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1st Reader	John	Gail	Anne	Tyson
2nd Reader	Tom	Tyson	Ron	Gail
Communion	Sue Marion	Lita	David Marion	Con Graham
Servers	Thu Han Andrew Stazio Andre	Byron Xavier Isaac Cody	TBA	TBA
Musicians	Bong/Jearan	Robyn	Rita	Robyn
Singers	Filipino Choir	Men	Choir	Janette
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NEWSLETTER 9TH APRIL 2023

EASTER SUNDAY YEAR A

I HAVE RISEN, AND I AM WITH YOU STILL, ALLELUIA.
YOU HAVE LAID YOUR HAND UPON ME, ALLELUIA.
TOO WONDERFUL FOR ME, THIS KNOWLEDGE,
ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.

This Week's Mass Schedule

12/04/2023	Wednesday	
(Rite of Distributing Holy Communion Outside of Mass) 8.00am		
13/04/2023	Thursday	12:00pm
14/04/2023	Friday	8:00am
15/04/2023	Saturday	6.00pm
16/04/2023	Sunday	
	Maryborough	08.00am
	Tiaro	10:00am

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION
EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSIONS
Third Thursday of every month,
5.30 to 6.30pm

Please Ensure Silence In
The Church By
Supporting Silent Prayer



READINGS

Easter Sunday - Year A (p.306 in St Pauls Missal)

- 1st - Acts 10:34, 37-43
- Psalm - 117 Resp. hymns page
- 2nd - 1 Corinthians 5:6-8
- Gospel Accl. hymns page
- Gospel - Matthew 28:1-10

Next weekend: 2nd Sunday of Easter - Year A (p.311)

- 1st - Acts 2:42-47
- Psalm - 117
- 2nd - 1 Peter 1:3-9
- Gospel - John 20:19-31

EASTER GLORY FILLS THE EARTH !

Last night we celebrated the most holy night of the year, the most important feast in the Christian calendar. We kept watch together as the Lord passed over from death to life, and we celebrated the fact that as his followers we too pass over from death to life in baptism. We thanked God for all the signs of new life and new hope in our world and we committed ourselves once again to bring that promise into the lives of others.

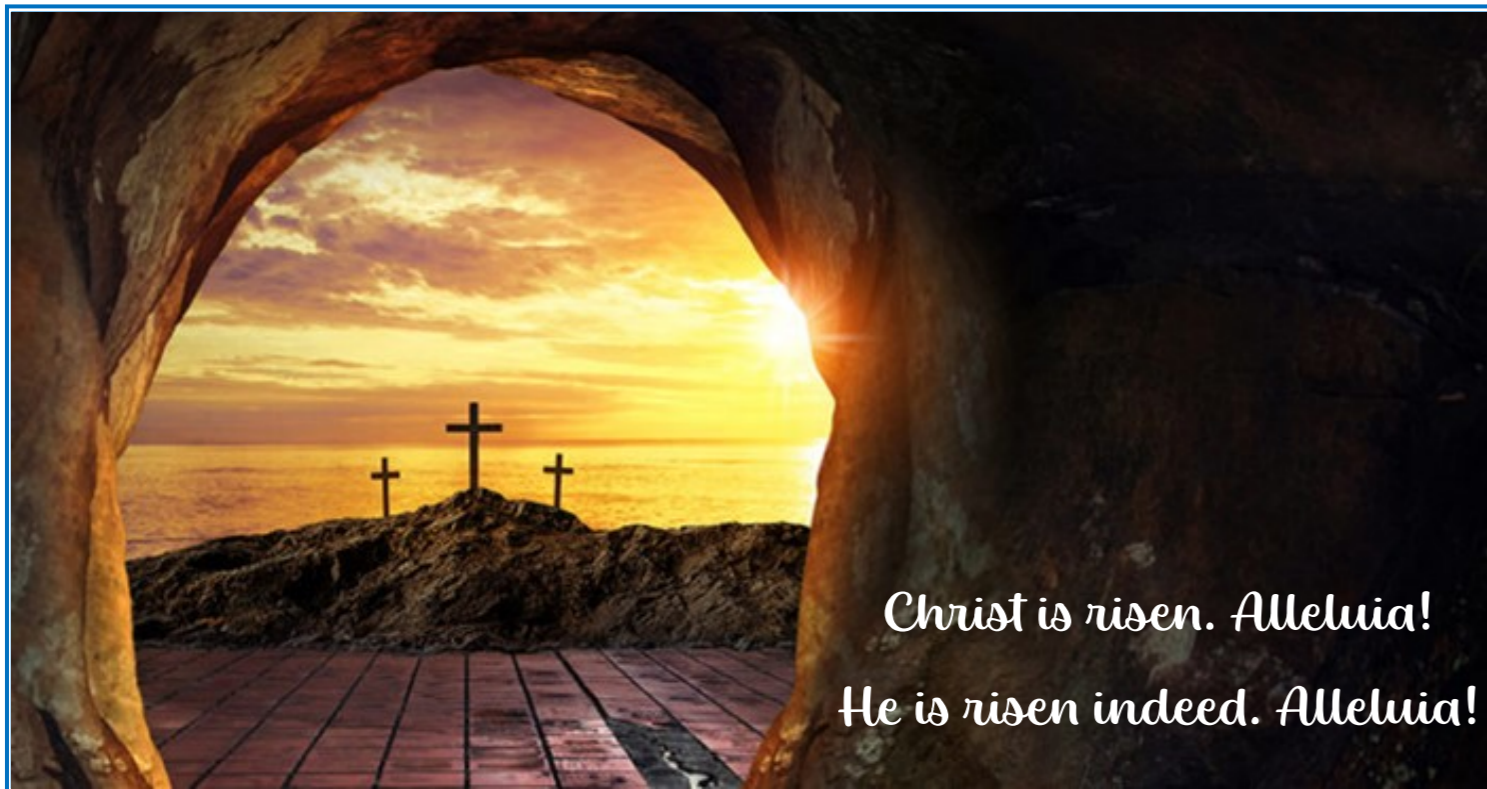
Last night we heard Matthew's story of the womb at the empty tomb. Today we hear John's story not only of Mary Magdalene at the tomb, who sees the stone moved away, but of Peter and the other disciple going there for themselves, seeing the burial sheets still there but the body gone. It is the Beloved Disciple who sees and believes.

Today we have the opportunity of singing one of only four sequences left in the modern liturgy, the eleventh-century Victimae paschali laudes. In it the empty tomb is the sign of the victory of life over death, the victory of forgiveness over sin, the victory of hope over despair, the victory of joy over sorrow. The great stone that sealed the tomb shut was meant to keep the body of the dead Jesus out of sight and to keep him inside forever. In our own lives we have many great stones that trap us where we do not want to be. We all have relationships that have broken down—with a family member, a neighbour, a work colleague—where it seems that nothing can be done to fix things. The glory of the resurrection has pushed that boulder aside and life has burst forth from its jail. The linen cloths used for burial were meant to keep the body wrapped up tightly. In our own lives we have many linen cloths that tie us down, that keep us trapped in an old way of life, unable to move, unable to let go. The glory of the resurrection has loosened the bonds of sin and freed us from the clutches of the living death that it brings.

Easter is our most holy day of the year. Yet, every Sunday is a little Easter; indeed, every day, as the sun rises to extinguish the darkness of the night, is also a little Easter. Preaching to his community in North Africa in the fifth century, St Augustine of Hippo reflected on the fact that the joy and hope of the new life of Easter is meant to be a daily reality for us.

Dear friends, Though the disciples of Jesus came to believe in his resurrection after they encountered him alive, their understanding was not yet complete. Our own understanding of the resurrection gradually grows as we encounter the risen Christ, eat and drink at his table, and pour out our lives as he did.

Happy Easter everyone!



*Christ is risen. Alleluia!
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!*


REFLECTION FROM "From Ashes to Hope" - SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

For Reflection: What is at the heart of my faith? What is my response to Peter's lack of understanding and his grappling with faith? How can I tune into the will of Jesus, risen and alive?

Prayer For The Day: Lord Jesus, you are my resurrection and my life. May the joy of your resurrection, inspire me to be your hopeful witness, so that people will know you through my actions. **Alleluia!**

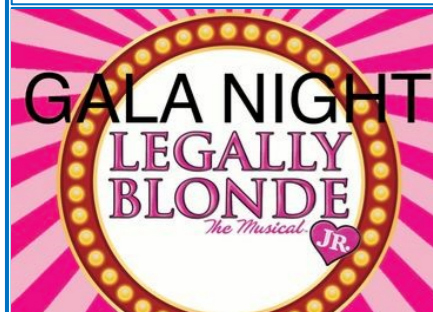
THE WEEK/S AFTER EASTER:

- Fr. Lucius is going on holidays and will be back towards the third week of May.
- Fr. George will be helping us this week from 13th Thursday to 14th Sunday.
- Fr. Jim Smith will be joining us on 18th as a supply priest and will be with us until Fr. Lucius is back from his holidays.

 **THANK YOU** each one who came and made the Working Bee Day a success

PASCHAL CANDLE: The priest lights the candle from the new fire, saying: "May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds." The people process into the darkened church following the deacon or priest who carries the candle high. The Easter candle is thus a pillar of fire leading us into the promised land. It is also a powerful sign of our unity as the Body of Christ. As we light our small candle from its flame, we are reminded that in "Christ our Light" we become the light of the world ourselves." (Source: Liturgy Brisbane)

Sacramental Program - Confirmation: The Enrolment Form for Confirmation could be collected from the Church/St. Mary's School/College or from the Parish Office. There will be 6 weeks of preparation which starts with an information meeting on Saturday 29th April at 5pm at St Mary's. The Sacrament will be on Sunday 18th June 2023.



St Mary's College Maryborough - Musical – Legally Blonde Jr.
The tickets for the musical are now available for purchase.
Friday 19th May – GALA night This includes food and drinks supplied.
<https://www.trybooking.com/CHHFF>
Saturday 20th May – Matinee and Evening Performances
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ENTRANCE: EASTER ALLELUIA
Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Glory to God who does wondrous things,
Let all the people God's praises now sing,
All of creation in splendour shall ring:
Alleluia! (R)

See how salvation for all has been won,
Up from the grave our new life has begun,
Life now perfected in Jesus, the Son:
Alleluia! (R)

Now in our presence the Lord will appear,
Shine in the faces of all of us here,
Fill us with joy and cast out all our fear:
Alleluia! (R).

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PSALM RESPONSE: (said)
This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad .

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:
Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His Name
We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live forever.

Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His Name
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COMMUNION: TABLE OF PLENTY
Come to the feast of heaven and earth!
Come to the table of plenty!
God will provide for all that we need,
Here at the table of plenty.

O, come and sit at my table,
where saints and sinners are friends.
I wait to welcome the lost and lonely,
to share the cup of my love.

O, come and eat without money;
Come to drink without price.
My feast of gladness will feed your spirit,
with faith and fullness of life.

My bread will ever sustain you,
through days of sorrow and woe.
My wine will flow like a sea of gladness,
to flood the depths of your soul.

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THANKSGIVING: RECEIVE THE LIGHT
Receive the light of Christ,
May He shine within our heart,
May the Christ light fill us
With joy and peace. (repeat).

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RECESSIONAL: ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph, His the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty
flood;
Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his
blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us, faith believes, nor questions
how:
Though the cloud from sight received him, when the
forty days were o'er, shall our hearts forget his prom-
ise, "I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of angels, here on earth our food, our
stay!
Alleluia! here the sinful flee to you from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, plead
for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the
crystal sea

Alleluia! King eternal, you the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary, earth your footstool, heav'n
your throne:
You, within the veil have entered, robed in flesh, our
great high priest;
Here on earth both priest and victim in the eucharistic
feast.

Revelation 5:9; William Dix and others
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**INVITATION TO SUNDAY
MORNING TEA**

Each Sunday after the 8am
Mass we host a morning tea.
Please join us. Meet and talk
to your fellow parishioners.



Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Brenda Dreger, Evelyn Keys,
Peter Barry, Karl Guerin, Marion McLennan, Car-
mel Bird, Paul Massingham, Patricia Thackeray,
Gregory Massingham, David Brettell, Anna Pecar,
Ame Cox and Laurel Dingle.

The Recently Deceased: Greg Casey, James O'Don-
nell, Aroha Charles, Pedro A. Araneta Jr, Cyril Bar-
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Anniversary of Death: Hope Russell, Eileen and
Michael Hogan, Daphne Colefax, Fe Nadonza, Colin
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and Agnes Mallet, Richard Hogan, John Taylor.