

WELCOME TO THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF

ST GEORGE

EAST IVANHOE, MELBOURNE

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 24 MAY 2020

7.30am Morning Prayer

8.00am Eucharist
10.00am Eucharist

Live streamed on Facebook & available later on YouTube

Preacher: Fr John Sanderson

Hymns: 301

Postlude: Prelude, from Prelude and Fugue

in B Minor BWV 544(J.S. Bach)

Organist: Roger Brown



MORNING SERVICE SHEET - PLEASE TAKE HOME

WELCOME

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. All are welcome in this sacred space.

THIS WEEK

Public Worship Resumes Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (May 24 -30)				
Wednesday 27 May	10am	Holy Communion		
Week of Prayer for Reconciliation (May 27 – June 3)				
Friday 29 May	10.30am	Morning Worship by Zoom Benetas - Heidelberg - The Views		
Sunday 31 May		Acts 2.1-21		
Day of Pentecost		Psalm 104.26-36 1 Corinthians 12.1-13		
Last Sunday of Easter - Whit Sunday		John 20.19-23		

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

This is eternal life, that we may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

John 17.3

COLLECT

O God,

whose Son, Jesus, prayed for his disciples, and sent them into the world to proclaim the coming of your kingdom: by your Holy Spirit, hold the Church in unity, and keep it faithful to your word, so that, breaking bread together, we may be one with Christ in faith and love and service, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

ACTS 1.6-14

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you

into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.' Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

PSALM 68. 1-10, 32-35



- 1. God shall arise and his enemies | shall be | scattered: those that hate him shall | flee be | fore his | face.
- 2. As smoke is dispersed so shall | they . be dis|persed: as wax melts before a fire so shall the wicked | perish . at the | presence | of | God.
- 3. But the righteous shall be glad and ex|ult be.fore | God: they | shall re| oice with | gladness.
- 4. O sing to God sing praises | to his | name: glorify him that rode through the deserts him whose name is the Lord | and ex | ult be | fore him.
- 5. He is the father of the fatherless he upholds the | cause | of the | widow: God | in his | holy | dwelling place.

- 6. He gives the desolate a home to dwell in and brings the prisoners out | into. pros | perity: but rebels must | dwell . in a | barren | land.
- 7. O God when you went out be fore your | people: when you | marched | through the | wilderness,
- 8. The earth shook the heavens | poured down | water: before the God of Sinai before | God the | God of | Israel.
- 9. You showered down a generous | rain O | God: you prepared the land of your pos | session. when | it was | weary.
- 10. And there your | people | settled: in the place that your goodness O God had made | ready | for the | poor.
- 32. Sing to God you | kingdoms . of the | earth: O sing | praises | to the | Lord,
- 33. To him that rides upon the highest heavens that were | from . the be | ginning: who utters his voice which | is a | mighty [voice.
- 34. Ascribe power to God whose majesty is | over | Israel: and his | might is | in the | clouds.
- 35. Terrible is God who comes from his | holy | place: the God of Israel who gives power and strength to his people | Bless-ed | be | God.

SECOND READING

I PETER 5

A reading from the first letter of Peter

Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it—not for sordid gain but eagerly. Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the

flock. And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for 'God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.' Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen. Through Silvanus, whom I consider a faithful brother, I have written this short letter to encourage you, and to testify that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it. Your sister church in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings; and so does my son Mark. Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL John 17.1-11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

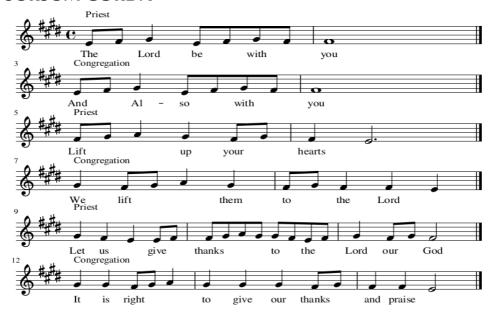
Glory to you, Lord Jes-us Christ.

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Je-sus Christ.

SURSUM CORDA



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.

PARISH PRAYERS

Kathleen (Kate) Robinson, Merv Pizzey, Alan Tracey, Pat Oswald, Frank Cichello; Elizabeth Appleby, Jenny Edbrooke, Rebecca Bowden, Thelma Gray, Neil Grierson, Margaret Syle, Karen Derbyshire, Pat Oswald, Max Pearce, Vince Cristiano, Stephen 'Spud' Murphy, Lesley Tracey, Frank McFall, Lily Kelcey, Brian Monteith, Leanne Barker, Paul Finch, Josie Cichello-Sanderson, the Malek family 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 remember all who have died in recent days; Stan Ziebell and the Rev'd Jonathan Chambers.

We also remember with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

PRAYER FOR MISSION PARTNER

Sorted Youth Church Bradford

Lord our God bless the Sorted Community as they build relationships with young people and empower them to help form new Christian communities. May participants find friendship and an opportunity to explore faith. Amen.

YEARS MIND

24 May	Gwendole LULY	1988
24 May	Reginald BOYD	1977
24 May	Leslie KNORR	1980
24 May	Gladys TROTTER	1981
24 May	Walter ROBERTSON	2011
24 May	Frances MARTIN	1998
24 May	Colin BARTON	2019
25 May	Ethel ORR	1997
25 May	Betty PELLEGRINI	1972
25 May	Lilian ALFORD	1980
25 May	Pamela SNELLEMAN	2010
26 May	Margaret RUDD	1981
26 May	Hylda HORSTMANN	1987
26 May	Kevin BRADY	1978
27 May	Gladys HARRIS	1985
29 May	Douglas MAWSON	2017
29 May	John TUCKER	1970
29 May	Alma JACKSON	1997
30 May	Samuel KLAY	1987
30 May	William MONTEITH	1963

PARISH NOTICES

Facebook



Please 'like' and 'follow' our Facebook page, @StGeorgeEastIvanhoe where you will find services, hymns, postludes, interesting articles, prayers and reflections, and some fun news of what is happening in the parish. Please send your contributions to: fr.john@stgeorgeeastivanhoe.org.

YouTube



We now have our own YouTube channel. Please subscribe to St George Peace Memorial Church East Ivanhoe for services, music and hymns.

Streaming Services

We continue to enhance how we undertake the live streaming of our services and are exploring some other ways to improve the broadcast, but some improvements require funding.

Morning Prayer

If you are interested in joining with me for Morning Prayer by Zoom then please make contact by telephone. You can join in as often or as little as you wish to.

Restoration & refurbishment of the church floor

Thank you to Barry for overseeing this project and to Vince and Beth, Ted and Alison for their assistance.

Improvements to Sound System

Our new audio system (microphones, CD player and Bluetooth connectivity) will now be installed on Tuesday 26 and Thursday 28 May. This will improve the quality of the sound, provide an increased broadcast capability and deliver a system that is compliant with Federal legislation.

End of Covid-19 Community Street Party

When Federal and State Government regulations permit we are planning to hold an 'End of Covid-19 Community Street Party' at St Georges. An initial planning conversation/ meeting will take place by Zoom at 7pm on Tuesday 26 May, 2020. If you would like to be part of this group please call, text or email Fr John. You do not need to have Zoom to be able to assist with the planning as we can accommodate you in other ways.

Choral Evensong - Rev'd Noel Whale - 50 years of Service

The Feast of SS Michael and All Angels, 2020 will mark the 50th anniversary of our friend and former Vicar, Noel Whale's 50th anniversary to the Diaconate in the Church of God. This is a significant anniversary for Noel, and he will explain why on the night. It is hoped that social-distancing restrictions will have eased by then to the degree that we will be able to welcome quite a crowd to St Georges to celebrate a Choral Evensong in Noel's honour. Please place the date, Sunday 27 September, 2020 in your diary and if you would like to assist with the planning and preparations for this service please call, text or email Fr. John.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity runs from the Seventh Sunday of Easter until the Eve of Pentecost (Saturday 30 May 2020). 'This year's theme calls us to move from shared prayer to shared action. The international resources for the 2020 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity have been prepared by colleagues in Malta. The 2020 theme, "They showed us unusual kindness" (Acts 28:2), remembers the historic shipwreck of Paul on the island of Malta and calls us to a greater generosity to those in need.' Resources for this important week may be found at https://www.ncca.org.au/faith-and-unity-resources and I will utilise the resources and mark the week at 6pm Evening Prayer from Monday 25 to Saturday 30 May 2020. You are welcome to join me.

GOOD NEWS - PUBLIC WORSHIP OUT OF RECESS

The Commonwealth Government recently announced a 'Roadmap to a COVIDSafe Australia' and a '3 Step Framework For A Covidsafe Australia,' which is to be implemented in accordance with the State Government's Restricted Activity Directions (No 7), which we (the parish) implement in accordance with the Archbishop's Diocesan Covid-19 Update of 13 May 2020.

What does this mean for us at St Georges? We can resume public worship, subject to the provision of the documents above, which means no more than 10 parishioners plus clergy and those required to operate the service in attendance. We are required to maintain social distancing, but may resume receipt of the Sacrament in one form. There are also some other requirements around cleaning and recording of attendance which I have in hand.

We will resume public worship on Sunday 24 May 2020, the Seventh Sunday of Easter with the following services:

7.30am Morning Prayer

8am Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion live streamed via Facebook.

Our midweek service of Holy Communion resumes at 10am Wednesday on 27 May 2020.

If you would like to attend any of these services please contact me by telephone or text. There is no pressure on you to physically return to church if you do not believe it is appropriate for you to do so. Please join us online for a live streamed service.

As we prepare to resume public worship let us think of all those who are connecting with us via the parish website, Facebook (97 followers) the YouTube channel, and who routinely view our streamed services (over 100 on Facebook and 45 on YouTube) each week and how we may connect with them. Another observation for our prayerful consideration. It has been interesting to see how many people wander up to look in the church when all the doors were opened to ventilate the space. If you are interested in spending some time in church to ensure that it can remain open during the week then please contact me as soon as possible. Tea, coffee and NBN access provided to those who do.

These are exciting times to welcome people to our church and community.

Fr. John

17 May 2020

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