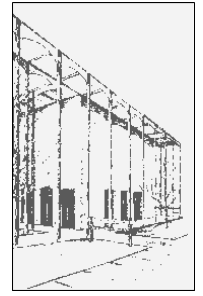


ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
WARNCLIFFE ROAD EAST IVANHOE



24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
12th NOVEMBER 2017



SUNDAY

8:00 am Said Eucharist

10:00 am Sung Eucharist

WEDNESDAY

10:00 am Said Eucharist

FRIDAY

10:00 am Holy Communion – Dowell Court

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SERVICE ROSTER FOR TODAY

Celebrant:	Archdeacon Ray McInnes
Organist:	Roger Brown
Servers:	Joan Skene, Neil Appleby, Chris Hayward
Eucharistic Assistants:	Server
Readers:	Alan Tracey
Sidesperson:	Bob Hill, Ian James
Morning Tea:	Alison Smart
Flowers:	Dot Brady
Hall Cleaning:	Chris Hayward

SERVICE ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY 19th November

Celebrant:	The Reverend Canon Ray Cleary
Organist:	Roger Brown
Servers:	Joan Skene, Neil Appleby, Chris Hayward
Eucharistic Assistants:	Coral Tudball
Readers:	Barry Wilkes
Sidesperson:	Bob Hill, Rosemary Cotter
Morning Tea:	Denise and George Hall
Flowers:	Alison Smart
Hall Cleaning:	Neil Appleby
Church Cleaning	Alison Smart

St George Op Shop

9499 5166

Manager

94992268

Assistant Manager

94590325

Volunteers needed for working in the St George's Op Shop

Building Maintenance EMERGENCY contacts:

Steve Howard 9499 6410 or 0400 890020, Alison Smart, Vince Cristiano, George Hall. Any person welcome to join, just ask anyone on the BMC. Please write NON urgent maintenance items on the Building Maintenance List found on the table in the church.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All are welcome to follow the Way of the Cross at any time that the Church is open. A booklet is available as a guide to your meditation.

SHARED DINNER

Second Saturday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Meeting Room. All welcome.

Readings for November 19th

Ezekiel 11-16,20-24; Psalm 100; Ephesians 1.15-23; Matthew 25.31-46

The Order of Service for the Eucharist commences at Page 119 of the green 'A Prayer Book for Australia.' The readings and hymn numbers for today will be found in this pew bulletin.

Hymns:

Processional 372 Jesus where'er thy people meet
Gradual 195 Wake, awake for night is flying
Offertory 568 What does the Lord require
Final 318 O Spirit of the living God

Communion Motet: Nolo mortem peccatoris est - Morley
(*I do not wish the death of a sinner.*)

Postlude: Gaudeamus by Alec Rowley

Recordings of postludes played at St George's are posted in the Music section of the church website: stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org

Sentence

Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

Matthew 24.42, 44

Collect

Eternal God,
you have taught us that the night is far spent
and the day is at hand:
keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom,
so that when Christ, the bridegroom, comes
we may go out joyfully to meet him,
and with him enter into the marriage feast
that you have prepared for all who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Joshua

Joshua 24.1-3a, 14-25

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel;

and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, ‘Thus says the Lord , the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. I gave him Isaac; ‘Now therefore revere the Lord , and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord . Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord , choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord .’ Then the people answered, ‘Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord , for he is our God.’ But Joshua said to the people, ‘You cannot serve the Lord , for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good.’ And the people said to Joshua, ‘No, we will serve the Lord !’ Then Joshua said to the people, ‘You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord , to serve him.’ And they said, ‘We are witnesses.’ He said, ‘Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord , the God of Israel.’ The people said to Joshua, ‘The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey.’ So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

For the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 78 1-7



- 1 Give heed to my teaching O my *people*:
incline your ears to the words of my mouth;
- 2 For I will open my mouth in a *parable*;
and expound the mysteries of former times.
- 3 What we have heard and *known*:
What our forefathers have told us,
- 4 We will not hide from their children but declare to a generation
yet to come;
the praiseworthy acts of the Lord
his mighty and wonderful works.
- 5 He established a law in Jacob and made a decree in *Israel*
which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children
- 6 That future generations might know and the children yet *unborn*:
that they in turn might teach it to_ their sons;
- 7 So that they might put their confidence in *God*:
and not forget his works but keep his_com mandments,

A reading from the first book of Thessalonians

1 Thessalonians 4.9-18

Now concerning love of the brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anyone write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another; and indeed you do love all the brothers and sisters throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, beloved, to do so more and more, to aspire to live quietly, to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we directed you, so that you may behave properly towards outsiders and be dependent on no one. But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again,

even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Stay a wake and be ready!

For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Matthew 25.1-13

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

‘Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, “Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.” Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, “Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.” But the wise replied, “No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.” And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other

bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

For the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Prayers for those in need: (list renewed monthly): Brian Monteith, Leanne Barker, Lesley Tracey, Sarah Tracey, Paul Finch, Dino Fernando, and others known to you.

We pray for those who love and care for them.

Year's Mind

Ronald MILL	14th November	1985
Cecil Henry DAWSON	15th November	1990
Harold Arthur KING	15th November	2013
Zoe Mary AITKEN	16th November	1993
Jessie Olive (Girlie) GUNST	17th November	1978
Walter Eliot NIXON	18th November	1987
Margaret McKENZIE	18th November	1993
Margaret Dorothy GREEN	18th November	1996
Alan PORTER	18th November	1973
Maesmore Elizabeth BARTLETT	18th November	1980
Kathleen Harley BRIGHT-PARKER	18th November	1992
Joan Meredith BEGG	18th November	1998

We give thanks for the life of Diedre Eva. Grant that she may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your kingdom.

2018 Anglican Church Calendars

Orders may be put on the list at the back of the church.

Anne Hill

Christmas Cards are for sale. See Nan at the back pew.

Saturday 25th November 9 to 3 Op Shop Christmas Fair and BBQ.

With Christmas decorations, gifts and sausage sizzle

COMING EVENTS AND SERVICES

13 th November	2pm	Funeral of Fr Michael Leah
19 th November		Consecration Of Holy Trinity Port Melbourne.
19 th November	7pm	Parish Council
25 th November	9 to 3	Op Shop Christmas Fair and BBQ
3 rd December	7pm	Choral Evensong for Advent
9 th December	6.30pm	Shared meal.
17 th December	9pm	Service of Nine Lessons and Carols.
24 th December	5pm	Children's Christmas Story
24 th December	11.30pm	Christmas Eve Midnight Eucharist
25 th December	9am	Christmas day Christmas Eucharist

Locum Letter

Thank you to Father Ray McInnes for stepping in for me today. We have been friends and colleagues in Ministry for many years and are Richmond supporters. A number of years ago while he was Dean of Wangaratta we sat up one night and watched at least two if not three of Richmond's previous premierships. I am now convinced that God is alive and well following the Tigers 2017 Premiership win.

A key element in the mind of any athlete or team is preparation. Without doubt the Richmond team were preparing for this years finals throughout the season. In today's Gospel Matthew's parable about the Ten Wedding Attendants should not be taken too literally. Matthew's Jesus reminds us about the end time but also about our need to be prepared. In other words we need to be alert, awake and focused on our relationship with God and to each other. As Henry Warningsbrough, Biblical Scholar says. "When the catch of fish comes in, some fish will be thrown away some kept."

Each year at this time as we approach the end of the church's liturgical year, we are reminded of this and the need for us to continually reflect upon the great mystery of life during the season of Advent and Christmas.

On another matter I am sure many like me are deeply concerned about the men on Manus Island and the apparent stalemate regarding their future. Please join others in prayer for a just and quick solution to this unfolding and potentially human tragedy rolling out in our name.

Shalom

Ray

1. Parish Council reminder that our final meeting for the year is at 7pm on the 19th November. This will be followed on the 3rd December for the Annual Parish meeting. Nomination forms etc. will be available shortly.

2. Shared meal. The next one is set for the 9th December at 6.30pm. The Locum vicar would like to make this an occasion to say thank to people for their work throughout the year . He will provide some fruity wines to celebrate . It would be good if we could make this a parish event and gather as a community before the business of Christmas. Mark it in your diary now.

3. Children's Christmas pageant . I have suggested the 24th at 6pm. Children will be invited to dress up as Mary, Joseph, a sheep , angels for the occasion . Please start mentioning this time to any families you may know, including Grandchildren In many places now this service is becoming a highlight of the year.