

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF ALTONA/LAVERTON



St Eanswythe's Altona  
St Clement's Altona Meadows  
O Te Wairua Tapu Ki Poipiripi



*To proclaim God's love and life in Christ:  
growing in faith † serving others † nurturing a common life*

## 4th April 2021 EASTER DAY

**7:45am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's**

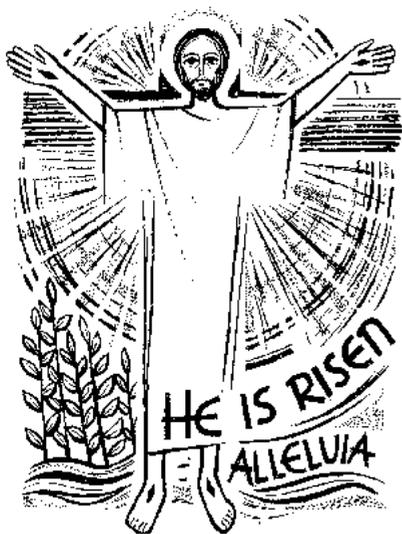
8:45am Holy Eucharist and Renewal of Baptism, St Clement's

10:30am Holy Eucharist and Renewal of Baptism, St Eanswythe's

1pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

*Wominjeka :: Haere mai*

*Welcome*



A warm welcome to our worship today, especially if you are with us for the first time or visiting from elsewhere.

This booklet contains the full order of service: please join in the parts printed in bold type.

During these times we are all asked to take responsibility for COVID-safe precautions:

- ♦ If you have any symptoms of illness, you should be remaining at home.
- ♦ Please use hand sanitiser on arriving and leaving, refrain from physical contact with others, and maintain physical distancing where possible.
- ♦ Masks are no longer mandatory, but all are welcome to continue their use at any time.

*Our parish lies on the traditional country of the Yaluk-ut Weelam people within the Boonwurrung clan, part of the greater Kulin nation. We recognise and honour the Indigenous custodians of this land over countless generations, and we pay our respects to their elders, past and present. We commit ourselves to the path of reconciliation, justice and healing (including to Pay The Rent to local First Nations people).*

## EASTER

The Great Fifty Days of Eastertide form a single festival period: seven weeks in which the Church celebrates the risen Christ with wonder, love and praise.

After the starker, penitential liturgies of Lent and Holy Week, Easter arrives with a burst of light and joy. We proclaim the resurrection in our liturgical greeting (“Christ is risen...”) and in the repeated *Alleluia* acclamation. The Easter (Paschal) Candle burns prominently in our midst throughout this season, and the liturgical colour is festive white, emphasising the light and brightness of the resurrection.

Easter is closely associated with our baptism, our own passing over into life in Christ: “when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.” (Colossians 2.12) The liturgies of the Easter Vigil and of Easter Day include a renewal of our baptismal promises, and throughout this season we say the Apostles’ Creed, the baptismal statement of faith. The baptism font stands prominently in our midst, as the foundational place of forgiveness, of release into the freedom of the children of God.

So Easter recalls us to the identity in the risen Christ which is ours both individually and as the Church, the Body of Christ. We are the people who have proclaimed “I turn to Christ”; we are the people who have passed through the water and emerged into a place of new beginning and new life.

Since the late fourth century, the fortieth day of Easter has been a particular celebration of Christ’s ascension. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue his work, he promises the gift of the Holy Spirit, and then he is no longer among them in the flesh. The ascension is therefore closely connected with the theme of mission. The arrival of the promised gift of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost (the fiftieth day) completes and crowns the Easter Festival.

The power of the Creator who brings life out of death,  
be in this place.

The risen Christ be your constant companion.

The healing embrace of the Holy Spirit encircle you  
so that you see resurrection ever about you.

*A blessing by  
Chris Polhill*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

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

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.**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Jesus Christ, risen and triumphant Lord,  
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,  
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,  
and not by the power of your resurrection.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,  
as faithless and not believing.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone,  
and doubted our home in the new creation.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
**Lord, hear us and help us.**

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

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

Holy God,  
whose risen Son opened the disciples' hearts  
to understand the Scriptures  
that told of his death and resurrection:  
grant us the peace of the living Lord,  
that our eyes may be opened  
to recognise him in the breaking of the bread,  
and to follow him wherever he leads;  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

PARISH PRAYER

**Creator Spirit, God beyond our knowing,  
your love has been poured into our hearts.  
Renew our trust in you,  
and shape our lives to the call of Jesus,  
our crucified and risen Lord.  
Make us a people of blessing and hope,  
so that neighbours and strangers may be drawn  
to the compassion of Christ. Amen.**

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

(25.6-9)

On this mountain,

the LORD of heavenly forces will prepare for all peoples  
a rich feast, a feast of choice wines,  
of select foods rich in flavour,  
of choice wines well refined.

He will swallow up on this mountain the veil that is veiling all peoples,  
the shroud enshrouding all nations.

He will swallow up death forever.

The LORD God will wipe tears from every face;

he will remove his people's disgrace from off the whole earth,  
for the Lord has spoken.

They will say on that day,

“Look! This is our God,  
for whom we have waited—  
and he has saved us!

This is the LORD, for whom we have waited;

let's be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

(CEB)

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

FOR THE PSALM: *Hymn to the Risen Christ*

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us:

so let us celebrate the feast,

**Not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness:  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**

Christ once raised from the dead dies no more:

death has no more dominion over him.

**In dying he died to sin once for all:**

**in living he lives to God.**

See yourselves therefore as dead to sin:

and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Christ has been raised from the dead:  
the first fruits of those who sleep.**

For as by one man came death:

by another has come also resurrection of the dead;

**For as in Adam all die:**

**even so in Christ shall all be made alive.**

Peter said, "I really am learning that God doesn't show partiality to one group of people over another. Rather, in every nation, whoever worships him and does what is right is acceptable to him. This is the message of peace he sent to the Israelites by proclaiming the good news through Jesus Christ: He is Lord of all! You know what happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism John preached. You know about Jesus of Nazareth, whom God anointed with the Holy Spirit and endowed with power. Jesus travelled around doing good and healing everyone oppressed by the devil because God was with him. We are witnesses of everything he did, both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him up on the third day and allowed him to be seen, not by everyone but by us. We are witnesses whom God chose beforehand, who ate and drank with him after God raised him from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed 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."  
(CEB)

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL

Alleluia. **Alleluia.**

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

**Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they could go and anoint Jesus' dead body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they came to the tomb. They were saying to each other, "Who's going to roll the stone away from the entrance for us?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away. (And it was a very large stone!) Going into the tomb, they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right side; and they were startled. But he said to them, "Don't be alarmed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised. He isn't here. Look, here's the place where they laid him. Go, tell his disciples, especially Peter, that he is going ahead of you into Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you." Overcome with terror and dread, they fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

(16.1-8; CEB)

For the Gospel of the Lord:

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## APOSTLES' CREED

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*response to prayers:*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*the prayers conclude:*

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

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

Christ is risen. Alleluia!  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Everyone is invited to turn to those around, and offer a greeting of peace from where you stand. Offerings of money or groceries can be placed in the basket/box provided.*

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of all goodness and grace, receive the gifts we offer;  
and grant that our whole life may give you glory and praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE GREAT 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.**

*The priest prays on behalf of all, praising God for God's mighty acts. All respond:*

...sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

**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 Last Supper is recalled, including Jesus' command to continue sharing bread and wine: in memory of him, and proclaiming his death and resurrection. All respond:*

...we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The prayer calls on God's blessing and looks to the fulfilling of all things within the goodness of God, and concludes:*

...all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rejoicing in God's new creation,

as our Saviour Christ has taught us, so we 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 THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

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

**Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.**

The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.

**Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.**

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

**Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.**

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Come, let us celebrate the feast. Draw near with faith, to feed on Christ on your hearts with thanksgiving.

**Alleluia!**

*Everyone is invited to share communion or receive a blessing: please come forward as indicated and stand at one of the places marked in white. Children who have been baptized are welcome to share communion. If you would prefer not to share communion, please indicate when the priest comes to you.*

*During this time of coronavirus restrictions, only the communion bread will be shared; the communion wine will be received by one on behalf of all.*

## THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Most glorious Lord of life, we thank you that you nourish us in these Easter mysteries. Fill us with the Spirit of love and unite us in faith, that we may witness to the resurrection and show your glory to all the world.

**Living God,**

**make us apostles of the risen Christ.**

**Give us joyful hearts, words of hope,**

**and grace to recognize the Lord Jesus when he meets us,**

**wherever we are on the road.**

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life;

and the blessing of our God, the holy and glorious Trinity,

be upon you and remain with you now, and forever. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **For our prayers:**

The world and nation: For a swift and equitable distribution of COVID-19 vaccines around the world.

### The Church:

*World Council of Churches:* For the Church in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Slovenia. For Christians who are persecuted and martyred today, and for those who pray and grieve for them.

*Anglican Church of Australia:* Diocese of Bunbury.

*Diocese of Melbourne:* Archbishop Philip and Bishop Kate; Christ Church, Melton.

### Our parish & community:

For safety on the roads for school holiday travellers.

### Those for whom prayers have been asked:

*Particular current prayers:* Hannah, Jeremy, Nancy, Jemma.

### The communion of saints:

*Year's mind:* Eve Underhay (6), Kingsford Teagle (8), Gwen Durbridge (10), Robert Dann, bishop (10), Richard Sculley (11).

### Ongoing prayers (remembered at Morning Prayer

through the week): Sharilyn, Ruby, Paul, Mavis, Belinda, Joseph, Daniel, Stuart, Nick, Vahid, Malek, Jimmy, Jayden, Ashlee, Tanatha, Elly, Patricia M, Tim, Faye, Gustavo, Peter, Olivia, Patricia.

*To add names to the prayer list, either those needing prayers now (with their agreement) or those to be remembered on the anniversary of their death, please send details to*

*parish@anglicanaltlav.org.au  
or give to the Vicar.*



## **Upcoming Opportunity – Parish Treasurer from 2021 Annual Meeting**

Primary Benefit: you get to work closely with the Vicar, the Wardens and Parish Council on major decisions central to the parish's long-term viability.

Special Benefit: every week you get to witness up-close the kindness and generosity of so many parishioners who contribute to the parish's life in such diverse ways.

Working closely with: Treasurer's Assistant (who prepares payments and manages transactional reporting), Accountant (who enters all transactions into the accounting system, reconciles bank accounts, and manages a few diocesan processes), Auditor (who conducts the annual audit).

Time required: on average, two hours per week.

Qualifications needed: no formal qualifications required, some familiarity with online systems (banking and Xero) and with general accounting principles is a must.

Starting date: 2021 Annual Meeting in October with some transition time prior.

Why then? Our current Treasurer, Dean Mason, will have completed his six year term and is required to hand the reins over to someone else, he will provide the necessary transition support.

Interested?: please speak to one of the Wardens and ask for a more detailed position description.

## Dates for your diaries

**20 June**

Bishop Kate visiting: 9:30am combined service

**THANK YOU** to all who have shared in and assisted with our worship over the last week, and with yesterday's preparation of our buildings for Easter. Everyone's contribution and participation is an important of our worship and welcome in Holy Week—thank you!

**THE MELBOURNE ANGLICAN** The April issue of TMA is available today—do pick up a copy, and pass it on to a friend or neighbour when you've finished reading it!

**REFLECTIVE BIBLE STUDY** All welcome as we spend time with a reading from the Gospels, looking at where it connects with our own lives. No prior knowledge required! 7:30-8:30pm this Tuesday, at St Eanswythe's.

**ANNUAL LEAVE** Rev'd Chris will be on leave in the coming week, back in the parish on Wednesday 14 April. Please note some changes to weekday services, as noted on the back page.

**COLLECTIONS** Where possible, regular giving by online/direct payments is much appreciated: it remains safer for all of us to minimise contact via the exchange of cash, as well as significantly reducing the tasks of counting and banking. Please talk to Pat Baines if you would like to make (or change) a regular pledged amount. *Deposits can be made to the parish Bendigo Bank account at any time (BSB 633 000, account number 157 594 722, account name "St Eanswythe's Altona with St Clement's Laverton Anglican Churches"). For further details see [anglicanaltlav.org.au/giving](http://anglicanaltlav.org.au/giving)*

### **Keeping in touch...**

- ⇒ Please take this pew sheet with you, for your reference and prayers during the week.
- ⇒ If you are or have been away for a Sunday, you can see recent pew sheets on our website at [www.anglicanaltlav.org.au/pew-sheets](http://www.anglicanaltlav.org.au/pew-sheets)
- ⇒ Visit [www.facebook.com/anglicanaltlav](https://www.facebook.com/anglicanaltlav) for photos, links, news and other updates.
- ⇒ If you don't already receive occasional emails regarding news, changes of service times, and other updates, please send your email address to [parish@anglicanaltlav.org.au](mailto:parish@anglicanaltlav.org.au)

Please send all material for the pew sheet to [parish@anglicanaltlav.org.au](mailto:parish@anglicanaltlav.org.au)

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## Child Safe Officers:

Sandra Hansen (St Clement's)  
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## This week in our parish:

### Sunday 4th April

#### EASTER DAY

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8:45am Easter Eucharist with renewal of  
baptism, St Clement's  
10:30am Easter Eucharist with renewal of  
baptism, St Eanswythe's  
1pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

### Tuesday 6th

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's  
10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop open  
7:30pm Reflective Bible study, St  
Eanswythe's

### Wednesday 7th

*NB No 8am Morning Prayer or 9:30am  
Eucharist today*

10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop open

### Thursday 8th

*NB No Morning Prayer*  
10am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's  
10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop open  
11am Mothers' Union, St Eanswythe's

### Friday 9th

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's

### Sunday 11th April

#### Second Sunday of Easter

7:45am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's  
8:45am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's  
10:30am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's  
1pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

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SUNDAY SCHOOL 8:45am St Clement's and 10:30am St Eanswythe's

Groups meeting regularly in the parish:

**Altona Tiddlers Playgroup:** Tuesdays in term time, 10am at St Eanswythe's. Contact Jan Lee (9398 2993)

**Clementines Playgroup:** Fridays in term time, 9:30am at St Clement's. Contact Louise (9395 5472)

**Reflective Bible Study:** monthly at the Vicarage, first Tuesday evening at 7:30pm.

**Mothers' Union:** monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Thursday at 11am. Contact Sandra Hansen (0410 040 661)

**Caritas:** monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Tuesday evening at 7:30pm. Contact Joan Meiers (9398 1906)