

Easter Day

5th April 2026
8.00am & 9.30am



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**St Andrew's
Church
WALKERVILLE**

St Andrew's is a Christ-centred,
sacramental, inclusive, thinking,
praying and prayerful, mission-
oriented faith community

Today's Services

8.00am and 9.30am Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher, 8am and 9.30am: The Rev'd Tracey Gracey
Organist 8am: Brian Wheatley
Organist 9.30am: Ian Gray

8am only:

The congregation is invited to stand and face the entrance of the church.

The Lighting of the Paschal Candle

The Paschal candle is brought to the church doors.

The candle is marked, and the following prayers are said by the Priest.

Christ yesterday and today,
the beginning and the end,
Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to him,
and all ages;
to him be glory and power,
through every age and for ever.

Amen.

By his holy and glorious wounds
may Christ our Lord guard and keep us.

Amen.

*The priest lights the Easter Candle, saying
May the light of Christ, rising in glory,
banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.*

The priest enters the building, and they pause just inside the entrance.

The priest raises the candle and says:

The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The Paschal candle is carried into the church.

The procession may pause a number of times, with the priest saying:

The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God

9.30am only:

The congregation is invited to stand and face the entrance of the church.

The lit Paschal candle is carried into the church.

The procession may pause a number of times, with the priest saying:

The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God

The Paschal candle is placed in the stand, with the priest saying:

The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God

Opening Hymn

- 1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia,
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia,
who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia,
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**
- 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing Alleluia,
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia,
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia,
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia.**
- 3. For the pains which he endured Alleluia,
our salvation have procured; Alleluia,
now above the sky he's King, Alleluia,
where the angels ever sing Alleluia.**

Both services - Easter Proclamation

From darkness

Toward light.

From sorrow

Toward joy.

From death

Toward life.

What seemed finished —

God was renewing.

What seemed lost —

God was restoring.

What seemed impossible —

God was revealing.

The earth trembled in the silence of the morning.

Something was changing

The stone was moved before anyone arrived.

Something was beginning

The night was giving way to a new creation.

God was at work.

Women came carrying grief and devotion.

They found wonder.

Disciples came running with confusion and fear.

They found hope.

Hearts that expected endings discovered beginnings.

Life was stronger than death.

With those who saw the empty tomb

Alleluia!

With those who heard their name spoken in love

Alleluia!

With those whose sorrow turned to joy

Alleluia!

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Alleluia!

Greeting

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

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.**

Confession

Let us then confess our sins with a true and sincere heart.

**Risen Jesus,
we confess that we sometimes live
as though the story ended at the cross.
We carry old wounds,
repeat harmful habits,
find forgiveness difficult
and allow fear to close our hearts.
Awaken new life within us.
Teach us to walk in the light of Easter.
Through Christ our risen Lord. Amen.**

Absolution

May the risen Christ grant you forgiveness of your sins,
raise you to newness of life,
and fill you with the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Gloria

**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.**

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord, Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, — Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are sea - ted at the right hand of the
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, — you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the — glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray

God of glory,
fill your Church with the power
that flows from Christ's resurrection,
that, in the midst of this sinful world,
it may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity,
raised to new life with Christ;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The 2026 Easter Egg Jesus Story

First Reading: Acts 10: 34-43

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did, both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

After the reading

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

A Poem by Andrew King - Now for the Dawning

Now for the dawning, now for the morning,
now for the chasing of sorrow's night,
now for the rising, now for rejoicing,
now for darkness fleeing before light,
now for beginning after the ending,
now for the rolling of stone from tomb,
now for the dancing, now for the praising,
now for breaking the grip of gloom,
now for the greening, now for the flowering,
now for the garden bursting with life,
now for the singing, now for the sharing,
now for the peace in place of strife,
now for the laughing, now the embracing,
now for the joyful freedom of heart,
now for the healing, now for the caring,
now for nourishing the weaker part,
now for forgiveness, now for redemption,
now for repairing that which was torn,
now for the mercy, now for the justice,
now for the ploughshare made from the sword,
now for believing, now for the hoping,
now for our lives and creation made new,
now for the giving, now for the serving,
ever celebrating what God's love can do.

Second Reading: Colossians 3: 1-4

¹ So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

After the reading

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

Gradual Hymn (please stand)

1. **Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**
2. **Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now,
and touching every place and time.**
3. **In every insult, rift and war,
where colour, scorn or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, where even hope has died.**
4. **Women and men, in age and youth,
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth,
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.**
5. **Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love and praise.**

Brian Wren (b. 1936)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 28: 1-10

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew, chapter twenty-eight, beginning at the first verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹ After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.

² And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.

³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.

⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men.

⁵ But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.

⁶ He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said.
Come, see the place where he lay.

⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples,
"He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.'

⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy,
and ran to tell his disciples.

⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!'
And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him.

¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid;
go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

After the Gospel the reader says

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Easter Day Creed

Do you believe that love is stronger than death?

We believe – Christ is risen!

Do you believe that God brings life from broken places?

We believe – Christ is risen!

Do you believe we are called to live as people of hope?

We believe – Christ is risen indeed!

Intercessions – prepared by Brian Wheatley

Let us pray for the Spirit's guidance in the world and for the church.

The response to each petition is:

Risen Lord,

hear our prayer.

After the intercessions:

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

Christ is risen. Alleluia!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

God's peace be 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. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
sing to God a hymn of gladness,
sing to God a hymn of praise:
he who on the cross a victim
for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
now is risen from the dead.**

2. Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits

**of the holy harvest field,
which will all its full abundance
at his second coming yield;
then the golden ears of harvest
will their heads before him wave,
ripened by his glorious sunshine,
from the furrows of the grave.**

3. Christ is risen, we are risen;
shed upon us heavenly grace,
rain, and dew, and gleams of glory
from the brightness of thy face;
that we, with our hearts in heaven,
here on earth may fruitful be,
and by angel-hands be gathered,
and be ever, Lord, with thee.

4. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Saviour,
who has gained the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit,
fount of love and sanctity;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
to the Triune Majesty.

Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885)

Prayer over the Gifts

Blessed are you God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
Which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
Fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God forever.

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.

We give you thanks and praise.

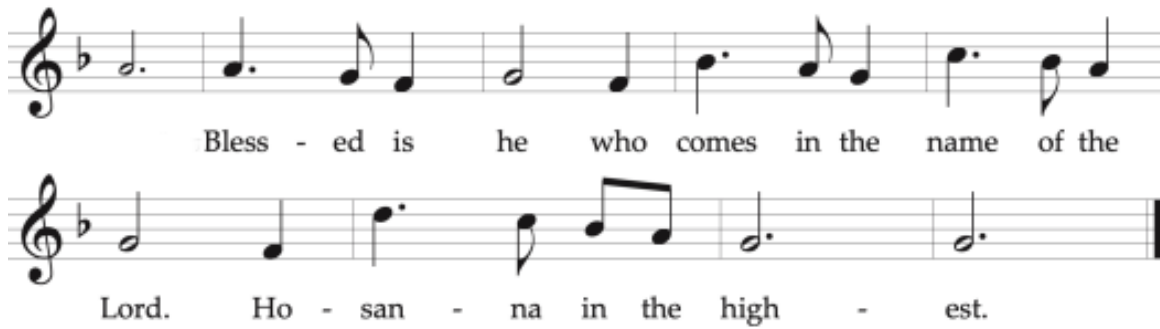
Before the bright dawn in the garden
in which Love was resurrected,
before the cold silence of the tomb
by which Love was swallowed,
before the black horror of the cross
on which Love was broken,
before the bitter struggle of another garden
through which Love affirmed its choices,

Jesus, eating a final supper with his friends,
blessed and broke bread
and poured out a cup of wine,
sharing these tokens with them
as a confirmation of the life he had lived
and a sign of what was to come.

So we, too, recalling that moment, and honouring that life,
now thank you for these gifts of bread and wine, may we who receive
them as Jesus said, share his body and his blood as a confirmation and
sign that we are part of its ongoing story.

**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 image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,". The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "God of pow'r and might, hea - ven - and earth are". The third staff contains the melody for the third line: "full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.



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.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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



As we remember and rejoice, may we once again encounter Love and be transformed by Life. May we remember with wonder and joy that Love, though broken on a cross, was not defeated, and – though swallowed by death – was not silenced, but lives and speaks still, words of welcome, healing, and hope.

**Blessing and honour and 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.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

**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.**

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

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.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The first staff corresponds to the first line of text, the second to the second line, and the third to the third line. The music is written in a simple, accessible style with clear lyrics underneath.

Invitation to Communion

This is the bread of life

and this is the wine of compassion.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

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.

Communion Hymn

*Alleluia, alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord!
Alleluia, alleluia,
give praise to his name.*

- 1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth;
he is the King of creation.**
- 2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth;
Jesus has died and has risen.**
- 3. We have been crucified with Christ;
now we shall live forever.**
- 4. Come, let us praise the living God;
Joyfully sing to our Saviour!**

Don Fishel (b. 1950)

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, giver of life,
in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord.
May we who celebrate this holy feast
Walk in his risen light and bring new life to all creation.

Most loving God,
**you send us into the world you love give us grace to go thankfully
and with courage in the power of your spirit.**

Notices – see page 20

Final Hymn

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 hast lost its sting:**
3. **No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;
life is naught 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:**

Edmond Budry (1854–1932) tr. Richard Hoyle (1875–1939)

The Blessing

The blessing of God:

giver of life,

raiser of Christ,

renewing Spirit,

make and remake you

in the image of the risen Lord.

And the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Organ Postlude

The postlude forms part of our worship.

*You are invited to remain seated in prayerful reflection,
or to depart in silence.*

*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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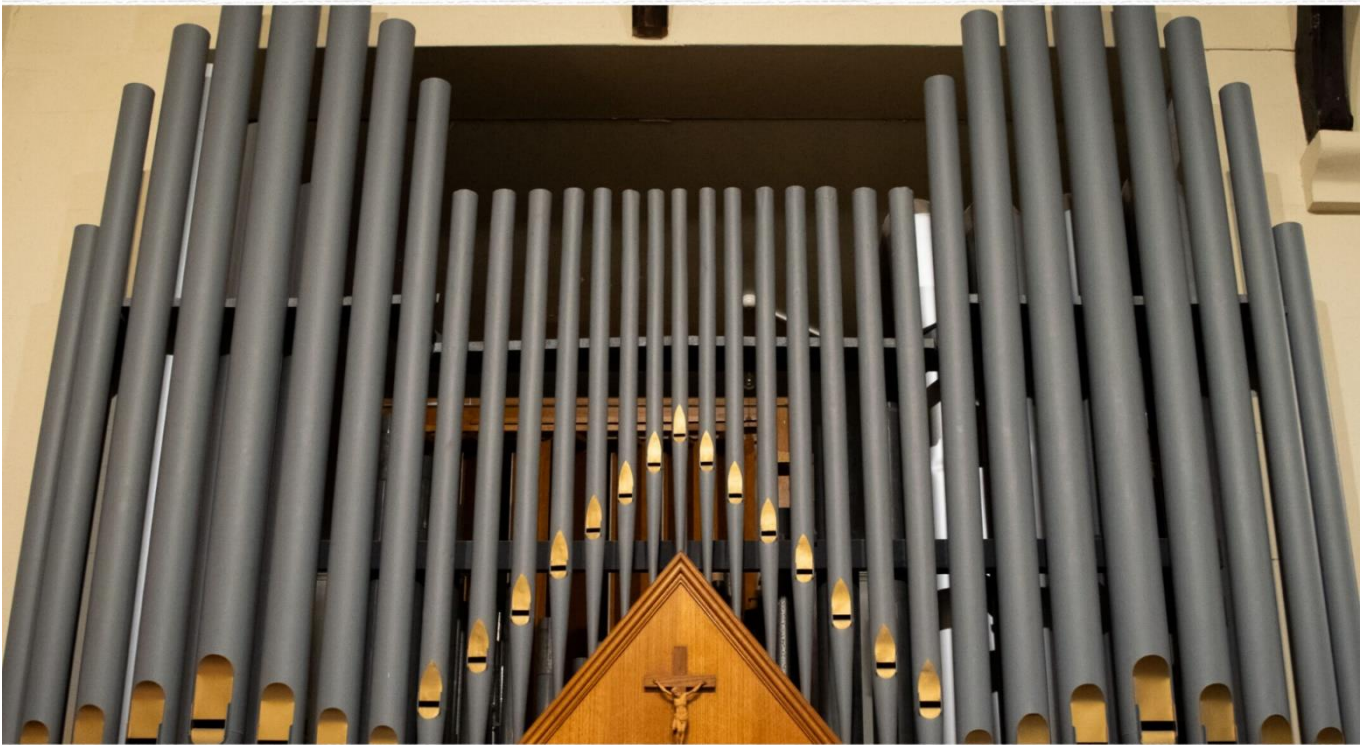
Please remember in your prayers this week:

Maggie Crewes; Helen Gibson; Kevin Cameron; Greg C; Hebron Kids;
Rhonda Gilmour

Notices

In the Parish

- ❖ **CHATTY CAFÉ THIS WEDNESDAY!** Join us from 10am in the Parish Centre for good company, tea, coffee and home-made treats. Volunteers are needed to bake treats, come and chat on the day, or serve and assist in the kitchen. See Tracey if you'd like to help.
- ❖ **MEN'S BREAKFAST: Saturday 11th April, from 8.30am** in the Parish Centre.
- ❖ **WOMEN'S BREAKFAST: Saturday 18th April, from 10am** at Sfizio, Norwood Parade.
- ❖ **ANZAC DAY, Dawn service:** This year's ANZAC Day in Walkerville will commence with the Dawn Service at Memorial Gardens on Church Terrace at 6.15am. Arrive by 6am.
- ❖ **FAMILY FAITH EVENING: Saturday 2nd May, 5-7pm** in the Parish Centre. The evening will include dinner, dessert and family-interactive games and craft. Other family friends are more than welcome to join us. For set-up and catering purposes, please let Tracey know if your family can attend. Hoping you can join us!
- ❖ **BUSH CHURCH AID (BCA) BOXES:** These boxes are due for collection at the end of March/early April. If you would like to join in collecting for ministry in the outback, you can give by either taking a box and filling it, or give online at sa@bushchurcaid.com.au If you are a current box holder and would like to transfer to online giving, I have a reference number to quote when you give. Thanking you for your support of this ministry. *Heather Wheatley (BCA Rep)*
- ❖ **DONATIONS**
Offertory envelopes for the current year are available on the table near the Choir Vestry at the back of the Church.
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Diary Dates

Sunday 5 April	8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Easter Day	9.30am	Holy Communion (sung)
Tuesday 7 April	6.30pm	Soul Song Choir (Parish Centre)
Wednesday 8 April	10.00am	Chatty Café (Parish Centre)
	12.30pm	Rostrum Club (Parish Centre)
Friday 10 April	9.30am	Office staffed until 5pm
	10.00am	Staff meeting (Office)
	2.00pm	Cleaning (all facilities)
Saturday 11 April	8.30am	Men's Breakfast (Parish Centre)
Sunday 12 April	8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Easter 2	9.30am	Holy Communion (sung)
Monday 13 April	6.00pm	City of Adelaide Lions Club (PC)
Wednesday 15 April	9.30am	Office staffed until 5pm
Thursday 16 April	7.30pm	Home Fellowship (Newells')
Friday 17 April	9.30am	Office staffed until 5pm
	10.00am	Staff meeting (Office)
	2.00pm	Cleaning (all facilities)
Saturday 18 April	10.00am	Women's Breakfast (Sfizio)
Sunday 19 April	8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Easter 3	9.30am	Holy Communion (sung)

Readings for next Sunday (Easter 2)

1st Reading: Acts 2: 14-a, 22-32

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1: 1-12

Psalm 16

Gospel: John 20: 19-31

Rosters for today, Sunday 5th April (Easter Day)

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

Readers: 8.00am Jenny Moller

9.30am Mark Murphy

Prayer Leader: 9.30am Brian Wheatley

Lay Assistants: 8.00am Darren Fleming

9.30am Donna Coombe; Virginia Shek

Server: 9.30am Luke Marshall

Welcomers: 8.00am Charlie George

9.30am Brian & Heather Wheatley

Morning Tea 9.30am Needra Silva; Sally Zimmerman

Helen Hancock *Cake: hot cross buns*

Rosters for next Sunday, 12th April (Easter 2)

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

Preacher: 8.00 & 9.30am Virginia Shek

Readers: 8.00am Charlie George

9.30am Tony Holloway

Prayer Leader: 9.30am Tania Murphy

Lay Assistants: 8.00am Darren Fleming

9.30am Malcolm Allen; May Van Heer

Server: 9.30am Adam Harris

Welcomers: 8.00am Jan de Wit

9.30am Roy Ingram; Needra Silva

Morning Tea 9.30am Val Ingram; Suzanne Sexton

Cake: Heather Wheatley

Rosters for Sunday 19th April (Easter 3)

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

Readers: 8.00am Brian Zwar

9.30am Anne Marsh

Prayer Leader: 9.30am Virginia Shek

Lay Assistants: 8.00am Virginia Shek

9.30am Biffy Ormsby; Clementine Okelo

Server: 9.30am John Beer

Welcomers: 8.00am Brian Zwar

9.30am Chris Gill; Rob Dow

Morning Tea 9.30am France Wilson; Molly Radakovitch;

Margaret Minahan *Cake: Biffy Ormsby*