

EASTER SUNDAY

4TH APRIL 2021



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34, 37-43 (JB)

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

**R. 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

Colossians 3:1-4 (JB)

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia Alleluia

This is the Good News, the grave is empty,
Christ IS risen. Alleluia

GOSPEL

John 20:1-9 (JB)

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Welcome

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St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/ 5pm 4th Sunday

St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led/Mass 1st Sunday

ST BRENDAN'S: 11 April @ 9:30am

Commentator: C Finlay

Reader: R O'Dowd

Communion: J Robb

Leaders: L McGuane/A Ruddell

ST JOSEPH'S: 11 April @ 10:30

Family: Roache

Communion: P Roache

Lay-leaders: C&B Hickman

ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES:

St Brendan's: 11-18 April M McCarthy/D Howard

St. Joseph's: J Melville

Counters: 11 April: J Miller

25 April ; A McCarthy

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES: Danial Roache, Frank Page,
Pat Harney, Danny Moore, Mary Garner

SICK: Nathan De Lorenzo, Helen Hunt,
Leah Spokes, Tarlea Roache, Geraldine Finn,
Ross Soares, Goldie Elsum

*Thanks to the Lenehan Family, in
memory of their brother Francis, for
the donation of flowers for the Easter
Masses.*

Many thanks to all those parishioners
who have participated in the Easter
liturgies.

Focusing the Gospel

Key words and phrases

saw and believed, did not yet understand, he
had to rise from the dead

to the point

Though the disciples of Jesus came to believe in
his resurrection after they encountered him
alive, their understanding was not yet complete.
Our own understanding of the resurrection
gradually grows as we encounter the risen
Christ, eat and drink at his table, and pour out
our lives as he did.

Wisdom Connection

This Sunday, we celebrate Easter as a faith
community. Easter is the Great Sunday. It is the
celebration of Jesus's Resurrection from the
dead. The historical event of Jesus's
Resurrection is the final piece of evidence that
proves he is who he said he is—the Messiah,
the Son of God. When we gather as a faith
community this Easter Sunday and each Sunday
throughout the year, we celebrate again this
glorious event of Jesus's rising from the dead.
As we celebrate Easter through our various and
diverse family and community traditions, let us
never lose focus of Jesus's triumphant victory
over death.

Mary of Magdala, Peter, and the other
disciple come to believe more deeply in Jesus
the Christ because of their personal relationship
with Jesus, because of their love for Jesus.
Could the Gospel of John be pointing to the
importance of having a personal relationship
with Jesus, a relationship in which we come to
love Jesus more and more each day? Through
daily prayer, frequent spiritual and scriptural
reading, and acts of charity, we come to know
Jesus more personally.

Happy birthday to Frank Demasi on his 80th

**A special thank you to Fr Kevin for
his continued support of our
Parish.**



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