

St Clement's Church, King Square

Easter Day

20th April 2025

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!



Collect for Easter Morning

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 Christ Jesus, 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. **Amen.**

First Reading (Isaiah 65.1725)

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah
I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered or
come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am
creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a
joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,
or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but
a few days, or an old person who does not live out
a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will
be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a
hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they
shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall
not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant
and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the
days of my people be, and my chosen shall long
enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for
calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the
LORD and their descendants as well. Before they
call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will
hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent
its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or
destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

Psalm (Psalm 118)



Response: 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." **R**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand has raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. **R**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **R**

Second Reading (Acts 10.3443)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the
house of Cornelius: 'I truly understand that God
shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone
who fears him and does what is right is acceptable
to him. You know the message he sent to the
people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ
he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout
Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that
John announced: 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.
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; but God raised him on the
third day and allowed him to appear, 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. 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. All the prophets testify about him that
everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness
of sins through his name.'

Gospel (John 20:1-18)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to 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 toward 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. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Post Communion

God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten
Son to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,

that we may evermore live with him in the joy of
his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.. Amen

For your prayers

In our Prayers: Tommy Lacken, Martin Fletcher,
Terry Folan, Sheila Hoppenbrouwers, Eamon Irvine,
Tracey Sanderson, Fr Michael Shier, Carol Martin,
Philomena Sorrenti, Fr Peter Rabin, Maggie
Stevens, HH Pope Francis, Tony Smith, Hope Oram,
Maureen Green, Sherry Lacken, Doug Williams,
Bonnie Drewery, Neville Thomas, Lynn Williamson
Among the departed: Betty Watkins, Edward
Geraghty

Anniversaries of Death: Susan Harris, Marjorie
Thorpe, John Yeowell, Kathleen Curtis, Mary
Adams, Michael Ramsey (Bp), Leah Winter,
Tiverton Pridie (Pr), Adrian Earl

In the parish: we pray for Radnor Street, Grayson
House and Toffee Park Play Centre

In the wider world: We continue to pray for a swift
end to the war in Ukraine, and for all those caught
up in the war in their homes or far from home and
loved ones.

Notices

In Church this week...

Wednesday No Open Church or mass this week

Sunday Second Sunday of Easter
10.30am Sung Mass

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