

This Sunday at Riverside

Today is Palm Sunday and we are entering Holy week. Darren will be looking at the people involved in the last few days of Jesus' life and the impact they had on him. Today we are looking at Bartimaeus and Mary. Please read Mark 10:46-52 & John 12:1-8

Today is the Alter Service for our Self-Denial Appeal and we also will be celebrating the baptisms of Rob and Alex after the service. This will be followed by a Sausage Sizzle for \$2 prepared by the Riverside Café Team.

Next Sunday at Riverside

Next Sunday is Easter Sunday and we will be celebrating accordingly as a people blessed by the news that Jesus is Alive!

This Week at Riverside

Monday	30th March	Building Closed	Brekky Packs available
<i>Tuesday to Friday</i>		<i>Brekky Club</i>	<i>9am - 10am</i>
Tuesday	31st March	Café and Play Café	9am - 1:30pm
Wednesday	1st April	Bubbles	9:30am - 11:30am
		Café and Play Café	11:30am - 1:30pm
Thursday	2nd April	Café and Play Café	9am - 1:30pm
		Creationships	10:30am - 12noon
		Maundy Service Outdoors	7:30pm
Friday	3rd April	Dawn Walk Cross Carry	6am
		Brekky Club	8am - 9am
		Good Friday Service	10am
Saturday	4th April	Brekky Club	9am - 10am
Sunday	5th April	Dawn Service	8am
		Easter Breakfast	8:30am
		Easter Celebration	9:45 am
		Easter Egg Hunt	11 am
		Men's Life Group	11:45 am



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An Easter Poem - My Saviour

I love it when people at Riverside express their creativity. It is one of the ways we allow the image of God to shine out of us. As we enter Holy week Carol Hunt has shared a poem, sadly we can only use an extract and we have adapted it to fit on our front page. Nevertheless, I do believe it will be a blessing to us all. Thank you for sharing your beautiful poetic act of worship with us Carol.

*I looked into my Saviour's eyes and watched in wonder
No hatred did I see; but love, forgiveness, charity.
The pain and suffering, he knew would come
But, "not my will" spoke God's dear son.
Now beads of blood are falling down,
While friends are sleeping on the ground.
We too, often fall asleep, instead of sitting at his feet.*

*I looked upon my Saviour's head pierced with a crown of thorns -
A golden crown he should have worn!
I see the blood soak through his hair
I have no right to stop and stare.*

*I looked upon my Saviour 's feet
And watched him walk to Calvary....in place of me!*

*And now I see my Saviour's hands
that once stretched out to bless mankind
Are cruelly nailed to a tree
Because he chose to die - for me?*

*My God, my God what have I done that you would give your precious son!
There's simply nothing I could do to save myself a sinner
But Father, your amazing grace sent Jesus in my place, his heart so pure his love
so true, you knew only Jesus would come through.*

*In three days he rose again, to show the world that sin won't win.
He is our Saviour, shepherd, friend.
He is the Way, the Truth, the Life and in his name we say,*

AMEN

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Dawn Walk Cross Carry - Good Friday 6am

As we approach the solemnity of Easter, join us for a Dawn Walk on Good Friday. This is an opportunity to reflect on Jesus' walk towards the cross.



You can simply walk around the set track in the carpark or if you want to take it a step further, you can carry weights to represent the weight of the cross. Everyone is welcome, meet in the back carpark at 6am for the walk, finishing in a time of prayer.

DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS 🕒

Sunday, 5 April 2026



3:00 AM 2:00 AM

Daylight Saving Ends

On Sunday 5th April, (Easter Sunday) Daylight Saving ends. Remember to put your clocks back one hour (most phones and computers should automatically update) and then you will be bright and early for the Easter Dawn Service.

Easter Services

Don't forget to grab a few 'Back to Church' invitations and continue to invite your family and friends to any or all of our Easter Services in the coming weeks. See flyers on the notice table.

2nd April - Maundy Thursday - 7:30pm - Under the stars (outdoor service).

3rd April - Good Friday - 10am - Creative service for all ages.

5th April - Easter Sunday - 8am - Early morning in the garden, followed by breakfast at 8:30am - 9:30am.

5th April - Easter Celebration Service - 9:45am - 10:45am followed by Splash Egg Hunt at 11am.

Generous Hearts

For those of you who feel led by the Holy Spirit to give financially to Riverside, whether that be regularly or on special occasions. Please talk to or email Kate for the BPAY details. kate.adami@salvationarmy.org.au We can also accept EFTPOS through the Café till or cash in the offering.

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Touch Point

Sermon by
Darren Dwyer
Available on App
and Website



Q1. There are many characters that play a part in the Easter story. Some we would call lead characters and some extras or bit part players. Who is your favourite bit part character and why?

Read Mark 10:46-52

Q2. Jesus encounters Bartimaeus just days before his entry into Jerusalem. (A day we celebrate as Palm Sunday). Why do you think amongst all the noise and clamour Jesus responds to Bartimaeus?

Q3. If Jesus is responding to the title Bartimaeus uses to get his attention, what does this title actually mean? (Have a look at Matthew 1:1 and 2 Samuel 7:12-13, Isaiah 11:1, Revelation 22:16 for clues).

Q4. How do you believe this encounter with Bartimaeus was an ongoing encouragement for Jesus in the days that lay ahead for him in Holy week.

Read John 12:1-8

Q5. Jesus also experiences this moment with Mary a few days before entering Jerusalem. How do you think this experience encouraged Jesus in his journey to the cross?

Q6. Darren said in his sermon that the breaking of the alabaster jar exposed the hearts of two people - Mary and Judas. What values were brought into the light and what lessons can we learn from this?

Q6. Mary and Bartimaeus in the scheme of things seem to be bit part players in the Easter story but in different ways they honoured, revered and blessed Jesus. How will you honour, revere and bless Jesus this Easter?