



Anglican Parish of Warracknabeal

Warracknabeal, Areegra, Minyip, Hopetoun, Brim

Easter 2
11 April 2021



Thank you to everyone who made the Easter Feast a wonderful celebration of our faith and hope in Jesus. What a privilege to be part of our parish. Thank you to all those who made things ready.

Thank you to those who cooked food for the Maundy Thursday Seder Meal, and provided lunch and morning tea for the pilgrimage from Hopetoun to Warrack. Thanks to the 'vehicle escorts' for the three days, and all those who encouraged along the way. Thanks to the Brim Bowls Club for their generous use of the bowling green on Wednesday.

Thank you to all who helped make our Holy Saturday bonfire a wonderful gentle evening at Areegra - fantastic to cook a meal and see the stars come out one by one. A truly blessed night!

May the Easter joy continue in your hearts, your homes and our community - as we continue to serve each other and our Lord in humble obedience and faithfulness.

*"Free your spirit.
Forget safety.
Live where you fear to live.
Destroy your reputation.
Be notorious."*

(Rumi)



Prayer in the Parish

In the Parish & Beyond:

- All our Diocesan sisters and brothers; Rev Netta Hill & Allan (Port Fairy);
- The people of Timor Leste; Myanmar; Papua New Guinea; Mozambique; Sudan; Niger; Yemen; Syria;
- All refugees and those seeking asylum;
- All people suffering through natural disaster, injustice, violence, prejudice;
- Coffee Van Project – this weekend;
- All those grieving.

Community:

- Creative Space and their hopes;
- Safe Travel & restful holidays or time away for some;
- for all those feeling anxious & worried about matters of consequence in life;

Years Mind: Bob Lynch, Elizabeth Dart, Dave Hobson, Nancy Clyne

Coffee Van Project

This Sunday – 11th April
Outside the Visitor's Centre
Warracknabeal – 8.30am-12.30pm



Good Coffee!

Good vibe!

Giving young people an opportunity to gain skills and serve their community.

Service Times April/May

Easter 2 – 11 April

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal
 8.30-12.30pm Coffee Van

Easter 3 – 18 April

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal
 8.30-12.30pm Coffee Van
 2.00pm Dunmunkle Lodge, Minyip

Easter 4 – 25 April

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal

Easter 5 – 02 May

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal
 11.00am Areegra
 6.00pm SHINE



**Kilometres
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Pledged & Donated

\$17,479.49

Rev's EASTER youTube messages – 'Walk of the Cross' Pilgrimage series

Walk of the Corss Pilgrimage 2021 –
 Complete video (12.35)

<https://youtu.be/9dWClCCaYek>

Or watch in three parts:

The Art of Suffering (Part I – 4.28)

<https://youtu.be/yFlorn9A3EU>

Transforming Pain (Part II – 3.49)

<https://youtu.be/-WDd9RWKgv4>

A Return to Wholeness (Part III – 4.24)

<https://youtu.be/mNGBgd2oq0U>

TODAY'S READINGS

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading:

Acts 4:32-37

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there was no needy person among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need. Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'), sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm:

Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

1. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."
Let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy endures forever."
Let those who fear the LORD say, "His mercy endures forever." **(R)**
2. I was hard pressed and was falling, but the LORD helped me.
My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my saviour.
The joyful shout of victory in the tents of the just:**(R)**

3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made;

let us be glad and rejoice in it. **(R)**

Second Reading:

1 John 1:1-22

A reading from the first letter of John

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched – this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. We write this to make our joy complete. This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us. My dear

children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father – Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!



Gospel:

John 20:19-31

***A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to John***

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' And with that he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are

not forgiven.' Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord!' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.' Thomas said to him, 'My Lord and my God!' Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.' Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

This is the gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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Sentence: 'Peace be with you,' says the Lord. 'As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

Collect: Risen Christ, whose absence leaves us in despair but whose presence is overwhelming: breathe on us with your abundant life, that where we cannot see we may have courage to believe that we may be raised with you. **Amen.**