

WELCOME TO THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
ST GEORGE
EAST IVANHOE, MELBOURNE

**THIRD SUNDAY
OF ADVENT**
Gaudete Sunday

SUNDAY 13 DECEMBER 2020

7.30am **Morning Prayer**
8am **Holy Communion**
10.00am **Eucharist**

*Live streamed on YouTube & available
later on Facebook*

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr John Sanderson

Hymns: 196, 194, 199, 201

Motet: *Never weather beaten sail*
(Campion)

Organist: Cyril Thomas

12pm **Parish Council Meeting**

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OPEN HOUSE

MORNING SERVICE SHEET - PLEASE TAKE HOME



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.

THIS WEEK

Monday 14 December	9am	Op Shop Meeting
	10am	Halls Utilisation Meeting
Tuesday 15 December	10am	Board Meeting, MtSV
<i>Vicar's Day Off</i>		
Wednesday 16 December	10am	Holy Communion
Thursday 17 December	3pm	Clergy Team Meeting, by Zoom
Friday 18 December	10am	Morning Worship
		<i>Benetas - Heidelberg - The Views</i>
Sunday 20 December		2 Samuel 7.1-11, 16
<i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>		Psalms 89.1-4, 19-27
		Romans 16.25-27
		Luke 1.26-38

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

Bind up the broken-hearted, proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, the day of vengeance of our God.

ISAIAH 61.1-2

COLLECT

Eternal God,
you send John the Baptist
to prepare the way for the coming of your Son:
grant us wisdom to see your purpose
and openness to hear your will,
that we too may prepare the way for Christ
who is coming in power and glory
to establish his rule of peace and justice;
through Jesus Christ our Judge and our Redeemer,
who lives and reigns with you and Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 40.1-11

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall

repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

PSALM 126



1. When the Lord turned again the | fortunes . of | Zion:
then were we like | those re|stored to | life.
2. **Then was our mouth | filled with | laughter:
and | our | tongue with | singing.**
3. Then said they a|mong the | heathen:
‘The Lord has | done great | things for | them’.
4. **Truly the Lord has done great | things for | us:
and | therefore | we rejoiced.**
5. Turn again our | fortunes . O | Lord:
as the streams re|turn . to the | dry | south.
6. **Those that | sow in | tears:
shall | reap with | songs of | joy.**
7. + They who go out weeping | bearing the | seed:
shall come again in gladness | bringing their | sheaves | with him.

SECOND READING

I THESSALONIANS 5.12-28

A reading from the Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians

But we appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who labour among you, and have charge of you in the Lord and admonish you; esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. And we urge you, beloved, to admonish the idlers, encourage the faint-hearted,

help the weak, be patient with all of them. See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this. Beloved, pray for us. Greet all the brothers and sisters with a holy kiss. I solemnly command you by the Lord that this letter be read to all of them. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation

Al - le - lu - jah Al - le - lu - jah Al - le - lu - t

6 Cantor

The Spirit of the Lord is up - on me, because he has annointed me to bring glad

9 tid - ings to the poor.

12 Congregation

Al - le - lu - jah Al - le - lu - jah Al - le - lu - jah

GOSPEL

JOHN I.6-8, I9-28

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

Glory to you, Lord *Jes-us* Christ.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, 'I am not the Messiah.' And they asked him, 'What then? Are you Elijah?' He said, 'I am not.' 'Are you the prophet?' He answered, 'No.' Then they said to him, 'Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?' He said, 'I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, "Make straight the way of the Lord"', as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, 'Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?' John answered them, 'I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.' This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord *Je-sus* Christ.

SURSUM CORDA

Priest

The Lord be with you

3 Congregation

And Al - so with you

5 Priest

Lift up your hearts

7 Congregation

We lift them to the Lord

9 Priest

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

12 Congregation

It is right to give our thanks and praise

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, Connor, Anthony Schiavone and Frank Cichello; Pat Oswald, Mary Hoy, Caroline Miley; Eddie Jager, 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

Open House - Macleod

Loving God, thank you for the work of Open House. May the staff and volunteers show wisdom and compassion and be a positive influence in the lives of their participants. May we learn how best to collaborate with them to support the vulnerable in our local community. Amen.

YEARS MIND

13 December	Henry ATKINS	1975
13 December	Thomas McMICKING	1987
13 December	Albert JUDD	1969
15 December	Ethel TUTTON	1980
15 December	Lilian BENNET	1989
15 December	Ella CRANE	2000
15 December	Joan ALMOND	1999
18 December	Miriam NANNCARROW	1987
18 December	Helen KINGSFORD	2013

PARISH NOTICES



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 now live stream our services and events via our YouTube channel, (St George Peace Memorial Church East Ivanhoe). We believe that YouTube is a more reliable platform, and we also understand that many people do not have a Facebook account.

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.

2020 Richard McKinney Memorial Lectures

Thank you to all who supported the Advent lecture series, which may be viewed on YouTube via this link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFyRo7_eMVmXguosjb4pBag/live

Public Worship – COVID 19 Restrictions

On 6 December 2020 the Premier announced that congregations are just limited by the amended density quotient, which means that we can run all our services as usual. We look forward to welcoming our entire congregation, and some new people in the coming weeks.

The following rosters resumed on Sunday 6 De-cember 2020, the Second Sunday of Advent:

1. Readers
2. Servers
3. Morning Tea
4. Flowers
5. Sides people

Please remember to bring your mask.

We will continue with our live streaming of the 10am Sunday Eucharist.

Cease - Pew Bulletin Home Delivery

As we have now returned to church the home delivery of pew bulletins will cease effectively Sunday 13 December, 2020. We thank all those who have been involved in this important aspect of our support for one another during the two lockdowns.

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 to you 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.

Commissioning of Wardens, Parish Council & Incumbency Committee

Please uphold in your prayers all those who have answered a call to serve in various roles in our parish in the year ahead, and who are commissioned this day.

Vicar's Warden: Meron Pitcher

People's Wardens: David Morgan and Barry Wilkes

Parish Council: Alan Tracey, Joan Skene, Chris Hayward, Coral Tudball, Vince Cristiano and Denise Hall.

Incumbency Committee: Alan Tracey, David Morgan and Meron Pitcher.

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.



2020 CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Thursday 24 December - *Christmas Eve - Light*

5pm Children's Liturgy & BBQ

11pm Midnight Mass

Friday 25 December - *Birth Of Our Lord - Christmas Day*

9am Choral Eucharist

Light refreshments are served after all services.

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