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The Pebble
Sunday April 9, 2023
Easter Day


Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ you overcame death and opened to us the
gate of everlasting life;
grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his
resurrection;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God now and forever. AMEN.

## WELCOME

to all who are sharing in worship with us today and those who read the Pebble on-line.

The Liturgy for Today. 8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662) 10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist

## HYMNS FOR TODAY

110 Jesus Christ is risen today
We sing the three-fold Alelluia at the Gospel
113 Love's redeeming work is done
Communion solo: Arnold Bachop
120 Thine be the glory

## READINGS FOR TODAY

Acts 10: 34, 36-43
Psalm 118 Response: This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.
Colossians 3: 1-4
John 20: 1-18

## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

## Acts 2: 42-47

Psalm 118 Response: Give thanks, for the Lord is good, God's love is everlasting.
1 Peter 1: 3-9
John 20: 19-31

## Parish News



Healing Ministry Prayer for Healing is offered to all in the Lady Chapel during communion at the 10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist.

## SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Wednesday 9 am : Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel.
Thursday 10 am Holy Eucharist in the Lady Chapel.
Thank you to all those who have made this Holy Week and Easter so memorable - the brass cleaners, flower arrangers, musicians, readers, servers and all those who took part in the worship.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Joy Henderson, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Jim Menzies, Michael Forrest, Steven Lighton, and Harry Brown.
Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time
Gwendolyn Hiscock, Ian McAllan, Alexander Brown, John Johnston and Mavis Monteith.

## From the Vicar

As I was scrolling through pictures for Easter, this picture struck me as poignant. A Roman soldier bending down to pick up the discarded crown of thorns. The photo is more suggestive than historically accurate. The scene would have been dirty, the crown covered in blood and hair and the soldier would probably have been sweaty after a day amongst the crowds and dust, but the message is clear. To those in power and authority, education and money, a filthy circle of thorns is litter but to those of us who know the person who wore it, it is an object of great love, grace and passion.
Jesus Christ didn't die because of us, but for us. To show us that no matter how painful, hopeless and abandoned we feel, God is with us. Emmanuel, the Christ died so that we can appreciate the future we have been born to, not this present veil of tears but, the immeasurable glory of life with God the Creator of eternity. Christ didn't die because of us, he died for us. Natalie.

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