



Fifth Sunday in Lent

3 April, 2022

We welcome you to St. Oswald's Church and to this service, especially if you are new or a visitor among us. Please make yourself known to the welcomers, so that they may introduce you to other members of the congregation. Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the service.

We acknowledge the sovereign country of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation on which we gather.

Outline of Today's Service from A Prayer Book for Australia

[Eucharist Setting **Together in Song 756**
and Hymns 10 am Service only]

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The Collect

Readings **Isaiah 43: 16—21**
 Psalms 126 TiS 80
 Philippians 3: 3—14
 John 12: 1—8

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Today's Ministries

8 am	Reader	
10 am	Reader	T. Andrews
10 am	Cantor	W. Andrews
	Intercessor	R. Pritchard
	Welcome /	P. Williams
	Offertory	J. Williams
	Morning Tea	C. Adams
		R. Adams



From the Vicar

In today's Gospel, Judas cops a pasting from the writer John. He is accused of misappropriating money and being a hypocrite. Judas is presented as an outsider, someone who breaks the rules and crosses the boundaries. In the other accounts of this story, it is not just Judas who questions the waste they perceive, but also the other disciples.

Yet Judas is not the one who crosses the boundaries and acts subversively. Judas is not the one who breaks the rules religious, cultural, social, and financial. In many ways Judas is conservative and orthodox, upholding the requirements to care for the poor and to shun women in what is a patriarchal world.

Who is the heretic here? Jesus. Jesus entertains a woman. Not only that but he gets up close and intimate with her, allowing her to rub ointment over him. He defends the act as one of deep love, an act that celebrates time, space, and bodies. He recognizes that the poor will always be there because those who could change the situation do not act to do so, keeping control of the money and using it only as they wish.

Perhaps he suggests that it's not money that the poor need but a body-to-body connection, the getting inside the everyday-ness of life of the poor and allowing the knowledge exchanged there to change why, how, and what we do. Knowledge is held in our bodies, and it is only when bodies connect can knowledge be exchanged and change may occur.

Be careful in condemning Judas, he may be closer to home than you think!

Glenn

Intercessions

For the church:

The Church of Nigeria; The Diocese of Rockhampton; Victorian Council of Churches;
All Saints' Greensborough.

For those who face challenges in daily living:

Lesley Whitehead, Gaye Loughrey.

Departed

Bryan Weickhardt, Edna Peart, Alan Mangan,

Diary for the Week

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Tuesday 5 April

12 pm **Making Palm Crosses**—see
notice below

Wednesday 6 April

10 am **Holy Communion**

Thursday 7 April

7.30 pm **Choir Practice**

Sunday 10 April —Live streamed

Palm Sunday—Sunday of the Passion

8 am **Holy Communion**

10 am **Family Eucharist**

Readings 10 April

Liturgy of the Palms

Mark 11: 1—11

Isaiah 50: 4—9a

Psalms 31:9—18

Philippians 2: 5—11

Luke 22: 14—23, 56

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Making Palm Crosses Tuesday 5th April

We extend an invitation to all interested in learning, and making, Palm Crosses.

BYO lunch on Tuesday 5th April from 12pm at the home of Lois Gunn, 20a Holland Rd, Blackburn South. Please contact me if you would like to come along.

Cheryl Adams 98851045 or 0414713136.



In today's gospel reading we find Judas carping about the cost of the ointment that Mary spreads over the feet of Jesus in an act of love. St John tells us that this was because Judas used to embezzle the disciples' common funds. If I were to examine myself, would I find areas of my life where I complain about others to cover my own iniquity?

- Jesus Christ, the Suffering Servant, may I not fool myself or others into thinking I am good when I behave badly.
- Give thanks for the distinctive contribution that Torres Strait Islanders make to the Anglican Church of Australia
- Give thanks for Transparency International and other organisations that work to eliminate the injustice of corruption.

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Covid-19 Regulations

- Do not attend Church if you are experiencing flu like symptoms or if you are waiting for the results of a Covid-19 test. Please maintain social distancing at all times (keep 1.5 meters from other parishioners). Windows will be open and you are encouraged to use the hand sanitizer at the entrance.
- All are welcome at Church services (regardless of vaccination status). There is no limit on the number of people attending church services.
- Check in is not mandatory for people attending church services. However you must check into St Oswald's using the QR Code poster if you are eating or drinking (this includes breakfast or morning tea after services).
- Mask wearing is not mandatory in a church setting except for people serving food and drinks. However you may prefer to wear a mask. Covid-19 is not over, and you will have heard Government announcements that mask wearing is still required in public transport, hospitals and aged care facilities.
- Refreshments before or after services are for fully vaccinated people. There is no density limit for food and drink. People serving refreshments after services or at catered functions must wear masks. Self-service food is discouraged.

From the Organist—Daniel Brace

What wonderful music we have made during Lent so far. You might have noticed a new face in the choir: welcome Peggy, a soprano, who I hope will be back with us for Advent and Christmas. We are very lucky to have such a strong choir to sing A Capella without accompaniment as they will again do this Sunday with John Stainer's God So Loved the World. They make singing in a group sound easy, don't they?

Edwin Hatch's polysyllabic hymn Breathe On Me, Breath of God has obvious references to creation (Genesis) and Pentecost (John) but speaks to me of the building tension we observe from the washing of the feet to the words of Jesus in prayer at Gethsemane. It was also a favourite hymn of my friend, mentor and organ teacher, Bill Murdoch who died at this time some years ago now.

As Hatch, Bill and the choir know, the more we invest in doing the hard work during Lent, the greater the reward at Easter.

Please note these dates:

Sunday, 10 April 2.30 pm - Frescobaldi, the man and his organ music DB on organ

Sunday, 15 May - celebration music mass, the Missa Tango by Parlmeri - St Oswald's Choir with special guests

Please stand

Opening Hymn TiS 341

**My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me,
love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.
O who am I
that for my sake
my Lord should take
frail flesh, and die?**

**He came from his blest throne
salvation to bestow:
but all made strange, and none
the longed-for Christ would know.
But O my friend!
my friend indeed,
who at my need
his life did spend.**

**Sometimes they strew his way
and his sweet praises sing,
resounding all the day
hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!'
is all their breath
and for his death
they thirst and cry.**

**Why, what has my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet they at these
themselves displease,
and 'gainst him rise.**

They rise and needs will have
my dear Lord made away.
a murderer they save:
the Prince of life they slay.
Yet cheerful he
to suffering goes,
that he his foes
from thence might free.

In life, no house, no home
my Lord on earth might have;
in death, no friendly tomb
but what a strange gave.
what may I say?
Heaven was his home;
but mine the tomb
wherein he lay.

Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine;
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine.
This is my friend,
in whose sweet praise
I all my days
could gladly spend.

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

Greeting The Lord be with you.
 And also with you.

Opening Sentence

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. *Psalm 126.6*

Prayer of Preparation

**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.**

Kyrie eleison **Lord have mercy on us,
Christ have mercy on us,
Lord have mercy on us.**

Collect

**Extravagant God,
lavishing your love
on our poverty of heart:
inspire us to give without stint,
to lose life
that we might find it again,
so the world will be filled
with the fragrance of your love;
through Jesus Christ, who offers himself for us. Amen.**

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

[Isaiah 43: 16—21]

¹⁶ Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,
¹⁷ who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸ Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹ I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹ the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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



The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with joy.

Cantor:

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. R

The heathen themselves said
'What marvels the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. R

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears,
will sing when they reap. R

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing,
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. R

tr. The Grail

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A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians [Philippians 3: 3—14]


³ For it is we who are the circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and boast in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh— ⁴ even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard

them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith.¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death,¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.¹³ Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,¹⁴ I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

Please stand

Colin Mawby



Praise to you, O Christ, King of e - ter - nal glo - ry

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Gospel Acclamation

I give you a new commandment:
Love one another as I have loved you.

The Gospel

[John 12: 1—8]

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹ Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ² There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³ Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵ 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' ⁶ (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷ Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She

bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸ You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

For the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Please sit

Sermon

Please stand

The Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly 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 with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Please sit or kneel

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Prayer Responses

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Silence

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.**

Please stand

Invitation to Confession

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

Confession

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you
in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Trisagion **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal
have mercy on us.**

Absolution

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in eternal life,
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 TiS 407

**Breathe on me, breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love all that you love
and do what you would do.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with you I will one will,
to do and to endure.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God,
and all my life refine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with your fire divine.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God;
so shall I never die,
and live with you the perfect life
of your eternity.**

*Edwin Hatch
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Offertory Prayer

**Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness
we have these gifts of bread and wine to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God for ever.**

The Great Thanksgiving 2

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 in your image,
and endowed us with creative power.

We turned away from you but you did not abandon us.
You call us by name and searched us out,
making a covenant of mercy,
giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets.

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

**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 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

**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 for ever.
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 for ever. **Amen.**

**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 for ever. Amen.**

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.

**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.**

[The gifts of God for the people of God.]

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The people come forward to receive Holy Communion

The sacrament is given with the following words, after which the communicant responds **Amen.**

The body of Christ the bread of heaven keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ the cup of salvation keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

God of mercy,
may we who have shared in this holy meal
know your forgiveness in our lives,
bring your reconciliation to others,
and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world.

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.

Final Hymn TIS 339

**O sacred head sore wounded,
with grief and shame weighed down,
O kingly head surrounded
with thorns your only crown;
death's shadows rise before you,
the glow of life decays,
yet hosts of heaven adore you
and tremble as they gaze.**

**What language shall I borrow
to praise you, heavenly friend,
for this your dying sorrow,
your mercy without end?
Such agony and dying!
Such love to sinners free!
Such love to sinners free!
O Christ, all grace supplying,
turn now your face on me.**

**In this your bitter Passion,
good Shepherd, think of me,
look on me with compassion,
unworthy though I be;**

**beneath your cross abiding
for ever would I rest,
in your dear love confiding,
and with your presence blessed.**

**Lord, be my consolation,
my shield when death is near;
remind me of your Passion,
be with me when I fear.
My eyes shall then behold you,
upon your cross shall dwell,
my heart by faith enfold you;
and who dies thus, dies well.**

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Dismissal

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself,
that you may find in him crucified
a sure ground for faith,
a firm support for hope,
and the assurance of sin forgiven.

and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:
In the name of Christ. Amen.

