

The Four Ways Mission Community

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to our **second** letter update. Here we are still locked down, our familiar lives disrupted - indeed, gone for the moment. It is so important that we all follow the government's guidelines and stay at home, isolate, stay safe and protect the lives of everyone around us. Maundy Thursday has always been a reminder that we are all charged with serving our communities and here is one way of doing this. It is pertinent during this crisis that we follow that message of serving others, so I hope you are all safe and well.

Once again, a quick reminder that we are live streaming a service every morning at 10am on Facebook (see link below). This Sunday there will be a full Eucharist to celebrate Easter Sunday at 10am. The numbers who join us are amazing: 180 at one, over a hundred at the other, and around 40 to 50 views daily. Remember you can watch it at any time, not just at the live streaming. You can "inbox", email, text or phone if you have prayer requests. We pray for all those who ask, and we pray for our communities all the time.

The link to Mission Prayer is <https://www.facebook.com/mission.prayerprogramme>

Easter morning, that great day when our Lord rises from the dead is a pinnacle in our faith. His resurrection is a resurrection for each and every one of us, the gates of heaven crumble before Jesus, our ransom paid, our sins forgiven and paid for in his blood. How great is our God, how beautiful the sacrifice of Jesus. How can you not just love and give thanks for this day? We are given the opportunity to walk with him to share in his resurrected life. Yes, Easter is so important to us, and we must share that spirit with all we know to bring joy out of death, to bring hope in despair and to bring salvation to the world through the word of God in Jesus Christ.

Some of us are already suffering through ill health and may be fearful of the world outside. Some of us are of an age that brings with it doubt in how we cope. Some of us feel indestructible. All of us feel different but all are given the life ever after and all we have to do is love each other, serve each other, love God and share his word.

I hope each and every one of you are keeping safe and please don't forget if you want prayers said contact me. If you know someone who needs a telephone call let me know the details. We are all working together even in isolation as a church and as a community.

May God's blessing flow over you and may Easter inspire your very souls.

Fr Shaun