



ANGLICAN PARISH OF
GISBORNE

MACEDON | RIDDELLS CREEK | GISBORNE



Easter 7A

20/21st May 2023

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

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

Church of the Resurrection, Macedon, Sunday 10.30 a.m.

Worship Resource

*The Parish of Gisborne would like to acknowledge that we meet on Kulin Nation country.
We pay our respects to Kulin Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to any
First Nations people who are present today.*

We acknowledge that Aboriginal sovereignty has not been ceded.

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

#FROMTHEHEART

Welcome

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

Weekly Thoughts

During the week, Mary Duggan, Lorna Howard and Fr Dennis attended an online meeting to explore the latest changes to Child Safety and analysed the responses required by us as a Parish.

Most importantly, whilst the Diocese is responsible for our compliance, this is not a Church initiative but a mandated response arising from recent changes to the Child Well-being and Safety Act 2005 (Vic). All institutions that work with or provide for children are required by law to comply.

Some of the actions required are already implemented within the life of the Parish, but extra will be required. The three-year rollout has commenced, and some new standards already require initial attention.

Parish Councils are now required to provide a report on Child Safety at EVERY Parish Council meeting and report at the Annual Parish Meeting each November.

Please be aware that training (up to three units) is required every three years. Most Parish Councillors have complied with Level 3 but must revisit Levels 1 and 2. Levels 1 and 2 can be done as a group or online, and any parishioner is welcome to attend training sessions. Dates for levels 1 and 2 will be made available soon, and Level 3 compliance is a paid online programme. Mary Duggan and Debra Saffrey-Collins were reconfirmed as Child Safe Officers at the 2022 Annual Parish Meeting.

With the proposed change of worship time and style at the St John's Church, group leaders and musicians must complete all three levels. The Parish is content to pay the cost of Level 3.

St John's will hold its last Saturday evening service this coming week. As of the 4th of June, worship will be at **4 pm on Sundays**, emphasising ministry to children and youth. Team building and planning will be an integral part of the worship in June, with a view to the full rollout in July. Any in the Parish who would like to be part of the planning or invite their children, grandchildren, and broader families to attend are most welcome. It is not a closing of St John's but a 're-pitching' of the tent!

This Sunday:	Easter 7A	Acts 1.6-14 I Peter 4.12-14; 5.6-11	Psalms 68.1-10,32-35 John 17.1-11
Next Sunday:	PENTECOST	Acts 2.1-21 I Corinthians 12.3b-13	Psalms 104.26-36,37b John 20.19-23

One service only at Saint Paul's

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The Gathering of the People

1 Holy God, we praise your name,
Lord of all, we bow before you;
all on earth your power proclaim,
all in heaven above adore you;
boundless is your vast domain,
everlasting is your reign.

2 Hear the loud celestial hymn
angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim,
in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heavens with sweet accord:
'Holy, holy, holy Lord!'

3 Holy Father, holy Son,
holy Spirit, three we name you,
while in essence only one,
undivided God we claim you,
and adoring bend the knee,
while we own the mystery.

4 King of glory, God's own Son,
humbly our poor nature sharing,
now to save us you have come,
all our sin and sorrow bearing;
you have brought us saving grace,

5. Spare your people, Lord, we pray,
by a thousand snares surrounded;
keep us free from sin today,
never let us be confounded:
grant us with your saints a place;
all our trust is in your grace.

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God has gone up with a shout.

the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

Psalms 47:5

Blessed be God, ✠ Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever!

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father

and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

and also with you.

Minyan! Wominjika!

Minyan!

Dear friends in Christ, for forty days we have been celebrating with joyful hearts the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, his bursting from the tomb and his defeat of the power of sin and death. He appeared to his disciples many times and told them about the kingdom of God.

Today we recall how he left this earth and returned to his Father, ascending into heaven to take his throne over all dominions and powers. Trusting in his reign over all creation, and submitting to his kingly yet loving rule, let us hear the story of his parting.

Confession and Absolution

But first, we bring to mind our own failings,
and seek the forgiveness of our merciful and loving God.

A significant silence follows for self reflection.

You have ascended to God's right hand:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You pour upon us the gifts of the Spirit
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You sustain us with the power of your word.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

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.**

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.**

The Collect

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. **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.

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

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 1.6-14

After the Lesson, the reader says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.



He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Psalms 68.1-10

At St John's and St Paul's

(Response for Church of the Resurrection after ®)

® Our God is a God of salvation

Let God arise and let his enemies be scattered;

let those that hate him flee before him.

As the smoke vanishes, so may they vanish away;

as wax melts at the fire,

so let the wicked perish at the presence of God. ®

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;

let them make merry with gladness.

Sing to God, sing praises to his name;

exalt him who rides on the clouds.

The Lord is his name; rejoice before him. ®

Father of the fatherless, defender of widows,

God in his holy habitation!

God gives the solitary a home

and brings forth prisoners to songs of welcome,

but the rebellious inhabit a burning desert. ®

O God, when you went forth before your people,

when you marched through the wilderness,

The earth shook and the heavens dropped down rain,

at the presence of God, the Lord of Sinai,

at the presence of God, the God of Israel. ®

You sent down a gracious rain, O God;

you refreshed your inheritance when it was weary.

Your people came to dwell there;

in your goodness, O God, you provide for the poor. ®

® Our God is a God of salvation.

The people remain seated for the second reading.

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

1 Peter 4.12-14; 5.6-11

After the Lesson, the reader says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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

at Church of the Resurrection:

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!

At Saint John's and Saint Paul's:

'I will not leave you orphaned,' says the Lord.

'Because I live, you also will live.'

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 you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 17.1-11

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Breaking open the Word

Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm the faith of the Church which Christ commissions us to share with the world.

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

I 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?

I 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?

I 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

The Prayers of the People

The people may stand or sit for the prayers.

With our heads down, our hands stilled,
we open our hearts to hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

The response to “Lord, bless Your world,” is

and fill us with your Spirit

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

Look upon your people, O God,

gathered in prayer to await the gift of the Spirit,

and as we place our trust in your providence,

keep us faithful to your word of life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Greeting of Peace and Offertory

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.

Lord Christ, at your first eucharist you prayed
that all your church might be for ever one;
may at each eucharist this prayer be made
with longing heart and soul, 'Your will be done.'
O may we all one bread, one body be,
through this blest sacrament of unity.

For all your church, O Lord, we intercede;
make all our sad divisions soon to cease;
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,
by drawing all to you, O Prince of Peace:
thus may we all one bread, one body be,
through this blest sacrament of unity.

We also pray for wanderers from your fold;
O bring them back, Good Shepherd of the sheep,
back to the faith which saints believed of old,
back to your church which still one faith must keep:
soon may we all one bread, one body be,
through this blest sacrament of unity.

So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease
may we be one with all your church above,
one with your saints in one unbroken peace,
one with your saints in one unbounded love;
more blessed still, in peace and love to be
one with the Trinity in Unity.

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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.

**God of praise,
let this act of service and fellowship
lead us into the glory of your presence,
together with Christ,
who is alive, now and for ever. 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.

Divine Praise

It is indeed right and good,
our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give You thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ the King of glory.

Born of a woman,

He came to the rescue of our human race.

Dying for us,

He trampled death and conquered sin.

By the glory of His resurrection

He opened the way to life eternal

and by His ascension,

**gave us the sure hope
that where He is we may also be.**

Therefore the universe resounds with Easter joy
and with choirs of angels we sing for ever to your praise:

**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.

Setting aside of our gifts

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.

With this bread...

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 cup...

After supper he took the cup,
and again giving you 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.

The minister says

Let us proclaim the Mystery of Faith.

Christ had died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Keeping the Lord's commandments:

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.

Sanctify our worship and lives

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 everlasting 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 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 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. *Response*

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



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

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

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

Anthem at Church of the Resurrection
Now the green blade rises, *trad. French, ^*. A Bullard

The Sending Out of God's People

The Presider says a post-communion prayer.

God of salvation.

through these holy gifts

maintain us in the sure hope

that you will fulfil for the whole body of the Church

what is already accomplished in the glory of Christ

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.

Post Communion Hymn

1. Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us,
you are one with us,
Mary's son;
cleansing our souls from all their sin,
pouring your love and goodness in;
Jesus, our love for you we sing,
living Lord.

2. Lord Jesus Christ,
now and everyday
teach us how to pray,
Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
this in remembrance, Lord, of you:
into our lives your power breaks through,
living Lord

3. Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us,
born as one of us,
Mary's son;
led out to die on Calvary,
risen from death to set us free,
living Lord Jesus, help us see
you are Lord.

4. Lord Jesus Christ,
I would come to you,
live my life for you,
Son of God.
All your commands I know are true,
your many gifts will make me new,
into my life your power breaks through,
living Lord.

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The Commissioning

Jesus said, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Matthew 28

Today's postlude at Macedon will be
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Responsory and Blessing

As we wait in silence,

make us ready for Your coming Spirit.

As we listen to Your word,

make us ready for Your coming Spirit.

As we worship You in majesty,

make us ready for Your coming Spirit.

As we long for Your refreshing

make us ready for Your coming Spirit.

As we long for Your renewing,

make us ready for Your coming Spirit.

As we long for Your equipping,

make us ready for Your coming Spirit.

As we long for Your empowering,

make us ready for Your coming Spirit.

God the Father,

who has given to His Son the name above every name,
strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord. **Amen.**

God the Son,

who is our great high priest passed into the heavens,
plead for you at the right hand of the Father. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,

who pours out His abundant gifts upon the Church,
make you faithful servants of Christ our King. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,

✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Awaiting for the coming of the Holy Spirit
the disciples devoted themselves to prayer.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Maranatha! Come, Lord Jesus.

We depart in peace. Alleluia, alleluia!



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Ascension Day – Thursday 18 May 2023

• Acts 1.1-11; Psalm 110;

Ephesians 1.15-23; Matthew 28.16-20

Ascension Day is one of the earliest Christian festivals, celebrated forty days after Easter and ten days before Pentecost. Since his resurrection, Jesus was teaching his disciples to continue the work and witness he had begun and the message in today's gospel is for us today. It is an invitation to be immersed in the saving grace offered by our triune God. Just as Jesus was received by the Father, we can be received, in and through the Holy Spirit.

- Offer thanksgiving for God's grace and pray to be open to opportunities to share that grace with others.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

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Marilyn and Trev invite you
to celebrate with them their

50th Anniversary

with cake-n-bubbles after the Church service at
Macedon (This Sunday)

Continuing the legacy of Andrew Covington and drawing on excellent scholarly contributions from Graham Snell, our group of up to 12 attendees around the inspired word of God, will be starting a new series.

The series is Christ in the Old Testament. “Finding Treasure”.

The topics include:-

- Eternal, Divine and Glorious
- Pictures that point to Jesus:
- Christ and the Covenants
- Christ in Israel's Worship
- Christ and the Old Testament People
- Christ in the Psalms
- Christ the Suffering servant

The study guide encourages us to consider how we apply our faith when dealing with day-to-day issues, concerns, opportunities, and achievements in our lives. At \$9.50 it will be available later in May.

On May 20 before the study guide arrives Graham Snell will lead us on the Servant Songs from Isaiah, Psalms 22 & 23 and Jesus' embodiment within Ezekiel.

All members of the group can contribute to the discussion, and we gain insight, observation, and inspiration. Anyone wishing to attend, can do so at any time. The group meets for 1 hour at the Parish Centre over coffee, on the first and third Saturdays of the month, at 9 am. **For further information you can contact Peter Davies 0429 931 738.**

SUPPORT THE PEOPLE OF MYANMAR Mission Dinner

Through its Anglican partner, the Church of the Province of Myanmar (CPM), the Anglican Board of Mission (ABM) is supporting the people of Myanmar who have lost their means of livelihood during these difficult times.

Funds raised are being used to provide basic water and health needs of internally displaced peoples.

Help re-start livelihoods and families affected by the current political situation in Myanmar.

Donations to this project are vitally needed.



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Mission Dinner

Anglican Parish of Gisborne

Saturday 27th May 2023

Church of the Resurrection Macedon

Corner Honour Ave & Mt Macedon Rd

Macedon

6.00pm for 6.30pm

**First-hand (illustrated) stories from
ABM pilgrims to Myanmar in 2020.**

Enjoy a 3-course meal including wine

\$45.00 per person

**All proceeds of the dinner will go to
supporting our ABM Mission Project.**

You will also have an opportunity to donate more money to ABM's Integrated Water, Sanitation and WASH Project Myanmar. **If you cannot attend, please consider making a donation and see Brett Collins for further details.

For catering and dietary purposes please book by **Thursday 25th May 2023** through the parish office or Brett Collins
email: office@anglicanparishgisborne.org.au
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