



St John the Evangelist, Dee Why

Fourth Sunday of Easter

21 April 2024

THE HOLY EUCHARIST



Please silence mobile phones.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *NEH 457* **STAND**

Psalm 23

- 1 **THE king of love my shepherd is,
 Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
 And he is mine for ever.**
- 2 **Where streams of living water flow
 My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
 With food celestial feedeth.**
- 3 **Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
 But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
 And home rejoicing brought me.**
- 4 **In death's dark vale I fear no ill
 With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
 Thy cross before to guide me.**
- 5 **Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
 Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And O, what transport of delight
 From thy pure chalice floweth!**
- 6 **And so, through all the length of days,
 Thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 Within thy house for ever.**

Henry William Baker 1821–77

Advance Australia Fair

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**O GOD, who made this ancient land,
And set it round with sea,
Sustain us all who dwell herein,
One people, strong and free.
Grant we may guard its generous gifts,**

**Its beauty rich and rare
In your great Name, may we proclaim,
"Advance Australia Fair!"
With thankful hearts then let us sing
"Advance Australia Fair."**

**Your star-bright cross aslant our skies
Gives promise sure and true
That we may know this land of ours
A nation blessed by you.
May all who come within its bounds
Its peace and plenty share,
And grant that we may prayerfully
Advance Australia Fair.
With thankful hearts then let us sing
"Advance Australia Fair."**

Words by Robin Sharwood

INTRODUCTORY RITES

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Priest may introduce the Liturgy.

PENITENTIAL RITE

This prayer of preparation may be said.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Deacon invites the people to recall their sins.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us.

Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest pronounces the Absolution.

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

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

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 COLLECT

(Readers please wait until the Collect is concluded)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING *Acts 4:8-12* *SIT*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 117:1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29,*
Rv. 22

✠ The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

1 Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men;
it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

✠ The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

2 I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.
The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

✠ The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

3 Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord; I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end.

✠ The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

THE SECOND READING *1 John 3:1-2*

A reading from the first letter of St John.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE ALLELUIA VERSE

STAND

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:

the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.

The hired man, since he is not the shepherd

and the sheep do not belong to him,

abandons the sheep and runs away

as soon as he sees a wolf coming,

and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;

this is because he is only a hired man

and has no concern for the sheep.

'I am the good shepherd;

I know my own

and my own know me,

just as the Father knows me

and I know the Father;

and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have

that are not of this fold,

and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice,

and there will be only one flock,

and one shepherd.

'The Father loves me,

because I lay down my life

in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me;

I lay it down of my own free will,

and as it is in my power to lay it down,

so it is in my power to take it up again;

and this is the command I have been given by my

Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

SIT

PROFESSION OF FAITH

STAND

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *(all bow:)* was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death, and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

At the conclusion:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the Body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange the greeting of peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN *NEH 120* *STAND*

A toi la gloire, O Ressuscité

1 **Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes, where thy
body lay.**

*Thine be the glory,
risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won.*

2 **Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the church with gladness hymns of
triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.**

*Thine be the glory,
risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won.*

3 **No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;
Life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife,
Make us more than conquerors, through thy
deathless love:
Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:**

*Thine be the glory,
risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won.*

Edmond Louis Budry 1854–1932
tr. Richard Birch Hoyle 1875–1939

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

The Priest then says the Prayer over the Gifts

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Priest continues with the Preface, after which is sung:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna
in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.** *KNEEL*

The Priest continues with the Prayer of Consecration.

After the Words of Institution, when he has replaced the chalice on the altar and genuflected, the Priest says:

The mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer with these words:

. . . in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power are
yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

COMMUNION RITE

The Priest invites all to join in the Lord's Prayer.

**Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth
as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from
evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are
yours now and forever. Amen.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the
help of your mercy, we may be always free from
sin and safe from all distress, as we await the
blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus
Christ.

As he begins to break the Bread, the Priest says:

We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one Bread.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.**

The Priest then invites the people to Communion:

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Those who are to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing come forward.

CONCLUDING RITE

STAND

The Priest says the Post-Communion prayer

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Priest gives the blessing and all respond: Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

FINAL HYMN

NEH 134

- 1 **The Head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now;
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty victor's brow.**

- 2 **The highest place that heaven affords
Is his, is his by right,
The King of kings and Lord of lords,
And heaven's eternal Light;**
- 3 **The Joy of all who dwell above,
The Joy of all below
To whom He manifests his love
And grants his name to know.**
- 4 **To them the cross, with all its shame,
With all its grace, is given;
Their name an everlasting name,
Their joy the joy of heaven.**
- 5 **They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with him above,
Their profit and their joy to know
The mystery of his love.**
- 6 **The cross he bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to him:
His people's hope, his people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.**

Thomas Kelly 1769–1854

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***Children are always welcome
in all our church services at St John's.***

This Sunday

8:00am Holy Eucharist

10:00am Solemn Eucharist

Setting: Nige in D; Motet: *The Son of God proclaim* (Basil Bridge, arr NN);
Postlude: Elgar, *Nimrod*

Live-streamed on our YouTube channel

<https://youtube.com/@stjohnsdeewhy> (watch live or any time after it has concluded)

3:00pm Dee Why RSL Sub Branch ANZAC Commemoration

6:00pm Evening Prayer (Vespers) in the chapel



FROM THE RECTOR

21 April 2024

Dear Friends,

In the gospel this Sunday, love is portrayed as mutual knowledge: the Father knowing the Son and the Son knowing the Father. Likewise, Christ the Good Shepherd knows his sheep and his sheep know him.

He knows other sheep which, however, do not yet know him. For them, too, the Good Shepherd has laid down his life so that they may hear his voice. Then there will truly be one flock and one Shepherd.

With every blessing,

Fr Steven

Parish News

More Old Testament Talks: Father Howard is holding another series of three or four Old Testament Talks on Habakkuk, Joel and Jonah commencing Tuesday 23 April at 1:30pm and Wednesday 1 May at 7:30pm and then alternating fortnightly between Tuesday afternoons and Wednesday evenings. *An attendance list for those interested in participating is now available in the foyer.*

St John's Book Club: The next meeting will be held on Monday 29 April at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre.

For further information contact Neralie Cocks (0409 040 489).

Happy Birthday: Ruth Leon, Annette Bennett (21st), Michael Adamo (25th), Clara Pasquill (26th)

Weekly Offerings: Regular weekly giving is vital for the mission and ministry of St John's. A convenient way to do this is do make a direct debit from your bank account weekly or monthly—whatever suits you. *If this is your preference our bank details are: **BSB: 032094; ACCOUNT: 810026***

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21 April – 4th Sunday of Easter – Rostered Duties

	8:00am	10:00am	6:00pm
Welcomers:	Jill Knox Janette Thomas	Ian Ellis-Jones Lynsey Chandler	<i>Vespers (in the chapel)</i>
Readers:	Christopher Rynd Pamela Francis	Tania B-S Harmelink Valda Ashover	
Servers:	Jess Rynd Brian Butler Roz Peterson	Jill Sharkey Debby Roberts Robyn Couch Andrew Miles	
Chalice:	Jess Rynd	Jill Sharkey	
Morning Tea:	Bev Bingham Fay Hawkins	Heather Andrews Neridah Byrne	
Godly Play: <i>In recess</i>		Brass: Heather Andrews	Cameras: Sandra Joseph

28 April – 5th Sunday of Easter – Rostered Duties

	8:00am	10:00am	6:00pm
Welcomers:	Anne Seddon Robyn Courtney	Joseph Attalla Helen Hastings	<i>Vespers (in the chapel)</i>
Readers:	Ann Chilmaid Andrew Miles	Judy Lindeman Sandra Joseph	
Servers:	Andrew Miles Brian Butler Ann Chilmaid	Jill Sharkey Robyn Couch Roz Peterson Debby Roberts	
Chalice:	Lynette Johnson	Roz Peterson	
Morning Tea:	Pam Adams Brian Adams	Elena Attalla Diana Colman	
Godly Play: <i>In recess</i>		Brass: Pam Fisher	Cameras: Chris Salmon

THE WEEK AHEAD AT ST JOHN'S

Mon	22 Apr	8:30am 12noon 4:00pm	<i>Op Shop Sorting</i> Holy Eucharist (chapel) <i>Multicultural Seniors' Group</i>
Tue	23 Apr	<i>S. George</i> 9:30am 7:15pm	<i>Pins'n'Needles</i> <i>Choir Practice</i>
Wed	24 Apr	10:00am 5:30-7:30pm	Holy Eucharist with Holy Anointing and Healing Prayers <i>Street Mission: Wednesday Night Café</i>
Thu	25 Apr	<i>ANZAC Day (Public Holiday)</i> 10:00am	Holy Eucharist (chapel)
Fri	26 Apr	<i>S. MARK</i> 9:00am	Holy Eucharist (chapel)

5:30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation <i>(A priest is normally available in the church for Confessions from 5:30pm to 6:00pm or contact Fr Steven for other times)</i>
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Sat 27 Apr **No Mass today**

Sun	28 Apr	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
	8:00am	Holy Eucharist
	10:00am	Solemn Eucharist <i>Live-streamed on our Facebook page and YouTube channel</i>
	6:00pm	Evening Prayer (Vespers) in the chapel

COMING EVENTS

Sun 12 May **Ascension Sunday**

Sun 19 May **Pentecost**

Sun 26 May **Trinity Sunday**

Sun 2 June **Corpus Christi**

For more information please visit our website www.stjohnsdeewhy.org.au

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