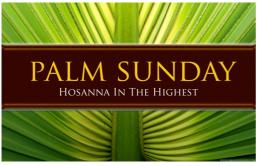


2 April 2023 Our mission is to:

Shine with the love of Jesus, grow mature disciples and declare the Good News.



This Sunday we celebrate Palm Sunday which was the acknowledgement by those who had come to celebrate the Passover that Jesus is the King of Kings. As he rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, people placed their cloaks and palms on the ground calling out Hosanna (the Lord

Saves) as they worshipped him. This reading from 'Psalms of my life' by Joseph Bailey sums up the meaning of this special event in our Church calendar.

King Jesus why did you choose a lowly ass to carry you to ride in your parade? Had you no friend who owned a horse – a royal mount with spirit fit for a king to ride? Why choose an ass small unassuming beast of burden trained to plough not carry kings.

King Jesus why did you choose me a lowly unimportant person to bear you in my world today? I'm poor and unimportant trained to work not carry kings – let along the King of Kings and yet you've chosen me to carry vou in triumph in this world's parade. King Jesus keep me small so all may see how great you are, keep me humble so all may say "blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord not what a great ass he rides."

Bible reading for Sunday 9 April: John 20.1-18

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Passover Meal - Thursday April 6th at 6:30pm at St Chad's

Our Passover Meal is an opportunity for the Church Family to gather to remember and enter into the events of Jesus' last Passover Meal with his disciples on the night before he was arrested. The meal will follow much of the traditional Jewish Passover Meal format but with a reinterpretation of those elements that are now part of the Christian Communion Service. This is a wonderful way of entering into the events that began that first Easter. This is your last opportunity to book your attendance. If you would like to attend this Passover Meal, please put your name on the list in the foyer. For those attending, your donation towards the costs associated with the meal would be greatly appreciated.



Easter Services

2 April—Palm Sunday 8am Service at St Chad's 10am service at St Chad's 6 April—Maundy Thursday 6:30pm Passover at St Chad's 7 April—Good Friday

9am Services at St Chad's & St Aidan's
10:30am Stations of the Cross at Beesan Reserve
9 April—Easter Sunday
8am & 10am Service at St Chad's & 10am at St Aidan's



School Holiday Program "Pearls, Pigs and Parties!!"

For primary aged students 9am-12pm 19-21 April at St Chad's See Bec for more details

Pease pray that children will see our advertising and come in droves!

Voice to Parliament: Conversations with Canon Glenn Loughrey

Please join Bishop Paul in a conversation with Canon Glenn Loughrey on the Voice to Parliament Referendum. On Tuesday 2 May 10am St Stephen's & St Mary's Mt Waverley 2pm St James Dandenong and 7.30pm St Paul's Frankston All are welcome to attend and no RSVP is necessary.

Winter Warmers Hampers news

This month the local schools are choosing needy families to receive this year's hampers. Please pray for discernment, wisdom and compassion for the staff undertaking this task. Thank you to all those crafty knitters and crocheters who have been making lovely items to add to this year's hampers. Please return them to either church by the end of April. We will finalise packing the hampers on May 6 & 13, at St Aidan's, and would love to have some extra volunteers to help in this task. Please call Dale Soseby 0401 079 673 to let her know you're available to help.

Daylight savings ends this weekend

Put your clocks back 1 hour before you go to bed on Saturday April 1

Easter Egg Raffle

We have a fantastic basket of Easter eggs to raffle. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and will be for sale after church on Sunday for the next two weeks. We will draw the raffle on Easter Sunday.

For the market plant stall

Do you have unwanted ceramic (or fancy plastic) pots or garden decorative items you don't need? We can help you declutter! After a very successful fete, we have almost no plant pots or garden decorations to sell at the market. We can pickup directly even if full of old soil (text Anthea 0439 375 063 to arrange). Often the most rustic and damaged items are prized, such as rusted metal buckets etc, old gnomes or garden decorations, non plastic garden furniture, and of course pots of all sizes.

Wheely Walkers Needed

A number of our congregation find walking easier if they have a walker. Putting a walker in a car can be quite difficult so we are hoping to store a couple of walkers at church for people who need them. If you, or a family member have a walker that is no longer needed and quite light weight, we would be very grateful if you could donate it to us. Talk to Sue if you can help.

Happy Birthday... Rodney Clare, Candice Perini, Moys Sinclair

Pantry 5000 Food of the Week

Cereal and instant noodles 5 pack size

Services in the church

10am at St Chad's every Sunday 8am at St Chad's 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month 11am at St Aidan's 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month

This week in the church

Mon 9:30am Pastoral Care Meeting
Tues 10:45am Matt's Place at St Chad's
Tues 11:30am Lunch Church & Bible Study
Wed 9:30am—1:30pm Pantry 5000 at St Aidan's

Wed 1pm Church Prayer Meeting

Thurs 10-11:30am Playgroup at St Chad's— Easter Thurs 7-8:30pm Singing group at St Chad's (13/4)

Fri 10:00am Quilting and Craft Group at St Chad's (21/4)

Soon in the church

6 April 6:30pm Passover at St Chad's

15 April 9am-12:30pm Market

19-21 April Holiday Program

2 May 11:15am Alpha starts at Lunch Church

6 & 13 May Winter Warmer Hamper packing at St Aidan's

7 May Newcomer's Lunch

28 May Inter-church Pentecost Service

24 June Postie Party fundraiser for our church

Prayer Chain requests—Christine Taylor 0407 725 692

Ongoing prayer—email requests to Jaqueline or Sue

Pastoral care—Sue Bluett 0433 024 626

Prayer has been requested for: Amy, Carolyn, Del, Doug, Evie, Gerald, Helen, Hunter & Stefanie, Jasmine, Jessica, Joel, Kayden & Elisabeth, Kim, Michelle, Nigel & Chris, Pat, Phoebe, Roberta, Rosie+Sal & family, Sandra Stephania & Chalsey, Stephan T. Suo, Wayne, Will

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