



## Prayers of the people

***The stone has been rolled away, the tomb is empty. Whom will we tell?***

We will tell those who say, "The world can never be a peaceful planet."

We will tell those who believe that leaders will not listen to the downtrodden.

We will tell those who refuse to give the physically and mentally challenged a fair chance.

We will tell those whose shyness prevents them from making their presence felt.

***Listen! Limitations are shattered and forgotten.***

**Death is defeated. Joy has broken out!**

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We will tell those who feel they are too old or without the necessary training to get another job.

We will tell those who say, "Health care can never be provided fairly to everyone."

We will tell those who are in the grip of an illness that seems without end.

We will tell people in the dark cave of depression.

We will tell those who are in the tomb of bereavement (*time of silent reflection*).

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We will tell those who believe that the Christian faith is outdated and irrelevant.

We will tell those who say, "This is not the time for change in the faith community."

We will tell those who have no time for prayer or spiritual

practice.

We will tell those who see faith as a personal rather than a community matter.

We will tell those who have no time for mission or outreach.

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We will listen to the wonderful news ourselves.

The news will remind us of times when we could have given up.

The news will remind us of the need to give others a second chance.

The news will remind us that we are not bound by mistakes of long ago.

The news will remind us of our joy in friends and loved ones.

The news will remind us of all we are able to do to help the despised and forgotten.

We will hear words spoken directly to us.

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We pray for those affected by cyclone Pam that their lives will be rebuilt. We remember those people known to us who are in need of extra prayer at this time. Amanda, Hope, Bob, Gabriel, and Hilda and Jack Hutchinson. And parishioners and residents in Madison Place, Meadowvale Avenue, Merrifield Avenue, Newport Place.

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## Next Sunday – April 12<sup>th</sup> Easter Two

**1<sup>st</sup> Lesson** – Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

**Epistle** - 1 John 1: 1-2, 2:2

**Gospel** – John 20: 19-31

**8.00am**-. Colin Stanbridge, Brynyce Owen, Robin Norris, Jim Cozens.

**9.30am** – Pam Martin, Joyce Burgess, Maureen Christensen, Marion Chiswell.

## This Week Holy Week

<b>Monday 6</b>	Easter Monday – Op Shop is closed
<b>Tuesday 7</b>	Selwyn Centre. 9.30am – 11.30. Then Easter lunch. \$5.00 for a delicious meal. 10.00 Park Lane Holy Communion.
<b>Wednesday 8</b>	Holy Communion 10.00am. Morning Tea and Bible Study.
<b>Thursday 9</b>	No mainly music – holiday time. 7pm Setting up garage sale tables.
<b>Friday 10</b>	9.30am - Sorting clothes and goods for sale.
<b>Saturday 11</b>	8am Garage Sale.
<b>Sunday 12</b>	Easter Two – Low Sunday! Services 8am and 9.30am.

**Thank you** to Patsy for making Palm crosses, Jo, Rosemary and others for palms and olive tree branches. Thank you John for the artistic design at the altar.

## Reflection for the Week

The astonishing news of the Resurrection transformed Jesus' followers into courageous preachers of the good news of Jesus Christ. How do you understand the message of Easter? What is the challenge for you in responding to this message?