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THE OCTAVE DAY OF EASTER 27 - 4 - 25
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

'The Season of Glad Song has come' (Song of Songs 2:12)

Pope Francis 2013 - 2025



On the second day of the Octave of Easter Pope Francis, who brought the fresh air of the Gospel of mercy to the world in a unique way, entered into the fullness of the life we share in this great season of the Resurrection.

Advocate for the poor, champion of immigrants and refugees, an insistent voice calling out for peace and justice, a loving pastor to all on the spectrum of human sexuality, appointer of cardinals from the furthest and remotest corners of the globe - Pope Francis beautifully reflected the merciful face of the Jesus who was at the centre of his own life.

His final Urbi et Orbi message on Easter Sunday - read for him because he was too weak - powerfully reiterated that message which had defined his whole papacy.

Pope Francis was a pastor to the end, ignoring medical advice and visiting prisoners on Holy Thursday and driving amongst the crowds in St Peter's Square on Easter Sunday. He served his God and his people to the very end, giving us all such a powerful witness of service.

We pray that he now dwells in the eternal bliss of the God who shaped his life.

Fr Colin

(You can find the text of Pope Francis' final words to us - his Easter homily and the Urbi et Orbi message - on page 3 of today's bulletin)

This week: Acts 5: 12-16; Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31
Next week: Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41; Revelation 5: 11-14; John 21: 1-19



Today is the Octave Day of Easter, the day which completes the Easter Octave. In the liturgy the eight days of the Octave are like One Day. Since the Octave begins and ends on the same day of the week (Sunday) it is as though the days in between are subsumed within it and we celebrate one great Sunday as Easter breaks upon us. Each day of the Octave is (liturgically) still Easter Sunday — thus all this last week the Gloria was prayed at every Mass, the Easter Dismissal is given ('Go in the

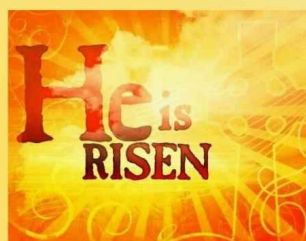
peace of Christ, alleluia, alleluia! Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!)

Today then is still Easter Sunday in our liturgy, a Day too great to be confined to one day. And after today we continue the Season of Easter: 50 days which do not come to their end until Pentecost as we celebrate the great fruit of Easter — the outpouring of the Spirit of God. As we took 40 days to prepare for Easter let's not forget to take even longer — 50 days — to celebrate it.

Fr Colin

As we gather in worship on this day we acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which our parish is found.
We also pay our respects to Elders past and present.

Our Parish Easter



Easter Offerings



Easter Offering envelopes are available on the pews in both our churches. These can be placed on the plate this weekend.

The Easter Offerings are not retained personally by the priests but are a vital supplement to the First Collection income which provides for the priests of the parish and for the health care of priests across the diocese and the retirement care of older priests. This fund depends very much on the income raised by Christmas and Easter Offerings. Whatever you can give will be most appreciated.



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A COMING FAREWELL In the next couple of months we will have to bid farewell to O'Kelly Tam who has been successful in obtaining a position in the parish support team in our diocesan office. We thank O'Kelly for all that he has done in and for our parish and wish him well. He will still be with us for a little while.

On page 7 you'll find a notice for the **Position Vacant** (slightly re-structured role) It's also available on our website under 'Our Parish' → 'Parish Staff'. Please pass it on to anyone who may be interested in being part of our parish team. *Fr Colin*

POPE FRANCIS' FINAL WORDS TO US - HIS EASTER SUNDAY HOMILY AND HIS EASTER URBI ET ORBI MESSAGE



**EASTER SUNDAY MASS OF THE DAY
HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
READ BY CARDINAL ANGELO COMASTRI**

Saint Peter's Square Easter Sunday, 20 April 2025

Mary Magdalene, seeing that the stone of the tomb had been rolled away, ran to tell Peter and John. After receiving the shocking news, the two disciples also went out and — as the Gospel says — “the two were running together” (Jn 20:4). The main figures of the Easter narratives all ran! On the one hand, “running” could express the concern that the Lord’s body had been taken away; but, on the other hand, the haste of Mary Magdalene, Peter and John expresses the desire, the yearning of the heart, the inner attitude of those who set out to search for Jesus. He, in fact, has risen from the dead and therefore is no longer in the tomb. We must look for him elsewhere.

This is the message of Easter: we must look for him elsewhere. Christ is risen, he is alive! He is no longer a prisoner of death, he is no longer wrapped in the shroud, and therefore we cannot confine him to a fairy tale, we cannot make him a hero of the ancient world, or think of him as a statue in a museum! On the contrary, we must look for him and this is why we cannot remain stationary. We must take action, set out to look for him: look for him in life, look for him in the faces of our brothers and sisters, look for him in everyday business, look for him everywhere except in the tomb.

We must look for him without ceasing. Because if he has risen from the dead, then he is present everywhere, he dwells among us, he hides himself & reveals himself even today in the sisters & brothers we meet along the way, in the most ordinary & unpredictable situations of our lives. He is alive and is with us always, shedding the tears of those who suffer and adding to the beauty of life through the small acts of love carried out by each of us.

For this reason, our Easter faith, which opens us to the encounter with the risen Lord and prepares us to welcome him into our lives, is anything but a complacent settling into some sort of “religious reassurance.” On the contrary, Easter spurs us to action, to run like Mary Magdalene and the disciples; it invites us to have eyes that can “see beyond,” to perceive Jesus, the one who lives, as the God who reveals himself and makes himself present even today, who speaks to us, goes before us, surprises us. Like Mary Magdalene, every day we can experience losing the Lord, but every day we can also run to look for him again, with the certainty that he will allow himself to be found and will fill us with the light of his resurrection.

Brothers and sisters, this is the greatest hope of our life: we can live this poor, fragile & wounded existence clinging to Christ, because he has conquered death, he conquers our darkness & he will conquer the shadows of the world, to make us live with him in joy, forever. This is the goal towards which we press on, as the Apostle Paul says, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead (cf. Phil 3:12-14). Like Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, we hasten to meet Christ.

The Jubilee invites us to renew the gift of hope within us, to surrender our sufferings & our concerns to hope, to share it with those whom we meet along our journey & to entrust to hope the future of our lives and the destiny of the human family. And so we cannot settle for the fleeting things of this world or give in to sadness; we

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"URBI ET ORBI" MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

EASTER 2025 Saint Peter's Square Sunday 20 April 2025

Christ is risen, alleluia! Dear brothers and sisters, Happy Easter! Today at last, the singing of the “alleluia” is heard once more in the Church, passing from mouth to mouth, from heart to heart, and this makes the people of God throughout the world shed tears of joy.

From the empty tomb in Jerusalem, we hear unexpected good news: Jesus, who was crucified, “is not here, he has risen” (Lk 24:5). Jesus is not in the tomb, he is alive!

Love has triumphed over hatred, light over darkness & truth over falsehood. Forgiveness has triumphed over revenge. Evil has not disappeared from history; it will remain until the end, but it no longer has the upper hand; it no longer has power over those who accept the grace of this day.

Sisters & brothers, especially those of you experiencing pain & sorrow, your silent cry has been heard & your tears have been counted; not one of them has been lost! In the passion & death of Jesus, God has taken upon himself all the evil in this world & in his infinite mercy has defeated it. He has uprooted the diabolical pride that poisons the human heart & wreaks violence & corruption on every side. The Lamb of God is victorious! That is why, today, we can joyfully cry out: “Christ, my hope, has risen!” (Easter Sequence).

The resurrection of Jesus is indeed the basis of our hope. For in the light of this event, hope is no longer an illusion. Thanks to Christ - crucified & risen from the dead — hope does not disappoint! Spes non confundit! (cf. Rom 5:5). That hope is not an evasion, but a challenge; it does not delude, but empowers us. All those who put their hope in God place their feeble hands in his strong and mighty hand; they let themselves be raised up and set out on a journey. Together with the risen Jesus, they become pilgrims of hope, witnesses of the victory of love & of the disarmed power of Life.

Christ is risen! These words capture the whole meaning of our existence, for we were not made for death but for life. Easter is the celebration of life! God created us for life and wants the human family to rise again! In his eyes, every life is precious! The life of a child in the mother’s womb, as well as the lives of the elderly and the sick, who in more and more countries are looked upon as people to be discarded.

What a great thirst for death, for killing, we witness each day in the many conflicts raging in different parts of our world! How much violence we see, often even within families, directed at women and children! How much contempt is stirred up at times towards the vulnerable, the marginalised, and migrants! On this day, I would like all of us to hope anew and to revive our trust in others, including those who are different than ourselves, or who come from distant lands, bringing unfamiliar customs, ways of life and ideas! For all of us are children of God!

I would like us to renew our hope that peace is possible! From the Holy Sepulchre, the Church of the Resurrection, where this year Easter is being celebrated by Catholics and Orthodox on the same day, may the light of peace radiate throughout the Holy Land and the entire world. I express my closeness to the sufferings of Christians in Palestine and Israel, and to all the Israeli people and the Palestinian people. The growing climate of anti-Semitism throughout the world is worrisome. Yet at the same time, I think of the people of Gaza, and its Christian community in particular, where the terrible conflict continues to cause death and destruction and to create a dramatic and deplorable humanitarian situation. I appeal to the warring parties: call a ceasefire, release the hostages and come to the aid of a starving people that aspires

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Hymns for the Octave Day of Easter

ENTRANCE: BRING, ALL YOU DEAR-BROUGHT NATIONS, BRING

Bring, all ye dear-brought nations, bring,
Your richest praises to your King. Alleluia, alleluia.
That spotless Lamb, who more than due,
Paid for his sheep, and those sheep you:

Refrain Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

That guiltless Son, who bought your peace,
And made his Father's anger cease, alleluia, alleluia.
Then, Life and Death together fought,
Each to a strange extreme were brought: **R**

We, Lord, with faithful hearts and voice,
On this thy rising day rejoice; alleluia, alleluia.
Oh thou, whose power o'ercame the grave,
By grace and love as sinners save: **R**

*Text: Wipo of Burgundy, ca. 1000-50.
Music: "Geistliche Kirchengesänge", Cologne 1623*

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: BY YOUR KINGLY POWER, O RISEN LORD

Refrain By your kingly power, O risen Lord,
all that Adam lost is now restored:
in your resurrection be adored.

Sing the joyful Easter cry, sound it to the souls in prison,
shout our triumph to the sky:
sing Christ risen, sing Christ risen. **R**

Sing the joyful Easter cry, let all times and peoples listen:
death has no more victory,
sing Christ risen, sing Christ risen. **R**

*R. Connolly, J. McAuley ©1971, Willow Publishing**

COMMUNION: CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT (Easter version)

This is the time of new beginnings.
This is the time when heaven meets earth.
This is the time filled with God's glory,
promise of our new birth!

Refrain Christ be our light!

Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.

Christ be our light! Shine in your Church gathered today.

This is the time Christ our redeemer
rose from the grave triumphant and free,
leaving the tomb of evil and darkness empty for all to see. **R**

Now will the fire kindled in darkness
burn to dispel the shadows of night.
Star of the morning, Jesus our Saviour,
you are the world's true light! **R**

Sing of the hope deeper than dying.
Sing of the pow'r stronger than death.
Sing of the love endless as heaven,
dawning throughout the earth. **R**

*Bernadette Farrell ©1993,2000, OCP.**

RECESSIONAL: ALL YOU WORKS OF GOD

All you works of God every mountain, star and tree
Bless the One who shapes your beauty,
Who has caused you all to be
One great song of love and grace, ever ancient, ever now:
Raise your voices all you works of God

Cantor:

1. Sun and moon:

2. All the earth:

3. All who live:

ALL:

Bless your Maker

1. Stars of heaven:

2. Hills and mountains:

3. Men and women:

Chant your praise

1. Showers and dew:

2. Snow storms and ice:

3. Servants of God:

Raise up your joyful song

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Hymns for the Children's Mass

ENTRANCE: CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Let all earth and heaven say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell, Alleluia!

Now he lives, our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Charles Wesley 1739

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: WE BRING TO YOU

We bring to You (we bring to You)
our gifts today (our gifts today)
of bread and wine (of bread and wine)
You share with us (You share with us)

Chorus. We lift our voice to sing for You
We praise Your name in every land
Jesus my friend you lived for us

The things I do (the things I do)
I bring to You (I bring to You)
The gifts I share (the gifts I share)
because of You (because of You) (**Chorus**)

The love I share (the love I share)
for those that care (for those that care)
The times I work (the times I work)
the times I play (the times I play) (**Chorus**)

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COMMUNION: HERE I AM, LORD

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people's cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Chorus. Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?

I have heard You calling in the night. I will go Lord,
if You lead me, I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send? (**Chorus**)

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RECESSIONAL HYMN: SHINE AMONG THEM

Chorus. We are called to shine (la la la) shine (la la la) shine
among them. We are called to shine (la la la)
shine (la la la) shine like the stars above
We are called to shine (la la la) shine (la la la)
shine among them. We are called to shine (la la la)
shine (la la la) shine me a light of love

Jesus is a light, a light for all the world
His light shines in the fire of his words
A light of love, for all the world to see
A shining star, a call for you and me (**Chorus**)

A star of light, a star of love. The love of Jesus, given by God.
Love one another, as I have loved you
As stars of love, we are called too (**Chorus**)

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THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen

THE PSALM Ps 117 (118): 2-4, 15-18, 22-24

Let the children of Israel say:
'God's love has no end.'

Let the children of Aaron say:
'God's love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say:
'God's love has no end.'

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
God's right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount the Lord's deeds.

I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.

POPE FRANCIS' FINAL WORDS TO US ON EASTER SUNDAY....

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EASTER SUNDAY MASS OF THE DAY

.....must run, filled with joy. Let us run towards Jesus, let us rediscover the inestimable grace of being his friends. Let us allow his Word of life and truth to shine in our life. As the great theologian Henri de Lubac said, "It should be enough to understand this: Christianity is Christ. No, truly, there is nothing else but this. In Christ we have everything" (*Les responsabilités doctrinales des catholiques dans le monde d'aujourd'hui, Paris 2010, 276*).

And this "everything" that is the risen Christ opens our life to hope. He is alive, he still wants to renew our life today. To him, conqueror of sin & death, we want to say:

"Lord, on this feast day we ask you for this gift: that we too may be made new, so as to experience this eternal newness. Cleanse us, O God, from the sad dust of habit, tiredness and indifference; give us the joy of waking every morning with wonder, with eyes ready to see the new colours of this morning, unique and unlike any other. [...] Everything is new, Lord, and nothing is the same, nothing is old" (A. Zarri, *Quasi una preghiera*).

Sisters, brothers, in the wonder of the Easter faith, carrying in our hearts every expectation of peace and liberation, we can say: with You, O Lord, everything is new. With you, everything begins again.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (John 20:29)

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!



SEQUENCE (To be read together after the Second Reading. Please remain seated):

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;

and Christ, the undefiled, has sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended; combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary: say what you did see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;

I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;

shroud with grave-clothes resting,

Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, your mercy show!

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

"URBI ET ORBI" MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

to a future of peace!

Let us pray for the Christian communities in Lebanon & in Syria, presently experiencing a delicate transition in its history. They aspire to stability, to participation in the life of their respective nations. I urge the Church to keep the Christians of the beloved Middle East in its prayers.

I also think in particular of the people of Yemen, who are experiencing one of the world's most serious and prolonged humanitarian crises because of war, and I invite all to find solutions through a constructive dialogue.

May the risen Christ grant Ukraine, devastated by war, his Easter gift of peace, and encourage all parties involved to pursue efforts aimed at achieving a just and lasting peace.

On this festive day, let us remember the South Caucasus and pray that a final peace agreement between Armenia and Azerbaijan will soon be signed and implemented, and lead to long-awaited reconciliation in the region.

May the light of Easter inspire efforts to promote harmony in the western Balkans and sustain political leaders in their efforts to allay tensions and crises, and, together with their partner countries in the region, to reject dangerous and destabilising actions.

May the risen Christ, our hope, grant peace and consolation to the African peoples who are victims of violence and conflict, especially in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, in Sudan and South Sudan. May he sustain those suffering from the tensions in the Sahel, the Horn of Africa and the Great Lakes region, as well as those Christians who in many places are not able freely to profess their faith. There can be no peace without freedom of religion, freedom of thought, freedom of expression and respect for the views of others.

Nor is peace possible without true disarmament! The requirement that every people provide for its own defence must not turn into a race to rearmament. The light of Easter impels us to break down barriers that create division & are fraught with ...
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SUNDAY MASS

Killara Church :

5:30pm Vigil 9.00am*

Lindfield Church

6.00pm Vigil 8.30 am 10.15am **

12 noon Chinese Mass 6:00pm Youth Mass***

* Morning Tea follows the 9am Mass at Killara on the 1st Sundays

** The 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays is a Children's Mass, featuring our Children's Choir (followed by morning tea).

*** On the 3rd Sunday of the month the 6pm Youth Mass is followed by a Parish Pot Luck Dinner in St Brigid's Hall.

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK

SECOND WEEK OF EASTER

Mon. 8am Killara (Memoria of St Peter Chanel)
Tues. 8am Killara (Memoria of Catherine of Siena)
Wed. 10am Lindfield
Thurs. 10am Lindfield
Fri. 10am Lindfield

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays for 15 mins after Vigil Mass at Killara

Saturdays 5.15 - 5.45pm at Lindfield

THE ORDINARIATE OF OUR LADY OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS (GATHERING IN OUR CHURCH AT KILLARA):

Sunday Mass 12 noon

Please note that during Fr Stephen's holidays there are no
Ordinate weekday Masses until 21st May

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

Saturday		26 Apr.	3 May
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Ansalem Lakra	Fr Thomas
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Hien Vu
Sunday		27 Apr.	4 May
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin	Fr Thomas
Killara	9:00 am	Fr David Strong	Fr David Strong
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Colin	Fr Thomas
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Ansalem Lakra	Fr Hien Vu
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Ansalem Lakra	Fr Hien Vu

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Every Wednesday:
Every Friday:

PARISH DIARY

8:00am Meditation (online)
9:00am Playgroup

APRIL

10:15am Children's Mass

MAY

Morning tea after 9am Mass

11:00am Scripture study (online)

Mothers' Day

10:15am Children's Mass,
followed by morning tea and COG

7:30pm Scripture study (online)

6:00pm Pot Luck dinner after
Mass

Wed. 21st 11:00am Scripture study (online)

OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

復活期第二主日 27. 04. 2025

—— 上主的話。 (默想片刻)

讀經一 (信主的人越來越增加, 男女人數極其眾多。)

恭讀宗徒大事錄 5:12-16

天主藉着眾宗徒, 在百姓中行許多徵兆, 顯了許多奇蹟。眾信徒都同心合意聚集在撒羅滿殿, 其他人沒有一個敢與他們接近; 但是百姓都誇讚他們。

信主的人越來越增加, 男女人數, 極其眾多。眾宗徒行了這樣多的奇蹟, 以致有人把病人抬到街上, 放在床上或草墊上, 好叫伯多祿走過的時候, 至少他的影子能遮在有些人身上。還有許多人, 從耶路撒冷四週城市, 抬著病人, 及被邪魔所纏擾的人, 蜂擁而來; 他們都得到了痊癒。

—— 上主的話。 (默想片刻)

答唱詠 詠118 (117):2-4, 22-27

【答】: 請你們讚頌上主, 因為他是美善寬仁, 他的仁慈永遠常存。 (詠118:1)

領: 願以色列家讚美說: 上主的仁慈永遠常存。願亞郎家族讚美說: 上主的仁慈永遠常存。願眾長上主的人讚美說: 上主的仁慈永遠常存。 【答】

領: 匠人棄而不用之廢石, 反而成了屋角的基石; 這是上主之所作為, 在我們眼中, 神妙莫測。這是上主所安排的一天, 我們應該為此歡喜。 【答】

領: 上主! 我們求你救助。上主! 我們求你賜福! 奉上主之名而來的, 應受讚頌。我們由上主的聖殿, 祝福你們。天主是上主, 他賜給你們光明。 【答】

讀經二 (我曾死過, 看, 我如今卻活著, 直到萬世萬代。)

恭讀默示錄 1:9-11-13, 17-19

我, 若望, 你們的弟兄, 並在耶穌內與你們共患難, 同主權和同忍耐的, 為了天主的話, 並為給耶穌作證, 曾到了一座名叫帕特摩的海島。

在一個主日, 我在神魂超拔中, 聽見在我背後有一個大聲, 好似號角的聲音, 說: 「將你所聽見的, 寫在書上。」

我就轉過身來, 要看看那同我說話的聲音。我一轉身, 就看見了七盞金燈台; 在燈台當中, 有似人子的一位, 身穿長衣, 胸間佩有金帶。

我一看見他, 就跌倒在他腳前, 有如死人。他於是把右手按在我身上, 說: 「不要害怕! 我是元始, 我是終末, 我是生活的。我曾死過; 可是, 看! 我現在卻活著, 一直到萬世萬代。我握有死亡和陰府的鑰匙, 所以你們應把你看見的事, 現今的, 以及在這些事以後, 要發生的事, 都寫下來。」

福音前歡呼 (若20:29)

領: 亞肋路亞。

【眾】: 亞肋路亞。

領: 主說: 多默, 因為你看見了我, 才相信嗎? 那些沒有看見而相信的, 才是有福的!

【眾】: 亞肋路亞。

福音

(八天以後, 耶穌來了, 站在門徒中間。)

恭讀聖若望福音 20:19-31

一周的第一天晚上, 門徒所在的地方, 因為怕猶太人, 門戶都關著, 耶穌來了, 站在中間, 對他們說: 「願你們平安!」說了這話, 便把手和肋膀指給他們看。門徒見了主, 便喜歡起來。

耶穌又對他們說: 「願你們平安! 就如父派遣了我, 我也同樣派遣你們。」說了這話, 就向他們噓了一口氣, 說: 「你們領受聖神吧! 你們赦免誰的罪, 誰的罪就被赦免; 你們保留誰的罪, 誰的罪就被保留。」

十二人中的一個, 號稱狄摩的多默, 當耶穌來時, 卻沒有和他們在一起。其他門徒向他說: 「我們看見了主。」

但多默對他們說: 「除非我看見他手上的釘孔, 用我的指頭, 探入釘孔; 用我的手, 探入他的肋膀, 我決不信。」

八天以後, 耶穌的門徒又在屋裡, 多默也和他們在一起。門戶關著, 耶穌來了, 站在中間, 說: 「願你們平安!」然後對多默說: 「把你的指頭伸到這裡來, 看看我的手吧! 並伸過你的手來, 探入我的肋膀, 不要做無信德的人, 但要像個有信德的人。」

多默回答說: 「我主! 我天主!」耶穌對多默說: 「因為你看見了我, 才相信嗎? 那些沒有看見而相信的, 才是有福的!」

耶穌在門徒前, 還行了許多其他神蹟, 沒有記在這部書上。這些所記錄的, 是為叫你們信耶穌是默西亞, 天主子, 並使你們信的人, 賴他的名, 獲得生命。

—— 上主的話。 (講道後默想片刻)

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MASS FOR POPE FRANCIS Fr David Ranson, Vicar General of our Diocese, will celebrate a Solemn Mass in memory of Pope Francis in our Cathedral at Waitara this Monday 28th April at 7:00pm. All are welcome. (Bishop Anthony is in Rome for the Pope's funeral in his capacity as President of the Federation of Bishops' Conferences of Oceania).

A note from Fr Colin...

As you all know, I will be heading off this week for my sabbatical leave which will involve looking after a parish in England—and hopefully gaining some pastoral experience to bring back with me. My sabbatical time plus my annual holidays will see me absent for May, June, July and August. I'll have you all in my prayers during that time. I'll miss you.

As you also know, the good news is that Fr Thomas Alackakunnel will be back for that period as the Administrator of the parish. Please make him very welcome.

I'll see you at the beginning of September!

Fr Colin

IN THE WAKE OF POPE FRANCIS' DEATH....

...SOME WONDERFUL ECUMENICAL GESTURES:

During the week Rev. Chris Goringe of Roseville Uniting Church sent a beautiful email expressing the condolences of both himself and his congregation to our community.

The next day we received a beautiful card from the community at Lindfield Uniting Church.

And a lovely tribute to Pope Francis was posted on the website of the NSW Synod of the Uniting Church by the Moderator. You can read it [here](#):

<https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/blog/statement-from-the-moderator-regarding-the-passing-of-his-holiness-pope-francis/>



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POPE FRANCIS' FINAL URBI ET ORBI MESSAGE....

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grave political & economic consequences. It impels us to care for one another, to increase our mutual solidarity, to work for the integral development of each human person.

During this time, let us not fail to assist the people of Myanmar, plagued by long years of armed conflict, who, with courage and patience, are dealing with the aftermath of the devastating earthquake in Sagaing, which caused the death of thousands and great suffering for the many survivors, including orphans and the elderly. We pray for the victims and their loved ones, and we heartily thank all the generous volunteers carrying out the relief operations. The announcement of a ceasefire by various actors in the country is a sign of hope for the whole of Myanmar.

I appeal to all those in positions of political responsibility in our world not to yield to the logic of fear which only leads to isolation from others, but rather to use the resources available to help the needy, to fight hunger and to encourage initiatives that promote development. These are the "weapons" of peace: weapons that build the future, instead of sowing seeds of death!

May the principle of humanity never fail to be the hallmark of our daily actions. In the face of the cruelty of conflicts that involve defenceless civilians and attack schools, hospitals and humanitarian workers, we cannot allow ourselves to forget that it is not targets that are struck, but persons, each possessed of a soul and human dignity.

In this Jubilee year, may Easter also be a fitting occasion for the liberation of prisoners of war and political prisoners!

Dear brothers and sisters, In the Lord's Paschal Mystery, death and life contended in a stupendous struggle, but the Lord now lives forever (cf. Easter Sequence). He fills us with the certainty that we too are called to share in the life that knows no end, when the clash of arms and the rumble of death will be heard no more. Let us entrust ourselves to him, for he alone can make all things new (cf. Rev. 21:5)!

Happy Easter to everyone!



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