

Thoughts on the Daily Word

3rd Week of Easter. Tuesday 6th May. Readings: Acts 7:51-8:1; Psalm 30; John 6:30-35.

We hear today a vision of Resurrection life that goes beyond our individual lives. Stephen proclaims a vision of Jesus that places Jesus alongside the Father, filling all things. This is the on-going reality of the Ascension story. Jesus has broken through the barriers of race or cult to create a faith vision that touches all of creation. This is the same Jesus who goes beyond the narrow vision of manna in the desert. Of a God who looks after his own, who is in the narrow image of our human nature. This is big and scary stuff and leads to the murder of Stephen who will be the first of many through the ages. This big vision has to be a part of our image of Church and our Mission to the world. This is the 'mystery' or plan of God that we share.