

# ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

# Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: The Vicar
The Third Sunday in Lent
Sunday 3 March 2024
8am & 10am

# **MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE**

Introit: Hearken O Lord, have mercy upon us (Litany for Lent)

Hymns: 498, 344, 29, 382

Motet: Soul of my Saviour (Trad)

Postlude: Toccata and Fugue in D Minor (Bach)

Organist: Roger Brown

# **THIS WEEK**

Monday 4 March		Vicar's Day Off	
Tuesday 5 March	11am 11.30am	8	
Wednesday 6 March	10am	Holy Communion with focus on reconciliation and peace in the Holy Land and Ukraine	
Thursday 7 March	9.30am 10am 8pm	Morning Prayer Ministry Team Meeting Choir Rehearsal	
Friday 8 March	10am 7pm	Holy Communion <i>Benetas the Views Heidelberg</i> Ecumenical Stations of the Cross <i>St Georges</i>	
Saturday 9 March	6.30pm	Parish Bring 'n' Share Supper	
Sunday 10 March		Mothering Sunday (Laetare Sunday)	
Fourth Sunday in Lent		Numbers 21.4-9 Psalm 107.1-3, 17-22 Ephesians 2.1-10 John 3.14-21	

### 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**

Hearken O Lord, have mercy upon us

(Litany for Lent)

#### **SENTENCE**

God spoke these words and said, 'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.'

Exodus 20.1

#### COLLECT

Lord our God, by your Holy Spirit write your commandments upon our hearts and grant us the wisdom and power of the cross, so that, cleansed from greed and selfishness, we may become a living temple of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**  A reading from the book Exodus

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Hear the word of the Lord.

thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 19**



- The heavens declare the | glory of | God: and the | firmament- pro | claims his | handiwork;
- One day | tells it to an|other: and night to | night com|muni-cates | knowledge.
- There is no | speech or | language: nor | are their | voices | heard;
- 4 Yet their sound has gone out through | all the | world: and their | words to the | ends of the | earth.
- 5 There he has pitched a | tent for the | sun: which comes out as a bridegroom from his chamber and rejoices like a | strong man to | run his | course.
- 6 Its rising is at one end of the heavens and its circuit to their | farthest | bound: and nothing is | hidden | from its | heat.



- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect re viving the | soul: the command of the Lord is true | and makes | wise the | simple.
- 8 The precepts of the Lord are right and re|joice the | heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure | and gives | light to the | eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and en|dures for | ever: the judgements of the Lord are unchanging and | righteous | every |one.

- 10 More to be desired are they than gold even | much fine | gold: sweeter also than honey than the | honey that | drips from the | comb.
- Moreover by them is your | servant | taught: and in keeping them | there is | great re|ward.
- Who can know his own un|witting | sins?:
  O cleanse me | from my | secret | faults.
- 13 Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins lest they get the | mastery | over me: so I shall be clean and | innocent of | great of | fence.
- May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable | in your | sight:O Lord my | strength and | my re|deemer.

A reading from the Apostle Pauls first letter to the people of Corinth

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

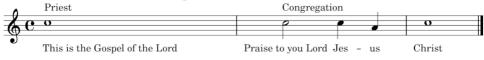
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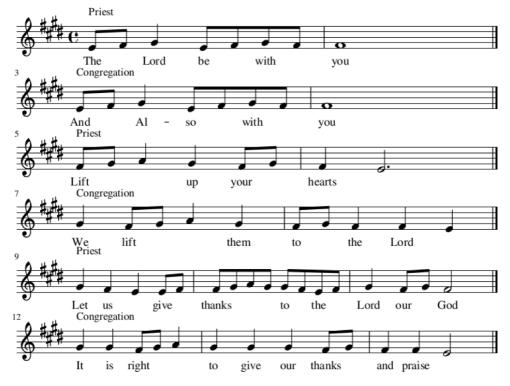
#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.



#### **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**

Soul of my Saviour

(Anima Christi) - Irish Trad

## **POSTLUDE**

Toccata and Fugue in D Minor BWV 565

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

#### **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

## **Anglican Board of Mission**

God of all, bless the Anglican Board of Mission as it serves the Church in Australia and our partner churches overseas. Inspire its work and its vision that all may come to know your justice, your peace and your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## YEAR'S MIND

Mar 3	Lillian KITSON	1990
Mar 3	Molly McGARRY	1993
Mar 4	Hugh STEPHENS	1996
Mar 5	Elsie ORFORD	1963
Mar 5	Thelma JOAQUIN	1985
Mar 5	Gladys CLARK	1992
Mar 5	Geoffrey LEHMAN	1988
Mar 6	Lawrence MITCHELL	1987
Mar 7	John WOODWARD	1987
Mar 7	Thomas FISKE	1990
Mar 8	Sylvia FARRAR	2021
Mar 8	Mary COOK	1987
Mar 9	William GRAHAM	1972
Mar 9	Kathleen HOOKEY	1997

## 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.



## **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.

## Refurbishment of Toilets February 2024

We hope that you like the look of our new toilets, and we give thanks for the work of Peter Pearce and his team at Valley Maintenance Services, led by Frank and Sam, Tim and Gavin.

## Ecumenical Stations of the Cross in Lent 2024

We will once again partner with our friends from Ivanhoe Catholic Parish to undertake Stations at 7pm on Fridays.

Friday 8th March - St Georges East Ivanhoe

Friday 15th March - Mary Immaculate, Upper Heidelberg Rd

Friday 22nd March - St Georges East Ivanhoe

# St Georges Garden of Remembrance – Pre-Easter Clean-up Day – 9am Saturday 16th March

Our Garden of Remembrance is a much-loved sacred space, which needs a little maintenance. We do hope that you will be able to come and join us at 9am on Saturday 16th March as seek to prune some shrubs, bushes, and trees, and remove weeds and tree and leaf litter. We hope to attend to the garden bed in front of Evans Hall, the area in front of the church, the courtyard, the two memorial gardens, and in the general vicinity of the Opportunity Shop and the rear of the church. What we need are people (friends, family, and

neighbours) equipped with pruning shears, secateurs, bow/garden saw, rakes, brooms, gloves, hat, sunscreen, and an abundance of love, friendship, and enthusiasm. For further details or clarification please speak with Ted or Alison Smart.

## Music Ministry at St Georges

We thank those who have already made tax deductible donations to the music ministry at St George. If you would like to make a tax deductible financial contribution towards music in this church then please consider donating via the Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organization. This is easily accessed via the Melbourne Anglican Foundation web page, https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/. You should then select Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organization (Inc) and scroll to the bottom of the list to donate to St George's East Ivanhoe Music Program. Donations are tax deductible and will allow us to continue to provide high quality support to the liturgy and also to promote musical performances in the church.

## **Opportunity Shop**

Joan Skene has resigned as Opportunity Shop Manager after 30 years of dedicated service. We give thanks to God for Joan's service, and all those who support the ministry of the shop. Mary Jones is now the Op Shop Manager and Mary and the Opportunity Shop management committee, chaired by David Morgan, will provide advice to the Vicar and Church Wardens in due course on the ongoing leadership of this ministry team.

#### Save the date

7pm Friday 8th March – Stations of the Cross at St Georges East Ivanhoe.

7pm Friday 15th March – Stations of the Cross at Mary Immaculate, Upper Heidelberg Rd.

9am Saturday 16th March - Garden and grounds tidy up.

7pm Friday 22nd March – Stations of the Cross at St Georges East Ivanhoe 5pm Sunday 24th March – Jazz Vespers

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