

WELCOME TO THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF

**ST GEORGE** EAST IVANHOE, MELBOURNE

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY 20 DECEMBER 2020

#### 7.30am Morning Prayer

8am Holy Communion Celebrant & Preacher: Fr John Sanderson

#### 10am Eucharist

Live streamed on YouTube & available later on Facebook Celebrant: Fr John Sanderson Preacher: Rev'd Dr Richard Wilson Hymns: 200, 222, 211, 203 Motet: A babe is born I wyss (Bainton) Postlude: Nun Komm der Heiden Heiland (trio) BWV 660 (J.S. Bach) Organist: Roger Brown

9pm Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols



#### WELCOME

St George's is a community committed to making and sustaining connections: with God, with one another, with the local and wider community, and with the environment. We value liturgical worship, encouraging fellowship and community service. We believe in God - the beauty of transcendent holiness, present in our connectedness; and in caring passionately for all in need. All are welcome in this sacred space.

Tuesday 22 December		Vicar's day off		
Wednesday 23 December	10am	Holy Communion		
Thursday 24 December	5pm	Children's Liturgy		
Christmas Eve	11pm	First Mass of Christmas		
Friday 25 December	9am	Choral Eucharist		
Christmas Day				
Sunday 27 December		Isaiah 61.10-62.3		
First Sunday		Psalm 148		
After Christmas		Galatians 4.4-7		
		Luke 2.22-40		

#### THIS WEEK

### MASS READINGS

Please use these readings in conjunction with the Order of Service for the Eucharist, commencing at page 119 of the green 'A Prayer Book for Australia.'

### SENTENCE

This child will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.

LUKE 1.32-33

### COLLECT

Gracious God, whose eternal Word took flesh among us when Mary placed her life at the service of your will: prepare our hearts for his coming again and keep us steadfast in hope, that we may be ready for the coming of his kingdom; for his sake, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

### FIRST READING

2 SAMUEL 7.1-11

A reading from the First Book of Samuel

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.' Nathan said to the king, 'Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.' But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house.

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

### PSALM 89.1-4, 19-27



 Lord I will sing for ever of your |loving- |kindnesses: my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness through|out all | generations.

- 2. I have said of your loving-kindness that it is |built for |ever: you have established your | faithful-ness | in the | heavens.
- 3. The Lord said 'I have made a covenant | with my | chosen: I have sworn an |oath . to my | servant | David.
- 4. 'I will establish your | line for | ever: and build up your | throne for | all . gener|ations.
- 19. You spoke | once . in a |vision: and | said | to your | faithful one,

- 'I have set a youth a bove a warrior: I have exalted a | young man | out of . the | people.
- 'I have found my | servant | David: 21. and anointed him | with my | holy | oil.
- 'My hand | shall up|hold him: 22. and my | arm | shall | strengthen him.
- 'No enemy | shall de ceive him: 23. no | evil | man shall | hurt him.

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- 'I will crush his | adversaries . be |fore him: 24. and | strike down | those that | hate him.
- 'My faithfulness and loving-kindness | shall be | with him: 25. and through my name his | head shall be | lifted | high.
- 26. 'I will set the hand of his dominion. upon the | Western | Sea: and his right hand shall stretch to the streams of Meso-poltamia.
- 'He will call to me |"You are my Father: 27. my God and the | Rock of | my salvation."

### SECOND READING

Romans 16.25-27

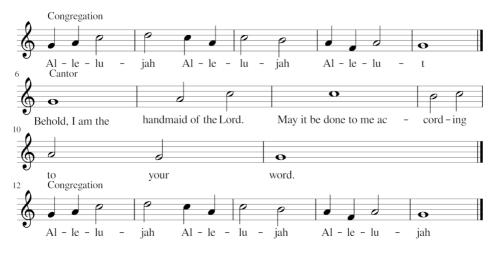
A reading from the Paul's Letter to the Romans

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith- to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever! Amen.

Hear the word of the Lord.

thanks be to God.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### GOSPEL

LUKE 1.26-38

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jes-us Christ.

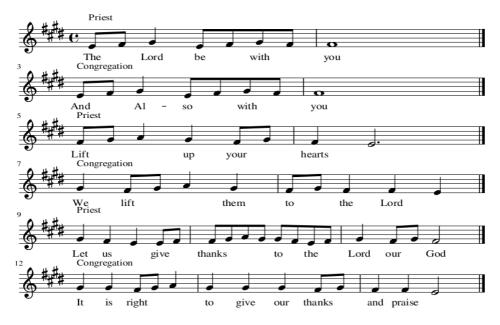
In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.' But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the

servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Je-sus Christ.

### SURSUM CORDA



### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

### **PARISH PRAYERS**

Bella Saadala, David Nolte, Dorothy Maher, Andy Rogers, An-thony Schiavone and Frank Cichello; Pat Oswald, Mary Hoy, Caroline Miley; Kathleen Robinson, Alan Tracey; Elizabeth Appleby, Jenny Edbrooke, Neil Grierson, Karen Derbyshire, Max Pearce, Vince Cristiano, Stephen 'Spud' Murphy, Lesley Tracey, Frank McFall, Leanne Barker, Paul Finch, Colin Derbyshire, Rebecca Bowden, the Malek family and those known to you alone.

We pray for Fr John's ministry to Ivanhoe Grammar School as the School Chaplain, and for our involvement with that community.

We remember all who have died in recent days.

We also remember with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

### PRAYER FOR MISSION PARTNER

#### The Mission to Seafarers - Victoria

Lord Jesus, friend of seafarers, bless The Mission to Seafarers and its work throughout the world. Inspire staff, volunteers and supporters to give freely of your gifts of wisdom, compassion and understanding to all who need them. May seafarers find a warm welcome, a keen will to help and serve, and in everything a love that honours your holy name. Amen.

#### YEARS MIND

20 December	Doris PAGE	1994
20 December	Margaret HOTCHKISS	1990
20 December	William WHALE	1962
20 December	Constance McDONALD	1974
21 December	David NORMAN	1998
21 December	Alan GRONN	1978
22 December	Phillip FREEMAN	1994
22 December	Mavis WILLIAMS	2003
23 December	Eileen BEITH	1970
24 December	Gordon FAULL	1987
24 December	Robert GOLDIN	1969
24 December	Ronald ADAMS	1985
25 December	Joyce ATHERTON	1998
25 December	Jacqueline SALEM	1991
25 December	Myrtle COLEMAN	1994
26 December	Graham HARRIS	2014
26 December	Minnie DOWELL	1972

### **PARISH NOTICES**

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Please encourage your friends, family and neighbours to 'like' and 'follow' us on Facebook (@StGeorgesEastIvanhoe) and to subscribe to our YouTube channel (St George Peace Memorial Church East Ivanhoe).

#### Live Streaming of Services - YouTube

We live stream our services and events via our YouTube channel, (St George Peace Memorial Church East Ivanhoe).

You may access our services via this link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFyRo7\_eMVmXguosjb4pBag/live

If you subscribe to our channel you will receive automatic alerts when we go live.

#### Public Worship - COVID 19 Restrictions

All our services and activities have resumed and are conducted in accordance with government regulations and the directions of the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne. Please remember to bring your mask. We will continue with our live streaming of the 10am Sunday Eucharist.

#### Cease - Pew Bulletin Home Delivery

The home delivery of pew bulletins ended on Sunday 13 December 2020. A small number of bulletins will continue to be delivered to those who are unable to attend church on a regular basis. If you would like the pew bulletin to be delivered, please call the parish office on 03 9497 1290.

#### **COVID** Telephone Calls

As we have now returned to church the pastoral telephone calls will return to our pre-restriction pattern of contact. Please feel free to make contact with the clergy as you need to.

#### Donations to the Whale Restoration Appeal

If you would like to donate to the restoration appeal in honour of Noel then the banking details are as follows:

Bank: Bendigo Bank East Ivanhoe Account Name: St Georges East Ivanhoe BSB: 633 000 Account Number: 122088198 Reference: Your Surname - Whale Restoration

#### Lost Property

If you have left a black beanie at the Richard McKinney Lecture, or a scarf in the pew at the 10am Eucharist on Sunday last, please see the Vicar.

#### Vicarage - Leave

The Vicar hopes, intends, to take leave from 26 December 2020 to 26 January 2021. Mother Linda and Fr Richard will be available in that period and will lead worship on Sundays.



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