

Anglican Parish of Charlestown

St Alban's Charlestown, St Martin's Kahibah

A place for everyone, serving the Kingdom of God, following Jesus Christ.

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Shaping a healthy future**

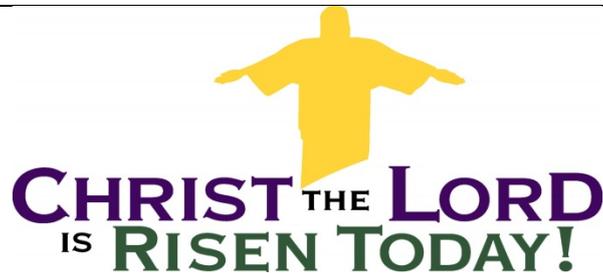
**We acknowledge the Awabakal people who are the traditional custodians
of this land we worship on today.**

Sunday 1st April, 2018

"This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it"

Luke 24-34; Psalm 118.24

***Welcome to all those who are visiting us today. Please join us for refreshments after the
service***



*Brightness of God's glory
whom death could not conquer or the tomb imprison:
as you have shared our frailty in human flesh,
help us to share your immortality in the spirit;
let no shadow of the grave terrify us,
and no fear of darkness turn our heads from you.
Reveal yourself to us this day and all our days,
as the First and the Last,
the Living One,
our immortal Saviour and Lord. **Amen***

Easter is the celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead.

It is celebrated on Sunday, and marks the end of Holy Week, the end of Lent, the last day of the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday), and is the beginning of the Easter season of the liturgical year.

As we know from the Gospels, Jesus Christ rose from the dead on the third day following his crucifixion, which would be Sunday. His resurrection marks the triumph of good over evil, sin and death. It is the singular event which proves that those who trust in God and accept Christ will be raised from the dead.

Since Easter represents the fulfillment of God's promises to mankind, it is the most important holiday on the Christian calendar.

In the Gospels, the precise details of the Easter narrative vary slightly, but none of these variances are critical to the main story. In fact, it is argued that the variances are simply matters of style and not substance. Despite the variances, the key aspects of the Easter story all match. Above all, they agree that the tomb of Christ was indeed empty, which is the most essential fact.

Intercessions:

In our Newcastle Diocese, we pray for:

Bishop Peter Stuart and Nicki, Venerable Canon Sonia Roulston Assistant Bishop Venerable Charlie Murry Assistant Bishop, Stephen Phillips (Diocesan Chief Executive)Linda Wilson (Chief Operating Officer)

In the national church we pray for:

All parishioners at St. Martins By The Sea at Tathra.

In the wider Church, we pray for: *The Archbishop of Canterbury (Justin Welby)*

Diocese of Guadalcanal (Bp Nathan Tome & Selena), Sue Prosser (Paid SRE teacher)

In the wider community we pray for:

ANEW, Arthur Copeman and Anabelle. The First Peoples of the Diocese especially the Awabakal, Biripi, Darkinjung, Geawegal, Kamilaroi, Worimi and Wonnarua .

In Our Church we pray for:

We pray for Julia, Wendy and Vlad, Ruth and John, Bob and Grace, Terry Frewin and Karen, David Hesketh and Kim, Greg and Belinda Colby and the parish council.

We give thanks and pray for the faithful departed: (connected to our parish)

Jim and Esther Cramp, Geoff Rigby.

We pray for those who need support or have recently experienced loss:

We pray for Strength, peace and healing:

Bev Rigby and family, The Keatinge family and friends, Max and Anne Youman and family, Claire Tamlin, Melanie Ross, Linda Reed, Esther Hammond, Pryor family,

Read the Bible & Pray during the week;

<i>(Monday)</i>	Psalm	2	Lamentations 2.8-19
<i>(Tuesday)</i>	Psalm	112	Lamentations 3.40-51
<i>(Wednesday)</i>	Psalm	114	Jerimiah 11.18-20
<i>(Thursday)</i>	Psalm	116	Exodus 24.1-11
<i>(Friday)</i>	Psalm	118.1-18	Lamentations 5.15-22
<i>(Saturday)</i>	Psalm	136.1-12	Micah 4.1-11

This week at St Alban's

<i>Sunday</i>	9.00am	Eucharist
<i>Monday</i>	8.30am	Silent Meditation
	9.30am	Playgroup
	4.00pm	Bible studies at Bev Rigby's
<i>Wednesday</i>	10.00am	GAPS
<i>Saturday</i>		"The Wedding"

Thank you – from all of us. Go with our blessing.

To work with and alongside Terry has been a real highlight in my ministry life. He has been a great mentor, listening ear, confidante, and friend. He has shared his many pastoral insights and experiences and been a great encourager. I will miss Terry and the great friendship that developed between us over the past months. I know that he and Karen are looking forward to the coming new

challenges in the parish of Chinchilla. May the Lord really bless you both in your life together as you continue to serve our Lord Jesus Christ and the sheep of His pasture. Bob

Mothers Union LADY DAY Service

The annual service will be held on Monday 9 April at Christ Church Cathedral commencing at 10.30am. Morning tea will be available prior, so come early to enjoy a cuppa and a chat before the service.

Parish Dinner Monday 9 April 6.30pm for 7pm

From the comfort of our lounge chairs, the role of newsreader may appear pretty glamorous, but what does it take to be a TV journalist in today's world?

Jane Goldsmith is a familiar face in the Hunter and northern NSW, presenting NBN News every weekend. Jane will "take" us behind the scenes of working in live TV and share her insights into some of the big stories she's covered in her 17 year career with NBN News. Born and bred in Port Macquarie, Jane is now a proud Novocastrian and a busy working mum to her six-year old son and twin two-year old girls. Last year Jane emceed the Cancer Council's Stars of Newcastle event and this year the newsreader is moving to the dance floor to raise money for a cause close to her heart. Jane lost her beloved dad in August last year to an aggressive form of Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma.

Hope you can join us for Jane's talk and if you would like to make a donation towards Jane's fundraising for the Cancer Council you can do so on the night or if you can't make it but would like to support the cause Ruth can pass it on to Jane. Every bit counts in the fight against cancer.

RSVP Ruth Bath 0409 741 974 no later than 10am Sunday 8 April for catering purposes.

Next Sunday 8th April, 2018 – Second Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 4.32-37 Psalm 133
1 John 1.1-2.2 John 20.19-31

St Albans - 8:30 am Eucharist
Prayers: J. Conway
Reading: J. Conway.
Sacristan: R. Learmouth
Sanctuary: T. Jessop, B. Taylor
L.L. Ass: L. Adams
Music: Robert
Sound: Anthony
Welcomers: R. Bath, S Whyte
Morning Tea: J. Cooper, E. Gibson
Counting: Vaughn, Anthony

10:30 am St Martins

Parish Ministry Team:

Julia Perry Acting Supervising Priest
Sharon Butler: *Building a new Faith Community*
Neville Thomas: *Working for a Better Community*
The Rev. Ruth Brand & Brian Taylor: *Christian Formation and Discipleship*
The Rev. Robert Peattie: *Community Chaplain for Carers*

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