

Anglican Church in the Parish of Jika Jika

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28th April 2024
Easter 05

WHAT'S ON

Sunday:

9.00am Eucharist @ St George's

(1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Sundays)

10.30am Parish Mass & Kid's Church

@ All Saints (Every Sunday)

2.00pm Mandarin Eucharist

@ All Saints (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Sundays)

12noon Parish Council Meets (4th Sunday)

12noon Parish Lunch (5th Sunday)

Tuesday:

10-3pm St George's Op Shop

10.45am Eucharist @ Ashley (1st Tuesday)

Wednesday:

9.00am **Morning Prayer** @ All Saints

10-3pm St George's Op Shop

11am **Eucharist** @ Twin Parks (3rd Wed)

11am **Eucharist** @ Mercy Place (4th Wed)

Thursday:

9.00am **Morning Prayer** @ All Saints

10-3pm St George's Op Shop (3rd Thu)

Friday:

9.00am **Morning Prayer** @ All Saints

9.30-11.30am Food Service

@ All Saints Hall

10-3pm St George's Op Shop (1st, 2nd, 4th)

Saturday:

10-3pm St George's Op Shop

11.30am 1.00pm Lunch Program

@ All Saints Hall

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

28th April, 2024

First Reading

Acts 8:26-40

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptised?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptised him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:26-32 — *A.P.B.A. Page 243*

Second Reading

1 Jn. 4:7-21

A reading from the First Letter of John

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also

ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn. 15:1-8

☩ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Prayers & Responses This Week

Response to Intercessions

God of love, in your mercy,
hear our prayer

Praying For Those in Need

Liguan, Margaret, Joanne, Willy, Sherryn,
Melissa, Bernie, Darren, Alan, Leanne,
Robert, Bill, Shane, Nadia, Rick, Norma,
Ernie, Arthur, Tony.

Praying for the Memory of

Gordon Levins, Alma Burr, Alma King,
Violet McCrae, Elsie Harrison, Gregory Stott

Regional Clergy Conference to be held this year from Monday 27th to Wednesday 29th May at the Foothills Centre Mooroolbark.

Special Synod to be held at St Paul's Cathedral on Saturday 1st June. Our reps are Meagan Street, Brendan Stott, Fr Fan and Archdeacon Michael.

Parish Council meets today at 12noon in the Parish Hall. At the March meeting June Len from the 2pm congregation was elected as a PC member to fill the vacancy from the AGM.

The Reverend Chaplain Soma has been appointed by the Archbishop to be an Assistant Priest in the Parish. Fr Chaplain will commence in May 2024 and will be funded fulltime by the Birch Trust.

Praying for those in Need record the names of those in need on the Prayer request sheet. Names remain on the list for 4 weeks and will need to be added again if required. Please enter your name so that clergy can follow up your request. Please make sure you have the permission of the person before adding to the list.

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PRAYER FOR THE HOLY LAND

O God of Justice and peace.

We cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land.

Be with those who need you in this time of suffering.

We pray for peoples of all faiths: Jews, Muslims and Christians and all the people of the land.

We pray to you O Lord for an end to the violence and the establishment of peace.

We also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples.

Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated as your children.

For to all of us, you are our heavenly Father.

In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

OUR GIVING LAST SUNDAY

	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget pw</i>
9.00am	\$ 160.00	\$ 182.00
10.30am	\$ 710.05	\$ 620.00
2.00pm	\$ 375.00	\$ 288.00
Total	\$ 1245.05	\$ 1090.00
Missions	\$	\$ 23.00
Op Shop	\$ 1102.00	\$ 769.00