



Christ Church Cathedral and St Peter's Hamilton



Weekly News Sunday 3 May 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



(Marble statue of The Good Shepherd carrying a lamb, c. 300-350, from the Catacombs of Domitilla, Vatican Museums)

Welcome to worship today, especially all who are visiting

JOIN OUR SERVICES ONLINE

Sunday

8.30am: Eucharist – *The Dean, Presider & Preacher*

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 4 May	8.30am 5.30pm	The Reverend Angela Peverell The Reverend Canon Michael Davies
Tuesday 5 May	8.30am 5.30pm	The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer The Right Reverend Peter Stuart
Wednesday 6 May	8.30am 5.30pm	The Right Reverend Charlie Murry Archdeacon Rod Bower
Thursday 7 May	8.30am 5.30pm	Archdeacon Arthur Copeman The Right Reverend Sonia Roulston
Friday 8 May <i>Julian of Norwich, holy woman and mystic</i>	8.30am 5.30pm	The Reverend Canon Janet Killen The Reverend Canon Andrew Eaton
Saturday 9 May	8.30am 5.30pm	The Reverend Dr Julia Perry The Reverend Peter Tinney

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

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally called ‘Good Shepherd Sunday’, as we hear one of the passages in John 10 in which Jesus talks about his care for the sheep, his flock. What better weekend then to celebrate the relaxation of ‘lockdown’ which will allow for some home visits.



As I wrote last week, on ANZAC morning, I stood in the Cathedral driveway with the lamp from the St Michael (Warrior) Chapel, joining with others around Australia, as part of StandAtDawn. From the driveway, I could see other lights twinkling along Church street, and we stood, distant yet joined, as somewhere a bugler played. (If you go to <https://twitter.com/newycathedral?lang=en> and scroll down, you can see some videos that NBN cameraman David Threlfo filmed on the day. The link should work without needing to join Twitter.)

You will have received a letter from our Parish Council this week. I am very thankful to the Council members for the tremendous prayer and work that went into this correspondence. I commend this letter to you, and encourage you, if you would like more information, to contact a member of the Council. Thank you to all who have already generously responded.

Please continue to visit the Choir's YouTube Channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj1uCQsfG7Ek4NLW_SJzvRQ where you'll find music by Peter Guy and our choir. This week is our second monthly Families@Home service too. Please encourage families you know to visit the Christ Church Cathedral Family Ministry Facebook page from 5.00pm on Saturday. Please share these links with others – and when you do, ***please check if they are receiving these emails or ask if they would like to be added to the parish roll.***

We are also physically mailing the pewsheet 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.

Finally, on this Good Shepherd Sunday, I am thankful to Naomi Johnson for pairing the 23rd Psalm with the #CreativityAtTheCathedral image for this week.

The 23rd Psalm is one of the most well known and well loved passages of Scripture. For many people, it is strongly associated with gathering with family, especially at times of bereavement. The priest, poet, and hymnwriter, George Herbert (1593-1633), wrote this metrical version of the 23rd Psalm, which gives us the opportunity to hear the psalm afresh.

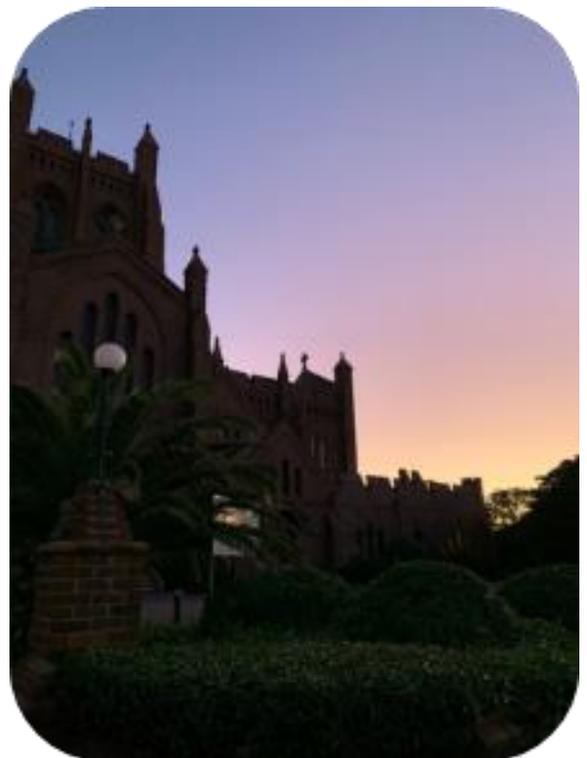
The 23d Psalme

The God of love my shepherd is,
And he that doth me feed:
While he is mine, and I am his,
What can I want or need?

He leads me to the tender grasse,
Where I both feed and rest;
Then to the streams that gently passe:
In both I have the best.

Or if I stray, he doth convert
And bring my minde in frame:
And all this not for my desert,
But for his holy name.

Yea, in death's shadie black abode
Well may I walk, not fear:
For thou art with me; and thy rod
To guide, thy staff to bear.



Nay, thou dost make me sit and dine,
Ev'n in my enemies sight:
My head with oyl, my cup with wine
Runnes over day and night.

Surely thy sweet and wondrous love
Shall measure all my dayes;
And as it never shall remove,
So neither shall my praise.

George Herbert

With my thanks and prayers.

Dean Katherine

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 (including the three os) should be included in the account number.)

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.

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

On Shepherding Sunday one might expect to hear a choral setting of Psalm 23, but one of my favourite "go to" anthems on this Sunday is a little gem of a setting of the text "Loving Shepherd of thy sheep" by Sir Philip Ledger. Sir Philip is a former Director of Music of King's College Cambridge, where the choir would have been singing in July were it not for necessary Coronavirus restrictions! I love this anthem for its gentle lilt, its beautiful melody and the way the composer leads the whole work to a very tender climax: proof that music needn't be complicated to be beautiful! You can hear a performance of the work here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4kbqcW9OosY>

Doing things differently...

If you're wondering what the choir is doing, rest assured we are continuing to be in touch with each other! On Friday evenings (during our normal rehearsal time), many of us are meeting together online for Evening Prayer and an informal catch-up (often with a glass of our favourite beverage!), Jenny and Rosie have been providing us with some weekly "funnies", and some choristers have been doing some exercises devised by an English/French vocal specialist especially for "Les Temps des Quarantaines". The St Nicholas Choir are continuing their musical training. I've been busy recording short videos to help explain musical concepts to them, and this week have started individual and group theory lessons and will try an online rehearsal on Friday during our normal time. Please keep us all in your prayers, as we continue to hold you in ours. We are desperately looking forward to being back together with everyone to assist in leading worship at the appointed time.

Congratulations and Prayers: We offer our prayers and congratulations to the **Reverend Jess Grant**, who has been appointed to the chaplaincy of the Royal Military College Duntroon, with effect from **Friday 1 May 2020**. Reverend Jess has been part of the Cathedral community over the past two years, sharing in ministry. We will miss her and her family, and we pray for them in this move and new ministry.

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 endless and limited only by our imaginations. Please consider submissions for the season of Easter as we journey through this time together. Please send your offerings to johnson.n@planetmail.net, or phone Naomi Johnson on 0405 819 350.

Cathedral Shop News – SHOP NEWS: this week might be when you set up a small sacred space for your personal prayers or watching the YouTube services. We have a range of standing crosses which may suit starting \$5.00 for small metal crosses through to larger olivewood crosses and crucifixes. Our feature books this week are: *Praising God with St Francis* – a book of mediations & prayers with colouring pages \$16.00; *The Day I Met Jesus* - Diaries of Five Women from the Gospels \$10.00; *Heroes of the Faith* – as reviewed by Fr Philip in the parish newsletter \$35.00. As always, we have the 2020 Lectionary for \$14.00. Please make your enquiries to cathedralshop@aapt.net.au. Items can be collected (details on enquiry) and EFTPOS is available OR we can arrange to mail your goods.

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. Thank you to the dedicated volunteers who are ensuring this important outreach program continues to operate. **The next community lunch take away is Sunday 10 May at the Horbury Hunt Hall.**



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!

Donations for Flowers – we look forward to when we can fill the Cathedral again with flowers. **If you would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one** or as a **thank-offering** to be remembered when the cathedral is open once more, please advise Suzanne Evans on 4955 9170.



Samaritans

Message from the Samaritans:

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



\$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.

Your donation provides hope and stability for the community in Newcastle & beyond. Support your local community.

ONLINE: Click [here](#) to Donate online to Samaritans today.

PHONE: To donate by phone please call **1300 656 336** and one of our staff will assist you in making a donation using your credit card.

Please send any notices for inclusion in the pew sheet to cathedral@newcastlecathedral.org.au by 9am on Tuesday

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 or survivorsupport@newcastleanglican.org.au

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