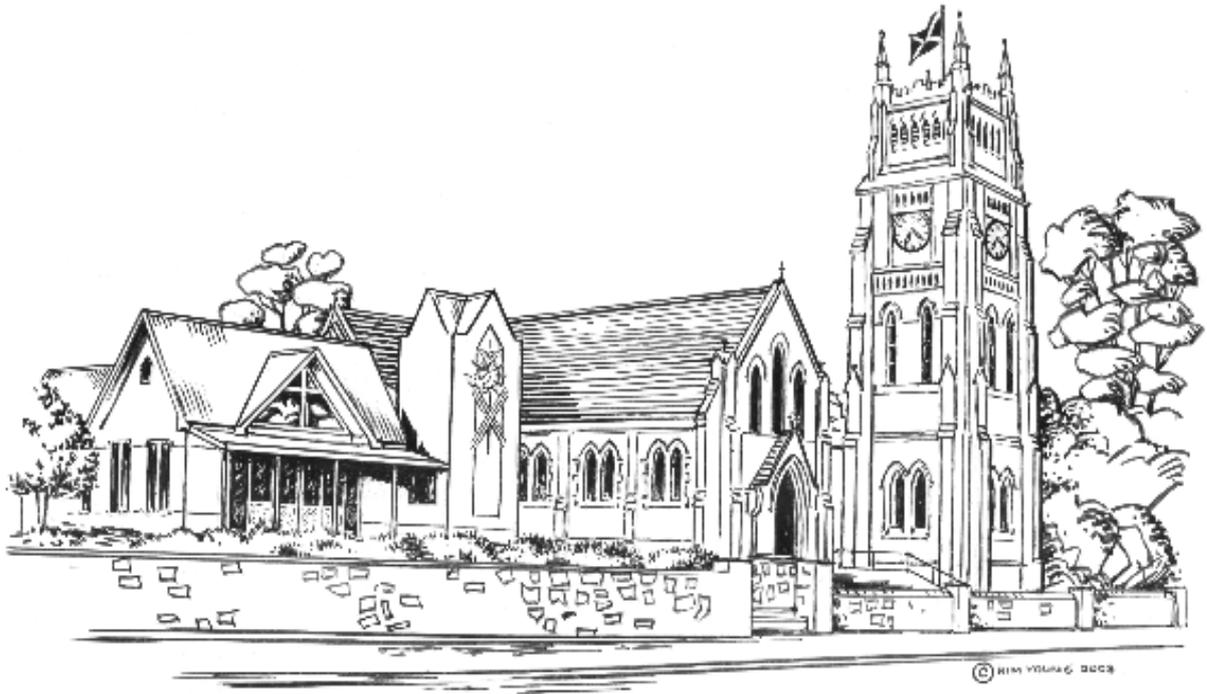


The Fourth Sunday in Lent Mothering Sunday

15th March 2026

8.00am & 9.30am



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St Andrew's is a Christ-centred,
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Today's Services

8.00am Holy Communion (said)

9.30am Holy Communion (sung)

Celebrant: The Rev'd Tracey Gracey

Organist: Ian Gray

Gathering Prayer

Today is the fourth Sunday of Lent, Mothering Sunday. Lent is a reflective season that invites us to give thanks for those who have nurtured and cared for us — and to remember that God also meets us as a mothering presence: comforting, guiding, and holding us in love. In this season, we pause to honour all the ways love has shaped our lives.

Companionship God, carry us in love through this journey of exploration and spiritual refreshment.

In this season, open our lives to your presence so that we can become all that we are called to be.

Processional Hymn (please stand)

- 1. Name of all majesty,
fathomless mystery,
King of the ages
by angels adored;
power and authority,
splendour and dignity,
bow to his mastery,
Jesus is Lord!**

2. Child of our destiny,
God from eternity,
love of the Father
on sinners outpoured;
 see now what God has done
 sending his only Son,
 Christ the beloved One,
 Jesus is Lord!

3. Saviour of Calvary,
costliest victory,
darkness defeated
and Eden restored;
 born as a man to die,
 nailed to a cross on high,
 cold in the grave to lie,
 Jesus is Lord!

4. Source of all sovereignty,
light, immortality,
life everlasting
and heaven assured;
 so with the ransomed, we
 praise him eternally,
 Christ in his majesty,
 Jesus is Lord!

Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-2024)

Greeting

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
And also with you.

Sentence of the Day

‘I am the light of the world,’ says the Lord;
‘those who follow me will have the light of life.’

John 8:12

Prayer of Preparation

Let us pray

**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.**

Parish Prayer

**God our Father, you have made us members of Christ
and of his church in this parish. May our worship be the offering
of our hearts and lives to you. Help us to reach out in welcome
to newcomers and visitors, to encourage and care for each other
in friendship and fellowship, and to grow in grace, love and unity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

Kyrie (said at 8.00am)

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

Kyrie (sung at 9.30am)

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

Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer-cy,
 Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy,
 Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy.
 Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

Trisagion

**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
 have mercy on us.**

Contemporary Prayer for Mothering Sunday

Let us pray

Loving God,

you are the source of life

and the one who nurtures us with steadfast care.

On this Mothering Sunday

we give thanks for those who have mothered us –
 with patience, wisdom, courage and love.

We remember with gratitude those who are no longer with us,
 we hold in your compassion those for whom this day is difficult,
 and we pray for all who long to give or receive care.

Shape us to be a community

that nurtures one another with patience and care,

that makes space for all to belong,

and that reflects your mothering love

in the small and faithful ways we live each day.

Through Jesus Christ,
who gathers us as a mother gathers her children
and leads us into fullness of life.
Amen.

Children's Talk

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16: 1-13

¹ The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' ² Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the Lord said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the Lord."' ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.' ⁴ Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?' ⁵ He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ⁶ When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord.' ⁷ But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.' ⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' ⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' ¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen any of these.' ¹¹ Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.'

¹² He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' ¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

After the reading

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

¹ The Lord is my shepherd:
I shall not want.

² **In green pastures he gives me rest:
beside still waters he leads me.**

³ He restores my soul:
he guides me in right paths for his name's sake.

⁴ **Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I fear no evil:**

for you are with me, your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies:
you anoint my head with oil
and my cup overflows.

⁶ **Surely your goodness and mercy
will follow me all the days of my life:
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 5: 8-14

⁸ For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light.
Live as children of light –

⁹ for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.

¹⁰ Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord.

¹¹ Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness,
but instead expose them.

¹² For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly;
¹³ but everything exposed by the light becomes visible,
¹⁴ for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,
'Sleeper, awake!

Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.'

After the reading

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn (please stand)

- 1. For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,**

*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*

- 2. For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light:**
- 3. For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
pleasures pure and undefiled:**
- 4. For each perfect gift of thine,
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven:**
- 5. For thy church which evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
this pure sacrifice of love,**

Folliott Sandford Pierpoint (1835 1917) altd.

Gospel Reading: John 9: 1-41

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John,
chapter nine, beginning at the first verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

A dramatic reading

After the Gospel the reader says

Hear the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon – Celebrant

An Affirmation of Faith for the Season of Lent (please stand if able)

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

**We believe and trust in God
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus –
the Word made flesh –
to reconcile and make new
and who works in us and others
by the power of the Spirit.**

**We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect for creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and hope.**

**In life and death,
in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.
Amen.**

Intercessions (please sit or kneel) – prepared by Lyn Dow

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

The response to each petition is:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

After the intercessions:

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:
(please kneel or sit)

**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 for ever.
Amen.**

Introduction to Confession

Trusting in God's deep and tender love,
let us bring our lives before God.

Confession

**Loving God,
you nurture us with patience and delight.
You know us completely and love us.
We confess that we do not always live
with the kindness and acceptance that you show to us.
We sometimes overlook moments to offer care.**

We forget to say thank you.

**We sometimes speak without gentleness
or hold back encouragement.**

We forget that we too are held in your love.

Forgive us.

Re-shape us.

Grow in us hearts that reflect your warmth and steadiness.

Absolution

God forgives you

Forgive others

Forgive yourself

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.

*Offertory Hymn – during this hymn the bread and wine for Holy Communion
will be presented, and the Collection taken*

- 1. God of Eve and God of Mary,
God of love and mother-earth,
thank you for the ones who with us
shared their life and gave us birth.**

- 2. As you came to earth in Jesus,
so you come to us today;
you are present in our caring
that prepares us for life's way.**

- 3. Thank you that the Church, our Mother,
gives us bread and fills our cup,
and the comfort of the Spirit
warms our hearts and lifts us up.**

4. Thank you for belonging, shelter,
bonds of friendship, ties of blood,
and for those who have no children,
yet are parents under God.

5. God of Eve and God of Mary,
Christ our brother, human Son,
Spirit, caring like a Mother,
take our love and make us one!

Fred Kaan (1929-2009)

Prayer over the Gifts

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God for ever.

Great Thanksgiving 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.

Nurturing God, we thank and praise you
because like a mother you brought all things into being.

Through trial and truth-telling, touch and tenderness
you nurtured a people
and led them in the ways of justice and of peace.

When the time came for you to dwell among us in flesh and blood,
your Holy Spirit called a woman to be the God-bearer,
that in her we may behold
that our bodies could bring forth your glory.

Redeeming God, you called a woman to be closest to your Son
at the moment of his nativity, at the place of his crucifixion,
and in the wonder of his resurrection.

Like a mother hen gathering her chicks
you draw the weary, the lost, and the betrayed
to the abundant table of your kingdom.

And so we join with angels and archangels
and all the household of heaven to sing the song of your eternal joy:
(sung at 9.30am)

**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.**

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, hea - ven - and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes.

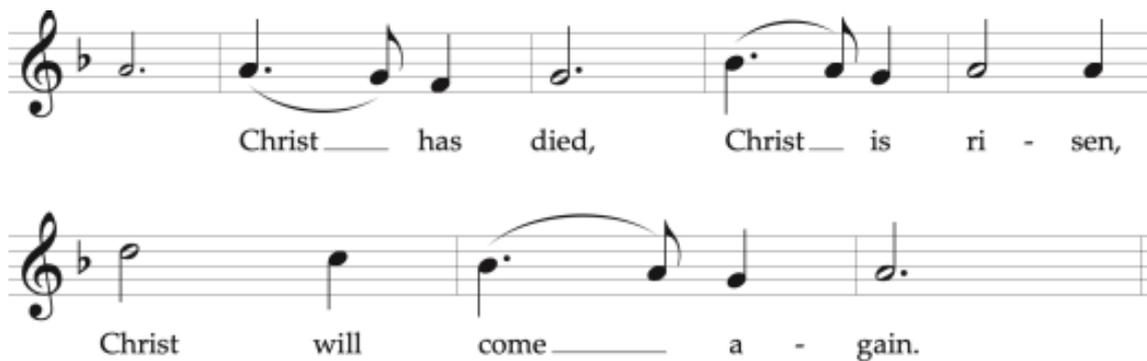
Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine, and we pray
that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them may be partakers
of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Great is the mystery of faith: *(sung at 9.30am)*

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



You have gathered us together to feed on Christ
and to remember all he has done for us:

Fill us with your Spirit
that we may follow Jesus
in all we do and say,
working for justice and bringing your peace
to this world that you have made.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord. *(sung at 9.30am)*

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

Bless-ing and hon-our and glo-ry and pow'r are yours for
 ev - er and ev - er.
 A - - - - men.

The Breaking of Bread and Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
 We who are many are one body:
for we all share in the one bread.

The congregation joins in the Agnus Dei (sung at 9.30am)

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

Je - sus Lamb of God, have mer-cy on us.
 Je - sus, bea-rer of our sins, have mer - cy on us.
 Je - sus, re-deem-er of the world, grant us your peace.

Invitation to Communion

Bread and wine;
 the gifts of God for the people of God.
 May we who share these gifts be found
 in Christ and Christ in us.

Administration of Communion

All who wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to form a single-file line and kneel/stand at the Altar rail when a space is available.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please also come forward and indicate this by bowing your head.

Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

We kindly ask that you receive the bread and wine separately rather than dipping the wafer into the cup.

During the season of Lent, you are invited to light a candle for your Lenten journey, or those who you are holding in body, mind, soul and spirit.

Communion Hymn

- 1. Christ bids us break the bread
and share the cup he gave,
in token of the blood he shed
for those he died to save.**
- 2. It was for us he came,
to bear, by human birth,
a crown of thorn, a cross of shame,
for every child of earth.**
- 3. The Saviour crucified
in glory rose again:
we here remember him who died,
ascended now to reign.**
- 4. Our hearts his word obey,
in thankfulness and love:
we feed on Christ by faith today
and feast with him above.**
- 5. O Christ, once lifted up
that we might be forgiven,
we take the bread and drink the cup
and share the life of heaven.**

Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-2024)

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray

Compassionate and loving God,
through your Son Jesus Christ
you have fed us
and have reconciled your people to yourself.
Following his example of fasting and prayer,
may we obey you with willing hearts
and serve one another in holy love.

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.**

Blessing of Simnel Cake

God of all good gifts,
we thank you for this cake, a symbol of love, hope, and joy.
Bless those who have prepared it and those who share in it,
and may it nourish us as we journey toward Easter. **Amen.**

Blessing and giving of posies by children, to those who mother and care for us

Final Hymn

*Lift high the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

- 1. Come, let us follow where our Captain trod,
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God:**
- 7. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw us unto thee:**

**8. Let every race and every language tell
of him who saves our souls from death and hell:**

*Lift high the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

**9. From farthest regions let them homage bring,
and on his cross adore their Saviour King:**

G. W. Kitchin (1827-1912) and M. R Newbolt (1874-1956)

Notices – see page 20

Sung Blessing – we sing together

**May the feet of God walk with you,
and his hand hold you tight.**

**May the eye of God rest on you,
and his ear hear your cry.**

**May the smile of God be for you,
and his breath give you life.**

**May the Child of God grow in you,
and his love bring you home.**

Aubrey Podlich (b. 1946)

Sending Forth

Not what we can take
but what we can give.

Not what we can possess
but what we can share.

Not what we can acquire
but what we can contribute.

Not what we can attain
but what we can achieve.

Not what we can earn
but what we can spend.

Not what we can secure
but what we can give up.

This is how we will travel in Lent.

Organ Postlude - you are welcome to sit in reflection, or leave quietly

*Following the 8.00am service:
tea and coffee at The Nest on Walkerville Terrace*

*Following the 9.30am service:
Morning Tea in the Parish Centre*

All welcome.

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If you are new today, welcome!

We would love to have your details
so that we can keep you up to date with the life of the parish.
Contact forms are available at the back of the church – please ask one of
our friendly welcomers, and return the completed form to them.
You can request a name tag on the sheet at the back of the church.
Many thanks.

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Please remember in your prayers this week:

Maggie Crewes; Helen Gibson; Donna Coombe;
Kevin Cameron; Greg C; Hebron Kids

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Notices

In the Parish

- ❖ **LENT STUDY:** Tuesdays 10.30am, and Wednesdays 6pm including a simple meal; in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.
- ❖ **2026 VESTRY MEETING: Sunday 29th March**, after the 9.30am service. Reports are available for you to take away this morning.
- ❖ **WOMEN'S BREAKFAST: Saturday 21st March, from 10am** at Sfizio, Norwood Parade. New people welcome!
- ❖ **90TH BIRTHDAY MORNING TEA:** Please join us after the 9.30am service on **Sunday 22nd March** to celebrate a significant birthday for Sandy Facy.
- ❖ **PALM CROSS MAKING:** Suzanne Sexton has generously offered to make our palm crosses again this year on **Friday March 27 at 10am**. If you would like to assist with the making of these crosses please let Suzanne know so she can pass on her home address details.
- ❖ **DONATIONS FOR HEBRON KIDS:**
Do you have children's books that you no longer need? St Andrew's School would be grateful to receive them for the new library at Hebron Kids. There is a collection basket at the back of the church.
- ❖ **DONATIONS**
Offertory envelopes for the current year are available on the table near the Choir Vestry at the back of the Church.
If you wish **give electronically**, please donate to this account:
Account name: St Andrew's, Walkerville; *BSB:* 633-000;
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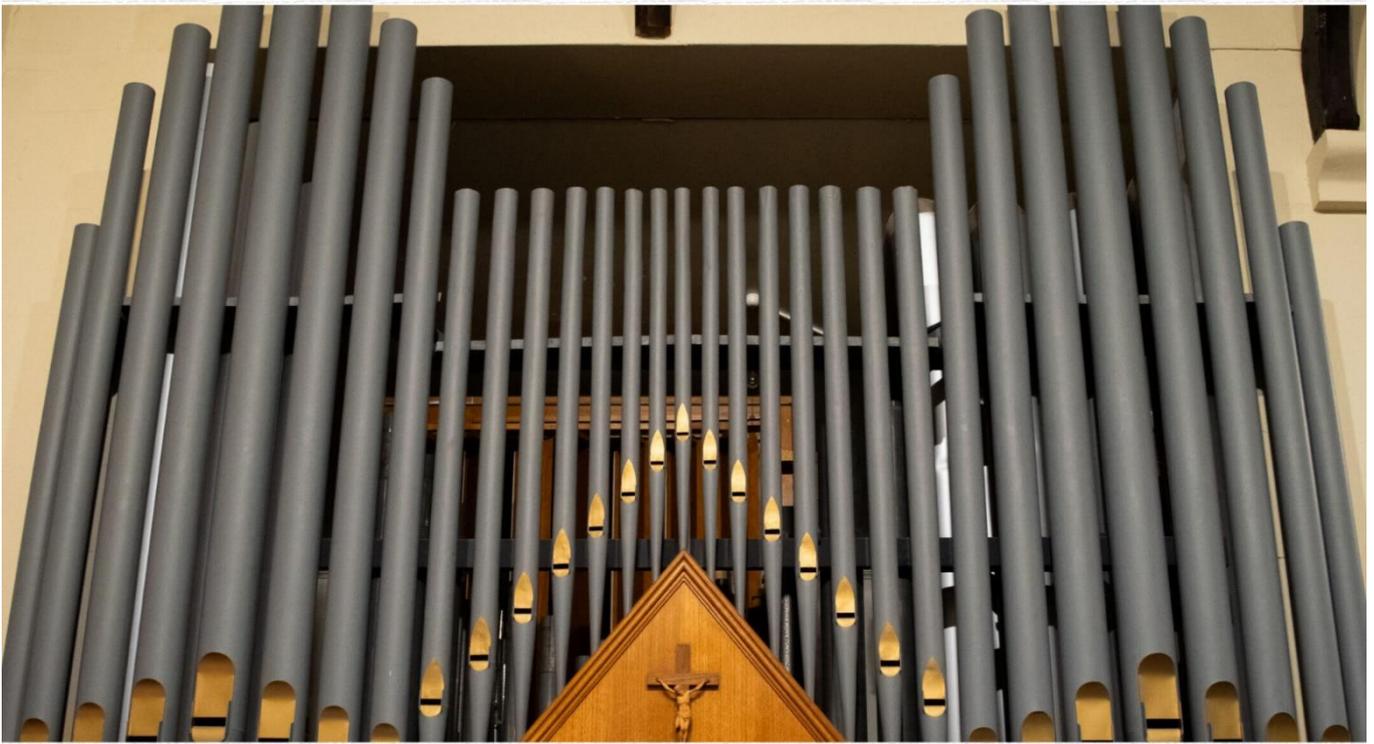
April 2nd - Maundy Thursday - 7pm

**April 3rd - Good Friday - 9.30am
& Good Friday for Kids - 11.30am**
with Hot X Buns & Interactive Activities

April 5th - Easter Day
8am & 9.30am
with Children's Time & Activity



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Sunday 3rd May 2026 at 2pm

Light refreshments after the Recital

Donation at the door

To fund the restoration of the organ

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Diary Dates

Sunday 15 March	8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Mothering Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion (sung)
	11.30am	Baptism, Olivia Steptoe (Church)
Tuesday 17 March	10.30am	Lent Study (Parish Centre)
	11.10am	Reception Students visit (Church)
	6.30pm	Soul Song Choir (Parish Centre)
Wednesday 18 March	9.00am	Office staffed until 5pm
	10.00am	ArtsNational Adelaide (all facilities)
	6.00pm	Lent Study (Parish Centre)
Thursday 19 March	11.00am	Meeting, Tracey (Parish Centre)
Friday 20 March	9.00am	Sports Day to 3pm (School)
	9.30am	Office staffed until 5pm
	10.00am	Staff meeting (Office)
	2.00pm	Cleaning (all facilities)
Saturday 21 March	10.00am	Women's breakfast (Sfizio)
Sunday 22 March	8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Lent 5	9.30am	Holy Communion (sung)
Tuesday 24 March	10.30am	Lent Study (Parish Centre)
	6.30pm	Soul Song Choir (Parish Centre)
Wednesday 25 March	9.30am	Office staffed until 5pm
	12.30pm	Rostrum Club (Parish Centre)
	6.00pm	Lent Study (Parish Centre)
Friday 27 March	9.30am	Office staffed until 5pm
	10.00am	Staff meeting (Office)
	1.00pm	Meeting, Tracey (Parish Centre)
	2.00pm	Cleaning (all facilities)
Sunday 29 March	8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Palm Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion (sung)

Readings for next Sunday (Lent 5)

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Psalm 130

2nd Reading: Romans 8: 6-11

Gospel: John 11: 1-45

Rosters for today, Sunday 15th March (Mothering Sunday)

Celebrant & Preacher: 8.00 & 9.30am The Rev'd Tracey Gracey

Readers: 8.00am Brian Zwar

9.30am Lyn Dow

Prayer Leader: 9.30am Lyn Dow

Lay Assistants: 8.00am Virginia Shek

9.30am Biffy Ormsby; Virginia Shek

Server: 9.30am John Beer

Welcomers: 8.00am Brian Zwar

9.30am Chris Gill; Rob Dow

Morning Tea 9.30am Frances Wilson; Molly Radakovitch

Margaret Minahan *Cake: Sharon Gray*

Rosters for next Sunday, 22nd March (Lent 5)

Celebrant & Preacher: 8.00 & 9.30am The Rev'd Tracey Gracey

Readers: 8.00am Ray Newell

9.30am Rob Dow

Prayer Leader: 9.30am Michael Thomas

Lay Assistants: 8.00am Virginia Shek

9.30am Jen Harris; Sharon Gray

Server: 9.30am Jacob Harris

Welcomers: 8.00am Ray Newell

9.30am Tony Holloway; Robin Coleman

Morning Tea 9.30am Donna Coombe; Deb Robertson;

Yvonne Facy *Cake: Yvonne Facy*

Rosters for Sunday 29th March (Palm Sunday)

Celebrant: 8.00 & 9.30am The Rev'd Tracey Gracey

Preacher: 8.00 & 9.30am The Rev'd Timothy Sherwell

Readers: 8.00am Janet Martin

9.30am Mark Murphy

Prayer Leader: 9.30am Suzanne Sexton

Lay Assistants: 8.00am *To be confirmed*

9.30am Virginia Shek

Server: 9.30am Luke Marshall

Welcomers: 8.00am Charlie George

9.30am Darren Pitt; Chris Gill

Morning Tea 9.30am Sharon Gray; Heather Wheatley

Cake: Needra Silva