

Greenock Lutheran Parish Bulletin



St. Peter's Greenock (GR)
Nain Lutheran Church (N)
St. Michael's Gnadenfrei, Marananga (M)

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Palm Sunday

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*God broke
into human
history to
offer us the
eternal gift
of salvation.*

Welcome! God bless you through the good news of Jesus' resurrection and the gift of new life. May our lives respond in praise and thanksgiving.

This Sunday's Services:

9.00am PARISH SERVICE - St Peter's Greenock HC – with Pastor Eugene
Offering to Lutheran Care, Barossa and School's Ministry Group (SMG) Pastoral
Care workers in the Barossa Public Schools.

Opening:

Jesus lived a selfless, obedient life and then died a selfless, obedient death —
and the worst kind of death at that – a crucifixion.

Because of that obedience, God lifted him high

and honoured him far beyond anyone or anything, ever. (*Philippians 2:8,9 MSG*)

Psalm 118:1,24-29 (NIV)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!

His faithful love endures forever.

This is the day the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Please, Lord, please save us.

Please, Lord, please give us success.

Bless the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, shining upon us.

Take the sacrifice and bind it with cords on the altar.

You are my God, and I will praise you!

You are my God, and I will exalt you!

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!

His faithful love endures forever.

Glory to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forevermore. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and eternal God, you sent your Son to take our nature on himself, and to suffer and die on the cross for us. Give us the faith to follow the example of his great humility and bring us to share in his resurrection. We ask this in Jesus' name, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Readings:

Isaiah 50: 4-9a The obedience of the Lord's servant.

Philippians 2:5-11 Christ – obedient servant and exalted Lord.

Matthew 21:1-11 Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

Message Theme & Text: 'Grace Comes Down' (Philippians 2:5-11)

(you can read or listen to each week's message at www.pastoreugene.online)

Offering Prayer:

Thank you, loving Father, that your Son was obedient all the way to the cross, and suffered and died for us. Make us humble and self-giving, serving others as he served us. Amen.

Parish Prayer Points:

Pastor Eugene & Nikki and family

Margaret Roennfeldt (M); Tony & Carol Kalleske (G); Hayden Materne (N)

For God's grace & blessing on all who will worship over the Easter weekend, especially those who are new, young or struggling in their faith in Jesus.

Easter Service Times

Maundy Thursday - 7pm Service with HC at Nain

Good Friday - 9am at Greenock & 10.30am at Gnadenfrei (outside service)

Easter Sunday - 6.30am at Gnadenfrei (outside, BYO chair)
and 9am at Greenock (both services with HC)

Maundy Thursday Bible Readings: Psalm 116:1,2,12-29

Exodus 12:1-4,11-14 The institution of the Passover.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 The institution of the Lord's supper.

John 13:1-17,31b-35 Jesus washed his disciples' feet.

Good Friday Bible Readings: Psalm 22

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12 The Suffering Servant of God.

Hebrews 4:14-16 Jesus, our great high priest.

John 18:1 – 19:42 The passion according to St John.

Easter Day Bible Readings: Psalm 118:1,2,14-24

Acts 10:34-43 Summary of Jesus' life and ministry.

Colossians 3: 1-4 Your life is hidden with Christ in God.

Matthew 28:1-10 The first Easter morning.

St Peter's Greenock Rosters 3rd April (Good Friday)

Flowers – NIL **Cleaning** – Chris Mibus and Lyn Hoffmann

Welcoming/Attendance – Carol & Tony Kalleske **Readings** – Assorted Readers

PowerPoint – Brodie Klose **Sound** – Ashley Klose **Stewards** – Troy K & Alison W

Music – John & Ali

St Peter's Greenock Rosters 5th April (Easter Day)

Flowers - Karyn Materne – **Cleaning** – Megan Klose and Sally Kalleske

Welcoming/Attendance – Greta & John Schild **Readings** – Greta Schild

Announcements/Kids Chat – Pastor Eugene **PowerPoint** – Jed Rosenzweig

Sound – Jack Mickan **Stewards** – Mark Kalleske & Amy McDonald (HC support)

Music – John, Ali, Sally & Megan **H.C.** – Ali Barkley

Take Note:

➤ Parish Prayer Group

Tuesday 7th April 10.00am at Helen Wendt's home on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the months All welcome.

➤ Parish Men's Shed

Friday April 10th at 7.00pm Parish Men's Shed will be hosted by Tony and Troy Kalleske at Kalleske Winery, 122 St John's Road, Moppa. Follow signs to the winery as you enter the driveway. Wine and barbecue snacks provided.

➤ Reading Revelation Today

A 5-week course with Dr Noel Due exploring Revelation will be held at St Petri on Wednesdays from 7pm to 8.30pm starting **29th April**. Go to www.hub.stpetri.org.au for more details.

➤ Parish Bible Studies:

Thanks to everyone who gathered around God's Word during Lent to listen for Jesus speak grace to us in the Bible. We will take a break from parish Bible studies during April but will resume fortnightly studies when Pastor Eugene returns from annual leave in May.

➤ NEEDED: Greenock Parish Support for Lutheran Care, Barossa

Are you able to donate any of these "much-needed items" during April: *Shampoo & Conditioner, 2 in 1 Shampoo, Cans of Mixed Vegetables or Corn.* Please donate through your congregational channels and thank you.

➤ Barossa Christian Life Week Catering Help

Barossa CLW is looking for people to help with catering for a day or more from **6th to 10th July** at Cornerstone College, Mt Barker. Please contact Pastor Eugene if you're interested or would like more details.

➤ Latest LCA e-News Press Ctrl & click on this link <http://lcaenews.online/260317>

Notes On The Readings

ISAIAH 50:4-9: This suffering servant song of Isaiah characterises a faithful prophet of the Lord who is both persecuted and hailed before court. The section portrays his life-long daily learning from the Lord, his readiness willingly to undergo spiteful, degrading and violent treatment in obedience to the Lord, and his rock-solid firmness, despite all, to trust implicitly in his ultimate public acceptance as righteous. He can therefore confidently rise above the seeming victory of his accusers. Jesus again fits the conditions of the prophecy.

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11: St Paul uses Christ as an example of humility for the Philippian Christians. He who existed in full measure as God did not hesitate to lay aside his rights and majesty by assuming human form. This he did in order to undergo the humiliation and curse of human death, thus to serve the greatest need of humanity. After the cross, however, comes the crown. He now exercises every power, prerogative and glory of the Godhead which is his rightful due. Every knee must bow, whether in wondrous gratitude for free salvation, or in facing final judgment upon its persistent rejection. This reading conveys both the humble majesty of the entry to Jerusalem and the purposeful assumption of rejection and the sorrows of his passion.

MATTHEW 21:1-11: Jesus approaches Jerusalem knowing that he must suffer & die. If he is a king who will suffer, he is still the messianic King & as such he will be publicly recognised. The disciples are instructed accordingly to implement appropriate arrangements. The style of his entry to the city is in keeping with his mission & ministry. While it is truly a triumphant occasion, yet here is a king whose beast of burden and accompanying array betoken his work of service. The crowd's acknowledgement and acclaim, the spreading of garments, the waving of branches and the shouts of greeting are a sign of royal welcome to the son of David. Matthew is careful to point out that all of this was in fulfilment of prophecy.

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Greenock Lutheran Parish Child Safe / Safe Church

Our Parish leadership and members continually work toward establishing a safe place for everyone in our church community, where we strive to treat each other with respect and dignity. Child safety is embedded in the culture, leadership, and governance of our Parish. Our Parish prioritises the safety and wellbeing of children and all people. We have no tolerance for abuse in any form.