

NOTICEBOARD

LITURGIES: 16—21 APRIL

Mon	
16	10.30 am Mass
Tues	
17	12 noon Mass
Wed	
18	10.30 am Mass 12 noon Stations of the Resurrection
Thu	
19	7.30 am Mass
Fri	
20	
Sat	<i>Anselm, Abbot of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher of the Faith, 1109</i>
21	11 am Stations of the Resurrection

NEXT SUNDAY—22 APRIL

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

9.00 am Lauds

9.30 am Solemn Mass

Readings for Next Sunday

Acts 4:7-12; Ps 118;
1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

Monthly Parish Lunch at the Roche

TODAY !!!

Cnr George & Johnston Streets

3rd Sunday of the month—all welcome!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- TODAY** Lunch at the Roche—all welcome
- 16 Apr** Parish Council meeting—7 pm in the Old School
- 17 Apr** Pastoral Group at Ros Simmons House—7 pm
- 18 Apr** Stations of the Resurrection

NEXT CHORAL MASSES

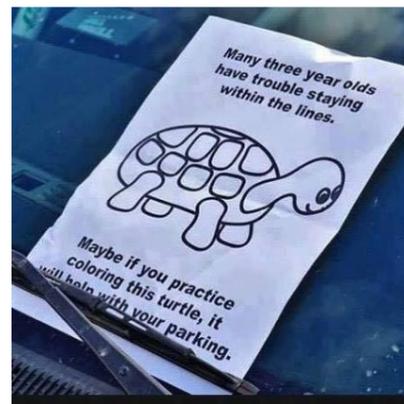
- 25 Apr** Saint Mark's Day
- 13 May** Easter Carols
- 3 June** Corpus Christi
- 1 July** Anniversary of Dedication

PUBLICATIONS—IN THE NARTHEX

- Janet Jukes' Address at the Summer Mass
- Fr Stuart's Holy Week and Triduum Homilies
- Fr Tom's Homily from last Sunday

Feasts are made for laughter

Ecclesiastes 10:19



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COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

St Marks Community Centre—250 George St Fitzroy	St Marks RECYCLED—298 Smith St Collingwood
A Partnership with Anglicare Victoria	A Community Program Supporting Saint Mark's Community Centre
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15 APRIL 2018

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

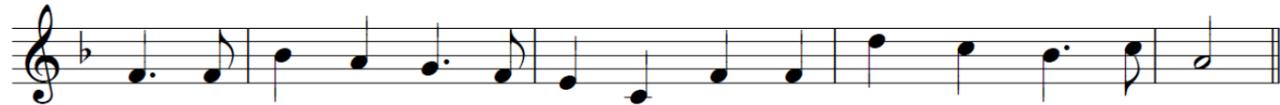
GUIDE TO TODAY'S SOLEMN MASS

Gold is used as the colour for this Season of the Resurrection which is celebrated for 50 Days until Pentecost. The shortening and mellow days of Easter Time allowing for ongoing reflection and seeking for the signs of new life promised by the Risen One. On the Sundays of Easter the Commemoration of Baptism through the thanksgiving for water and the rite of sprinkling the baptised replaces the penitential rite.

PRESIDING	Fr Stuart Soley	HOMILIST	Fr Stuart
HOSPITALITY	WELCOMING TEAM AT THE DOOR		Martin Dickenson and Gary Simmons
ENTRANCE	105	Christ the Lord is risen again!	TUNE: WURTEMBERG
SETTING	St Mark's Setting— <i>De angelis</i> —Cox and Skinner, 1984		
READINGS	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4; 1 John 2:3-5; Luke 24:35-48		
LECTOR	Graham Baker	CANTOR	Matt Hadgraft
PSALM	 <p>Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord.</p>		
PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS	See p.2	Who are you who walk in sorrow down ...	TUNE: RUSTINGTON
EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS	Kate Cherry Graham Baker		
COMMUNION	118	The Lord is risen indeed	TUNE: NARENZA
REGINA CAELI	See the second last page of the booklet		
RECESSIONAL	<i>Recercar con obbligo del Basso</i> —Girolamo Frescobaldi		
HOSPITALITY	In the Old School Hall	HOST	Heather Stock

HYMN FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Who are you who walk in sorrow down Emmaus' barren road?



1. Who are you who walk in sor-row down Em - ma - us' bar - ren road,
2. Who is this who joins our jour - ney, walk - ing with us stride by stride?
3. Who are you? Our hearts are o - pened in the break - ing of the bread:
4. Who are we who tra - vel with you on our way through life to death?



1. hearts dis - traught and hope de - feat - ed, bent be - neath grief's crush - ing load?
2. Un - known Stran - ger, can you fa - thom depths of grief for one who died?
3. Christ, the vic - tim, now the vic - tor liv - ing, ris - en from the dead!
4. Wo - men, men, the young, the ag - ing, wak - ened by the Spi - rit's breath!



1. Name-less mourn - ers, we will join you, we who al - so mourn our dead;
2. Then the won - der! When he told you how our dreams to dust had turned,
3. Great com - pan - ion on our jour - ney, still sur - prise us with your grace!
4. At the font you claim and name us, born of wa - ter and the Word;



1. we have stood by graves un - yield - ing, eat - en death's bare, bit - ter bread.
2. then you o - pened wide the scrip - tures till our hearts with - in us burned.
3. Make each day a new Em - ma - us; on our hearts your i - mage trace!
4. at the ta - ble still you feed us, host us as our ris - en Lord!

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Tune: RUSTINGTON C. Hubert H. Parry 1848-1918

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Pelagians trust in their own powers, don't feel like they need God's grace and act superior to others because they observe certain rules.

Today's Pelagians often have, the pope says, "an obsession with the law, an absorption with social and political advantages, punctilious concern for the church's liturgy, doctrine and prestige." It's a real danger to holiness because it robs us of humility, sets us over others, and leaves little room for grace.

4. Be kind

"Gaudete et Exsultate" is filled with Pope Francis' trademark practical advice for living a life of holiness. For example, don't gossip, stop judging and, most important, stop being cruel.

That goes for online actions, too. Francis' comments on this topic are memorable. Online, he writes, "defamation and slander can become commonplace...since things can be said there that would be unacceptable in public discourse, as people look to compensate for their own discontent by lashing out at others.... In claiming to uphold other commandments, they completely ignore the eighth, which forbids bearing false witness or lying and ruthlessly vilifying others."

To be holy, be kind.

5. The Beatitudes

are a roadmap for holiness

As you might guess from the document's title, the Beatitudes, Jesus' list of "blessed are," are central to this exhortation. The Beatitudes are not only what Jesus means by holiness, they are also a portrait of our Lord himself. So we're called to be poor in spirit, meek, peacemakers, to hunger and thirst for righteousness, and so on.

But let me focus on one beatitude: "Blessed

are the merciful." Pope Francis says mercy, one of the central themes of his papacy, has two aspects: helping and serving others but also forgiving and understanding. Jesus does not say, "Blessed are those who plot revenge!"

And what is Pope Francis' overall summary of holiness? It's based on the Beatitudes: "Seeing and acting with mercy."



STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION

Stations of the Resurrection are a great way to enrich the celebration of the Great Fifty Days of Easter Time. They draw us into prayer and meditation based on the resurrection appearances as a focus to appreciate and celebrate the Easter mysteries of the resurrection of our Lord. The resurrection appearances are more than just stories or history, they are a record of personal encounters with our risen Lord, so silence and space should be given to allow the liturgy to enable that encounter to happen today.

(From: *Common Worship: Times and Seasons*, London: The Archbishop's Council, 2006, p.443)

Stations of the Resurrection at Saint Mark's:

Wednesday 18 April 12 noon

Saturday 21 April 11 am



TOP 5 TAKEOUTS FROM 'GAUDETE ET EXULTATE' BY POPE FRANCIS

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“Rejoice and be glad!” is what Jesus said on the Sermon on the Mount. It’s also the title of Pope Francis’ new apostolic exhortation on holiness in everyday life. Why should we “rejoice and be glad”? Because God, as Francis reminds us, calls us all to be saints. But how can we respond to that call?

Well, here are five takeaways from Francis’ new and very practical exhortation.

1. Holiness means being yourself

Pope Francis offers us many examples of holy lives throughout this document: St. Thérèse of Lisieux, the French Carmelite who found holiness in doing small tasks; St. Ignatius of Loyola, the Jesuit founder who sought to find God in all things; St. Philip Neri, the founder of the Oratorians who was renowned for his sense of humor.

The saints pray for us and give us examples of how to live, but we are not meant to be cookie-cutter versions of them. We are meant to be ourselves, and each believer is meant to “discern his or her own path” and “bring out the very best of themselves.” As Thomas Merton said, “For me to be a saint means to be myself.”

2. Everyday life can lead to holiness

You do not need to be a bishop, a priest or a member of a religious order to be holy. Everyone is called to be a saint, as the Second Vatican Council reminded us—a mother or a father, a student or an attorney, a teacher or a janitor. “Saints next door,” Francis calls them. All we need to do is to “live our lives in love” and “bear witness” to God in all we do.

That also doesn’t have to mean big, dramatic actions. Francis offers examples of everyday sanctity, like a loving parent rais-

ing a child; as well as “small gestures” and sacrifices that one can make, like deciding not to pass on gossip. If you can see your own life as a “mission,” then you soon realize that you can simply be loving and kind to move towards holiness.

You also do not have to be “swooning in mystic rapture” to be a saint or walking around with “lowered eyes.” Nor do you have to withdraw from other people. On the other hand, you do not want to be caught up in the “rat race” of rushing from one thing to another. A balance between action and contemplation is essential.

3. Two tendencies to avoid:

Gnosticism and Pelagianism

Pope Francis may send people racing to either dictionaries or their theology textbooks when asks us to avoid two dangers in the spiritual life.

The first is *Gnosticism*, from the Greek word *gnosis*, to know. Gnosticism is the old heresy that says that what matters most is what you know. No need to be charitable or do good works. All you need is the correct *intellectual* approach. Today Gnosticism tempts people to think that they can make the faith “entirely comprehensible” and leads them to want to force others to adopt their way of thinking. “When somebody has an answer for every question,” says Francis, “it’s a sign that they are not on the right path.” In other words, being a know-it-all is not going to save you.

The second thing to avoid is *Pelagianism*, named for Pelagius, the fifth-century theologian associated with this idea. Pelagianism says that we can take care of our salvation through our own efforts.

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EASTER RADIANCE

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

What an interesting burst of warm weather has hit Melbourne! Usually as Easter Time develops in Melbourne we start experiencing those lovely crisp mornings that are a feature of autumn. Accompanying the chilly morning is the warmth of the sun in the day. It has not been so this past week! These warm days prompt me to reflect on the gradual unfolding of the risen life.

Jesus, back from the dead, does not burst on the scene like some Hollywood hero. In stark contrast, he gradually emerges into the lives of the disciples. It can be true for us too. We gradually become aware of the impulse of ‘the new’—the presence of the risen Christ—over time. Our experiences of the presence of the Risen One in our lives may not be earth shattering at any one time but gentle and warming ... much like the days at this time ... prompting us to reflectiveness and hope.

You can read my homilies from Holy Week and the Triduum in printed form if you would like. They are at the back of the church. Copies of Fr Tom Brown’s excellent homily last Sunday about the two tombs of Easter are also at the back of the church.

STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION

I led the first of these meditations in the church on Friday and I included information about them in the pew bulletin last Sunday. On page 7 you will see the dates of the next two meditations—at varied times to enable those who work or who have different schedules to be able to come and ponder the mystery of the resurrection. The artworks along the western side of the church nave are evocative and stunning.

EASTER SONGLINES

At the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday I spoke about the songlines of our faith ...

The music this Easter was stunning. The choir were in great form and I thanked them at the end of the Easter Vigil. A number of people have put themselves out and written to Geoffrey and I to remark on the music. Geoffrey and our choristers work very hard and with passion to sing here.

I am deeply grateful and admire their commitment and song.

Last Sunday I also paid tribute to Rod Conn and Leon Warden who lead the serving team. They make the complex ceremonial easy but also prayerful.

During Easter Time we will celebrate Saint Mark’s Day on 25 April with a Choral Mass at 5.30 pm with Bishop Rutherford as guest homilist followed by a Spit Roast Dinner at \$29 per head. Book and pay for your ticket for dinner with Jacquie Joslin today!

Here is a bit of cheekiness and fun about Easter:



I promise not to frown at you like that!

May the radiance of the Risen Christ shine on us all this Easter Time so that you and I will be renewed in his risen image!

Fr Stuart

EASTER CAROLS

AN EVENING CELEBRATION OF
THE SEASON OF EASTER
IN READINGS & MUSIC

SING
CHRIST
RISEN!

SUNDAY
13 MAY
6PM

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MARKS
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Come join us to
Celebrate St Mark's Day
25th April 2018

Spit Roast Dinner

\$29-00 per head

Please join us in the
Community Centre Hall after Mass

Funds raised from this function will purchase plants for the
Calvary garden

Our celebration commences with
Solemn Mass at 5.30 pm
Guest Preacher: Bishop Graeme Rutherford
Former Assistant Bishop of Newcastle