



ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev'd Walter McEntee

Third Sunday After Epiphany

Sunday 21 January 2024

8am & 10am

MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Hymns: 11, 480, 520, 519

Organist: Rosemary Cotter

THIS WEEK

Monday 22
January

VICAR'S DAY OFF

Tuesday 23
January

VICAR HOLIDAY

Wednesday
24 January

VICAR HOLIDAY
No service of Holy Communion

Thursday 25
January

VICAR HOLIDAY

Friday 26
January

VICAR HOLIDAY

Saturday 27
January

VICAR HOLIDAY

Sunday 28
January

Fourth Sunday
After Epiphany

Deuteronomy 18.15-20
Psalm 111
1 Corinthians 8.1-13
Mark 1.21-28

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

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand;
repent, and believe in the gospel.

MARK I.15

COLLECT

Bountiful God,
through your Son you have called us to repent of our sin,
to believe the good news,
and to celebrate the coming of your kingdom:
teach us, like Christ's first apostles,
to hear the call to discipleship,
and, forsaking old ways,
to proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

A reading from the book of Jonah

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, 'Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.' So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, 'Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!' And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: 'By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.' When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

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

PSALM 62.5-12

- 5 For God alone my soul waits in silence,
 for my hope is from him.
- 6 **He alone is my rock and my salvation,
 my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**
- 7 On God rests my deliverance and my honour;
 my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.
- 8 **Trust in him at all times, O people;
 pour out your heart before him;
 God is a refuge for us. Selah.**

9 Those of low estate are but a breath,
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.

**10 Put no confidence in extortion,
and set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.**

11 Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,

**12 and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.
For you repay to all
according to their work.**

SECOND READING

I CORINTHIANS 7.29-31

A reading from the Apostle Paul's first letter to the people of Corinth

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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

GOSPEL

JOHN 1.14-20

Priest: Hear the Gospel of the Lord according to - Glory to you Lord
Congregation: us Christ

Hear the Gospel of the Lord according to - Glory to you Lord Jes - us Christ

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me."") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.

The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father’s heart, who has made him known. 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.’

Priest	Congregation
This is the Gospel of the Lord	Praise to you Lord Jes - us 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

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, Vince Cristiano, Bob Hill, Matt Clay and his father, Faye, Rachel, Kyle, Lilly, Gwen Pearce, Pam Hill, Violetta Karama Wickvamasinghe, Libby Davis, Jan Peggie, Roger Douglas 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 pray for all those who mourn, as we remember those who have died in recent days. We also recall with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

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

PRAYER FOR MISSION PARTNER

The Mission to Seafarers Victoria

Loving God, you give us everything. Hear us as we pray for seafarers who endure hardship, danger and discomfort to bring us the goods we use each day. Keep them safe in the palm of your hand and bring them through sunshine and storm to their homes and loved ones. Through Jesus Christ who stilled the storm and called seafarers to follow him. Amen.



YEAR'S MIND

Jan 21	Roy REAY	1988
Jan 22	Rosemary SURRIDGE	2020
Jan 23	Athalie MEREDITH	1987
Jan 23	Mary STELLA	2023
Jan 24	Benjamin TAYLOR	1988
Jan 25	Charlotte BLOCH	1984
Jan 26	Ronald FARQUHAR	2005
Jan 26	Cecilia SCOTT	1963
Jan 27	Gladys GROVES	1970
Jan 27	Fr John GADEN	1990

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.



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.

To enable the Vicar to catch-up on leave and to take time off there will be no mid-week service of Holy Communion on a Wednesday in January 2024.

Prayer Group for Growth

We thank God for the Nan and Coral's ministry of prayer for growth as we have welcomed a range of new people to Sunday services and other church activities in recent weeks. Let us continue to uphold Nan and Coral in our prayers as they pray for us all.

Choir and Organist

We thank Roger, the choir, and their friends for their gift of music over Advent and the Christmas seasons. May they enjoy their summer break. Roger and the choir return to duty with rehearsals on Thursday 1st February and to Choral Eucharist on Sunday 4th February 2024.

Guest Musicians

We thank Rosemary Cotter once more for accompanying us today and we will welcome back Elizabeth Buttery to St Georges on Sunday 28th January 2024.

Visiting Clergy

Today, we welcome the Rev'd Walter McEntee to the 8am and 10am services. We give thanks that Walter is once again available to cover Sunday services here at St Georges.

Blessing outside time. 9am Thursday 11th January (subject to rain)

Thank you to all who gave of their time and talent to assist with the tidying of the area around the Evans Hall and the rear of the church.

Notice of Special General Meeting

Notice is hereby given of a Special General Meeting to be held after the 10am Choral Eucharist on Sunday 4th February 2024 to elect to Parish Nominators. Nomination forms may be found at the entrance to Church or from the Vicar. We need to hold this meeting as we failed to nominate Parish Nominators at the Annual Meeting in November 2023.

Refurbishment of Toilets 5th-16th February 2024

The refurbishment of the toilets in the main building will commence on Monday 5th February. We hope that all work will be concluded by Friday 16th February, but this date may change as work progresses. During this time the disabled toilet in the Evans Hall will be available. Please factor these works into your plans to be in and around the church, and please do not enter any work areas unless invited to do so by the site supervisor or myself. Thank you for your cooperation. John

Save the date

Tuesday 30th January

7pm Parish Council Meeting – PMR

Wednesday 31st January

10am Holy Communion resumes

Thursday 1st February

8pm Choir Rehearsals resume

Tuesday 13th February – Shrove Tuesday

Wednesday 14th February – Ash Wednesday

Vicar's 20th Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate

Sunday 25th February – Choral Evensong

27th – 29th February – Leading Your Church into Growth – Parish Council to attend.

Tuesday 27th February – 2024 McKinney Lent Lecture

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