

# HE IS RISEN

Sunday of the Resurrection 31 March 2024



## The Parish of St Gerard & St Anne

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### Mass Times: St Gerard & St Anne

#### **Sundays 10.30am**

First Sunday of each month St Anne's Park Orchards  
All other Sundays St Gerard's Warrandyte

#### **Tuesdays 9.00am**

St Gerard's Warrandyte

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### **Sacraments**

Please contact the parish office for:

**Baptisms:** Every 2nd Sunday at St Anne's Chapel

**Reconciliation:** Holy Spirit Church, Nth Ringwood

**Weddings:** By appointment

### **St Anne's Primary School**

Principal: Michael Edmonds **Ph:** (03) 9876 1533

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### **First Reading: The Acts of the Apostles**

*We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.*

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.' Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

### **Responsorial Psalm:**

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.' **R.**

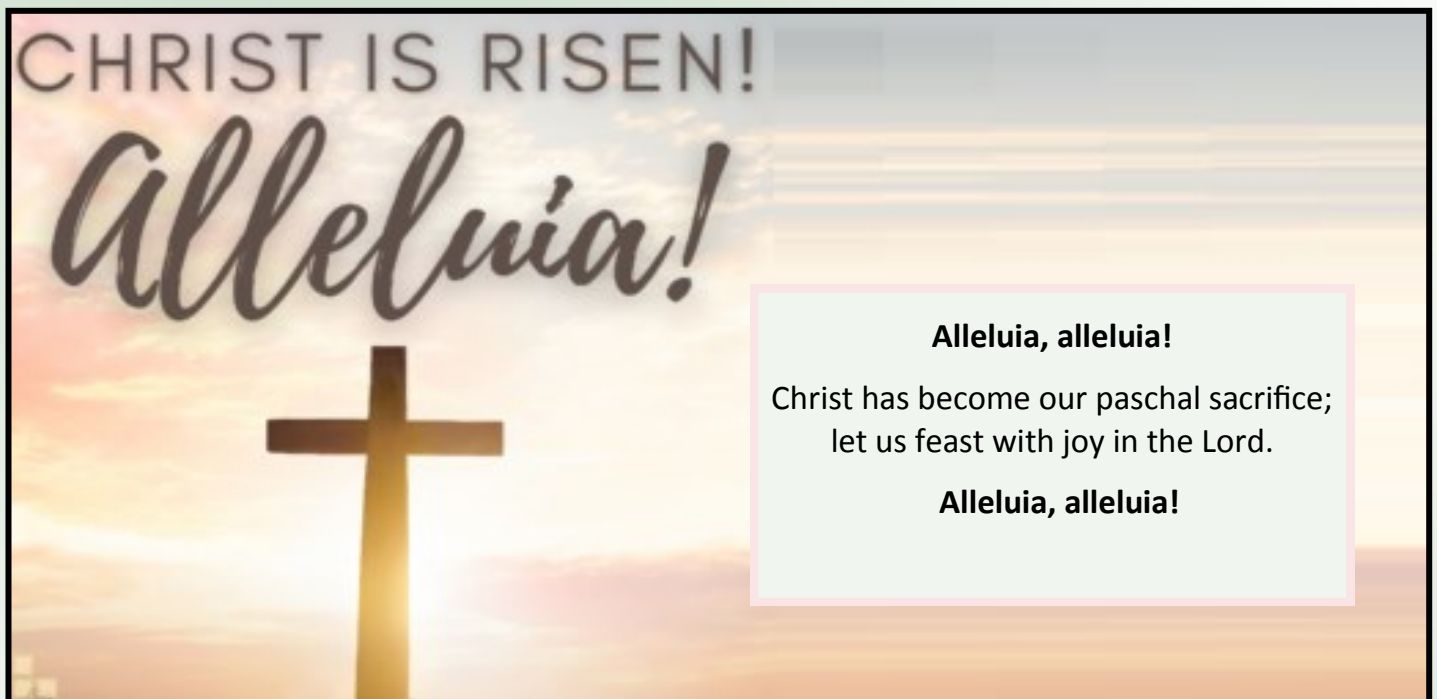
The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

## **Second Reading: A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**

*Throw away the old yeast, that you may be new dough.*

You must know how even a small amount of yeast is enough to leaven all the dough, so get rid of all the old yeast, and make yourselves into a completely new batch of bread, unleavened as you are meant to be. Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast, by getting rid of all the old yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.



## **Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

*Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has risen.*

When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices with which to go and anoint him. And very early in the morning on the first day of the week they went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising.

They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' But when they looked they could see that the stone - which was very big - had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right-hand side, and they were struck with amazement. But he said to them, 'There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here. See, here is the place where they laid him. But you must go and tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you."'



# NEWS FROM ST GERARD'S/ST ANNE'S PARISH

Reaching out in Prayer, Hospitality and Action

Committed to a Child Safe Environment

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The Parish of St Gerard & St Anne acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of this land.

## EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK: 29 March to 7 April

- Friday 29 March 3.00pm The Lord's Passion at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte
- Saturday 30 March 7.30pm Easter Vigil Mass at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte
- Sunday 31 March 10.30am Easter Sunday Mass at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte
- Tuesday 2 April 9.00am Mass at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte
- Sunday 7 April 10.30am Mass at St Anne's Church, Park Orchards

## EASTER Market Stall



A VERY BIG THANKYOU TO THOSE WHO DONATED ITEMS, HELPED WITH SET UP, SALES, AND DISMANTLING THE STALLS. IT WAS A HAPPY SOCIAL GET TOGETHER FOR THE COMMUNITY AND RAISED \$332. WELL DONE EVERYONE...



### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 7th APRIL - HOLY SPIRIT CHAPEL

This year Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated in the Holy Spirit Chapel from 2:00 - 4:30pm.

Confessions will be heard from 2:00pm.

Adoration and Rosary will continue until 3pm.

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm followed by Mass at 3:15pm. NB: No 5pm Mass that day.



# SAVE THE DATE

## Parish AGM Sunday 21 April

Following 10.30am Mass at St Gerard's Church. All welcome!

For Bulletin submissions or to receive our weekly copy please email: [parkorchards@cam.org.au](mailto:parkorchards@cam.org.au)



# Easter 2024



***'The Dawning Light of the Resurrection'***  
**EASTER 2024 | Message from Archbishop Peter A Comensoli**

Friends, I sometimes reflect on the disciples of Jesus in what they had experienced between the time of Jesus' death and resurrection.

It would have been darkness for them; a questioning of everything they had come to know and had hoped for. Confused and in grief, utterly shaken and probably quite fearful for their lives. We know they were at the threshold between death and life. But God did not want them to drift into oblivion; lost and forsaken.

God instead shook them into a new creation that would change them and everything for all time. With the resurrection of Jesus, the disciples were rocked out of complacency.

Because, at Easter, life had found a way.

The disciples were overjoyed, to be true, but it went far more than that. Nothing would ever be the same after the dawning light of the resurrection in their lives. Theirs was the experience of death defeated, filling them with boldness and conviction to go out.

And so it should be with us.

Easter is not a day in the calendar to wait for and then let slip by. Easter is an invitation to us into the story of Jesus' resurrection – into the story of the disciples – the move from our darkness, into a new light.

The resurrection of Jesus gives us the means to transform our lives into something much better. When we embrace Jesus' resurrection we truly can begin living—what a beautiful thought—we break free of all those things that bind us, that keep us in death. For Jesus' victory over death becomes our victory for life.

Easter is meant to rock us and shake us, so as to empower us.

May it be so for you this Easter.