time: Choir only

Second time: All



**The Lord is a great God, O that today you would listen to his voice.
Harden not your hearts.**

The people remain standing and the appointed minister proclaims the gospel, first saying

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The appointed Gospel from John 2.13-22 is now proclaimed.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Breaking open the Word

Following the sermon a short period of silence is observed.

The people stand and the minister introduces an Affirmation of Faith

Let us together affirm our faith.

**We believe in one God, creator of all life,
maker of past, present and future.
Lord of all people and of all memories and hopes.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
God's Word of grace, and love made flesh,
who came to declare good news to those in despair,
to liberate both the oppressed and the oppressor,
to proclaim God's mercy as our hope.**

**We believe in God's Holy Spirit,
who takes our shattered dreams and makes us whole again,
who lifts our dying spirits and gives us courage,
who resurrects us to new life.**

**We believe that the Church is of God
and will endure to the end of time,
and calls us into a life of love and service.**

**Blessed is our God:
✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

The people may stand or sit for the prayers. The Presider says

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

The prayers end with this as the folder is placed on the Altar:

As we, with one voice, offer our prayers, we place the names of those for whom our prayers have been asked on the altar, offering them to you with our gifts as we pray:

**God, ever present to your people,
make us persevere in our quest for holiness,
and while we seek to serve you in this present age,
set our hearts on your eternal glory.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Greeting of Peace and Offertory

All stand for the Greeting of Peace with these words.

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may exchange a greeting of peace.

The offertory hymn is sung during which the gifts of the people – bread, wine, and money are collected and brought forward.

Offertory Hymn: 131 Father of Heaven, whose profound love

The gifts of the people are presented and the Presider says

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.

**Gracious God,
as we come to your table,
reconcile us to one another,
that our communion in Christ
may truly give your praise.
We ask this through Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing and the Presider says

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.

...for ever praising you and saying/singing:

**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.**

or the following may be sung. The choir sing the 'cantor' part.

Choir only: Hosanna in the highest

All sing:



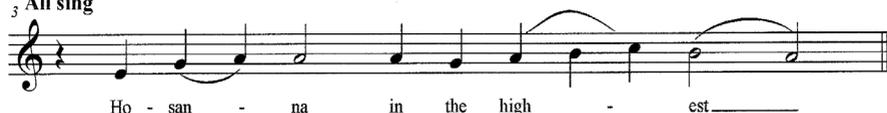
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² All sing:



Choir only: Heaven and earth are full of your glory

³ All sing



...the prayer continues

A minister says

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Choir only: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

All sing:



... in songs of never-ending praise:

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

or the following is sung:

Choir only: Amen, amen.

All sing:



The Presider says

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 Bread and the Communion

The Presider says

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.

The people say or sing the Agnus Dei.

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

or the following is sung:

**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.**

Choir only: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

All sing:



Choir only: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

² **All sing:**



Choir only: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

³ **All sing:**



The Presider invites the people to come and receive Communion with these words.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those called to his supper.

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

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord.
All are welcome at his supper. Come.

Communion Anthem at Church of the Resurrection
By the Waters of Babylon

The Sending Out of God's People

A minister says

Let us stand to pray:

The Presider says a post-communion prayer.

God of mission,
who alone brings growth to your Church,
send your Holy Spirit to give
vision to our planning,
wisdom to our actions,
and power to our witness.

**Take our hands and work through them;
take our lips and speak through them;
take our minds and think through them;
take our hearts and set them on fire with love for you.**

A hymn of Thanksgiving is sung:

Together in Song: 115 Behold the amazing gift of love.

Notices may follow.

The Presider says a prayer over the people in place of the usual blessing during Lent.

Look upon us, Lord,
as we continue our works of self-denial and prayer,
working for the healing for our wounded humanity.
As we acknowledge our own weaknesses,
raise us up again in your abiding mercy.
This we ask in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

The minister says

We go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Postlude at Church of the Resurrection

Prelude on 'Abridge'

(Behold the amazing gift of love)

C.S. Lang

Notices

Mission Lunch March 25th, 2018 (Palm Sunday)

Where: Riddells Creek Hotel

Time: 12.30 pm

Cost: Lunch \$20 (two course lunch)

Donation \$5 for Broadmeadows Women's Community House.

Please remember to bring non-perishable food items to Church and place in the baskets (or to the Parish Centre).

WANTED! Lids off aerosol cans and liquid laundry bottles. If you can help, please hand over to Lorna Howard.

**Leading our Church into Growth –
Group Gatherings, continued!**

Session 2 - Our Journey (*Growing deeper as followers of Jesus*)

Tuesday, March 6 1.30pm – Parish Centre &
7.30pm – Church of the Resurrection

Wednesday, March 7 10.30am – Parish Centre, following 10am Eucharist

Session 3 - Our Heart (*Worship that helps the church to grow*)

Tuesday, March 20 1.30pm – Parish Centre
7.30pm – Church of the Resurrection

Wednesday, March 21 10.30am – Parish Centre, following 10am Eucharist

Let us come together this Lent to action leading our church into growth!

More information to follow

This Week!

Monday 5th	10.00am	Play Group, Parish Hall, Gisborne
Tuesday 6th	10.00am	Play Group, Parish Hall, Gisborne
	1.30pm	LYCIG Group Gathering, Parish Centre
	7.30pm	LYCIG Group Gathering, CoR
Wednesday 7th	10.00am	Eucharist, St Paul's, Gisborne
	10.30am	LYCIG Group Gathering, Parish Centre
Saturday 10th	5.30pm	Eucharist, St John's, Riddells Creek
Sunday 12th	9.00am	Eucharist, St Paul's, Gisborne
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist, CoR, Macedon
	2.30pm	Seraphim Trio concert, CoR

Twilight Barbecue: On Wednesday 14 March at 6pm St Paul's Guild will be having a social outing and will be meeting at the John Aitken Park, opposite Coles in Gisborne. It is a BYO everything, bque facilities available or bring a take-away or food of your choice. They would be delighted if other parishioners would like to join them, and all are welcome. Further details from Elaine, 5428 2522. Also, Guild members please note there is no meeting tomorrow, Monday 5 March.

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**Parish Getaway 2018
Long Weekend June 8 - 11**

EL Kanah Marysville offers guests warm hospitality, log fires and air-conditioned winter comfort, delicious homestyle food in a friendly welcoming environment.

Located opposite the Marysville Golf and Bowls Club, just a few minutes from the centre of Marysville, El Kanah sits on 12 acres of land with magnificent views. It is only a short trip from Melbourne through the beautiful Yarra Valley and close to Lake Mountain, the snow resort.

A fun time was had by the Parish in 2016!

The plan for 2018 is :

Fri – Arrive after dinner

Sat – Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Sun – Continental Breakfast, Lunch & Departure

Extra meals and accommodation are available for individual needs Friday, Sunday and Monday

Cost

\$385 per person – Single accommodation

\$245 per person – Twin share

Deposit

A \$150 deposit is to be paid by the end of February to secure a place
BSB 033-624

Account Number 120 730

Account Name: Anglican Parish of Gisborne

Reference: Parish Getaway Surname

It is a social relaxing weekend with the possibility of worship on Saturday and a visit to the local parish on Sunday.

For further information contact Peter Davies 0498 931 738 or email pmd3@bigpond.com

Our attendance supports a Christian organisation in a community still recovering from the Black Saturday bushfires.