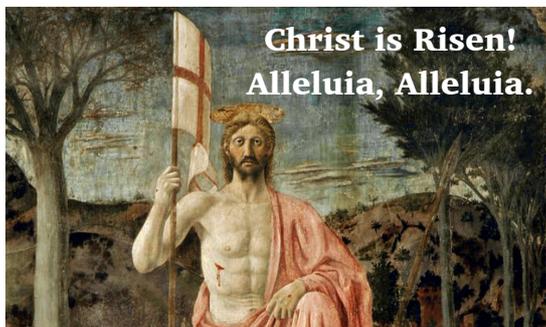


St German's Church

4 April 2021 - Easter Sunday



“ IN ACTS, Peter warns that God shows no partiality; James confirms that we should not either (2.9). In 1611, this came out as “God is no respecter of persons.” Knowing that God has no favourites is good news; for favouritism is something that we are hard-wired to resent. What the scriptures show is an equality so radical that it ought to take our breath away. Anyone — yes, anyone — can be acceptable to God. There are only two necessary conditions: one is right understanding about God, and the other is right behaviour. Peter explains what the right thinking consists in: believing that God raised Jesus from the dead and made him Lord of all.”
Cally Hammond in Churchtimes 8246

Parish Notes:

Holy Week and the Triduum - Many thanks to all who made Holy Week and the Triduum this year go so well and a special thanks to Natasha and Ross for their contributions on Holy Thursday and Good Friday.

Weekday Services - No weekday services will take place during Easter week and will resume on Monday 12 April with our evening mass at 6pm in St German's.

Covid Risks Update - Please continue to adhere to social distancing and so go straight to their chair and at the end of the service leave orderly. Once outside in the carpark, catch ups and some fellowship is possible because it is much safer in terms of infection rates and chances of the coronavirus spreading.

Charity Face Masks - These masks are made to order. All proceeds go to our church charity - Sight Direct 2020. Please see Angela for costs and details.

Faith QI - Next meets after Easter at 7pm on Wednesday 21 April via zoom. Each evening we explore a different topic related to our faith and spirituality - sometimes prayer, sometimes philosophy, sometimes theology. At the heart of it is a desire to understand and deepen our own faith. The next topic will be 'God and the Pandemic'.

This week:

Sun 4 Easter Sun

6am Dawn Vigil (St S)

9:30 Sung Mass (St S)

11am Sung Mass (St G)

Mon 5:

No Mass (St G)

Tues 6:

No Mass (St S)

Wed 7:

No Mass (St G)

Thur 8:

No Mass (St S)

Fri 9:

No Mass (St S)

Sat 10:

No Mass (St S.)

Sun 11: Easter 2

St Saviour's:

9:30 Sung Mass;

St German's:

11:00 am Sung Mass

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READINGS THIS WEEK

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Col 3:1-4

John 20:1-9

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Acts 4:32-35

Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

1 John 5:1-6

John 20:19-31

PSALM RESPONSE

Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia! (3vv)

COLLECT

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Acts.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Acts 10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.s.
Psalm 118

SECOND READING

The Second Reading is from Paul's letter to the Colossians.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

This is the word of the Lord.

Col 3

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed: let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

John 20

THE REGINA CAELI

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven,
alleluia!
He who thou wast meet to bear alleluia!
As he promised, hath arisen, alleluia!
Pour for us to him thy prayer, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad, O virgin Mary,
alleluia!
R./ For the Lord has risen indeed,
alleluia!

Let us pray,
O God, by the resurrection of your son,
our Lord Jesus Christ, you have brought
joy to the whole world: Grant that, by
the help of his mother, the ivrigin Mary,
we may obtain the joys of everlasting
life; through Christ the Lord. **Amen.**