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Two sites. St. Matthew's Olinda · St. Michael's Kalorama

All welcome. In Christ: Growing Caring Sharing

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April 3 2016, 2nd Sunday of Easter



Sentence: Jesus said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." John 20:27

Prayer of the week:

Living God, for whom no door is closed,
no heart is locked:
draw us beyond our doubts,
till we see your Christ
and touch his wounds where they bleed in others.
This we ask through Christ our Saviour,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

| | Readings for Today Please follow along in your Pew Bible. | page |
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| 1st Reading | Acts 5:27-32 | 889 |
| Psalm | 118:14-29 | 348 |
| 2nd Reading | Revelation 1:4-8 | 994 |
| Gospel | John 20:19-31 | 883 |



*We extend a very warm welcome
to everyone attending our services today.
You are invited to remain after the 9.30 am
and 11.00 am services to join with us for a
cup of tea or coffee in the Church Hall*

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Dates for the Diary.

Monday April 25

Anzac Day Service

9am at Kalorama War Memorial.

Saturday April 30

Parish afternoon of Prayer

An important day in the life of our Parish!

Please set aside this afternoon in your diary so we can meet together and commit the life, mission and ministry of our parish to prayer.

During the afternoon we will be hearing from our mission action group and praying for God's guidance in the writing of our Parish Mission Action Plan.

More details next week.

Sunday 21st August

Parish Confirmation Service

Please speak to Andrew if you would like to join a Confirmation class



You are invited to help us celebrate
Pentecost.

Sun 8th May 2016 3-5pm

at

St Michael's Church Kalorama

New Assistant Bishops

This week the Archbishop has announced the appointment of 2 new Assistant Bishops to the Diocese.

The Rev'd Dr Paul Barker who will be the Bishop of Jumbanna Episcopate and

The Rev'd Dr Bradley Billings who will work with the Mission shaped structures team and learning wellbeing.

The full announcements are on the notice board.

Every Day with Jesus written by Selwyn Hughes

EDWJ is a daily reading guide to assist with knowing your Bible. Each booklet offers two months of meditations and prayers that follow a particular theme. The reading takes only about 10-15 minutes of one's day and offers the opportunity of a time of quietness. The current price is \$54.00 for the year, commencing in March until February 2017. Payment for the year is required in advance. A number of the Church Family already read and study EDWJ. It is also available as an Email subscription/ Ebook/ Kindle. If you think you would like to explore this please contact Heather Hartley, ph. 9728 1541 for further information. Heather will deliver it you.

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JESUS.

THE GIVER WHO JUST KEEPS ON GIVING



Have you ever found ever wondered if you have enough faith? Have you ever felt overcome by doubt? In others? In God? In Jesus? In yourself? You have! Well you're in good company so join the club. Even the disciples, Jesus' closest friends knew what it was to be overcome by doubt and fear. But huddled away in a hidden room, Jesus comes among them and gives them his peace.

Thomas wasn't in the room with them all the first time he came and refused to believe until he could see for himself. So what did Jesus do? He gave him the gift of peace as well.

What's that I hear you say. "You weren't there either." Well Jesus thought of that one too. His gift of peace is for you also. "Peace be with you" is his prayer. "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe" he told the disciples. And you guessed it he was talking about you and me.

'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you,' he said to the disciples as he prayed for them to be filled with the Holy Spirit. John got the memo, and full of the Holy Spirit, wrote his Gospel including all the information you and I need so that we can believe too.

So the next time you find yourself struggling with doubt and fear, try not to be overcome by it and remember that Jesus gift to those first doubters was a gift for you too. May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

Till next time. *Andrew*

INTERCESSION

Prayer for healing is offered after each Sunday morning service.

At St. Michael's come forward to the Communion rail
and at St. Matthew's come to the front pew.

You are welcome to seek prayer for yourself and others.

World: Pray that during this Easter season the world might be reawakened to the good news found in God's gift to us of his only son.

- Pray that in this Easter many people may come to know Jesus as the one who brings them life
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem.
- For a solution to the ongoing refugee crisis in Europe.

Local: Pray for opportunities to share God's love with friends and family this Easter

- Pray our the witness of our local churches. Pray for St Claire's, Kennon Uniting and St George's Monbulk
- Pray for all those who will visit our beautiful community over the Easter break

Parish Pray for those working on our parish Mission Action Plan.

- Pray for our new Assistant Bishops Elect, Paul Barker and Brad Billings
- Pray for all those suffering from sickness, sorrow or any other need including; Colin, Mollie, John and Ann and their family, Tony, Pat, Harold, Rosemary & Frank.

Birthdays:

Anniversaries: 4/4 Anna Johnson, 5/4 David Whitby, Vivian Nathanielz, 6/4 Hugh Officer, 7/4 Maisie Eckhart, 9/4 Merlyn Steeper

The Coming Week

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| Sun 3 2nd Sunday of Easter | 8am. 9.30am 11am 5pm | BCP Holy Communion at St Michael's Holy Communion at St Matthew's Morning Prayer at St Michael's Healing Service at St Michael's |
| Tuesday 5 | 10am | No Marmaduke's this week |
| Wed 6 | 10am 5pm | Holy Communion, St Matthew's Prayer for the Hills, St Matthew's |
| Thurs 7 | 10am | Bible Study at Brunch |
| Sun 10 Easter 2 | 8am 9.30am 11am | Holy Communion and breakfast at St Michael's Holy Communion at St Matthew's Morning Prayer at St Michael's |

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| 1st Reading | Acts 9:1-20 | 893 |
| Psalm | 30 | 250 |
| 2nd Reading | Revelation 5:6-14 | 997 |
| Gospel | John 21:1-19 | 883 |

Pew Sheets Notices

If you have any notices for the pew sheet please email them to Andrew's attention : Midday Thursday bandasmiths@gmail.com

Like to hear a missed sermon?

Listen at home to past sermons on our website
www.lightinthehills.org.au

OFFERINGS

One of the best ways of supporting the life and mission of our church is by setting up a direct debit with the Anglican Development Fund. ADF Planned Giving is the preferred method of giving directly, as it is completely anonymous. You can choose to give out of any bank account or credit card, and can give on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis. You also receive a book of tickets to put into the collection plate each week. Details of how to do this are available from the back of each church or you can contact the ADF direct.

Prayer Ministry Prayer requests to: Wendy Berry or email:
mtdandyparishprayer@y7mail.com



If you would like to join our group of intercessors please email Wendy Berry and let her know you would like your name added to the list.

Bible Study Groups (Starting again soon)

Wed 7.45pm Weekly Bible Study at The Vicarage
Ph. Andrew 9728 6353 (Possibly moving to Thursday)

Thursday 10am Bible Study at Brunch. All welcome.
Ph. Andrew 9728 6353

7.45 pm Younger Women every 2nd Thurs.
Contact Marina on 0407 326 263

There are also opportunities for new groups this year including: a group for training new group leaders, and a group for men.

CONTACTS

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