

3 APRIL 2016 - TODAY'S SERVICES

Second Sunday of Easter

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

ST JOHN
THE BAPTIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

Incorporating ministries with Eastern
Hills Parish

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

WEDNESDAY	6	7.00pm	Bible Study—Coxen Room
THURSDAY	7	9.30am	Mah-jong—Church
FRIDAY	8	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	10	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist

Welcome! We are glad you are with us!

Before the service, speak to the Lord in prayer.

During the service, let the Lord speak to you.

After the service, speak to one another.

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THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

Jesus said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.'
John 20.27

HYMNS: 7.30am Eucharist:- **MP:** 76, 380, 278, 203

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Living God, for whom no door is closed, no heart is locked: draw us beyond our doubts, till we see your Christ and touch his wounds where they bleed in others. This we ask through Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

1ST READING: ACTS 5. 27-32

MARGARET O'KEARNEY PAUL DAVIS

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, 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, so 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.'

PSALM 118. 14-29 (verses said alternately between the reader and congregation)

14. The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

15. There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: 'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;

16. the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'

17. I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

18. The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

19. Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

20. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

21. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

22. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

23. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

24. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

25. Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

26. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord.

27. The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

28. You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.

29. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever.

2ND READING : REVELATION 1. 4-8

ANN WINFIELD VERA DAVIS

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

GOSPEL: JOHN 20.19-31

When it was evening of the day of the Resurrection, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Election Day Stalls

For those who have not already heard the stalls raised \$3183.80 which is a fantastic effort, well done to all who contributed in any way.

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- ♦ **The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean:** +Ian Gerald James Ernest Archbishop, Province of Indian Ocean & Bishop of Mauritius
- ♦ **Diocese of Armidale:** +Rick Lewers; Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- ♦ **The Parish of Beaudesert:** Tony Swansson
- ♦ **Diocesan Shared Services Commission:** ED Jayne Shallcross, Chair Bruce Wilson, Commission members & staff
- ♦ **Cannon Hill Anglican College:** Principal - Robyn Bell; Chaplain - Sarah Leisemann; Chair of College Council - Gavin Nicholson; members of College Council

Locally: For all cancer sufferers and their carers.

Pray for The Sick: Joel, Jim, Valmai, Bronwyn, Albert , Duncan Family, Coral, Marie, Steph, Kerrie, Ollie, John, Helen, Roselee, Esther, Pam D., Emma, Linda.

(NOTE: under the Federal Privacy Act, consent of the person you wish to pray for must be obtained. No details of need / illness can be published without consent)

RIP: Louisa Greaver



The Second Sunday of Easter– Sunday 3 April 2016

Acts 5.27-32; Psalm 118.14-29; Revelation 1.4-8; John 20.19-31

The disciples locked themselves in the upper room because they were afraid of the Jews. How many times do we lock ourselves away in a confined space because we are afraid of those around us – afraid that if we say, act or in any way demonstrate our Christian beliefs and actions they 'might' not like it and might react negatively. This happens in our workplace, our recreation areas and even our own homes.

We can hide from our fellows, but not Jesus – he will still come to us and bring his peace – a peace that is beyond our understanding.

Pray that we might have the courage to stand in the open and in our words and actions proclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord.

Give thanks for Nungalinga College in Darwin, remembering especially the students who will begin their studies at the college in 2016.

Text: The Rev Ken Spreadborough,

Chair of ABM's Brisbane Diocesan Committee © Anglican Board of Mission, 2016

3 April 2016 News & Coming Events for your Diary

If you are new to the parish or visiting **Welcome**. Please accept this invitation to stay and join in with us for fellowship and a chat outside after the service, where tea and coffee will be served.

- ◇ Wednesday 6 April: 7.00pm—Bible Study—Coxen Room
- ◇ Thursday 7 April : 9.30am—Mah-jong—Church
- ◇ Friday 8 April: 10.00am—Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 10 April: 7.30am Sung Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 10 April: 9.00am Family Eucharist

Can you help at Children's Church?

It would be great to have some new teachers and assistants on the Children's Church roster. It's important to give the current team members more Sundays to attend church themselves. The role as assistant is basically just good fun – you just turn-up and help with the activities – no preparation required. You can choose whether you would like to work with the little children or the school-age children.

Please contact Andrea on 3342 0013 or

am_findlay@optusnet.com.au if you are interested in this

WHAT WE DO

Children's Church:

Children's Church happens each Sunday in term-time, during the 9:00 service. If you are visiting or here for the first time, your children are very welcome to join us. We meet in two groups:

Children's Church – for children in Year 3 to Year 7

Little Children's Church – for children aged 3-years to Year 2, younger children also welcome to attend with a parent.

Knitting Circle:

The knitting circle meets once a month in the Maheno room, the next meeting is on 20th April at 9.30 am.

St. John's Guild:

Guild meeting will be on Tuesday 12th April, 2016 at 8.50am in the Maheno Room followed by Hoy and Morning tea starting at 10.00am. Please come along and join this happy group, they supply the cards, and teach you how to play.

Mah-jong Group:

The Mah-jong Group meets Thursday morning from 9.30am—12.30pm at the back of the Church. If you can play mah-jong, or would like to learn, please join us . Tea and coffee is supplied.

Cake & Book Stall: (A major fundraiser for the Parish):

Our next Cake and book stall is on Sunday 24th April . The people manning the stalls have noticed that large cakes such as fruit cakes are not easy to sell, so perhaps if you are one of the fine cooks who make these larger cakes, you may consider making smaller ones which seem to be in demand and sell much better.

Thank you.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
SUNDAY 10 APRIL 2016

Acts 9.1-6 (7-20)
Psalm 30
Revelation 5.6-14
John 21.1-19

ROSTERED DUTIES	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.'s	PETER JOHNSTON JACQUELINE HANLON	ROLAND SOWERBY LAURA BENTLEY
READERS	JUNE PARKER MARGARET SALTER	JANINE HARTSHORN BRIAN ROY
INTERCESSOR	JACQUELINE HANLON	SARAH DAVIES
DOOR	LIONEL ROWE MARGARET SALTER	BOB AND GLENDA LEE
TEA / COFFEE	ANN WINFIELD ROSLYN THOMSON	JOANNE WOOD WENDY BASTOW
OFFERTORY	DOROTHY CAMERON	
COUNTER	JUNE PARKER	
LITTLE CHILDREN'S CHURCH	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	
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FLOWERS	ELAINE	

Weekly Giving : Budget \$1750/Week; Last Week \$1749.00