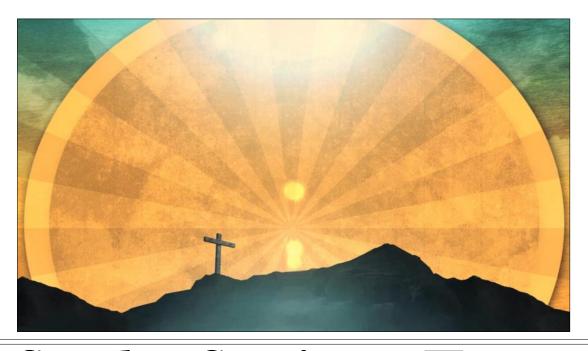


EASTER SUNDAY

31st March 2024

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF TAREE



Sunday Services - Taree

ST JOHN'S 294 Victoria St. Taree

9am - SUNDAY - Easter Celebration

6 am—SUNDAY - Lighting the New Flame followed by BBQ Breakfast

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Today we celebrate a great day in our history – the day when our Saviour's power and majesty was showered on the earth and Jesus rose from death, defeating every sin already committed and every sin yet to be imagined, reconciling God and humanity and bathing the world in stunning resurrection light.

We praise you Lord!

Jesus knew his path involved the cross. It was always part of the plan for God to be the one who paid the price to be reconciled with his people.

The way Jesus marched to his death leaves no doubt: he had come to earth for this moment. The journey to the cross had begun long before leaving Jericho. As the echo of the crunching of the fruit was still sounding in the garden of Eden, Jesus was leaving for Calvary (Max Lucado).

So today let's open our hearts to praise God for the astounding way he brought about our forgiveness at his expense. Let's embrace the resurrection life which he offers us. Just as Jesus did, let's take hold of the freedom we have to love others. Let's offer our hands and feet to participate in the prayer 'your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven'.

Above all let's yoke ourselves to Jesus and learn from him for he is gentle and humble in heart and it is only from him that 'we will find rest for our souls' (Matthew 11.28-30).

Reverend Natalie





WORLD: People & communities affected by violence & conflict, racism & discrimination, oppression, poverty, natural disasters. Please pray for President Zelensky, the people of Ukraine, Aung San Suu Kyi & for the detained peoples of Myanmar, Lebanon, the Philippines & Papua New Guinea.

CHURCH: Bishop Peter, Assistant Bishops Sonia & Charlie; Diocesan Missions Committee Diocesan Boards and Committees; Fresh Expressions and new ministries around the Diocese • New healing services • Family Services • Mainly Music • Messy Church • Youth Ministries The Synod and Synod officer; .

Other mission agencies supported by the Diocese (including Bible Society and SPCKA.

Lambeth Conference.

COMMUNITY: For the homeless, and agencies supporting the vulnerable. For the victims of abuse and violence. For those affected by the impacts of floods & other challenges. The First Peoples of the Diocese especially the Awabakal, Biripi, Darkinjung, Geawegal, Kamilaroi, Worimi & Wonnarua peoples.

THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS: Marilyn Simpson, Bill & Jill Green, Suzanne W., Jeanette, Donovan, Leonie, Rose-Marie, Suzanne C., Diane, Vera, Wendy McKeogh, Norrie Spicer, James, Jamison, Ian, Joan, Alex Platt & Margaret McDonald.

PRAYERS FOR ANIVERSARIES: Raymond Ramsay, Phyllis Moore, Don McKellar, Evan Jones & Rae Yarad.

PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED:

DIARY DATES						
Tues 2 April	3.15pm	Blue Cross Leaders Meeting	BC Shop			
Mon 9 April	4.00pm	Choir Practice	St John's			
Thurs 11 April	10.00am	Mothers Union	Latham Centre			
Thurs 25 April		ANZAC Day				
Sun 28 April	5.30pm	Pot Luck Dinner	Parish Hall			

EASTER SUNDAY

SENTENCE:

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia! 1 Corinthians 5.7–8

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Brightness of God's glory,
whom death could not conquer nor the tomb imprison:
as you have shared our frailty in human flesh,
help us to share your immortality in the Spirit;
let no shadow of the grave terrify us,
and no fear of darkness turn our hearts from you.
Reveal yourself to us this day and all our days,
as the First and the Last, the Living One,
our immortal Saviour and Lord. Amen

FIRST READING Acts 10. 34-43

A reading from the book of Acts

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, 35 but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 41 not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. 43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118, 1-2, 14-24

- O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good: his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim: that his mercy endures for ever.
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song: and has become my salvation.
- 15 The sounds of joy and deliverance: are in the tents of the righteous.
- 16 The right hand of the Lord does mighty things: the right hand of the Lord raises up.
- 17 I shall not die but live: and proclaim the works of the Lord.
- 18 The Lord has disciplined me hard:

 but he has not given me over to death.
- 19 Open me the gates of righteousness: and I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.
- 20 This is the gate of the Lord: the righteous shall enter it.
- 21 I will praise you, for you answered me: and have become my salvation.
- 22 The stone that the builders rejected: has become the head of the corner.
- 23 This is the Lord's doing: and it is marvellous in our eyes.
- 24 This is the day that the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15. 1-11

A reading from the first book to the Corithians

¹ Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ² through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. ³ For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the

scriptures, ⁴ and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel John 20. 1-18

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according John Chapter 20 commencing at verse 1.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. 2 So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' 3 Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. 4 The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head,

not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. 8 Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9 for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. 10 Then the disciples returned to their homes. 11 But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; 12 and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. 13 They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' 14 When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. 15 Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' 16 Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). 17 Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' 18 Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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HOLY EUCHARIST READINGS

SUNDAY 31st March— Easter Sunday

Acts 10.34-43, Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24;

1 Corinthians 15.1-11; John 20.1-18

SUNDAY 7th April – 2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 4.32-37, Psalm 133;

1 John 1.1-2.2; John 20.19-31

WELCOMERS							
Sund	lay 31st March	Sunday 7 th April					
9am	Col Rose David Denning		Col Rose David Denning				
READERS							
Sund	lay 31st March	Sunday 7 th April					
9am	Sandra Langford	9am	lan Dyball				
		4pm	Sue Prentice				
MORNING TEA							
Sunday 31st March		Sunday 7 th April					
Doreen Sinclair + Bruce Walker		Kylie Sanderson + David Denning					

BRASS CLEANING for April

Lorraine + Bruce Monck



EASTER SUNDAY

We are reminded today that death has lost its sting. We are inheritors of eternal life because Jesus has been raised from the dead. Alleluia! Alleluia! As people of the resurrection, we carry this message of hope into every arena of grief and loss. The cords of limited life and the shadow of death do not ensnare us forever. Jesus gives us the hope of heaven. He invites us to a life of joy and thankfulness. Alleluia! Alleluia!

- + Pray for churches everywhere as they proclaim the Mystery of Easter.
- → Give thanks for the work and witness of the Community of the Resurrection in the UK and southern Africa.

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The Anglican Parish of Taree works to build Faith & Hope in our community despite the struggles around us. Your help to continue this work is essential so please give what you can.

Gifts can be offered for the Parish or for Mission in 2 ways:

- Directly into the appropriate baskets before or after each service OR
- ♦ By Electronic Funds Transfer

Many People are finding that this is an easy, fuss free way to maintain their support.

Donations this way can be easily arranged by speaking to your bank directly or set it up through internet banking.

Bank: Westpac

Branch: Taree NSW

Account Name: Anglican Parish of Taree

BSB: 032-587

Account Number: 120 816

Reference: Parish or Mission recipient eg: ABM

Some give freely yet grow all the richer; others withhold what is due, and only suffer want.
A generous person will be enriched, and one who gives water will get water.

Proverbs 11:24-25

The Anglican Church of Newcastle takes allegations of misconduct and abuse seriously.

Church NEWCASTI E We welcome and encourage everyone with concerns to come forward.

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