

# THE PARISH OF THAMES

*Welcomes you to*

## ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

*Sunday 7th April 2019*

*5th Sunday In Lent*

### **Call to Worship**

Grace and peace to you from God

**God fill you with Truth and Joy**

The Lord be with you

**The Lord bless you**

This is the day which the Lord has made

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it**

**Opening Hymn:** Lift High The Cross

### **Collect For Purity**

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known  
and from whom no secrets are hidden, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you  
and worthily praise your Holy Name; through our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.**

### **Prayer of Confession**

*Please sit or kneel*

**Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said,  
in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done.**

**We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness:  
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.**

**We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you.**

**Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake and renew our lives  
to the glory of your name, Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you,  
pardon you and set you free.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal, Amen.

### **Sentence of the Day**

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,  
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

*Psalm 126:6*

### **Collect of the Day**

**Jesus, receive our love and worship.**

**Show us how to give you what we have, for nothing is too big  
or too small for us to offer, or for you to use;**

**for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
one God for ever.**

**Amen**

**1st Reading:- Old Testament:** Isa 43: 16-21

Diane Buchanan

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

**Thanks be to God**

**Psalm:** 126

1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

**2 Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."**

3 The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

**4 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.**

5 May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

**6 Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.**

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen***

**2nd Reading: - The Epistle:** Phil 3: 4b-14

Alan Hartley

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**Gradual Hymn:** Jesus Name Above All Names

**3rd Reading: The Gospel:** Praise and glory to God

Stephen Williams

John 12: 1-8

This is the Gospel of Christ

**Praise To Christ The Word**

**Sermon:**

The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

**Intercessions:**

Denise Norris

Then turn to service page 418 in your NZ prayer book

**Offertory Hymn:** My God And Is Thy Table Spread

*(prayer is available near the High altar during communion)*

**Closing Hymn:** Lord Of The Dance

**Sending Forth:** Go now to love and serve the Lord; go now in peace.

**Amen. We go in the name of Christ.**

## 1 Lift High The Cross Of Jesus

### Refrain:

**Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore  
His glorious name!**

Come Christian people, sing your praises,  
shout!

If we are silent, even stones cry out.

Jesus, You wept to see our human strife;  
teach us compassion for each human life.

Peace was Your plea, and peace Your  
loving theme;  
let peace be our passport, peace a living  
dream.

Great is the cost of walking on this road -  
to follow and suffer with the Son of God.

Worlds to be born and children yet to be,  
come, take up this song into eternity.

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## 2 Jesus Name Above All Names

Jesus, name above all names,  
beautiful Saviour,  
glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us;  
blessed Redeemer,  
living Word.

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## 4 Lord Of The Dance

I danced in the morning when the world was  
begun,  
I danced in the moon, and the stars, and the  
sun;  
And I came down from heaven and I danced  
on earth,  
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

**Dance then, wherever you may be  
I am the Lord of the Dance said He;  
and I'll lead you all wherever you may  
be,  
and I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.**

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,  
but they would not dance and they wouldn't  
follow me.

I danced for the fishermen, for James and  
John -  
they came with me and the dance went on:

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the  
lame:  
the holy people said it was a shame.  
They whipped and they stripped and they  
hung Me high,  
and they left Me there on a cross to die:

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned  
black:  
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.  
They buried My body and they thought I'd  
gone;  
but I am the Dance and I still go on!

They cut Me down and I leapt up high,  
I am the Life that'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you'll live in Me:  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He.

C 1963 Stainer & Bell

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## 3 My God And Is Thy Table Spread

My God, and is Thy table spread,  
and doth Thy cup with love o'erflow?  
Thither be all Thy children led,  
and let them all Thy sweetness know.

Hail, sacred feast which Jesus makes,  
rich banquet of His flesh and blood!  
Thrice happy he who here partakes  
that sacred stream, that heavenly food.

Why are its bounties all in vain  
before unwilling hearts displayed?  
Was not for them the Victim slain?  
Are they forbid the children's bread?

O let Thy table honoured be,  
and furnished well with joyful guests;  
and may each soul salvation see,  
that here its sacred pledges tastes.

Philip Doddridge (1702-51)

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## Ministry Team

**Liturgist:** Sue Lewis O'Halloran **Server:** Margaret MacKay  
**Intercessor/Prayers:** Denise Norris **Organist:** Lynne Mounsey  
**Presider & Preacher:** The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson  
**Welcome Team:** Kate Jones, Christina Philip, Leslie Wilkinson  
**Morning Tea:** Kate Jones, Denise Norris

## Parish Community News

**Sermon recording.** To watch today's sermon again go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) and search "Thames Anglican."

**Bible Study.** An exciting study series on the Holy Spirit began on 3rd April and will continue to meet Wednesdays at 10:30 - 11:30 in the Hall. Rev'd Jim Neilson is leading this very important series which promises to be life changing for those who attend.

**Name Tags.** Please **remember** to use them AND return them to the board on leaving!

**Passover meal.** April 18th, 6pm. If you are intending to come, for catering purposes, **please fill in your name** on the clipboard at the back of the church. The meal is followed by a service in the church. All are very welcome to participate.

## Prayer Needs

*"Oh that You would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains would tremble before You!  
... You come to the help of those who gladly do right, who remember Your ways." Isaiah 64: 1, 5a.*

Please keep in prayer all our parish members and our clergy, Judy Jones, David Juby, the life of the church, the Wed. Bible Study series and all the outreach actions.

## This week 7th — 14th April, 2019

**Wed:** Selwyn Group, 9:30—12:00

**Thurs:** Service at 10am Holy Communion (1662), St George's Chapel

## Sunday 14th April

<b>First Reading:</b> Isa 50: 4-7	Paul Jennings
<b>Psalm:</b> 14	
<b>2nd Reading:</b> Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9	Diana Maher
<b>3rd Reading:</b> Luke 19:28-40	Ruth Kowalewicz
<b>Presider:</b>	The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson
<b>Preacher:</b>	Pip Harry: Easter Series #1
<b>Liturgist:</b>	Leslie Wilkinson
<b>Server:</b>	Raewyn Grey
<b>Music Ministry/organist:</b>	Finlay Clements
<b>Intercessions:</b>	Margaret MacKay
<b>Sanctuary Guild/Flowers:</b>	Fiona Sayer, Anna Juby
<b>Morning Tea:</b>	Denise Norris, Lynn Wilson
<b>Welcome Team:</b>	Vivienne Baggaley, Winnie Sheehan

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