# ST LUKE'S CHURCH



# THE PARISH OF MODBURY and GOLDEN GROVE

Sunday, 24th March, 2024

.... **WELCOME** ....

# **PALM SUNDAY**

#### **OUR SERVICES TODAY**

8.00am Holy Communion

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9.30am Holy Communion with hymns

The people who threw down branches and their cloaks in today's text wanted salvation, which they perhaps defined as "freedom from the Romans." When it became apparent that Jesus was not "that kind of Messiah," the people's jubilation quickly vanished. "Save us," they cried, but then Jesus did not set about saving them in a manner that they could recognize. They had cried out to him as a king in the line of David.... where was his army? He did not take up a sword and send the Romans fleeing. Instead, he went and had supper with his friends; he went and prayed in a garden. Some Messiah!? It only took a few days for the crowds to switch from crying "Hosanna" to the shouts of "Crucify him." So, yes, the risk of Holy Week is that we'll take a peek at Jesus' actions and think, "Hmm, this doesn't look much like salvation to me."

So what does it look like to be saved by God? If it doesn't look like power and glory and political might? In experiencing the fullness of Holy Week, one of the strands that I have always clung to for comfort is the notion that this story is about God being with us. How does God being with us save us? I am not completely sure, but I do think that part of being saved involves a God who would stoop to step right into the messiest and most awful parts of life with us.



#### EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday7.00pmGood Friday9.00amEaster Sunday9.00am

Helpers for the Joyful Noise Children's Choir needed. If you are available on Tuesday afternoons from 4pm and would like to support this exciting new ministry, please add your name to the list on the office window. We need people to help welcome the children and prepare a healthy snack for them at about 4.45pm. The ability to do a bit of shopping (funds provided) beforehand would be helpful. You don't have to be available every Tuesday, we will have a roster, if we have enough helpes. You will also need to complete a Safe Ministry Clearance but we can support you to do this - it is quite straight forward and important to safeguard children and young people.

For the Love of God - Diocesan Conference Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April. A day of encouragement. Register now. St. Peter's Girls School, Stonyfell. Everyone is invited. More information to come. Contact <a href="mailto:educationprograms@sbc.edu.au">educationprograms@sbc.edu.au</a>

Photo Sale to support Maternal Health in Africa: Over the next two Sundays Don Owers is looking to sell (by donation) some photographic prints to support the work of a Christian Maternal Health Clinic in Africa (see: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?">https://www.youtube.com/watch?</a>
<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?">v=7EEU8hgaUDY&t=2s</a>
). Most of the images were printed for competitions on archival quality paper using high quality inks (which means that most of us will fade before the prints do!) Suggested donations are: A4 matted - \$10; A3 unmatted \$15; A3 matted \$20 (cash or card). Quite good frames can be obtained for as little as \$20 from K Mart or IKEA. Professional framing for an A3 print will cost \$120 - \$130.

**April to June Rosters for 9.30 am Services**. The rosters for the 9.30 am services have been compiled and have been emailed to parishioners on the parish email list. Paper copies (in yellow) are available on the table at the back of the church for the parishioners who have not received a copy by email.

There has not been a policy change involving the size of the sanctuary party but extended holidays etc meant that our numbers of parishioners experienced in handling sanctuary activities is often less than what is needed to roster 2 acolytes and I am wary of over using those who are already very generous with their time. Warren Henriks.

**Quickest Warmth.** Donations would be gratefully received. Please speak to Denise Robinson for further information.

# FOR PRAYER

#### The health and well-being of those needing immediate prayers:

Susan Restell, Jose, Damian Wyld, Glenys Williams, Bryan Mason, Rhonda Hill, Duane Fowler, Betty Bryson, Debbie Southren, Greg Downton, Anne Pfitzner, Ann and Fred Tee, Marion Ford, Vimla Mukerji, Roland Barker, Jeremy Bollen, Eric Walton, Ron Rockliffe, Jenny Lawton, Mercedes Siguenza, Aaron Watkins, Max Pontifex, Matthew Pontifex, Zarinah, Maureen McCarthy.

#### Those who need ongoing prayers for healing and well-being:

Helen Gummow, Jessie Waters, Donald & Marjory Prince, Beth Morgan, Emily Cahill, Emmett Bollen, Bryan Shillabeer, Cathie, Faith Drodge, Catherine Cooling, Carol Aitken, Malcolm Mayes, Naomi, Vicky Pattie, Jake Drury, Samantha Drury, Nerida Fidock, Brian Gummow, Michaela Kinnoch, Mia, Muriel Taylor and family, Joy Pedlar and family, Sylvia and Bill McDonald, Chris Davies, Robbie Fowler, Flack family, Jean, Cilla Harvey, Joanne Clark and family, Jean Downton and family, Gary Fawcett and family, Mary Turner, Robert Rechner, Melissa Burtenshaw, Peter Morris, Zoe, Jeanette and Allan Canton, Sue Fawcett, Andrew Mitchell, Frances K., Angela Brown, Kathy Fennell.

Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family: Beryl Stenhouse, Deane Stroud, Dianne Thiele, Christine Todd, Deborah Travis and the Bari Congregation.

#### Those who have died and whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Blue Jenkins, Ivan Leonard, Amy Tofts, Mervyn Watkins, Frederick Lamb, Darrell Sheriff, Clive Robertson, John Harvey.

+ Rest in peace and rise in glory.

Requests for prayer should be made to Deb Travis 0450 950 112 (8am service); June Hindmarch 0402 138 694 (9.30am service); or speak to Jean Rechner 0409 816 115 (Thursday service).

## Next week's readings

Easter Day

Acts 10:34-43 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Hymn to the Risen Christ

John 20:1-18

## ROSTER REMINDER for 9.30am service next Sunday

Reader 1: Eric Harrison Reader 2: Tony Tyler

Intercessor: Healing Prayers

Sidespersons: Peter Caddy & Kirk Skelton

Welcoming: Warren Henriks & Dorothy Bienke Morning Tea: Dany Fidock & Louisa Fidock

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**WEEKLY PEW SHEET** Please forward information to the church email or put a note

under the office door by Wednesday.

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## **REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES**

Monday	Bible Study	10.00am
Tuesday	Holy Communion	8.30am
	Community Garden	9.30am
Wednesday	Foodbank (fortnightly)	10.00am
	Bible Study	10.00am
Thursday	Holy Communion	10.00am
	Stretch & Balance	2.30pm (fortnightly)
	Christian Meditation	3.45pm (fortnightly)
Friday	Community Garden	9.30am
Community Garden BBQ	1st Tuesday of the month	11.30am
Bari Worship	1st & 3rd Sunday of the month	11.30am
Men's Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month	7.30pm
Come as You Are	1st Friday of the month	10.00am
(Women's Fellowship)	-	