



## FROM THE CHAPLAIN

**Several years ago my only son suffered an epileptic fit while we were playing cards as a family.**

I watched my son convulse and turn blue – it was a horrible experience. I remember cradling my son in my lap, as we waited for the ambulance, thinking, ‘Will he live?’. He did and today he jokes about it – I still do not laugh.

I love my son, but it wasn’t until his life was threatened, that I realised how precious he was. Interestingly, this event changed the way I saw Easter. I had never seen Easter from a Father’s perspective.

I cannot imagine giving my son's life in exchange for someone else’s – I don’t love any person that much. I cannot imagine asking my son to save another person’s life at the cost of his life – he is too precious. Yet God the Father did.

*<sup>10</sup> Real love isn’t our love for God, but his love for us. God sent his Son to be the sacrifice by which our sins are forgiven. <sup>11</sup> Dear friends, since God loved us this much, we must love each other. (1 John 4)*

This Easter know that God loves you, gave his Son, and offers you life eternal if you put your faith in him – please take up his offer.

If you already follow Jesus, make sure that you pass that love of God onto others. Make it visible in your decisions.

