



Parish of All Saints Maidstone

6th Sunday of Easter

17 May 2020

Celebrant:	Canon Peter Gunning
Gospel:	Revd Siyabonga Mdluli
Homilist:	Revd Irene Joss
Readers:	
Psalm:	(Flick)
Prayers:	Wandile Sibisi

GREETINGS

Alleluia! Christ is risen
He is risen indeed. Alleluia

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Hymn:

Let us pray

Almighty God to whom all hearts are open all desires known and from whom no secret are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Lord, have mercy
Nkosi Sihawukele

Christ, have mercy
Kristu Sihawukele

Lord, have mercy
Nkosi Sihawukele

PENITENCE

Let us confess our sins firmly resolved to keep Gods commandments and to live in love and peace with our neighbour.

Silence

Almighty God, our heavenly Father in penitence we confess that we have sinned against you through our own fault in thought , word,, and deed and in what we have left undone for the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name.

Almighty God who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on *you*, pardon *your* sins and set you free from them, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect

O God, you reveal yourself in love: pour into our hearts such love towards you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reign with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

O Nkulunkulu,uzambula ubuwena othandweni: thela ezinhliziyweni zethu lolo thando olunjalo kuwe, ukuze thina ekuthandeni wena ezintweni zonke naphezu kwakho konke sithole izethembiso zakho; ngaye uJesu Kristu iNkosi yethu,ophila ebusa nawe noMoya oNgcwele uNkulunkulu munye phakade naphakade. **Amen**

The Psalm: 66:7-19 [by Flick]

O bless our God, O peoples: and cause his people to resound

⁸ Who has our souls in life: who has not suffered our feet slip.

⁹ For you, proved us O God: you have tried us as silver is tried.

¹⁰ You brought us into the net: you laid sharp torment on our lions

¹¹ You let men ride over our heads we went through fire and through water:
but brought us out into a place of liberty.

¹² I will come into your house with burnt-offerings: and I will pay you my vows.

¹³ The vows that opened my lips: that my mouth uttered when I was in trouble.

¹⁴ I will offer to you burnt-offerings of fattened beast,

with the sweet smoke of rams: I will sacrifice a bull and the flesh of goats

¹⁵ Come then and hear, all you who fear God: and I will tell what he has done for me.

¹⁶ I called to him with my mouth: and his praise was on my tongue.

¹⁷ If I had cherished wickedness in my heart: the Lord would not have heard me.

¹⁸ But God has heard me: he has heeded to the voice of my prayer.

¹⁹ Praise be to God who has not turned back my prayer or his steadfast love from me.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**

The First Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22 NRSV [by]

¹³ Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for doing what is right, how happy you are! Do not be afraid of anyone, and do not worry. ¹⁵ But have reverence for Christ in your hearts, and honour him as Lord. Be ready at all times to answer anyone who asks you to explain the hope you have in you, ¹⁶ but do it with gentleness and respect. Keep your conscience clear, so that when you are insulted, those who speak evil of your good conduct as followers of Christ will become ashamed of what they say. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if this should be God's will, than for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ died for sins once and for all, a good man on behalf of sinners, in order to lead you to God. He was put to death physically, but made alive spiritually, ¹⁹ and in his spiritual existence he went and preached to the imprisoned spirits. ²⁰ These were the spirits of those who had not obeyed God when he waited patiently during the days that Noah was building his boat. The few people in the boat—eight in all—were saved by the water, ²¹ which was a symbol pointing to baptism, which now saves you. It is not the washing off of bodily dirt, but the promise made to God from a good conscience. It saves you through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone to heaven and is at the right side of God, ruling over all angels and heavenly authorities and powers.

Hear the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn:

The Gospel [by Revd Siyabonga Mdluli]

Listen to the good news proclaimed in the gospel according to **St John chapter 14:15-21**
Glory to Christ our Saviour

15 “If you love me, you will obey my commandments. 16 I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, who will stay with you forever. 17 He is the Spirit, who reveals the truth about God. The world cannot receive him, because it cannot see him or know him. But you know him, because he remains with you and is in you 18 “When I go, you will not be left all alone; I will come back to you. 19 In a little while the world will see me no more, but you will see me; and because I live, you also will live. 20 When that day comes, you will know that I am in my Father and that you are in me, just as I am in you. 21 “Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me. My Father will love those who love me; I too will love them and reveal myself to them.”

This is the gospel of Christ
Praise to Christ our Lord

Homily: Revd Irene Joss

THE PRAYERS [by Wandile Sibisi]

Form B

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you have taught us to pray and to give thanks for all people:

Receive our prayers for the universal Church, that it may know the power of your Spirit, and that all your children may agreed in the truth of your holy word and live in unity and godly love. We pray for your servant *Ndabezinhle* our Vicar, together with *Thabo* our metropolitan, and for all other ministers of your word and sacraments, that by their life and teaching your glory may be revealed and all nations drawn to you.

Guide and prosper, we pray, those who strive for the spread of your gospel, and enlighten with your Spirit all places of work, learning and healing.

We pray for those who have authority and responsibility among the nations (especially ...), that, ruling with wisdom and justice, they may promote peace and well-being in the world.

To this congregation and to all your people in their different callings give your heavenly grace, that we may hear your holy word with reverent and obedient hearts, and serve you truly all the days of our life.

In your compassion, Father, comfort and heal those who are in trouble, sorrow, need or sickness.

We praise and thank you for all your saints; for the blessed Virgin Mary, the mother of Jesus Christ our Lord, and for the heroes of the faith in every generation; and we remember before you your servants who have died, praying that we may enter with them into the fullness of your unending joy.

Grant this, Holy Father, for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen**

THE PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always. Alleluia Alleluia
Peace be with you Alleluia Alleluia.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Fourth Eucharistic Prayer

[ACSA 1989]

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give him thanks and praise

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of the evil one, and banish the darkness of sin and death. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord

God of power and might

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, he took bread and gave you thanks, saying, 'Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you.' In the same

way he took the cup, saying, 'This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me.'

So we proclaim the mystery of faith

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer/bring before you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

As Christ has taught us we are bold to pray

**Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your Name
your kingdom come
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever.
Amen**

**Baba wethu osezulwini
malingcweliswe iGama
lakho mawuze umbuso wakho
mayenziwe intando yakho
emhlabeni njengasezulwini.
Siphe namuhla isinkwa sethu semihla
ngemihla.
Sithethelele izono zethu
njengokuba nathi sibathethelela abasonayo.
Ungasiyisi ekulingweni
kodwa usikhulule kokubi.
Ngokuba umbuso ungowakho,
namandla, nobukhosi kuze kubephakade.
Amen**

AGNUS DEI

Mvana kaNkulunkulu esusa izono zomhlaba: sihawukele.

Mvana kaNkulunkulu esusa izono zomhlaba: sihawukele.

Mvana kaNkulunkulu esusa izono zomhlaba: siphe ukuthula

Spiritual Communion

**Soul of Christ, sanctify me
Body of Christ, save me
Blood of Christ, refresh me
Water from the side of Christ, wash me
Passion of Christ, strengthen me
O good Jesus, hear me
Within your wounds hide me
Let me never be separated from you
From the malicious enemy defend me
In the hour of my death call me
And bid me come to you
That with you saints I may praise thee
For ever and ever. Amen.**

CONCLUSION

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious
His mercy endures for ever

Bongani uSimakade ngokuba enomusa.
Isihawu sakhe asipheli naphakade.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**

**Masithi Amen siyakudumisa x2
Masithi. Amen bawo, Amen bawo
Amen siyakudumisa!**

**A rere Amen re a u rorisa x2
Arere Amen Ntate, Amen Ntate
Amen re a u rorisa**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Those in special needs:

John Cook, Valda Goble, Neville Pillay, Mala Govender, Alan & Pat Fuggle, Ken & Kathy Monckton, Bray Heenan, Archie Parkhouse, John-Mark Buthelezi, Thesi & Mags Govender and Mags Visser

Relatives and Friends:

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BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARIES

We give thanks to God for those who celebrate their birthday and anniversaries this week. We ask for God's continued blessing upon them!

SOCIAL OUTREACH

Due to Lockdown regulations, we have temporarily suspended our feeding scheme project. We are planning to distribute food parcels. We encourage financial contribution to either Maqhaweni bank Account or Church account.

BANKING DETAILS

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READINGS THIS WEEK

Evening Prayer

Mon 18	Psalm 119:49-72; Deut 8:1-10; Mathew 13:1-17
Tues 19	Psalm 119:105-128; Deut 8:11-20, Mathew 13:18-23
Wed 20	Psalm 15; 2 Kings 2:1-15; Rev 5:1-14
Thurs 21	Psalm 47; Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53 [ASCENSION]
Fri 22	Psalm 120,121,122; Ezek 1:28-3:3; Mathew 7:22-27
Sat 23	Psalm 126,127,128; Ezek 3:4-17; Mathew 7:28-8:4

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