



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

19th April 2026

10:00 a.m.

Before the service, speak with God; during the service, let God speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St Bartholomew's,

Christ is Risen.

He is Risen Indeed. Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am pleased to advise that we have the necessary number of nominations for Synod and with nominations now closed a parish meeting to elect is now not necessary. The nominations are, Prue Borthwick, Daniel Brace and Craig Douglass as the Alternate. Thank you to each for their nomination

The ongoing wars in the Middle East I know is of deep concern for many people across the globe who in their every lives seek truth and justice. The abuse of power being exercised by both the President of the United States and the Government of Israel is in my mind appalling. The voice of Pope Leo is refreshing and a clear reflection of the Gospel message at Easter. I hope our own Christian leadership will speak out more strongly on the current wars and the local media will report such comments rather than as they so often do ignore them. The current crisis in the Middle East is impacting not only on the death of so many innocent people but on our own lives here in Australia. Please support the Richmond Food centre with extra donations at this time and make known your commitment to justice and peace to your local church and political leaders. Stirring up emotions and false claims about immigration is not the way for our politicians to respond during demanding times. Immigration has made Australia what is today. As a nation let us stand up for decency and commit to building the Kingdom of God not just for the rich and powerful but all of God's people.

Fr. Ray

INTROIT Hymn AM 21day 9 This joyful Easters tide.

Mass Setting Dudman

Sentence Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us anew birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

The priest says

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

And also with you.

Christ is risen. Alleluia.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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**

PENITENTIAL RITE

Risen Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

Silence is kept

Lord, like Mary at the empty tomb, we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence. Lord, have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Like the disciples behind closed doors, we fear to be seen as your followers. Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Like Thomas in the upper room, we are slow to believe and to trust in you. Lord, have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

The Absolution said by Fr Ray

Kyrie eleison sung

**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**

The Gloria is sung

**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 For the second Sunday of Easter

Almighty God whose son Jesus Christ is the resurrection
and the life of all who put their trust in him: raise us, we pray, from the
death of sin to the life of righteousness; that we may ever seek the
things which are above, where he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God now and forever. Amen.

At the time of choosing an incumbent {we say together}

Bountiful God,
give to this parish a faithful pastor
who will faithfully speak your word
and minister your sacraments.
An encourager who will equip your people for
ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling.

Give to those who will choose, wisdom,
discernment and patience,
and to us give warm and generous
hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.2:36-41

Peter Addresses the Crowd

14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews^[a] and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

36 "Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah,^[a] this Jesus whom you crucified."

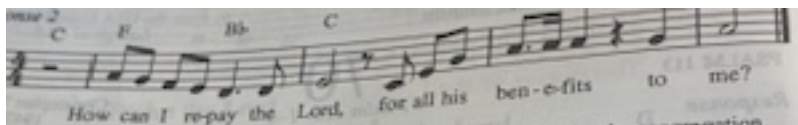
The First Converts

37 Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers,^[b] what should we do?" **38** Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. **39** For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." **40** And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." **41** So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader Hear the word of the Lord

ALL Thanks be to God

Psalm 116,1-4.11-18



A reading from 1 Peter 1.13-25

Call to Holy Living

¹³ Therefore prepare your minds for action;^[a] discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you when he is revealed. ¹⁴ Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. ¹⁵ Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct, ¹⁶ for it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

¹⁷ If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. ¹⁸ You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰ He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹ Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God.

²² Now that you have purified your souls^[a] by your obedience to the truth^[a] so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart.^[a] ²³ You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.^[a] ²⁴ For "All flesh is like grass

and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers,
and the flower falls,

²⁵ but the word of the Lord endures forever."

That word is the good news that was announced to you.

Gospel Acclamation

Cantor **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Lord Jesus make your word plain to us:

make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

ALL Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader The Lord be with you

ALL And also with you

Reader The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke Chapter 24.13-25.

✠ Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

13 Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles^[a] from Jerusalem, **14** and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. **15** While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, **16** but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. **17** And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad.^[b] **18** Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" **19** He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth,^[c] who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, **20** and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. **21** But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel.^[d] Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.**22** Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, **23** and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. **24** Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." **25** Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! **26** Was it not necessary that the Messiah^[e] should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" **27** Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. **28** As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. **29** But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. **30** When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. **31** Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. **32** They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us^[f] while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" **33** That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. **34** They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" **35** Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Reader For the Gospel of the Lord
ALL **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD AND THE CHURCH

FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD: Peace in the Middle East, Sudan, Congo Venezuela and Ukraine for the Jewish community for the Richmond Churches Food and for all organizations that provide safety and relief during this summer season and all those in need.

For the Leaders of the world that they will end conflict and seek to bring harmony and justice to the whole of creation.

FOR THE SICK, RECOVERING, AND THOSE WHO GRIEVE Bruce, Jack, Nanette, Liam, Craig, Helen, Marilyn, Marcus, Alan and Lee , Jean and family

FOR THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED: John Sloman

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK. Nicola Cacopardo, Brian Healy, Winifred Ricketts, Gordon Crow, Isabella Softley, John Potter, Linda Butler.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN AM 212 Now the Green blade rises

During the singing of the Hymn a collection will be taken. Electronic giving is available at the entrance to the Church.

THE EUCHARIST

We now lift up to God the world and the church as we offer prayers and thanksgiving.

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.

It is right to praise you, faithful God, always
and everywhere,
for with your only begotten Son and life-giving
Spirit,
you are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting.

At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing a
universe of beauty and splendour, bringing
light from darkness
and order from chaos.

You formed us, male and female, in your image, and
endowed us with creative power.

We turned away from you but you did not abandon us.

You called us by name and searched us out,
making a covenant of mercy,
giving the law, teaching justice by the prophets.

And so we praise you,
joining with your faithful people of every time and place,
singing the eternal song:

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.

When the fullness of time was come,
you sent your Son to be born of Mary.

Bright image of your glory,
he learnt obedience to you in all things, even
to death on a cross,
breaking the power of evil,
freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight.

You raised him from death, exalting him

to glory
and the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed
your Son Jesus Christ shared food with his friends, his
companions on the way.

While at the table he took bread, blessed,
and broke it,
and giving it to them, said: 'Take,
eat; this is my body.'

He took a cup of wine,
and, giving thanks, he gave it to them, and said, 'This is
my blood of the covenant,
which is poured out for many. Do this
in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

Sung

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

Therefore, living God, as we obey his command, we
remember his life of obedience to you, his
suffering and death,
his resurrection and exaltation,
and his promise to be with us forever.
With this bread and this cup
we celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and
send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration that all
who eat and drink at this table
may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood to
serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people,
may we proclaim the everlasting gospel of
Jesus Christ our Lord,
through whom, with whom, and in whom, in
the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, eternal God, now and forever.

sung

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

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 forever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.
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The bread which we break, alleluia,
is the communion of the body of Christ.

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

We are one body, alleluia,
for though many we share one bread.

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

All who wish to come are welcome for this is the table of the Risen Lord.

The words of administration are:

The body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Living God,
make us apostles of the risen Christ.
Give us joyful hearts, words of hope,
and grace to recognise the Lord Jesus when he meets us,
wherever we are on the road.

BLESSING

The blessing of the Living God, who brings light out of darkness, be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

The blessing of the risen Christ, who sends you as apostles into all the world be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

The blessing of the Holy Spirit, who fills the church with joy and praise, be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

The blessing of our God, the holy and glorious Trinity, be upon you and remain with you now and forever. **Amen.**

Offertory Hymn: AM 212 Now the green blade rise

Recessional Hymn AM 218 Thine be the Glory

Rosters

19th April		26th April
1st Reading	Greg Scott	Evan Costello
2nd Reading	Michael Mc Girr	Laura Pumphrey
Intercessions	Sandra McMahon	Michael McGirr
Euch. Assistant	Jonathon Harrison	Megan Harrison
Welcomers	Megan Harrison Ann Czech	Kim Rickett +Anne Czech
Hospitality	Helen Mc Donald	Jenny Scott +Michael Mc Girr

Centenary Year Plans

St Bartholomew's Burnley parish events update for our centenary year .

April 2026

Plans are well underway by a committee of the Parish Council to observe and celebrate the dedication of the current Church on the corner of Burnley street and Boyd Lane on the 25th October 2026. The church was relocated to the present site in 1925 from the corner of Swan street and Burnley street. It was decided that the church should be more centrally located. In retrospect the decision at the time may not have occurred today if events as they were to unfold over the years as the centre of Burnley is now arguably where the church was first established.

A number of events are being planned for the year including the following. Others will be added as they are finalized including a concert and parish dinner.

May 9th Melba concert at the church, a regular event each year

May 30th@11.30am Launch of Centenary appeal for \$100000 for future outreach, worship, prayer life and engagement work in the area. The celebrations are about the past present and future

August 23rd Choral Evensong for St Bartholomew with Bp. Kate Proud as preacher.

September 13th Creation and environment Sunday with Jo Knight from Anglican Overseas Aid including a seminar on Climate change

October 25th Choral Eucharist to celebrate the 100 years

Please mark these dates in you diary now. I am also wanting to develop a list of past parishioners to invite to the various events. If you have any names you would like to pass onto me please send them to my email address

ray@cleary.au

Further details will be listed on our face book page, web site and parish news as they are finalized.

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Marvellous Melba!
Celebrating Melba's 165th Birthday!

2026 DAME NELLIE MELBA
BIRTHDAY CONCERT

5.30 pm, Saturday 9 May 2025
St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church
300 Burnley Street, Richmond

Stunning programme by arrangement with the Melba
Opera Trust, featuring:

Soprano Sophie Hamer
Operatic Baritone Devon Lake
Mezzo-soprano Aylish Ryan
Accompanist Zachary Hamilton-Russell

Enjoy a glass of Bubbles and meet the artists after
the concert! Pick up a gift for Mum at our Mother's
Day stall outside the church on Burnley Street.

For bookings go to <https://www.trybooking.com/KFMS>
General Admission: \$50 Concessions: \$40
Students \$25 (must show card) Under 16 no charge.

Proceeds in aid of the Richmond Churches Food Centre
and St Bartholomew's Centenary Fund.
There is limited parking in Burnley Street and surrounds.
Public transport: Burnley Station, Trams 48, 70 & 75
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