



# Christ Church Cathedral and St Peter's Hamilton



*Weekly News Sunday 24 May 2020*

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



**Giotto di Bondone Scenes from the Life of Christ: 22. Ascension**

*Welcome to worship today, especially all who are visiting*

**JOIN OUR SERVICES ONLINE**

Sunday

**8.30am: Eucharist**

Presider: *The Reverend Angela Peverell*

Preacher: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

**5.30pm: Prayer with the Bishops**

**Then 8.30am and 5.30pm each day on  
YouTube, Christ Church Cathedral Facebook  
and St Peter's Hamilton Facebook.**

## ONLINE SERVICES THIS WEEK

The Weekly and mid-week Eucharists and the Morning and Evening offices continue to be distributed online via **You Tube** and **Facebook** at **8.30am** and **5.30pm** each day.

We encourage you to share these resources widely during this time.

**You Tube:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXyas2uhJUNOnDetOpPdUOg>

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/christchurchcathedralnewcastle/>

Monday 25 May <i>Bede of Jarrow, priest and teacher</i>	8.30am 5.30pm	The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer The Reverend Canon Michael Davies
Tuesday 26 May <i>Augustine of Canterbury, missionary and bishop</i>	8.30am 5.30pm	The Reverend Canon Andrew Eaton The Right Reverend Dr Peter Stuart
Wednesday 27 May	8.30am 5.30pm	The Right Reverend Charlie Murry The Reverend Canon Janet Killen
Thursday 28 May	8.30am 5.30pm	The Reverend Angela Peverell The Right Reverend Sonia Roulston
Friday 29 May	8.30am 5.30pm	The Reverend Canon Michelle Hazel-Jawhary Archdeacon Arthur Copeman
Saturday 30 May	8.30am 5.30pm	The Reverend Jacqueline Drewe Archdeacon Rod Bower

**Dear Parish Family,** Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

If, like me, you have a Facebook account, you will know that Facebook daily 'reminds' you of your memories from years past. Currently, Facebook is reminding me of David and my trip to the UK last year. Today, I was reminded of our visit to Truro Cathedral, where we saw the very large Tinworth panel 'The Way of the Cross', in which Pilate was allegedly modelled on the then Prince of Wales, later Edward VII.

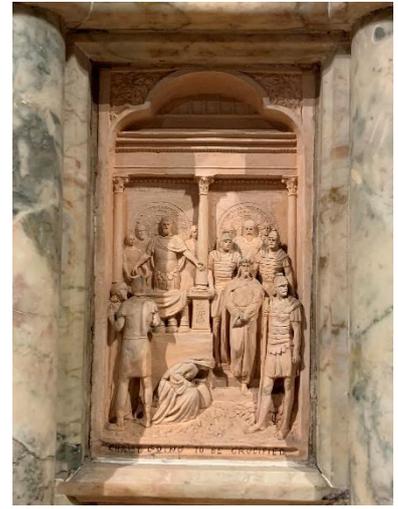


Part of the Tinworth panel at Truro Cathedral.



detail Tinworth panel  
Truro Cathedral -  
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on the then Prince of  
Wales (Edward VII).

We have our own exquisite Tinworth panels in the St Michael or Warrior Chapel, where fourteen panels form the reredos at the altar. It is one of the great joys and privileges of presiding at that altar to see the intricate detail in these panels. The depiction we have of Pilate has a different face to that of Truro's, but you can see the same level of amazing detail.



*Christ going to be crucified.  
Tinworth panel Reredos  
Christ Church Cathedral Newcastle*

All of this has made me wonder what we will remember in a year's time about the COVID crisis. It may be phrases from our Morning and Evening Prayer, or appreciating the sunrise or sunset each day, or valuing the things we take for granted (like toilet paper!). One thing is certain: this experience has changed us, as individuals and as a community. My prayer is that we take the changes with us that make a positive difference.

At our Parish Council meeting on Sunday, we gave thanks for your continued very generous response. Our Treasurer Robert Sharpe, with David Atherton, Dean's Warden, are working hard to reshape our budget to meet our current times. Your ongoing financial support makes a great difference.

Along with our Choir's YouTube Channel,

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj1uCQsfG7Ek4NLW\\_SJzvRQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj1uCQsfG7Ek4NLW_SJzvRQ)

the choir's resident blogger writes an excellent weekly blog <https://newcastlecathedralchoir.wordpress.com/> with beautiful reflections on the readings and this season. These offerings from the choir are gifts to us in this time, drawing us into spaces of beauty and peace.

Finally, my poem this week is by John Donne. King James I of England and VI of Scotland allegedly said that "Dr Donne's poetry was like the peace of God – it passeth all understanding". And whilst James I might not have been a fan, Donne's poetry has been a rich treasure for me since I first read it in senior high school. I hope in these weekly poems you may have found some treasures too, even if some have passed all understanding!

## **Ascension**

*Salute the last and everlasting day,  
Joy at the uprising of this sun, and Son,  
Ye, whose just tears or tribulation  
Have purely washed or burnt your drossy clay;  
Behold the Highest, parting hence away,  
Lightens the dark clouds which He treads upon,  
Nor doth He by ascending, show alone,  
But first He, and He first, enters the way.  
O strong Ram, which hast battered heaven for me,  
Mild Lamb, which with Thy blood hast marked the path,  
Bright Torch, which shin'st that I the way may see,  
O, with Thy own blood quench Thy own just wrath,  
And if Thy Holy Spirit my muse did raise,  
Deign at my hands this crown of prayer and praise.*

John Donne

***With my thanks and prayers.***

***Dean Katherine***

***Ps: We are aware of a continuing issue with emails going to the Junk folder of gmail accounts. If someone isn't receiving these emails, please check if they have a gmail account and ask them to check their Junk or Spam folders. Thank you!*** We are also physically mailing the pewsheets and these resources each week to those without internet access. If you know of anyone who would like to receive this by mail, please contact the Cathedral office.

## **Stewardship:**

In this time, the best way to exercise our stewardship, to support the work of the parish, is through electronic giving. Our stewardship is an expression of our thankfulness to God, offering as we have received. Could I encourage you please, if you do not already give electronically to support the work of the parish, that you begin to do so during this time.

Name: Electronic Giving Account

BSB: 705-077

Account Number: 00040917. (The 8 digit account number (incl. the three os) should be included in the account number.)

*Please include your Initial & Surname in the reference line, if required.*

If you would like information on how you can contribute to the Music Fund, Missions, and other ministries, please contact the parish office so we can share those details with you. Thank you for your generosity, which supports ministry now and in the future.

**Cathedral Community Lunches:** The Cathedral Community Lunches Program is continuing to offer a hot meal **every second Sunday at 12.30pm** as a **'take away'** option from the Horbury Hunt Hall. Thank you to the dedicated volunteers who are ensuring this important outreach program continues to operate. ***The next community lunch take away is today, Sunday 24 May.***

**St Aidan's Land Sale Trust** – A recent special Board Meeting passed a resolution, ratified by Parish Council, to seek approval from Diocesan Council to withdraw an amount of \$60,816 from the St Aidan's Land Sale Trust in order to discharge the loan for the Darby St unit and to pay debts for some parish properties, including historic rate expenses. The discharge of the Darby Street loan will ensure that the rental amount will be applied as income for the parish. For further information, please contact Lisa at the office. Submissions may be made to [lindawilson@newcastleanglican.org.au](mailto:lindawilson@newcastleanglican.org.au) **no later than today, 24 May.**

### ***From the Cathedral's Director of Music, Peter Guy...***

Our musical offering this week is the hymn "Hail, our once despised Jesus" - a wonderfully strong and uplifting marriage of text and melody. The text is written by John Blakewell, an 18th century author of several hymns. Born in Derbyshire, Blakewell turned his mind towards religion around the age of 18.

He was an ardent evangelical and preached in the Methodist tradition (he was well acquainted with the Wesleys and others of that tradition) throughout the latter part of the 18th century around London, most notably holding a position at Greenwich Royal Park Academy. He died at the incredible age of 98 in 1819.

The tune that accompanies this hymn is written by the Welshman, Thomas John Williams. Williams studied music at Cardiff and was organist/choirmaster at Zion Chapel and Calfarina Chapel, but his primary vocation was that of an insurance businessman! The tune name is Ebenezer (presumably taking that name from 1 Samuel meaning "Rock/Stone of Hope"). And if anyone has good Welsh pronunciation skills, I'd be very happy to be informed of how to pronounce the town of Williams' birth: Ynysmeudwy(!!!).

You can find the hymn, Hail our once despised Jesus,  
here: <https://youtu.be/hCTkmazAX8o>

**Cathedral Shop News:** For Pentecost - get a lapel pin of the holy spirit dove. The shop has several available – gold or silver outline, blue or red enamel.



Contact the shop by email: [cathedralshop@aapt.net.au](mailto:cathedralshop@aapt.net.au)

Pins can be mailed out (invoice encl.) or collected on request (EFTPOS avail).

**Creativity at the Cathedral: We need your help!** This initiative cannot run without people who are willing to share their creative endeavours: art, poetry, photography, needlework, music – the list is limited only by our imaginations. Please consider submissions for beyond Pentecost. Please send your offerings to [johnson.n@planetmail.net](mailto:johnson.n@planetmail.net), or phone Naomi Johnson on 0405 819 350.



**Mainly Music is currently in recess** - Please check our Cathedral Ministry Facebook page and our Cathedral Facebook for fun activities and resources you can do at home!

**Message from the Samaritans: WINTER APPEAL 2020**

*In this unusual time there is a greater need for your support*



Samaritans



**\$25**

could contribute to a counselling session for a child recovering from trauma.



**\$50**

could give emergency assistance to a woman fleeing domestic violence.



**\$100**

could contribute to a support worker for a NSW family living in poverty.

**"On many occasions before, Samaritans and the Diocese of Newcastle have come together to support our communities as they face crisis. I think you can agree with me, as a community we've never faced a crisis quite like COVID-19".**

**- Brad Webb, Samaritans CEO.**

A generous donation to Samaritans Winter Appeal by June 30 will ensure our vital support services continue operating.

**To Donate: [www.samaritans.org.au/donate](http://www.samaritans.org.au/donate) or Phone 02 4960 7100.**

***We have taken measures to ensure that the Cathedral is a safe environment for all. All who work with children or youth have completed Safe Ministry Training and all clergy, staff and volunteers are subject to strict employment measures such as working with children checks. The Cathedral is committed to being a place where survivors of abuse experience care and support. For a confidential discussion, please call or email the Director of Professional Standards 1800 774 945 [dps@newcastleanglican.org.au](mailto:dps@newcastleanglican.org.au) or [survivorsupport@newcastleanglican.org.au](mailto:survivorsupport@newcastleanglican.org.au)***

**From the Mission Secretary** - As the Parish Council's letter to you last week explained, our Mission's giving is mainly by envelopes. This year we are supporting Newton College in New Guinea and in response to the Covid-19 pandemic ABM has also launched the following appeal.

**ABM'S COVID-19 APPEAL: Support our Partners to combat this Pandemic**

During this global pandemic, ABM has been fortunate enough to remain open and operational and will continue to do so. Thankfully, staff have been able to work from home ensuring that we are able to keep serving our partners and supporters during this difficult time. We would also like to say thank you for your continuous support. Unfortunately for our partners, it is not "business as usual" by any means. Most are living under varying levels of government restrictions on contact and movement. These restrictions are unavoidably causing increasing levels of hardship in the churches and communities you support. That is why ABM has mounted a COVID-19 appeal, in order to help our partners to show Christ's love, hope and justice to those who are suffering the most.

Visit <https://www.abmission.org/covid-19-global-emergency-response> (Ctrl + Click) to find out how our partners are helping their communities at this time, and how you can help them.



**To continue our important support for ABM**, cheques can be posted to  
PO Box 221 NEWCASTLE NSW 2300 or by on-line giving.

Name: Missions Account

BSB: 705077 Account: 00041087

Please Insert your name in the purpose space as well as either  
Newton College or Covid Emergency Appeal

**More than ever, our Partners need our support, especially those close to us in the Pacific such as Vanuatu which has also had Cyclone Harold.**

**Please continue to keep the work of ABM in your prayers.**

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