



# **ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH**

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

## **Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist**

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Vicar*

*The Fourth Sunday in Lent*

Sunday 10 March 2024

8am & 10am

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## MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

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

Hymns: 543, 352, 249, 109

Motet: *God so loved the world* (Goss)

Postlude: *Canzona in D Minor* (Bach)

Organist: Roger Brown

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### THIS WEEK

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<b>Monday 11 March</b>		PUBLIC HOLIDAY
<b>Tuesday 12 March</b>	9.30am	VICAR'S DAY OFF Wardens Meeting
<b>Wednesday 13 March</b>	10am	Holy Communion with focus on reconciliation and peace in the Holy Land and Ukraine
	2pm	Funeral Le Pine Ivanhoe
<b>Thursday 14 March</b>	10am	Risk & Governance Meeting <i>Mission to Seafarers</i> <i>Victoria</i>
	8pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday 15 March</b>	10am	Holy Communion <i>Benetas the Views Heidelberg</i>
	7pm	Ecumenical Stations of the Cross <i>Mary Immaculate</i>
<b>Saturday 16 March</b>		
<b>Sunday 17 March</b>		
<i>Fifth Sunday in Lent</i>		Jeremiah 31.31-34 Psalm 119.9-16 Hebrews 5.5-14 John 12.20-33

## 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'.*

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### INTROIT

*Hearken O Lord, have mercy upon us*

(Litany for Lent)

### SENTENCE

The Son of Man must be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

JOHN 3.14-15

### COLLECT

Everlasting God,  
in whom we live and move and have our being,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you:  
give us purity of heart and strength of purpose,  
that no selfish passion may hinder us  
    from knowing your will,  
no weakness prevent us from doing it;  
that in your light we may see light,  
and in your service find perfect freedom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

# FIRST READING

NUMBERS 21.4-9

*A reading from the book Numbers*

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

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

## PSALM 107.1-3,17-22



- 1 O give thanks to the Lord for | he is | good:  
for his loving | mercy | is for | ever.
- 2 **Let the Lord's re | deemed | say so;**  
**whom he has redeemed from the | hand | of the | enemy,**
- 3+ And gathered in from every land  
from the east and | from the | west:  
from the | north and | from the | south.
- 17 **Fools were far | gone • in trans|gression:**  
**and be|cause of • their | sins • were afflicted.**

- 18 They sickened at | any | food:  
and had | come • to the | gates of | death.
- 19 **Then they cried to the Lord in | their dis|tress:  
and he | took them | out of • their | trouble.**
- 20 He sent his | word and | healed them:  
and | saved their | life • from the | Pit.
- 21 **Let them thank the | Lord• for his | goodness:  
and for the wonders that he | does•for the | children • of| men;**
- 22 Let them offer sacrifices of| thanks|giving:  
and tell what he has | done with | shouts of | joy.

## SECOND READING

EPHESIANS 2.1-10

*A reading from the Apostle Pauls letter to the people of Ephesus*

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

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

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation

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

5 Cantor

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will

3 have the light of life.

2 Congregation

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

# GOSPEL

JOHN 3.14-21

Priest

Congregation

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

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

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.**

## COMMUNION MOTET

*God so loved the world*

John Goss (1800-1880)

## POSTLUDE

*Canzona in D Minor*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

## PARISH PRAYERS

Murray Steele, Bill Pearson, Dr Helen Kouzmin, 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, Ann Derbyshire 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 Overseas Aid

Bountiful God bless Anglican Overseas Aid as it creates and strengthens partnerships in developing countries. Strengthen their work to overcome poverty and injustice and to relieve in disasters. May we inspire others to be compassionate, involved and responsible global citizens. Amen.





## YEAR'S MIND

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Mar 13	Rita WILKES	2014
Mar 14	Mabel MUTIMER	1977
Mar 14	Gary MAWSON	1993
Mar 14	Alice PATTERSON	1995
Mar 14	Joy ARMSTRONG	2014
Mar 14	Edward CLARK	2017
Mar 15	Isabella EVANS	1969
Mar 16	Florence TEAR	1989
Mar 16	Fr Arthur RICHARDSON	1984
Mar 17	Ross JACOBS	2018

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## 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.

### **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 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.

### **Save the date**

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 25th March – Jazz Vespers

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