

WELCOME TO THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF **ST GEORGE'S** EAST IVANHOE, MELBOURNE



31 MARCH 2019

Fourth Sunday in Lent

- 7.30am Morning Prayer
- 8.00am Eucharist

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Preacher: Fr John Sanderson
Hymns: 68, 564, 443, 493
Introit: Lenten Litany - *Hearken O Lord have mercy upon us*Motet:
Organist: Roger Brown



MORNING SERVICE SHEET - PLEASE TAKE HOME

WELCOME TO ST GEORGE'S

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 value liturgical worship, encouraging fellowship and community service. We believe in: God – the beauty of transcendent holiness, present in our connectedness; and in caring passionately for all in need.

THIS WEEK AT ST CEORCE'S

All are welcome in this sacred space.

TUES 2 APRIL Richard McKinney Lenten Lecture Series 8.00pm St George's Anglican Church The Rev'd Dr. Ray Cleary Social Justice in the Old Testament				
WED 3 APRIL	10.00am Eucharist 10.45am Lent Study Group			
THURS 4 APRIL	Royal Freemasons – Streeton Park on Yarra 4.00pm Lent Study Group			
FRI 5 APRIL	Benetas - Heidelberg - The Views 10.00am Holy Communion 6.30pm Stations of the Cross			
SUN 7 APRIL Fifth Sunday in Lent				

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<i>Joshua 5.2-12;</i>	Psalm 32;	2 Corinthians 5.	.16-21; Luke 15.11-32
		7.30am	Morning Prayer
		8.00am	Eucharist
		10.00am	Sung Eucharist
			Preacher: Fr. John Sanderson
		4.00pm	Lent Study Group

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.'

SENTENCE

While he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him.

Luke 15.21

COLLECT

God of compassion, you are slow to anger, and full of mercy, welcoming sinners who return to you with penitent hearts: receive in your loving embrace all who come home to you, and seat them at your bountiful table, that, with all your children, they may feast with delight on all that satisfies the hungry heart. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Joshua 5.2-12

A reading from the book of Joshua

At that time the Lord said to Joshua, 'Make flint knives and circumcise the Israelites a second time.' So Joshua made flint knives, and circumcised the Israelites at Gibeath-haaraloth. This is the reason why Joshua circumcised them: all the males of the people who came out of Egypt, all the warriors, had died during the journey through the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt. Although all the people who came out had been circumcised, yet all the people born on the journey through the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt had not been circumcised. For the Israelites travelled for forty years in the wilderness, until all the nation, the warriors who came out of Egypt, perished, not having listened to the voice of the Lord. To them the Lord swore that he would not let them see the land that he had sworn to their ancestors to give us, a land flowing with milk and honey. So it was their children, whom he raised up in their place, that Joshua circumcised; for they were uncircumcised, because they had not been circumcised on the way.

When the circumcising of all the nation was done, they remained in their places in the camp until they were healed. The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.' And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were encamped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

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

Psalm 32



- Blessèd are they whose | sin is for | given: whose in | iniquity is | put a | way.
- Blessèd are they to whom the Lord im | putes no | blame: and in whose | spirit • there | is no | guile.
- 3. For whilst | | held my | tongue:

my bones wasted a | way • with my | daily com | plaining.

- 4. Your hand was heavy upon me | day and | night: and my moisture was dried | up • like a | drought in | summer.
- 5. Then I ack | nowledged my | sin to you: and my in | iquity • I | did not | hide;
- 6 I said "I will confess my trans | gressions to the | Lord": and so you forgave the | wicked-ness | of my sin.
- For this cause shall everyone that is faithful make his prayer to you in the | day of | trouble:
 and in the time of the great water-floods | they shall | not come | near him.
- 8. You are a place to hide me in you will pre | serve me from | trouble:
 you will surround me with de | liverance on | every | side.
- 9. I will instruct you and direct you in the way that you should go I will fasten my eye u pon you . and give you counsel.
- 'Be not like horse or mule that have no | under | standing;
 whose forward course must be | curbed with | bit and |bridle.'
- 11. Great tribulations remain | for the un | godly:
 but whoever puts their trust in the Lord
 mercy em | braces them . on | every | side.
- 12. Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous | and be | glad; and shout for joy all | you . that are | true of | heart.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5.16-21

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through

us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL

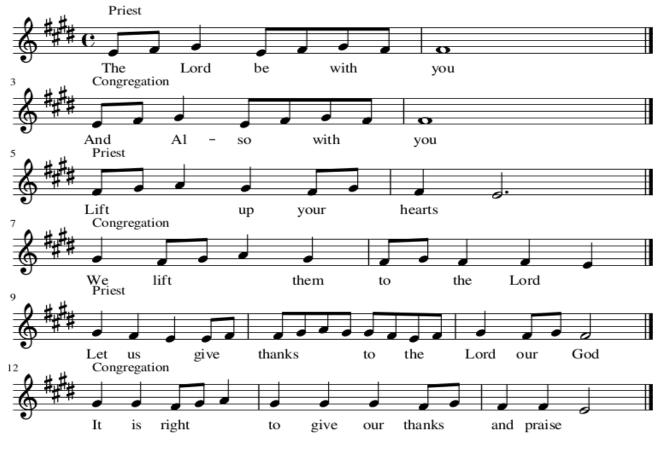
Luke 15.11-32

Then Jesus said, 'There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me." So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.' " So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!" And they began to celebrate.

'Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!" Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found." '

This is the Gospel of the Lord, praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sursum corda



PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED

Barbara McKinnon, John Bibo, Frank Cichello, Frank McFaul, Lily Kelcey, Brian Monteith, Leanne Barker, Lesley Tracey, Paul Finch, Louise Miller, and those known to you alone.

We remember with love those who have died in recent days: and those whose anniversaries of death occurs at this time.

YEAR'S MIND

Alice Poynton PHILLIPS	1st April	1970
Jackie COOKE	1st April	2008
Violet DIXON	4th April	1981
Violet May BARTLETT	5th April	2000
Jeannie THOMPSON	5th April	1986
Michael TISDAL	6th April	1995
George Henry WHITELAW	7th April	1982
Kenneth Francis PITTS	7th April	1997
Peter Michael Powis MACE	8th April	1991
Geoffrey George PITCHER	8th April	2012

In memory of Satya Ford. Eternal rest grant her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

Welcome to the family and friends of Father Michael Leah who will be interred in the Garden of Remembrance after the final hymn and before the blessing and dismissal.

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, 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



Mothering Sunday

To celebrate this tradition, a Simnel cake is available to enjoy with your morning tea.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Lent 2019

Lent Study Groups - Three study groups are being offered.
Wednesdays at 10.45am in the Parish Meeting Room
Thursdays at 4.00pm in the Library at Streeton Park
Sundays at 4.00pm at the Vicarage

The study text is the 'The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2019 Reconciliation' by Muthuraj Swamy.

Stations of the Cross - Fridays at 6.30pm in Lent Make this part of your Lenten pilgrimage as we journey with our Lord to Jerusalem and beyond. A short, reflective and solemn liturgy. If you haven't tried it before then why not do so this Lent?

The Rev'd Dr. Richard McKinney Lenten Ecumenical Memorial Lecture Series – The Rev'd Dr. Ray Cleary will deliver three lectures on the theme of *"Renewing the Church: Restoring faith in Australia"*

Lecture 2: Tuesday 2 April 2019 - St George's East Ivanhoe – Jesus and 'Concern for the Other' Lecture 3: Tuesday 9 April 2019 - Mother of God Catholic Church, Wilfred Road, East Ivanhoe – Justice and Engagement in the Public

Forum

The lectures begin at 8.00pm with fellowship and supper follows at 9.15pm.

Our Mission Partners - Parish Council recently discussed the mission giving agencies we may wish to consider partnering with. At the local level they include the work of *Open House Christian Involvement Centre* in Macleod and the *Missions to Seafarers Victoria* (Inc) in the Port of Melbourne. At a regional and wider global level we have historically partnered with *Anglican Overseas*

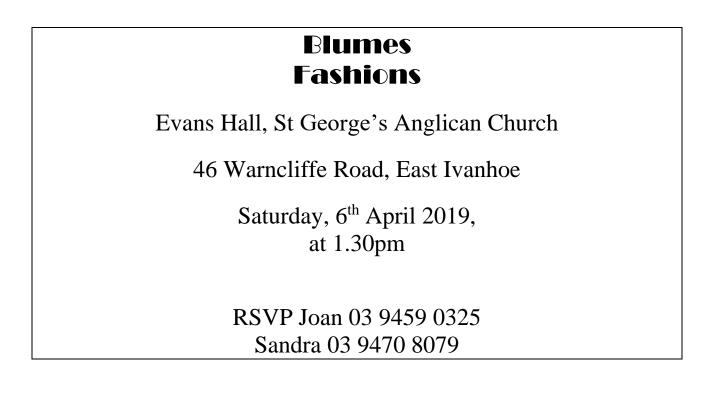
Aid (AOA) and the *Anglican Board of Mission* (ABM). You will find contemporary materials for these and other mission agencies at the back of the church, and we will inculcate them into our prayer life.

Postludes during Lent

Postludes during Lent will, as is appropriate to the season, be generally penitential and/or chorale based. The organists are grateful for your kind support and attention. However, it is suggested that there be no applause during Lent.

Café Fellowship

Some of the congregation adjourn to a local café for refreshments after the 8.00am Eucharist. Refreshments are also served at the back of the church after the 10.00am Sung Eucharist and after this some gather for lunch. All are welcome to attend. If you are a visitor, please ask a sides person for directions.



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