

WELCOME TO THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF

ST GEORGE

IVANHOE EAST, MELBOURNE

PARISH NOTICES

Facebook

Please 'like' and 'follow' our Facebook page, @StGeorgeEastIvanhoe where you will find services, hymns, postludes, interesting articles, prayers and reflections, and some fun news of what is happening in the parish. Please send your contributions to: fr.john@stgeorgeeastivanhoe.org.

YouTube

We now have our own YouTube channel. Please encourage your friends, family and neighbours to subscribe to St George Peace Memorial Church East Ivanhoe for services, music and hymns.

Streaming Services

With the resumption of public worship we will continue to live stream our 10am Sunday Holy Communion to meet the needs of a new audience. We will also explore ways in which we might enhance how we undertake live streaming and connect with this new audience.

Flowers in the Church

Flowers will be in church for the Day of Pentecost, and the flower, serving, reading, and Morning Tea rosters will resume from Trinity Sunday (7 June 2020).

End of Covid-19 Community Street Party

When Federal and State Government regulations permit we are planning to hold an 'End of Covid-19 Community Street Party' at St Georges. An initial planning conversation took place on Tuesday 26 May 2020. If you would like to be part of this group please call, text or email Fr John. You do not need to have Zoom to be able to assist with the planning as we can accommodate you in other ways.

Choral Evensong - Rev'd Noel Whale - 50 years of Service

The Feast of SS Michael and All Angels, 2020 will mark the 50th anniversary of our friend and former Vicar, Noel Whale's 50th anniversary to the Diaconate in the Church of God. This is a significant anniversary for Noel, and he will explain why on the night. It is hoped that social-distancing restrictions will have eased by then to the degree that we will be able to welcome quite a crowd to St Georges to celebrate a Choral Evensong in Noel's honour. Please place the date, Sunday 27 September, 2020 in your diary and if you would like to assist with the planning and preparations for this service please call, text or email Fr. John.

Restoration Appeal to Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Ordination to the Diaconate of the Rev'd Noel Whale

There are many aspects to the life and ministry of our former Vicar and friend Noel Whale; his love and compassion, sense of humour and generous hospitality, but also his ability to nudge us to 'give' in many different ways. During his tenure here at St George's his leadership led to the purchase and installation of our fine organ. He loved and still loves this church, as we all do, maybe we can make donations to restore and refurbish the fine wood furniture (pews and pulpit) that were donated by those who went before us, and some who thank goodness are still with us, as a tribute to his leadership and service. Thank you for your suggestions that some of you might like to sponsor the restoration of an item of furniture. If you would like to do so please contact Fr. John. For your prayerful consideration.

Letters of Appreciation

The parish have recently received letters of appreciation from Action for Peace and the Department of Defence (Army). These were for our support of the 2019 Christmas Bowl Appeal and our contribution to the Bush Fire Emergency through the service of the Vicar as a Defence Force Chaplain.



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Solar Power comes to St George's

We are most grateful to Councillor Peter Castaldo for connecting us to the Montmorency Community Group and their Victorian State Government funded project to install solar panels on not-for-profit community buildings. Installation of 26kw of flat solar panels (70-80) on our roof (primarily the office building) will begin in the next few weeks. It is estimated, that based on historic, current and projected power usage that we will use 20% of the power generated and supply the remainder to the grid. The sustainable impact of this project would see savings of 192% of CO₂, SO_x & NO_x and 33 tons of CO₂ avoided per year. Over the system lifetime it is estimated that 981,158 car km will be avoided, equivalent of planting 6,308 trees and avoiding 702 long haul flights. We will enter into an agreement with the Montmorency Community Group to repay 10% of the project cost per annum for ten years, subject to our achieving the projected savings. This will enable other community (not-for-profit) groups to be the beneficiary of similar projects in the years ahead. We have assessed that we will be cash-flow positive from this project in FY 2020-21. This is an exciting project and I am grateful to the Wardens and Vince for their ability to make themselves available at short notice for meetings, site meetings and decision making over a short time.

FROM PARISH COUNCIL AND WARDENS

Thank you to you all for your support of one another in this time of pandemic. We are a strong and loving community, which we believe, as Fr John has articulated on a number of occasions, will grow even stronger and closer in the weeks ahead. A number of people have spoken with John over the last week about how they might maintain their financial support of the parish in this time ahead. The finances of the parish are in good order, but it is the responsibility of the Wardens and Council to look at ways in which we ensure that we remain in good order. Please contact Vince, as our Chief Financial Officer, or the Wardens (listed in the directory) if you would like to discuss how you may support the parish (envelopes, direct debit, EFT donation). Thank you for your generosity and sacrificial giving in these challenging times.

GOOD NEWS - PUBLIC WORSHIP OUT OF RECESS

All services and activities in and on the site of St Georges are held and conducted in accordance with the Federal Government's '3 step framework', State Government regulations and the direction and advice of the Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne.

All are welcome to attend church should they wish to, but I understand that some may wish to wait a little longer before they do so. We may have 20 in the congregation from 1 June 2020.

If you intend to attend church please call, text or email Fr John who will attend to any issues re numbers.

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