## **The Resurrection Matters**

With the start of our Rebuilt book club, our parish is taking active steps towards making faith and church matter in the lives of people today. I believe this process will necessarily involve a "going back to the basics of our faith", and for us Christians, the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead is the absolute basis of everything we believe. And so, over the next two Sundays, we will be addressing this most fundamental event.

The Resurrection of Jesus from the dead is not a neutral event. If it didn't really happen, it means absolutely nothing for our lives today. Furthermore, it would reveal that Jesus was nothing but a trickster; an imposter that was intent on deceiving us about his identity and his mission. But if it *did* occur, it is the single most important event in all of history. If we, as a parish, want to make church matter, it is necessary that we go back to this most fundamental aspect of our faith, and deeply consider its ramifications for our lives.

In Christ,

Fr Matthew



**Read the Scripture and Gospel Readings**