

ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant: Rev'd Kristen Dillon Preacher: Rev'd John Sanderson

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost Sunday 1 October 2023 8am & 10am

MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Introit: Blessed are the pure in heart (Walford Davies)

Hymns: 29, 197, 438, 439

Motet: Come Holy Ghost (Attwood)

Postlude: *Allegro from Concerto in B* (Walther)

Organist: Roger Brown

THIS	WEEK
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Monday 2		Assistant Curate in Townsville
October	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	9am	Opportunity shop management meeting
	10am	Staff Sync and Coord
Tuesday 3		Vicar's Day off
October		Assistant Curate in Townsville
Wednesday 4	10am	Holy Communion with prayers for Ukraine
October		Assistant Curate in Townsville
Thursday 5		Assistant Curate's Day off
October		Assistant Curate in Townsville
	9.30am-	Fr John at a board meeting MtSV
	1pm	
	7pm	Fr John at St Stephens Richmond
Friday 6	10am	Benetas The Views
October		Assistant Curate in Townsville
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Nineteenth Exodus 20.1-4,7-9,12-20

Sunday After Ps 19

Pentecost Philippians 3

Matthew 21.33-46

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'.

INTROIT

Blessed are the pure in heart

Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941)

SENTENCE

Come, let us return to the Lord, that we may live before him.

Hosea 6.1A, 2B

COLLECT

Grant, O merciful God, that your people may have that mind that was in Christ Jesus, who emptied himself, and took the form of a servant, and in humility became obedient even to death. For you have highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, Jesus Christ, the Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in everlasting glory.

Amen.

A reading from the book Exodus

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

PSALM



- Give heed to my teaching |O my| people: incline your |ears . to the | words of. my| mouth;
- For I will open my |mouth . in a| parable: and expound the |mysteries . of |former| times.
- What we have |heard and | known: what |our fore|bears have | told us,
- We will not hide from their children but declare to a generation |yet to |come:
 the praiseworthy acts of the Lord
 his |mighty and| wonder.ful |works.
- 11 For he did marvellous things in the |sight of . their | ancestors: in the land of Egypt |in the| country . of |Zoan.
- He divided the sea and |let them . pass| through: he made the |waters stand| up . in a | heap.
- In the daytime |he led them .with a |cloud: and all night |long . with the |light of | fire.
- He cleft | rocks . in the | wilderness: and gave them drink in abundance | as from | springs of | water.
- He brought streams out of . the rock: and caused the waters to flow down like rivers.
- But for all this they sinned yet |more a|gainst him: and rebelled against the Most |High| in the| desert.

A reading from Paul's epistle to the Philippians

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Do all things without murmuring and arguing, so that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, in which you shine like stars in the world. It is by your holding fast to the word of life that I can boast on the day of Christ that I did not run in vain or labour in vain. But even if I am being poured out as a libation over the sacrifice and the offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you— and in the same way you also must be glad and rejoice with me.

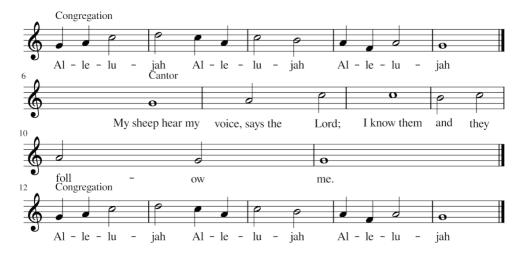
I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, so that I may be cheered by news of you. I have no one like him who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. All of them are seeking their own interests, not

those of Jesus Christ. But Timothy's worth you know, how like a son with a father he has served with me in the work of the gospel. I hope therefore to send him as soon as I see how things go with me; and I trust in the Lord that I will also come soon.

Still, I think it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus—my brother and co-worker and fellow-soldier, your messenger and minister to my need; for he has been longing for all of you, and has been distressed because you heard that he was ill. He was indeed so ill that he nearly died. But God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, so that I would not have one sorrow after another. I am the more eager to send him, therefore, in order that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious. Welcome him then in the Lord with all joy, and honour such people, because he came close to death for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for those services that you could not give me.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL MATTHEW 21.23-32

The Lord be with you,

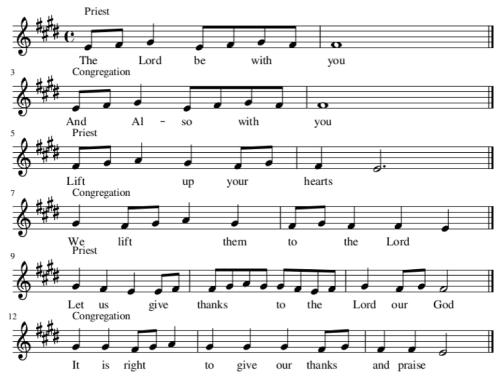


When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.



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.

COMMUNION MOTET

Come Holy Ghost

Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

POSTLUDE

Allegro from Concerto No.3 after Meck

J.G. Walther (1684-1748)

PARISH PRAYERS

Murray Steele, Bill Pearson, Dr Helen Kouzmin, The Rt Rev'd Andrew St John, Wayne Oswald, Gabriel Pronobis, Alan Tracey, Bella Saadala, David Nolte, Dorothy Maher, Anthony Schiavone, Stephen 'Spud' Murphy, Frank McFall, Paul Finch, Colin Derbyshire, Rebecca Bowden, The Malek family, Katie Pittle, Hannah, Colin Summerbell, Fr Bill Edebohls, Vince Cristiano, Bob Hill, Matt Clay and his father, Faye, Rachel, Kyle, Lilly, Gwen Pearce, Pam Hill, Violetta Karama Wickvamasinghe, Libby Davis, Jim 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 those who have died in recent days, Noel Whale. We also recall with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

We pray for God's protection, peace and restoration for our parishioners who are travelling at this time.

We give thanks to God for Nan and Coral who will exercise a ministry of prayer for growth.

PRAYER FOR GROWTH

God of Mission
who alone brings growth to your Church,
send your Holy Spirit to give
vision to our planning,
wisdom to our actions,
joy to our worship,
and power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
in spiritual commitment to you,
and in service to our local community,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR MISSION PARTNER

Open House

Loving God, thank you for the work of Open House. May the staff and volunteers show wisdom and compassion and be a pos-itive 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.



YEAR'S MIND

Oct 1	Robert DEMPSTER	2006
Oct 1	The Most Rev'd David PENMAN	1989
Oct 1	Rev'd Howard ELLIS	1994
Oct 1	John JOAQUIN	1992
Oct 2	Ethel THOMAS	1979
Oct 3	Dione JENKINSON	1994
Oct 3	Jessie GOURLEY	2003
Oct 3	Josephine BAKER	1991
Oct 4	James DUNN	1970
Oct 6	Ralph TRAILL	1991
Oct 6	Thomas BRYANT	1951
Oct 6	David WISHART	1991
Oct 6	Violet BRYANT	1966
Oct 6	Enid BARR	1999
Oct 6	Mabel WATTS	1971
Oct 6	Gwynne CLEMENTSON	1981
Oct 7	Ann SIMPER	2021
Oct 7	William CHALMERS	2002
Oct 7	Delme WILSON	1990
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PARISH NOTICES



Please encourage your friends, family and neighbours to 'like' and 'follow' us on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgesEastIvanhoe) and to subscribe to our YouTube channel (St George Peace Memorial Church East Ivanhoe). Please take the time to 'like' and 'follow' our new Facebook presence @HeartEdgeMelbourne (https://www.facebook.com/HeartEdgeMelbourne). where you might find news of our HeartEdge initiatives.

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, online via this link: https://stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org/online If you subscribe to our channel and enable notifications you will receive automatic alerts when we go live.

Opportunities to serve

The call of God upon us, is to a life of love and service to Him and one another. Have you prayerfully considered how God might want you to serve at St George's? There are a variety of roles currently unfilled. Please step out in faith trusting God for his enabling and ask John how you could be serving particularly around hospitality and prayer.

Wednesday Holy Communion service.

10am Wednesday Holy Communion service will now be conducted in the seating area just inside the church doors. This shorter, seated service provides easy access and comfort for anyone who may have mobility restrictions. We also enjoy the warmth of the morning sun. Please join us.

Prayer Group for Growth

We give thanks to God that Nan and Coral have discerned a call to lead intentional prayers for growth in this community, on a day and in a manner that works for availability. Let us uphold Nan and Coral in our prayers as they pray for us all.

Change in responsibilities.

Fr John's role as a Canon to the Archbishop will cease on 30th September 2023, and consequently all funding associated with the role will also cease. It is with sadness that we will farewell Ashleigh as our Parish Administrator and Fr Daniel Nyieth. The final pew bulletin will be Sunday 1st October 2023. Fr John's role with the reimagining the Future team will also cease on the 30th of September 2023, and consequently all funding associated with that role will also cease. Fr Daniel and Ashleigh have been wonderful members of the team, and they will be missed greatly.

Solemn Mass & Blessing of New Parish Centre – Mary Immaculate Church, Ivanhoe

Our friends in Christ, nearly 12 months behind schedule, will celebrate the blessing and dedication of their new parish centre by the Most Rev'd Peter A. Comensoli, Catholic Archbishop of Melbourne at Solemm Mass at 10am on Sunday 1st October 2023. I have assured our friends of our prayerful and practical support as they reach this significant point in a much-delayed building journey.

Save the date

1st October – 4pm Tudor Choristers – Elizabeth the Great

11th October 7.30pm The Brilliance

14th October Bring n Share

29th October – 5pm Choral Evensong Sir Christopher Wren

9th December – 6.30pm Parish Bring 'n' Share Supper and Farewells to the Rev'd's Kristen Dillon and Stacey Slater

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St George's East Ivanhoe Musical Season of Invitation

October

Sunday 1st 4pm Tudor Choristers Elizabeth the Great

Wednesday 11th 7.30pm
The Brilliance

Sunday 29th 5pm Choral Evensong Sir Christopher Wren

November

Saturday 25th 7.30pm Heidelberg Wind Ensemble Angels in the Architecture

December

Sunday 3rd 5pm Choral Evensong Christmas Bowl Appeal

Sunday 10th 5.30pm Jazz Vespers for Advent II

Friday 15th 7.30pm Sing Nowell 23

Sunday 17th 9pm Nine Lesson and Carols

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