THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS CHRISTCHURCH



The Fifth Sunday of Easter 18 May 2025

From the Vicar...

Dear Friends

You would have hopefully seen in the notices last Sunday that there is a change in services and times for Sunday 25 May. That Sunday is Founders Day, an opportunity for the Parish and School to celebrate their shared founding and history. However, due to the Bishop's availability we are also having a Mass and Confirmation service on that Sunday in the evening. The Founders Day service will be at 10am with the Confirmations at 5pm on Sunday 25 May. Parishioners are welcome to join in for both celebrations. We continue to celebrate the Easter Season. Easter is the time when we both remember and celebrate the new life which has come to us through our Risen Lord. What do we mean by this 'new life'? Can you say that you have experienced 'new life' this Easter or, for that matter, in any previous Easter? Are you aware of becoming changed in any way—for the better—over the years? Or has the Easter experience simply passed you by?

The word 'new' appears several times in Sunday's readings. The passage from Revelation speaks of a "new heaven", a "new earth" and a "new Jerusalem". Jesus in the Gospel speaks of a "new commandment". What's supposed to be 'new'? A new life in Christ, of course, is something that can come early or late into the life of a person. For many saints it came after quite a long period of loose and immoral living without God—St Augustine and St Ignatius Loyola come to mind. For others, like Therese of Lisieux, it came relatively early. She was already a saint when she died at the tender age of 24. For most of us, it is something that may come in waves. In other words, it will not be a once-for-all experience, but something that comes at different stages in our life, each time bringing us to a deeper level of understanding, insight and commitment. As we gather for Eucharist this Sunday may we all experience the new life that Jesus offers through Word and Sacrament.

Blessings,

Fr. Fordar

Fr Jordan

Copies of the music for the mass setting and hymns are available from the Sides People.

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Celebrant 8.00 am: Fr Jordan Greatbatch

Celebrant 10.00 am: Fr Jordan Greatbatch Organ: Paul Ellis

Sidespeople: Tim Cranston, Vince Moreton

Mass Setting: A Festive Eucharist Noel Rawsthorne

Organ Voluntary: Prelude on 'Victory' CS Lang

Introit Hymn: 338

At the name of Jesus Every knee shall bow, Every tongue confess him King of glory now; 'Tis the Father's pleasure We should call him Lord, Who from the beginning Was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation Sprang at once to sight, All the angel faces, All the hosts of light, Thrones and dominations, Stars upon their way, All the heavenly orders, In their great array. Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious
When from death he passed:

Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures,
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast;
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.

In your hearts enthrone him; There let him subdue All that is not holy, All that is not true: He is God the Saviour, He is Christ the Lord, Ever to be worshipped, Trusted, and adored.

Greeting:

Ki te ingoa $\ ^{\ }$ o te Matua, me te Tamaiti, me te Wairua Tapu. **Amine.** (In the name of the Father, and of the Son, $\ ^{\ }$ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.)

Grace and peace to you from God. God fill you with truth and joy.

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

Dear brothers and sisters,
let us humbly beseech the Lord our God
that this water which was blessed at the great feast of Easter,
now be for us a memorial of our Baptism.
May he help us by his grace
To remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

The Priest sprinkles the people with Holy water followed by:

May almighty God cleanse us of our sins ♣, and through the celebration of this Eucharist make us worthy to share at the table of his Kingdom. **Amen.**

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.

Let us pray. (silence)

Tender God, cultivate the pashal mystery in us, that those who flourish by the waters of sacred baptism may be sheltered by your protection, bear much fruit, and reap the joy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Now the apostles and the brothers and sisters who were in Judea heard that the gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision.

There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners, and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord, for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptised with water, but you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: 148

R. Your glory, O Lord, is above heaven and earth.

Praise the Lord from the heavens: O praise God in the heights above. Praise the Lord, all you angels: O praise God, all you heavenly host. **R.**

Praise the Lord, sun and moon, praise God, all you shining stars. Praise the Lord, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens. **R.**

Let them praise the name of the Lord, who commanded and they were created. The Lord fixed them in their places for ever by a law which shall never be broken. **R.**

Second Reading: (sit) Revelation 21:1-6 Ros Calvert

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See then home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

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Gospel Acclamation: (stand)

Alleluia, alleluia. I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Lord be with you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

The Lord bless you

Praise and Glory to God

Gospel: John 13:31-35 Fr Peter Williams

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

This is the Gospel of Christ. Praise to Christ the Word.

Sermon: Deacon Robert Jamieson

Affirmation of Faith:

(Stand)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all genuflect or bow) was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and has spoken through the prophets.

Intercessions: Rachel Watson

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: **And let light perpetual shine upon them.** May they rest in peace and rise in glory. **Amen.**

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with you, blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.

At the Peace all may exchange a non physical greeting with those near them.

E te whanau, we are the body of Christ. **By one spirit we were baptised into one body.**Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace:

Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

Offertory: Adrienne Curtis, Dorothy Burrows

The Preparation of the Gifts

Blessed are you, Lord 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 for ever.

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity. Blessed are you, Lord 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 for ever.**

Offertory Hymn: 420

O Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
Be thou for ever near me,
My Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear thee speaking In accents clear and still, Above the storms of passion, The murmurs of self-will; O speak to reassure me, To hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul. O Jesus, thou hast promised To all who follow thee, That where thou art in glory There shall thy servant be; And Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, My Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy footmarks, And in them plant mine own; My hope to follow duly Is in thy strength alone; O guide me, call me, draw me, Uphold me to the end; And then in heaven receive me, My Saviour and my Friend.

Pray, sisters and brothers, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty One.

May the Lord receive the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

O God, through the wonderful exchange of this sacrifice you have made us sharers in your own divine nature; grant that our daily lives may faithfully reflect the knowledge of your truth. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.
Lift up your hearts.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

God's Spirit is with us.
We lift them to the Lord.
It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only Son.

And in this time above all we laud you yet more gloriously when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. For he is the true Lamb who has taken away the sins of the world; by dying, he has destroyed our death, and by rising restored our life.

Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing...

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.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father. Send your Holy Spirit, that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

On the night before he died, your Son Jesus Christ took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them, and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Glory to you, Lord Christ: your death we show forth; your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await. Amen! Come, Lord Jesus.

Therefore, loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ, our great high priest.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with Peter our Bishop, and all who minister in your name.

Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you.

United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing, honour and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen.

Kua ākona nei tātou e tō tātou Ariki, The risen Christ is in our midst, so with

Christ we pray.

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi

ka īnoi tatou:

Our Father in heaven, Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.

hallowed be your name, Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.

your kingdom come, ki runga ki te whenua, your will be done on earth as in heaven. kia rite ano ki to te rangi.

Give us today our daily bread. Hōmai ki a mātou ājanei

Forgive us our sins he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.

as we forgive those who sin against us. Murua ō mātou hara.

Save us from the time of trial Me mātou hoki e muru nei

and deliver us from evil. i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.

Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia; For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino: Amen.

Nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,

me te korōria.

Āke ake ake. Āmine

Eucharistic Ministers: Jenny Daniels, Gloria Moyle

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are we who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed. For Communion, leave your seat by the side aisle and come down the central aisle. You are encouraged to use the hand sanitiser.

Anthem: Ubi caritas Ola Gjeilo

Communion Hymn: 276

Bread of heaven, on thee we feed, For thy flesh is meat indeed; Ever may our souls be fed With this true and living bread, Day by day with strength supplied Through the life of him who died. Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies This blest cup of sacrifice; 'Tis thy wounds our healing give; To thy cross we look and live: Thou our life! O let us be Rooted, grafted, built on thee.

Let us pray. (silence)

Lord, remain close to the people you have enriched with these heavenly mysteries, and grant that we may pass from our former ways to new life in the risen Christ. We make our prayer in the name of Jesus, the Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

Solemn Blessing:

May God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to you who believe the gate of everlasting life. **Amen.**May God the Son, who in bursting the grave has won a glorious victory, give you joy as you share the Easter faith. **Amen.**May God the Holy Spirit, whom the risen Lord breathed into his disciples, empower you and fill you with Christ's peace. **Amen.**

May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, № and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **Amen.**

The Mass is ended. Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace. Alleluia! Amen. We go in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Final Hymn: 311

We pray thee, heavenly Father,
To hear us in thy love,
And pour upon thy children
The unction from above;
That so in love abiding,
From all defilement free,
We may in pureness offer
Our Fucharist to thee.

All that we have we offer, For it is all thine own, All gifts, by thine appointment, In bread and cup are shown; One thing alone we bring not, The wilfulness of sin, And all we bring is nothing

Wherefore, though all unworthy
To offer sacrifice,
We pray that this our duty
Be pleasing in thine eyes;
For praise, and thanks and worship,
For mercy and for aid,
The catholic oblation
Of Jesus Christ is made.

Organ Voluntary: Fantasy on Easter Hymn William Harris

7.00pm Evensong and Benediction

Please pray for...

The Sick:

Fr Geoff Paterson, Ashley Forman, Heather Flavell, Charles Barltrop, Jamie McDermott, Terry & Betsy McKay.

Claire & John Preston, Lois Peters, Denis Coulter, Betty Mechen, Suzanne Keys, Ghislaine Brewer-Quirke, Lesta Smithson, Pamela Hindin-Whitewood, John Bertken, Peter Easterbrook, Anne Fenton, David & Sandra, Philip Souter, Deb Smith, Andrew Lawson.

Anniversaries: (Sun) Marion Kerr, George Drayton (Mon) David F Coulter, John Troon

(Tues) Tom Stansfield, Betty Coulter (Wed) Joan Cocks, Lindsay Knowles

(Thurs) Eric McNabb (Fri) Bill Evans (Sat) Noel Coulter

THIS WEEK NOTICES

EFTPOS is available by the North door if you wish to make a donation.

Women's Group—Tuesday 10.30am, Parish Lounge. Speaker: Deacon Robert Jamieson, on his journey to ordination. All welcome. Contact: Barbara Moreton 021940890.

Meditation Group—Wednesday 12.00 noon in the church. Contact: Therese Aitchison 0212516282.

Bible Study—Thursday 11.00 am and 6.00 pm, Parish Lounge.

Pray the Rosary—Thursday 12.00 noon.

Inasmuch Basket—please continue to donate staple household groceries to support the work of the **City Mission**.

No Mass on Mondays

Due to Father Geoff being away there will be no Monday Mass from the **28 April - 26 May.** The Mass on Mondays will return on the 2nd of June.

Founders Day and Confirmation Service—Sunday 25 May 2025

Founders Day is the day where we acknowledge and celebrate the founding of the School and Parish. This is typically a combined service in early June. This year we will have two services for Founders Day which will be taking place on 25 May rather than June due to Pentecost, Kings Birthday and Matariki.

There will be a School Mass at 10.00am for Founders Day. And then in the evening, due to Bishop Peter only being available in the evening we will have a Sung Mass with Confirmations at 5.00pm. There will be no other evening services that Sunday. Parishioners are welcome to join with the school for the 10.00am Mass and all are invited to join us for the 5.00pm Mass with Confirmations.

Our confirmation candidates are Thomas Visakan, Robert Calvert-Griffin and Callum Robertson. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare to be confirmed.

Sunday 25 May 2025 Services

8.00am Said Mass

10.00 am Founders Day School Mass 5.00pm Sung Mass with Confirmations

Town Hall Annual Organ Curator's Free Concert

2.30 pm Monday 2 June 2025 (King's Birthday public holiday), Christchurch Town Hall Auditorium with Martin Setchell and Sea-am Thompson playing the organ and Thomas Eves on Trumpet. Admission free please book online at nzorgan.com.

Health & Safety Regulations: In an emergency, use the closest exit and assemble in the drop-off zone. In an earthquake, drop down and shelter behind or under a pew, covering your head. Follow instructions.

NEXT WEEK Founders Day/The Sixth Sunday of Easter 25 May 2025

8:00 am Mass **Celebrant:** Fr Jordan Greatbatch **Server:** Eyob Habte

10.00 am Mass Founders Day

Celebrant: Fr Jordan Greatbatch School Servers and Readers

5.00 pm Mass The Sixth Sunday of Easter with Confirmation

Celebrant: Bishop Peter Carrell

Fr Jordan Greatbatch Fr Jordan Greatbatch

Preacher: Fr Jordan Greatbatch

Servers: SD: Rachel Watson MC: Michael Graveston

Th: Thomas Visakan **Cr:** Lawrence Watson

Ac: Callum Robertson, Robert Calvert

First Reading: Therese Aitchison Acts 16:9-15

Second Reading: Gloria Moyle Revelations 21:10, 22-22:5

Gospel: Deacon Robert Jamieson John 14:23-29

Eucharist Ministers: Rachel Watson, Jane Evans **Sides people:** Maria Light, Judith McKaskell

Intercessions: Marla Hughes

Offertory: Joy Coulter, Sue Shannons
Morning Tea: Joy Coulter, Vince Moreton

Sacristan: Jenny Daniels

Sacristy: -

Livestream: Eyob Habte

Flowers: Johnann Williams

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This Sunday The Fifth Sunday of Easter—18 May 2025

8.00 am Said Mass 10.00 am Sung Mass

7.00 pm **Evensong and Benediction**

Monday Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury and Reformer, 988

No Mass

Tuesday Feria

8.30 am Morning Prayer

12.35 pm Mass

Wednesday Feria

8.30 am Morning Prayer

12.00 pm Meditation Group

12.35 pm Mass

Thursday Rota Waitoa, the first Māori ordained in New Zealand, 1853

8.30 am Morning Prayer

11.00 am Bible Study

12.00 noon Rosary Group

12.35 pm Mass

6.00 pm Bible Study

Friday Frederick Augustus Bennett, the first Māori Bishop, 1950

8.30 am Morning Prayer

12.35 pm Mass

2.00 pm School Service

Saturday Mother Edith, Founder, Community of the Sacred Name,

Christchurch, 1922

Next Sunday Founders Day/The Sixth Sunday of Easter—25 May 2025

8.00 am Said Mass

10.00 am Founders Day Service

5.00 pm Sung Mass with Confirmation