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2nd Reader: Epistle:	Warren Beverley	Peter	Beverley	Pat
Communion	Sue/ Marion/ Warren/ -/-/ -	Cris /Con/ -/-/ -/-	Judy Sue	Con Rebecca
Servers	Thu/ Han/ Frances/ Elveena/ Elissa/ Pius	Xavier/ Felix/ Raffel/ Sophie/ Nicholas/ Char- lotte/ Isabella	Sophie Nicholas Charlotte Isabella	Elveena Elissa Pius
Musicians	Rita / Robyn	Gail	Bong	Justin
Singers	Combined Choir	Choir	Children's Choir	Theresa
Mass set up	Sophie / Janette	David / Rebecca	Beverley / Lou	David / Rebecca
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NEWSLETTER 20TH APRIL 2025
Easter Sunday - Year C

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 .

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 John's story of the empty tomb and how Mary Magdalene and the other women brought spices to anoint Jesus at the tomb, who sees the stone moved away. And 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 celebrate the empty tomb which 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!
Fr Lucius

This Week's Mass Schedule

23/04/2025	Wednesday	8:00am
	Chelsea	10:00am
24/04/2025	Thursday	12:00pm
25/04/2025	Friday	09:15am
26/04/2025	Saturday	06:00pm
27/04/2025	Sunday	
	Maryborough	8:00am
	Tiaro	10:00am

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION
EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

READINGS
Easter Sunday of Lent - Year C
(p.189 in St Pauls Missal)

- 1st - Acts 10:34, 37-43
- Psalm - Ps 117 Resp. hymns page
- 2nd - Philippians 3:8-14
- Gospel Accl. hymns page
- Gospel - Luke 24:1-12

Next weekend: 2nd Sunday of Easter - Year C (p.789).

- 1st - Acts 5:12-16
- Psalm - Ps 117
- 2nd - Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19
- Gospel - John 20:19-31

*Please Ensure Silence
In The Church By
Supporting Silent Prayer*

OUR PARISH PRAYER
Heavenly Father, Maryborough's St Mary's Parish and School Family are Earnestly in need of Your Loving Care more than ever before. Through Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Grant that Your Holy Spirit may Enlighten the Eyes of our Minds. To guide us all to believe more and to Deepen our Faith, Hope and Trust in you. Amen

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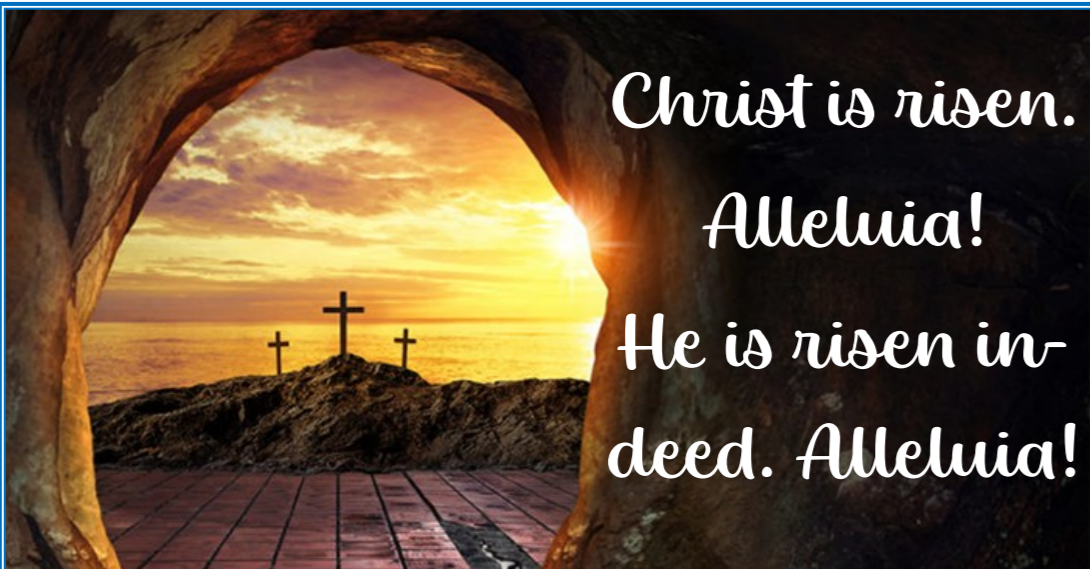
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Christ is risen.
Alleluia!
He is risen in-
deed. Alleluia!

JUBILEE 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE
Year of Jubilee
2025
"Pilgrims of Hope"

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (PENANCE) 2025

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is for those who already received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion

Session Times

Session 1
Saturday 10th May 5pm at St. Mary's.

Session 2 & SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 17th May 5pm at St. Mary's followed by 6pm Mass.

Please contact the Parish Office or St. Mary's Primary for the enrolment forms.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2025

The Sacrament of Confirmation is open for all who are Baptised and in grade 3, 8 years and above

Session Times

- Session 1 & Parent Information Meeting**
Saturday 24th May 5pm at St. Mary's.
- Session 2**
Saturday 31st May 5pm at St. Mary's
- Session 3**
Saturday 7th June 5pm at St. Mary's
- Session 4**
Saturday 14th June 5pm at St. Mary's
- Session 5**
Saturday 21st June 5pm at St. Mary's
- CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT**
Sunday 22nd June 8am - St. Mary's

All sessions will be followed by 6pm Mass.
Please contact the Parish Office or St. Mary's Primary for the enrolment forms.

THANK YOU each one who came and helped on the Working Bee Day.

Church Maintenance

- We have done a temporary repair of the roof and waiting for more quotes and inspection of the roof.
- Pest control for all buildings in the Church ground including pest inspection for the Parish Hall is planned for next week.
- Fundraising for Church Maintenance:** Should you feel you can help, the church account details for online donations are:
Account name: St. Mary's Parish
BSB: 064786
Account number: 100026161

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Thank you for your kindness*

ENTRANCE: JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY
Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Al-le-lu-ia!
Our triumphant holy day, Al-le-lu-ia!
Who did once upon the cross, Al-le-lu-ia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Al-le-lu-ia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al-le-lu-ia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Al-le-lu-ia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Al-le-lu-ia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Al-le-lu-ia!

But the pains which He endured, Al-le-lu-ia!
Our salvation have procured; Al-le-lu-ia!
Now above the sky He's King, Al-le-lu-ia!
Where the angels ever sing. Al-le-lu-ia!

Sing we to our God above, Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise eternal as His love; Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise Him, now His might confess, Al-le-lu-ia!
Father, Son, and Spirit blest. Al-le-lu-ia!

Surrexit Christus hodie; 4th st. Charles Wesley.
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PSALM RESPONSE: (SAID)
This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ALLELUIA NO. 1
*Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His Name.*

Spread the Good News o'er all the earth,
Jesus has died and has risen.

*Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His Name.*

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COMMUNION: WE REMEMBER

Refrain:
*We remember how You loved us to Your death,
And still we celebrate for You are with us here;
And we believe that we will see You when You come,
In Your glory, Lord,
We remember, we celebrate, we believe.*

Here a million wounded souls
Are yearning just to touch You and be healed.
Gather all Your people,
And hold them to Your heart. R./

Now we recreate Your love,
We bring the bread and wine to share a meal.

Sign of grace and mercy,
The presence of the Lord. R./

Christ, the Father's great "Amen"
To all the hopes and dreams of ev'ry heart.
Peace beyond all telling
And freedom from all fear. R./

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THANKSGIVING: GIVE THANKS

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart.
Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (Repeat)

And now let the weak say, 'I am strong',
Let the poor say, 'I am rich',
Because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat)

Give thanks.
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RECESSIONAL: SING TO THE LORD

Refrain:
*Sing to the Lord! Alleluia!
Sing to the Lord, all nations!
God has made salvation known,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Sing to the Lord! Sing a new song!
Praise the Lord with shouts of gladness! Alleluia!

Sing to the Lord! Praise the Holy One!
God alone is our salvation. Alleluia!

Sing to the Lord! Sing of wondrous deeds!
Mighty Lord of all creation! Alleluia!

Sing to the Lord! Praise God in the heights!
Faithful is God's love forever! Alleluia!

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Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Annemarie Lyons, Kaye Fraser, Alfonso Diaz, Rita Sempf, Jenny Camilleri, Aurora Perez, Bohdan Pastuch, Janet Jackson, Joan Lucas, Betty Hove, Evelyn Keys, Carmel Bird and Ame Cox.

The Recently Deceased: Ester Ceniza and Anna Pecar.

Anniversary of Death: Elwyn Baxter, Merv Flavel, Eileen and Michael Hogan, Florence Schmidt, George Courtney and Margaret Burkett.