



ST GEORGE'S EAST IVANHOE

The church at the heart of the village

SEVENTH Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

*Celebrant and Preacher: Reverend
Chaplain Soma*

Gathering in God's Name

Sunday 12th July 2026

8am & 10am



St George Peace Memorial Church

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: Pitoni - Cantate Domino

Hymns:

10 - All people that on earth do dwell

93 - God is Love

122 - Lord Jesus, think on me

420i - Jesu, thou joy

Communion Motet:

Byrd - Ave Verum

Psalm: 119.105-112

Postlude: J S Bach - Invention No. 8 in F Major BWV
779

Organist:

Oscar Herrick

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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: Pitoni - Cantate Domino

HYMN 10 - All people that on earth do dwell

SENTENCE

The words you have spoken are spirit and life, O Lord;
you have the words of eternal life. John 6.63, 68

COLLECT

Bountiful God,
we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word:
by your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy,
and to live according to it,
that we may grow in faith and hope and love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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FIRST READING Genesis 25.19-34

¹⁹ These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son:
Abraham was the father of Isaac,

²⁰ and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah,
daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister
of Laban the Aramean.

²¹ Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was
barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife
Rebekah conceived.

²² The children struggled together within her; and she said,
'If it is to be this way, why do I live?' So she went to
inquire of the Lord .

²³ And the Lord said to her,
'Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;
one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger.'

²⁴ When her time to give birth was at hand, there were
twins in her womb.

²⁵ The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle;
so they named him Esau.

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²⁶ Afterwards his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

²⁷ When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents.

²⁸ Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

²⁹ Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished.

³⁰ Esau said to Jacob, 'Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!' (Therefore, he was called Edom.)

³¹ Jacob said, 'First sell me your birthright.'

³² Esau said, 'I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?'³³ Jacob said, 'Swear to me first.' So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob.

³⁴ Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

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Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 119.105-112

¹⁰⁵.Your word is a lantern to my feet:
and a light to my path.

¹⁰⁶ **I have vowed and sworn an oath:
to keep your righteous judgements.**

¹⁰⁷ I have been afflicted beyond measure:
Lord, give me life according to your word.

¹⁰⁸ **Accept, O Lord, the freewill offerings of my mouth:
and teach me your judgements.**

¹⁰⁹ I take my life in my hands continually:
yet I do not forget your law.

¹¹⁰ **The wicked have laid a snare for me:
but I have not strayed from your precepts.**

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¹¹¹ Your commands are my inheritance for ever:
they are the joy of my heart.

¹¹² **I have set my heart to fulfil your statutes:
always, even to the end.**

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SECOND READING

Romans 8.1-11

¹ There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.

³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,

⁴ so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

⁶ To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

⁷ For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot,

⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

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⁹ But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

GRADUAL HYMN: 93 - God is Love

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GOSPEL

Matthew 13.1-9; 13.18-23

¹ That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake.

² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach.

³ And he told them many things in parables, saying:
'Listen! A Sower went out to sow.

⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up.

⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil.

⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away.

⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them.

⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

⁹ Let anyone with ears listen!'

¹⁸ 'Hear then the parable of the Sower.

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¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path.

²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy;

²¹ yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away.

²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing.

²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

This is the gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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THE HOMILY APBA P122

THE CREED APBA P123

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE APBA P124

INVITATION TO CONFESSION APBA P126

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy,
welcoming sinners and inviting them to the lord's table.

Silence may be kept

Let us therefore bring our sins before the one true God,
in penitence and faith.

THE GREETING OF PEACE APBA P127

HYMN 122 - Lord Jesus, think on me

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING 3 APBA P133

PLEASE COME FORWARD FOR COMMUNION

PARISH NOTICES/ANNOUNCEMENTS

FINAL HYMN 420i - Jesu, thou joy

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PARISH PRAYERS

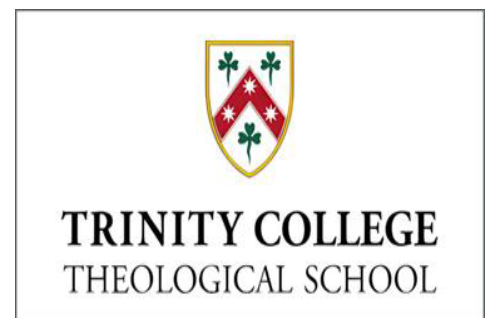
Mary and Richard Hoy, Peter McKay, Barbara, Pam Hill, Lynda Baddock, Scott Elias, Julian Grigg, Noel, Paul Finch, Murray Steel, Pat, Fay Norton-Old, Carmen, Margaret Windisch, Bob and Anne Hill, Syrus and Brigitte, David Nolte, Anne Farquhar and Mandy

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.

TRINITY COLLEGE THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL

A new Mission partner for St Georges in 2026

Gracious God, we give thanks for Trinity College. We pray for the ways in which the College equips and forms leaders for the Church, enriching parishes through theological education, ministry training, and faithful scholarship. May its work continue to strengthen the mission of the church. Encourage all who study and teach them in their witness to Christ, that God's name may be glorified. Amen.



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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**

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YEARS MIND

Jul 13	Elizabeth JAMES	1998
Jul 13	Brian MILLER	2011
Jul 13	Mrs Mary de Jong	2024
Jul 14	Mr George GRAY	2018
Jul 14	John DEMPSEY	2000
Jul 15	Gordon FAUL	1980
Jul 15	Kenneth GAY	1979
Jul 16	Ethel ROBERTS	1937
Jul 17	Leonard JACOBSON	1990
Jul 17	Louise Miller	2023
Jul 18	Florence SUTHERLAND	1978
Jul 18	Edward HAYTHORPE	1971
Jul 19	Peter EVANS	1985
Jul 19	Judith ANDERSON	2012
Jul 19	Robena HUNT	1969
Jul 19	Fr William HAYWARD	1998

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PARISH NOTICES

Save the Date for Organ Recital

Join us for an afternoon of inspiring organ music featuring: **St George's Director of Music, Oscar Herrick** together with **Yvonne Wells, Organist** at **Ivanhoe Uniting Church**

When: 2nd August

Time: 2.30pm

Donation at the door

All Are Warmly Welcome

Parish Responsibilities Tool – A Follow-Up Invitation

We recently emailed our new Parish Responsibilities Tool to all parishioners. We encourage all parishioners to take a few moments to review the various roles that support the life and ministry of St Georges. As you do, please prayerfully consider whether there is an area where you might contribute your time, gifts, or experience. By sharing responsibility, we strengthen our parish community and help ensure that St Georges continues in God's mission and service. Please speak with the Vicar, Wardens, or Treasurer if you would like to know more.

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Open House Melbourne Choral Evensong 26 July

St George's is a participant in the Open House Melbourne weekend of 25 and 26 July.

We have been associated with the movement which celebrates the founding of Melbourne and showcases significant buildings, since 2019, and we have conducted a number of successful tours and displays.

To conclude the activities, a choral evensong will be offered at 5 pm on Sunday, 26 July. The guest speaker will be Leigh Hay, who is, among many other things, president of the Henry Lawson Society, and who will be speaking on the literary works of the great Australian poet.

Leigh is a long-serving member of the Heidelberg Choral Society and was the co-librettist of an oratorio, ORIGINS the world premiere of which was performed by the HCS under the direction of Peter Bandy in 2025.

An explanation of this year's program has been sent to all parishioners.

Parish Prayers

Please advise Rev Chaplain of anybody you wish to be included in Sunday Parish Prayers by no later than Wednesday 15th July.

Thank you.

Upcoming Events

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Saturday 25th 10am till 4pm and Sunday 26th ,12pm till 4pm the Church and buildings are open as St Georges has been selected to participate in the Open House Melbourne.

Sunday 26th July 2026 Open House Melbourne Choral Evensong 5pm

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 13 July		Vicars' day off
Tuesday 14 July		
Wednesday 15 July	9.30am midday	Rev Chaplain available in church
Thursday 16 July	9.30am midday 8pm	Rev Chaplain available in church Choir practice in Meeting room
Friday 17 July	10am	Communion service at Benetas, with Rev. Chaplain
Saturday 18 July		
Sunday 19 July	8am 10am	Holy Communion Choral Eucharist
<i>Eighth Sunday after Pentecost</i>		Genesis 28.10-19a Psalm 139.1-11, 23-24 Romans 8.12-25 Mathews 13.24-30 36-43

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READERS ROSTER

SUNDAY	READER
12 th July Seventh Sunday after Pentecost	Alison Smart
19 th July Eighth Sunday after Pentecost	Sandra O'Grady
26 th July Ninth Sunday after Pentecost	Meron Pitcher

STREAMING ROSTER		SIDEPERSONS ROSTER	
Date	Name	Date	Name
12 07 2026	George Hall	12 07 2026	Peter McKay
19.07.2026	Paul Smith	19 07 2026	George Hall
26 07 2026	Rosemary Cotter	26.07.2026	Paul Smith

10 AM SUNDAY MORNING TEA ROSTER

July 12 th	Marita & Cheryl
July 19 th	Denise & George
July 26 th	Ros

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