

**CHILD SAFETY**

*As a Christian community, meeting together to worship God, we affirm our commitment to ensuring the safety of each child who interacts with our community.*

*Our statement of commitment for Child Safety is available on our website or in the Narthex of each Parish Centre.*

***Mission Statement:** To live as disciples of Christ embracing his teaching of love and service to all.*

***Vision Statement:** To be known as God's people of prayer, to be welcoming of all our sisters and brothers by being inclusive and sensitive to diversity, open to change and growing as a community by the love and grace of Christ.*

**PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS**

Although the Church building is not open for services or prayer, due to Government restrictions to curb the spread of the Corona Virus,

**WE ARE THE CHURCH**

**OUR HEARTS ARE OPEN TO GOD AND EACH OTHER**

please consider the continuation of your Stewardship giving by Direct Debit - St Matthew's Glenroy with St Linus' Merlynston  
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**PLEASE NOTE:** Lois and Tim Erickson are changing their contact details. Their landline phone number is to be decommissioned. Mobile number for Lois is unchanged. If you require email contact please contact - Glenda, Bev Lacock, Tom, Avril, Sertug,

Because of the Corona Virus pandemic, April issue of The Melbourne Anglican (TMA ) is not in the usual print format, but available at

<http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/this-months-tma>

in various formats for reading online and printing. Please note that the Prayer Diary has not been included within the pages of TMA this month, but can be found at

<https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/spiritual-resources/>.

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**AN EASTER MESSAGE IN THESE CHALLENGING TIMES**  
from Archbishop Philip Freier  
Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne

This year's Easter is likely to be very different in many ways. Our services, our celebrations, our communities, al will be affected by the policies designed to lessen the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. But even in dark times, Easter is a time for us to remember the promise of new life in Christ, says Archbishop Philip Freier in this year's Easter message.

Watch the video by logging on to

<https://youtu.be/61Aoyr-0YA4>

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**WELCOME**

*During this time of online services,  
Please feel free to follow along if you have a prayer book at home.  
The service begins on page 119 of A Prayer Book for Australia*

OUR CHURCH BUILDINGS MAY BE EMPTY, BUT SO WAS THE TOMB. HALLELUJAH !



**EASTER DAY**

**12-04-2020**

### Acknowledgement of Land

( An act towards reconciliation by the Parish of Glenroy/ Hadfield / Merlynston )

For thousands of years indigenous people have walked in this land.  
Their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives. We acknowledge the Wurundjeri  
people of the Kulin nation, for their stewardship throughout the ages.

### EASTER VIGIL READINGS

Genesis 1. 1 - 2. 4;  
Genesis 22. 1-18;  
Exodus 14. 10-31, 15. 20-21;  
Ezekiel 36. 24-28;  
Romans 6. 3-11;

Gospel Matthew 28. 1-10;

### EASTER DAY READINGS

**Sentence:** The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia !

**Collect:** Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of your Son, you overcame the old order of sin and death, to make all things new in him: grant that we, who celebrate with joy, Christ's rising from the dead, may be raised from the death of sin, to the life of righteousness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Readings

#### Acts 10. 34-43;

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

#### Psalms 118. 1-2, 14-24;

**R Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! This is the day the Lord has made.**

- 1 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim,  
That his mercy endures for ever. **R**
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song,  
and has become my salvation.
- 15 The sounds of joy and deliverance;  
are in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 The right hand of the Lord does mighty things;  
the right hand of the Lord raises up. **R**
- 17 I shall not die, but live,  
and proclaim the works of the Lord.
- 18 The Lord has disciplined me hard;  
but he has not given me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
and I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. **R**

- 20 This is the gate of the Lord;  
The righteous shall enter it.
- 21 I will give praise you, for you answered me  
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The stone that the builders rejected;  
has become the head of the corner. **R**
- 23 This is the Lord's doing,  
and it is marvellous in our eyes.
- 24 This is the day that the Lord has made;  
Let us rejoice and be glad in it. **R**

#### Colossians 3. 1-4;

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

#### Gospel John 20. 1-18;

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' which means Teacher. Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

#### OR Matthew 28. 1-10;

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'