

Liturgy Rosters:  
Many thanks for your ministry to the Parish!  
**\*\*Communion ministers please have a mask\*\***

**This Weekend: 30th April & 1st May**

**Saturday: 6.00pm**

Reader: D. Kierce  
Prayers: P. Lyons  
Minister  
Computer: A. O'Brien

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Reader: K. Loftus  
Prayers: K. Arnott  
Ministers: D. Arnott  
Computer: A. Francis

**Next Weekend: 7th May & 8th May**

**Saturday: 6.00pm**

Reader: P. Howman  
Prayers: K. Howman  
Minister  
Computer: L. Cooper

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Reader: M. Schultz  
Prayers: J. Sandeman  
Ministers: M. McGennisken  
Computer: A. Francis

If you would like to receive a weekly copy of "The Spire" by email, please send us an email and we can add you to a list of subscribers

**All Saints Outreach Op-Shop: (In Target Car park) Phone: 5521 1587**

The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is in urgent need of good quality bric a brac or furniture.

Please ring Outreach for pick up if necessary. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Outreach.

**Outreach is open**

Monday to Thursday 10 am - 3pm  
Friday 10am - 4pm  
Saturdays 10am - 12 mid-day.

Outreach is a significant fundraiser within the Parish and we regularly need Volunteers to give 3 hours in the mornings or afternoons.

*Please contact Marg Herbertson at Op-Shop for further information.*

**Mass Counts start on weekend 7-8 May**

The Annual Diocesan Mass Count will take place over 4 weekends in May. Counting will start on 7-8 May and continue each weekend until the end of May.

**Advance Notice: Ordinations to the Priesthood**

Deacons Matt Restall and Bill Lowry will be ordained priests for the Diocese of Ballarat on Friday, July 22, 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 7.00pm.



1st May  
2022

3rd Sunday  
Easter  
Year C



**Weekly Services 03/05 to 08/05**

**Tuesday: 5.00pm Mass**  
**Wednesday: 10.00am Mass**  
**Thursday: 10.00am Mass**  
**Friday: 9.30am Easter Morning Prayer & Adoration**  
**10.00am Mass**  
**6.00pm Eastertide Night prayers**  
**Saturday: 6.00pm Mass**  
**Sunday: 10.30am Mass**

**Recent Deaths:**

**Anniversaries:**

Kevin Kelly, Mary Jean Murphy, Bill Cannon, John Flint, Frank Sheehan OAM, Irene Donne, Jean Gracias, Neil Pritchard, Elizabeth Alexander, John Cassie, Dawn McIntyre, Allan Carman, Darby McCarthy, Evelyn Ness, George Kempton, Sr Nonie Mitchell IBVM, Gary Hollis, Jim Cassie, Desmond O'Neil, Luigi Natale (Jimmy), Jack McNamara, Dot Grimshaw

**Prayer Requests:**

Margaret Couttie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Nicky Schultz, Claire Jesser, Lea-anne Bourke, Michelle Mutch, Deanne Atkinson, Vincent Bailey

*If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you*

**Baptisms and Marriages**

by appointment with Fr. Gregory Tait.

**Sacrament of Penance**

by Appointment with Fr Gregory

**"The Spire"**

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Parish Secretary: Antonella Webbstock

Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am till 3.00pm

*All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.*

*All Saints Parish Portland acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our Parish Community meets, the Gunditjmarra people. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation and constitutional acknowledgement of first peoples*

**Prayer for Peace & Justice in Ukraine**

God of peace and justice,  
who change the hardened heart  
and break the power of violence,  
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;  
let them know not death but life,  
not slavery but freedom.

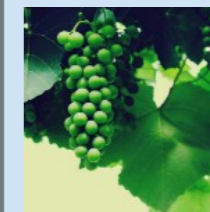
You are Father of all;  
we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength  
to live that truth in love,  
choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022**

16 - 23 May 2022



"Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit"

Evening prayers will be held each day of the week, Monday to Friday 5.30pm to 6pm at a local Portland church

Church venues for each day to be advised.

## Our Finances

### Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 3,131.00

Target \$62,400

Total YTD 2021/22 \$ 49,215

Total YTD 2020/21 \$ 49,269

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

**Account Name:** Portland Catholic Church

**BSB:** 083 532

**Account No.** 5159 81661

### Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$ 520.30

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

**Account Name:** All Saints Presbytery Portland

**BSB:** 083 526

**Account No.** 24476 6002

## Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days; The high priest questioned the Apostles, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority.

The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him." and when they had called in the apostles, they had them flogged. Then they ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. As they left the council, they rejoiced that they were considered worthy to suffer dishonour for the sake of the name.

The word of the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm 29

**(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. (R)

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. (R)

The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R)

### Second Reading

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I John, looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

The word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people.

Alleluia!

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread.

Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God. After this he said to him, "Follow me."

The Gospel of the Lord

## Dates to Remember

### 175th Parish Anniversary 2022

Sat Aug 27 - Parish Dinner 6.30pm, Royal Hotel

Sun Aug 28 - 10.30am Anniversary Mass

Sun Aug 28 - Anniversary Luncheon 12 noon, Bayview College

## Sharing a meal with Jesus



Sitting down to a nice meal with family and friends is important in cultures worldwide. Often, a lot of thought and effort goes into the preparation and planning of the menu. In many households, the dishes for significant family gatherings often consist of old favourites.

These dishes, with their presentation, aroma and taste can stimulate a sense of nostalgia, taking a person back to their childhood or triggering a fond memory of a loved one that sadly is no longer around.

In today's gospel, Jesus is preparing a meal for his disciples. The location by the shores of the Sea of Tiberias (the Sea of Galilee) would have been very familiar to the disciples as it was on these very shores that Jesus fed the crowd of five thousand earlier in his life and ministry. They would have recalled an earlier event when they had fished for hours with no luck. Jesus appeared and told them to drop the net again and before long their boat was overflowing with fish.

Therefore, the setting is a familiar one with Jesus sitting down with his disciples for a meal and providing the bread, the charcoal fire and the fish. However, not all is the same. Something has changed and that is the person of Jesus himself. While Jesus used to be like the disciples, living and eating amongst them, there is now a distinct difference. Jesus has risen from the dead. He was crucified on Good Friday, he overcame death and sin and on Easter Sunday he rose from the tomb.

Through his death and resurrection, Jesus revealed himself to be true Man and true God and was completely unrecognisable to his disciples. Jesus was not just a man anymore. The disciples recognised Jesus by eating with him by the sea of Tiberias.

They first had to open their hearts, minds and spirits to the risen Jesus and, importantly, be open to his offer to share a meal and his invitation to continue his ministry to spread the Good News of the Kingdom of God.

As disciples of Jesus in the world today, we too are offered a similar invitation. For us to recognise the truly risen Jesus in the midst of our lives. And like the disciples in today's gospel, we are not asked to bring anything other than to have an open mind, an open heart and an open spirit.

We need to trust in Jesus and cast the nets of our faith far and wide and to understand the great sign that Jesus is working in and through us each day and each moment. We are invited to the meal that Jesus prepares for us and to live our lives following in the Good News of God's Kingdom of love, mercy and compassion.

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## Briny Bunch Family Group

The Briny Bunch Family Group will be enjoying a meal at The Royal Hotel on Friday, 6th May at 6pm.

Please let Anne (0428780536) know if you will be attending.

