



ST GEORGE'S EAST IVANHOE

The church at the heart of the village

Fifth Sunday of Easter

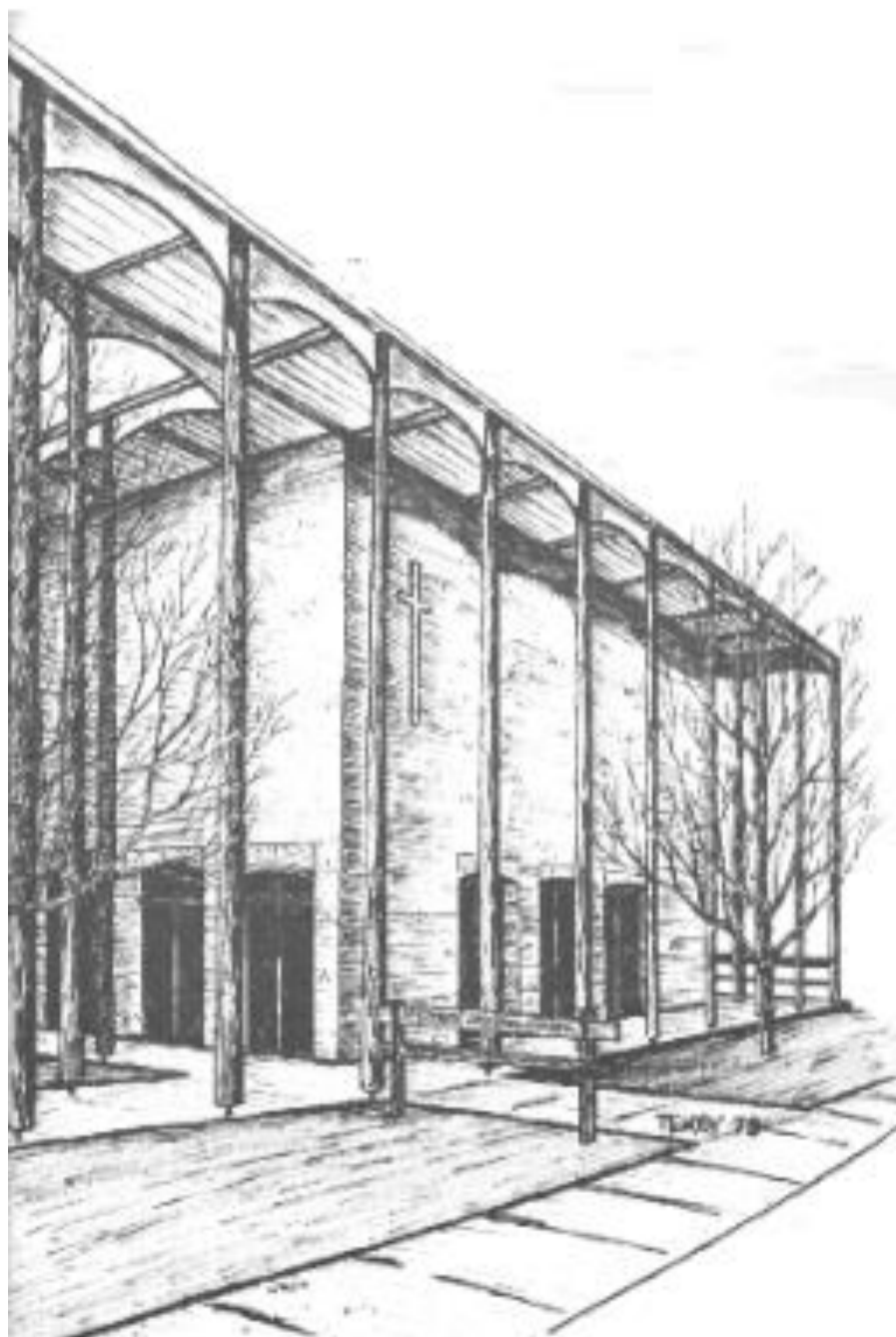
Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Reverend Chaplain Soma

Gathering in God's Name

Sunday 3rd May 2026

8am & 10am



All are welcome in this sacred space.

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 believe in God - the beauty of transcendent holiness, present in our connectedness; and in caring for all in need.

Our Giving

St Georges provides an Offertory Box located at the back right pew for your giving.

We do not pass collection plates during regular services.

You may give via bank transfer at any time, please use:

St George East Ivanhoe

BSB: 633 000 Account Number: 122088198

*Please reference as "Giving."

St Georges is totally self-funded and gives to a number of varied and worthy beneficiaries.

Significant giving goes to our nominated Mission Partners to uplift lives, nurture hope, and foster positive change both locally and across the globe.

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MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Introit: Farrant - Call to remembrance

Hymns

84 - Glory be to God the Father

140 - Christ, whose glory fills the skies

321 - O breath of God

68 - Praise my soul

Communion: Victoria - O Quam Gloriosum

Psalm: 31.1-5, 17-18

Postlude : J.S. Bach - Liebster Jesu Wir Sind Hier BWV 731

Organist: Oscar Herrick

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 (APBA).'

INTROIT: Farrant - Call to remembrance

HYMN 84 - Glory be to God the Father

SENTENCE

'I am the way, and the truth, and the life,' says the Lord. 'No one comes to the Father except through me.' John 14.6

COLLECT

Everliving God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
give us grace to love one another,
to follow in the way of his commandments,
and to share his risen life;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Acts 7.55-60

⁵⁵ But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God.

⁵⁶ ‘Look,’ he said, ‘I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!’

⁵⁷ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him.

⁵⁸ Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.

⁵⁹ While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, ‘Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.’

⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, ‘Lord, do not hold this sin against them.’ When he had said this, he died.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

Psalm 31.1-5; 31.17-18

¹ To you, Lord, have I come for shelter:
let me never be put to shame.

² **O deliver me in your righteousness:
incline your ear to me and be swift to save me.**

³ Be for me a rock of refuge, a fortress to defend me:
for you are my high rock and my stronghold.

⁴ **Lead me and guide me for your name's sake:
bring me out of the net that they have secretly laid for me,
for you are my strength.**

⁵ Into your hands I commit my spirit:
you will redeem me, O Lord God of truth.

¹⁷ **All my days are in your hand:
O deliver me from the power of my enemies
and from my persecutors.**

¹⁸ Make your face to shine upon your servant:
and save me for your mercy's sake.

SECOND READING

1Peter 2.11-25

¹¹ Beloved, I urge you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the desires of the flesh that wage war against the soul.

¹² Conduct yourselves honourably among the Gentiles, so that, though they malign you as evildoers, they may see your honourable deeds and glorify God when he comes to judge.

¹³ For the Lord's sake accept the authority of every human institution, whether of the emperor as supreme,

¹⁴ or of governors, as sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to praise those who do right.

¹⁵ For it is God's will that by doing right you should silence the ignorance of the foolish.

¹⁶ As servants of God, live as free people, yet do not use your freedom as a pretext for evil.

¹⁷ Honour everyone. Love the family of believers. Fear God. Honour the emperor.

¹⁸ Slaves, accept the authority of your masters with all deference, not only those who are kind and gentle but also those who are harsh.

¹⁹ For it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly.

²⁰ If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval.

²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

²² 'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.'

²³ When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly.

²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

²⁵ For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

GRADUAL HYMN: 140 - Christ, whose glory fills the skies

GOSPEL: **John 14.1-14**

¹ ‘Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me.

² In my Father’s house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going.’

⁵ Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’

⁶ Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.’

⁸ Philip said to him, ‘Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.’

⁹ Jesus said to him, ‘Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, “Show us the Father”?’

¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father.

¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

ORDER OF SERVICE 10AM

THE HOMILY APBA P122

THE CREED APBA P123

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE APBA P124

INVITATION TO CONFESSION APBA P154

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us,
therefore, we come to celebrate the festival.

Silence may be kept

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

THE GREETING OF PEACE APBA P127

HYMN: 321 - O breath of God

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING APBA P127

PLEASE COME FORWARD FOR COMMUNION

PARISH NOTICES/ANNOUNCEMENTS

FINAL HYMN: 68 - Praise my soul

PARISH PRAYERS

Peter McKay, Pam Hill, Lynda Baddock, Paul Finch, Murray Steel, Pat, Fay Norton-Old, Carmen, Scott, Margaret Windisch, Bob and Anne Hill, David Nolte, Anne Farquhar and Mandy

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.

MISSION TO SEAFARERS

Loving God, thank you for the work of The Mission to Seafarers providing essential physical, emotional, and spiritual support to seafarers worldwide through a global network of chaplains and centres. **Amen**



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**

YEARS MIND

May 4	Francis BANNISTER	1948
May 6	Herbert FROST	1980
May 7	William PITCHER	1996
May 7	Elsie MATTHEWS	1971
May 7	Mrs Dorothy BRADY	2018
May 8	Thomas PETERS	1973
May 10	Edith SANDERSON	1973
May 10	Ethel WALKER	1981
May 10	John HUDSON	1988

PARISH NOTICES

Parish Prayers

Please advise Rev Chaplain of anybody you wish to be included in Sunday Parish Prayers by no later than Wednesday 6th May. Thank you.

Pew Bulletin

Hi everyone, please note that any inclusions/changes you want to make to the weekly Pew Bulletin are to be emailed to Paul Smith

Upcoming Events

Saturday 9th-May-Bring & Share Supper - 6.15pm for 6.30pm start in Evans Hall

Sunday 31st May Evensong 5pm

Saturday 13th-June-2026 -Bring & Share Supper - 6.15pm for 6.30pm start in Evans Hall

Sunday 28th-June: Jazz Vespers 5.30pm

LIVE-STREAMING OF SERVICES

We live-stream our 10am service and other events via our YouTube channel, (St George's 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.

SOCIAL MEDIA

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Day	Time(s)	Event
Monday 4 May		Vicars' day off
Tuesday 5 May		
Wednesday 6 May	9.30am- midday	Rev Chaplain available in church
Thursday 7 May	9.30am- midday	Rev Chaplain available in church
	8pm	Choir practice in Meeting room
Friday 8 May	10am	Communion service at Benetas, with Rev. Chaplain
Saturday 9 May		
Sunday 10 May	8am	Holy Communion
	10am	Choral Eucharist
<i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>		Acts 17.22-31 Psalm 66.7-19 1 Peter 3.8-22 John 14.15-21

Readers Roster			
SUNDAY 10am +		READER	
3 rd May Fifth Sunday of Easter		Sandra O'Grady	
10 th May Sixth Sunday of Easter		Meron Pitcher	
Streaming Roster 2026		Sideperson Roster 2026	
3 05 2026	Paul Smith	3 05 2026	Peter McKay
10 05 2026	Rosemary Cotter	10 05 2026	George Hall
17 05 2026	George Hall	17 05 2026	Paul Smith
24 05 2026	Paul Smith	24 05 2026	Robert Stevens
31 05 2026	Rosemary Cotter	31 05 2026	Peter McKay
10 AM SUNDAY MORNING TEA ROSTER			
May 3		Alison	
May 10		Marita & Cheryl	

PARISH DIRECTORY

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ST GEORGES is LOOKING for ADMINISTRATIVE HELP

Job Description

Initially, the person will produce our weekly church bulletins in Microsoft Word. The position will then grow into handling correspondence maintaining records and maybe some bookkeeping duties later. This person is a first point of contact for church members and visitors so will have a welcoming and organised nature.

Key Responsibilities

- Produce bulletins and other printed material.
- Maintain records for membership, finances, and church operations
- Help to coordinate church calendars, meetings, and events

Qualifications & Skills

- Organisational and communication skills
- Proficiency with Microsoft Word
- Ability to work independently, prioritise tasks, and meet deadlines

The person will be remunerated,

This position can be a great addition to your Career CV

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