



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL GRAFTON

open doors ... open hearts ... open minds ...

15 May 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter

We are a generous faith community—centred on Jesus, seeking wisdom for life and acting with compassion—in the heart of Grafton since 1842.

The Cathedral is open every day. You are always welcome to use the Cathedral and its grounds for prayer and reflection, and we encourage you to make this a place of pilgrimage and prayer for our City.

Organ Prelude

Voluntary - Thomas Tomkins (1572 - 1656)

Mass setting: *A Community Mass* (Richard Proulx)

Introit

Awake my soul and with the sun - Plainsong

Entrance Hymn

[641 TIS] *This is my will*

Sentence

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God,
and God abides in them.

1 John 4.16b

Prayer of the day

We behold your glory, O God,
in the love shown by your Son,
lifted up on the cross and exalted on high:
be glorified anew in the love we have for one another
as disciples of the risen Lord Jesus,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

BIBLE READINGS

First Reading

[Acts 11.1-18]

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

Psalm

[Psalm 148]

1 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord from heaven:
O praise him in the heights.

2 Praise him, all his angels:
O praise him, all his host.

3 Praise him, sun and moon:
praise him, all you stars of light.

4 Praise him, you highest heaven:
and you waters that are above the heavens.

7 O praise the Lord from the earth:
praise him, you sea-monsters and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, mist and snow:
and storm-wind fulfilling his command;

9 Mountains and all hills:
fruit trees and all cedars;

10 Beasts of the wild, and all cattle:
creeping things and winged birds;

11 Kings of the earth, and all peoples:
princes, and all rulers of the world;

12 Young men and maidens:
old folk and children together.

13 Let them praise the name of the Lord:
for his name alone is exalted.

Second Reading

[Revelation 21.1-6]

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

The Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Everyone will know that you are my disciples
if you have love for one another.*

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[John 13.31-35]

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

Offertory Hymn [197 TIS] *God's Son came to bless us*

Communion Anthem *Ave Verum Corpus (Hail true body)* – Plainsong adapted

Mission Hymn [569 TIS] *Guide me, O thou great Redeemer*

Organ Postlude *Trumpet Minuet* – Alfred Hollins (1865 – 1942)

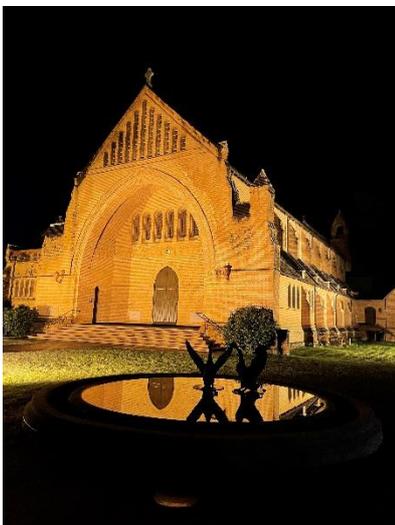
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Guest Organist

Today we welcome Mr Ian Brown as our guest organist. Ian, along with his wife, Jennifer are our organ builders here at the Cathedral, who tune and maintain the cathedral organ. It is a delight to welcome Ian today, “wearing a different hat” as it were. Thank you Ian.

DOBERER MEMORIAL FOUNTAIN

It is wonderful to see the fountain working again:



PEACE POLE FACULTY



"The project of erecting a peace pole has been under consideration for some time but on hold until the repair of the Doberer Fountain. Clarence Valley Council will fund the project and we are applying to the Bishop for a faculty for the positioning of the Peace Pole and garden in the Cathedral grounds near the Doberer Fountain. This is Instead of the previously applied for place on the Fitzroy Street side of the Cathedral Grounds. An application for a Faculty is on the Cathedral notice boards as well as all the back ground information. Any objections should be in writing to the Acting Dean or any of the Churchwardens."



The Cathedral is now open all day every day,
Morning Prayer 8.30am,
Evening Prayer 5.30pm.
Please feel free to sit, reflect, pray.
Votive candles are available.
Please use provided hand sanitizer.

Volunteers needed: Please provide Parish Office with names for a roster for morning tea after Sunday service.

Volunteers are also needed in other areas of ministry as well, in particular the OpShop. This is a rewarding opportunity to help both the parish and the wider community. Please see Linda in the Parish Office if you're able to help for a few hours occasionally or a full day regularly.

Weekly Giving Envelopes

There are new Weekly Giving Envelopes near the western door of The Cathedral, please take a box.

Also remember you may give a donation for a floral arrangement in memory of a loved one.

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Prayers for those in need

Joy Baldwin	Fay Kelly	Kay Metcalfe
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Sue Cotter	Joan Marr	Val Rogers
Kathryn Douglas	John McAnally	Tammy Uren
Gail Gilmore	Gladys Gray	Jessie Usher
Mervyn Kingsley	Elaine Stephenson	

Remembering those who have died

Year's Mind: Gillian Mears, Joel Butcher, Nellie Ellem, Olga Norton, Daphne Richards, Janey Robinson, Gregory Smith, Muriel Stephenson & Eileen Robertson.

Around the Parish this Week											
Today	<p>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER <u>9.00am – Cathedral Live & Online:</u></p>										
Monday	Parish council meet Edwards Hall 6.00pm										
Weekdays	<p>Morning Prayer & Evening Prayer will continue to be said at 8.30am and 5.30pm. You are welcome to join us any time you are free. Simply use the link on the Cathedral web page CALENDAR</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Cathedral Office</td> <td style="text-align: right;">9.00am–4.00pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cathedral Bookshop</td> <td style="text-align: right;">9.30am–3.30pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cathedral OpShop</td> <td style="text-align: right;">10.00am–4.00pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cathedral Pantry</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Mon, Tue & Thr</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wednesday Worship</td> <td style="text-align: right;">at 10.00 am</td> </tr> </table> <p>Please ensure that we have your email address and mobile number so we can reach out to you with information, news and pastoral support.</p> <p>If you need pastoral care or other support, please call either Marian, Canon Camellia or Deacon Grant.</p> <p>PLEASE MAINTAIN HIGH LEVELS OF VIGILANCE AND PERSONAL HYGIENE AS WE SEEK TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS</p>	Cathedral Office	9.00am–4.00pm	Cathedral Bookshop	9.30am–3.30pm	Cathedral OpShop	10.00am–4.00pm	Cathedral Pantry	Mon, Tue & Thr	Wednesday Worship	at 10.00 am
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Birthdays this coming week	<p>Happy birthday to Jane Millard for Tuesday and also Henry Austen has his birthday this week.</p>										