ST GEORGE'S EAST IVANHOE

The church at the heart of the village

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

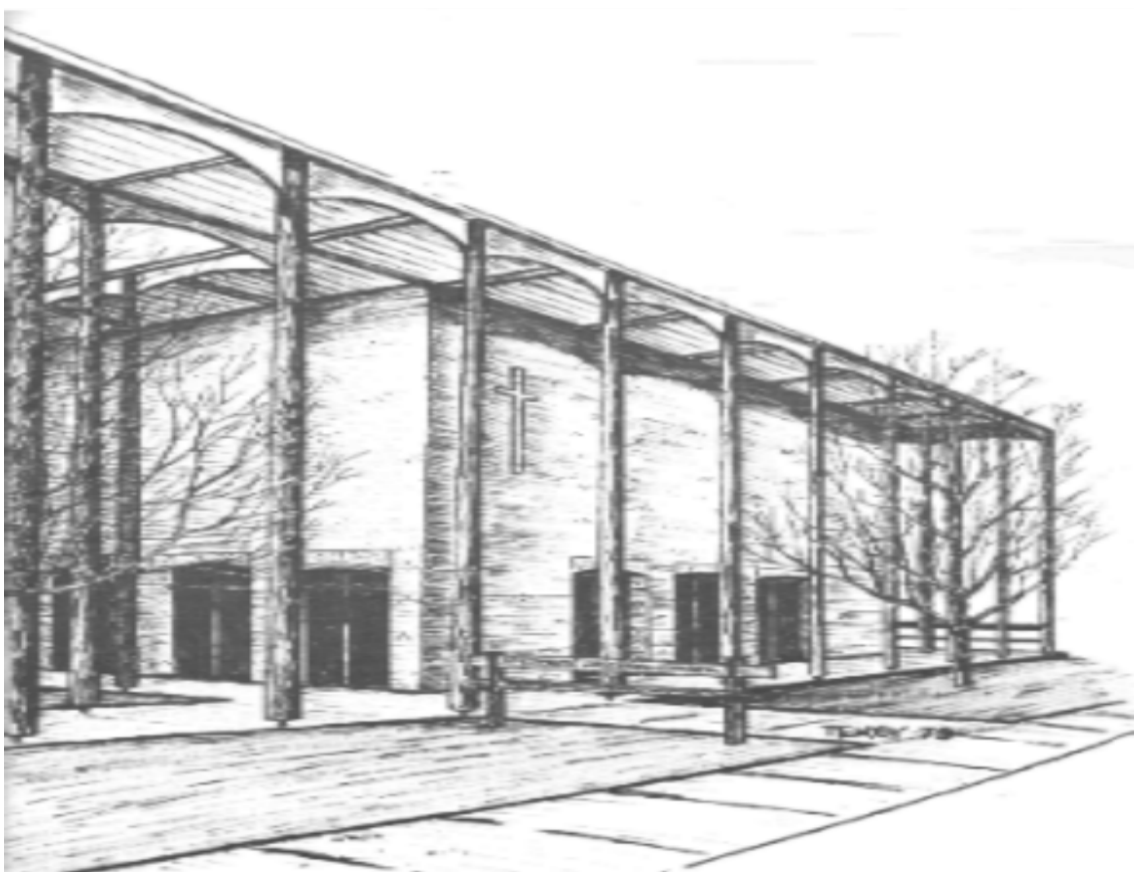
Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Reverend Chaplain Soma

Gathering in God's Name

Sunday 15th November 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

MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Introit:

Ouseley - From the rising of the sun

Hymns:

75 - O love of God

500 - I heard the voice of Jesus Say

486(ii) - O thou who camest from above

254 - Ah, holy Jesus

Communion Motet:

Palestrina - Sicut Cervus

Psalm: 123

Postlude:

Gaston Belier - Toccata in d

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: Ouseley - From the rising of the sun

HYMN: 75 - O love of God

SENTENCE

God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other. 1 Thessalonians 5.9, 11

COLLECT

Everliving God,
before the earth was formed,
and even after it shall cease to be, you are God.
Break into our short span of life
and show us those things that are eternal,
that we may serve your purpose in all we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING Judges 4.1-10

1 The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD ,
after Ehud died.
2 So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan,
who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera,
who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim.
3 Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had
nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites
cruelly for twenty years.
4 At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was
judging Israel.
5 She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah
and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites
came up to her for judgement.
6 She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh
in Naphtali, and said to him, 'The LORD , the God of Israel,
commands you, "Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing
ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of
Zebulun.
7 I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you
by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will
give him into your hand." '

8 Barak said to her, 'If you will go with me, I will go; but if you
will not go with me, I will not go.'
9 And she said, 'I will surely go with you; nevertheless, the road
on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the LORD
will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman.' Then Deborah got
up and went with Barak to Kedesh.
10 Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and ten
thousand warriors went up behind him; and Deborah went up
with him.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 123

1 To you I lift up my eyes:
you who are enthroned in the heavens.
2 **As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master:**
or as the eyes of a maid toward the hand of her mistress,
3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God:
until he show us his mercy.
4 **Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:**
for we have had our fill of derision.
5 Our souls overflow with the mockery of those at ease:
and with the contempt of the proud.

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and
sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you.
2 For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord
will come like a thief in the night.
3 When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden
destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a
pregnant woman, and there will be no escape!
4 But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise
you like a thief;
5 for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are
not of the night or of darkness.
6 So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep
awake and be sober;
7 for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk
get drunk at night.
8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the
breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of
salvation.
9 For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining
salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,
10 who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we
may live with him.
11 Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as
indeed you are doing.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GRADUAL HYMN: 500 - I heard the voice of Jesus Say

The Lord be with you

And also, with you

GOSPEL **Matthew 25.14-30**

14 ‘For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his
slaves and entrusted his property to them;
15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one,
to each according to his ability. Then he went away.
16 The one who had received the five talents went off at once
and traded with them, and made five more talents.
17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two
more talents.
18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and
dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money.
19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and
settled accounts with them.
20 Then the one who had received the five talents came
forward, bringing five more talents, saying, “Master, you
handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more
talents.”

21 His master said to him, “Well done, good and trustworthy
slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put
you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your
master.”
22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying,
“Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made
two more talents.”
23 His master said to him, “Well done, good and trustworthy
slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put
you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your
master.”
24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came
forward, saying, “Master, I knew that you were a harsh man,
reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did
not scatter seed;
25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the
ground. Here you have what is yours.”
26 But his master replied, “You wicked and lazy slave! You
knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather
where I did not scatter?
27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the
bankers, and on my return I would have received what was
my own with interest.
28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the
ten talents.
29 For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will
have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even
what they have will be taken away.

30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

This is the gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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: 486(ii) - O thou who camest from above

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING 3 APBA P33,

PLEASE COME FORWARD FOR COMMUNION

Communion Motet: Palestrina - Sicut Cervus

"As the hart longs for water, so my soul yearns for you, O God."

PARISH NOTICES/ANNOUNCEMENTS

FINAL HYMN: 254 - Ah, holy Jesus

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, Rosalie Milburn and Patricia

Let us 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 Victoria (MtSV)

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

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

St George Peace Memorial Church

YEARS MIND

Nov 16	Alan TRACEY	2024
Nov 16	Zoe AITKEN	1993
Nov 17	Jessie GUNST	1978
Nov 17	Margaret GREEN	1996
Nov 18	Walter NIXON	1987
Nov 18	Margaret McKENZIE	1993
Nov 18	Alan PORTER	1973
Nov 18	Maesmore BARTLETT	1980
Nov 18	Kathleen BRIGHT-PARKER	1992
Nov 18	Joan BEGG	1998
Nov 18	Maesmore BETHELL	1993
Nov 19	Isabella JOBLING	1991
Nov 19	Marie THRAVES	1996
Nov 20	Edmund TURNER	1975
Nov 20	Fr Richard McKINNEY	1966
Nov 20	George CUTTLER	2007
Nov 21	Maria LENNOX	1965
Nov 21	Clifford SAMPSON	1981
Nov 22	Mary BOND	2003
Nov 22	Fr Richard SINDEN	1990
Nov 22	Eric McCUTCHAN	1991
Nov 22	Robert BELL	1993

PARISH NOTICES

St George's ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING in November

Please be advised the AGM for this parish is to be **held on Sunday November 22nd @ 11.30 After our 10 am service**.
The chair of the meeting will be Rev Chaplain Soma.
Nomination forms for election of office bearers are available at the rear of the church. Please give prayerful thought as to nominating over the next few weeks.

Evensong - Faith, Courage and Light in Times of Persecution on Sunday November 29th @ 5pm

Rev. Chaplain Soma will share firsthand insights into the life, challenges and resilience of the persecuted **Church in Sudan**, offering a powerful reminder that Christian hope shines brightest in times of hardship.

This will be an inspiring evening of worship, prayer and reflection as we stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Shared refreshments will follow the service.

All are warmly welcome.
Hope Lives Here

Election Day Sausage Sizzle

Volunteers needed!

If you are available at any time on **Saturday 28th November,** we would greatly appreciate your help with our Election Day Sausage Sizzle.
Please add your name to the volunteer sheet on the table at the front of the church, and indicate the times and tasks you would be happy to help with

For more information, please contact Denise (0413 428594).

November Giving at St Mark's Fitzroy

Bring some Christmas cheer to St Marks during this November.

Donations of Christmas treats, small tins of everyday food, and men's toiletries (especially deodorants) are welcome for Christmas food parcels to be distributed in early December.

Thank you for your generosity.

Sandra

Parish Prayers

Please advise Rev Chaplain of anybody you wish to be included in Sunday Parish Prayers by no later than Wednesday 18th November 2026.

Upcoming Events

Sunday 29 November 2026 - Advent Evensong. The Revd Chaplain Soma. 5:00

Tuesday 1st December 2026 - McKinney Advent Lecture 7.30pm Speaker: Denis Fitzgerald, Prison Chaplain at **Mary Mother of our Church Parish Centre, Ivanhoe**

Saturday 12-December-2026 - Bring & Share Supper 6.15pm for 6.30pm start in Evans Hall

Sunday.13-December 2026 - Jazz.Vespers 5:15pm for 5:30pm start

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 16th November		Vicars' day off
Tuesday 17th November		
Wednesday 18th November	9.30am Midday	Rev Chaplain available in church
Thursday 19th November	9.30am Midday 8pm	Rev Chaplain available in church Choir Practice in Choir Room
Friday 20th November	10am	Communion service at Benetas, with Rev.Chaplain
Saturday 21st November		
Sunday 22nd November	8am 10am	Holy Communion Choral Eucharist
Christ The King Sunday		Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24 Psalm 100 Ephesians1.15-23 Matthew 25.31-46

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READERS ROSTER	
SUNDAY	**READER**
15th November 25th Sunday after Pentecost	David Morgan
22nd November Christ the King	Reg Steele
29th November First Sunday of Advent	Marea Howse

STREAMING ROSTER		SIDEPERSONS ROSTER	
Date	**Name**	**Date**	**Name**
15.11.2026	Rosemary Cotter	15.11.2026	Peter McKay
22.11.2026	Paul Smith	22.11.2026	George Hall
29.11.2026	George Hall	29.11.2026	Peter McKay

10 AM SUNDAY MORNING TEA ROSTER	
15.11.2026	Denise & George
22.11.2026	Ros
29.11.2026	Patsy

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St. George's
East Ivanhoe
Advent Hope
and the Persecuted Church
in Sudan
Faith, courage and light
in times of persecution
Sunday 29 November 2026
5:00 pm
The Revd Chaplain Soma
GUEST SPEAKER
Hope Lives Here
... and more ...
Shared Refreshments Afterwards