

# ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

# Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant: The Vicar Preacher: The Rev'd (Fr.) Jonathan Jackson

> Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost Sunday 25 August 2024

# MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Introit: *Cantate Domino* Pitoni Hymns: 343, 116, 514, 148

Psalm: 84

Motet: Ave Verum Elgar

Postlude:

Organist: Cyril Thomas

THIS WEEK				
Monday 26 August				
Tuesday 27 August				
Wednesday 28 August		No Service of 10am Holy Communion until January 2025		
Thursday 29 August				
Friday 30 August	10am	Holy Communion at Benetas the Views Heidelberg		
Saturday 31 August				
Sunday 1 September Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost		The Song of Songs 2.8-13 Ps. 45.1-2, 6-9 James 1.17-27 Mark 7.1-8, 14-23		

# 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'.

#### **INTROIT**

Cantate Domino

Giuseppe Pitoni (1657-1743)

#### **SENTENCE**

Jesus said, 'It is the spirit that gives life,; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life."

John 6.63

#### FIRST READING

I KINGS 8. 22-30, 41-43

A reading from the first book of the Kings.

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, 'O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, "There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me." Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David. 'But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Have regard to your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day towards this house, the place of which you said, "My name shall be there", that you may heed the prayer that

your servant prays towards this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling-place; heed and forgive. 'Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name —for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays towards this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling-place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 84



- 1 How lovely | is your | dwelling-place: O | Lord | God of | hosts!
- 2 My soul has a desire and longing to enter the | courts of the | Lord: my heart and my flesh re|joice• in the | living | God.
- The sparrow has found her a home and the swallow a nest where she may | lay her | young: even your altar O Lord of | hosts my | King and my | God.
- Blessed are those who | dwell in your | house: they will | always be | praising | you.
- Blessed is the man whose | strength is in | you: in whose | heart are the | highways to | Zion;
- Who going through the valley of dryness finds there a spring from | which to | drink: till the autumn | rain shall | clothe it• with | blessings.

- 7+ They go from | strength to | strength: they appear every one of them before the | God of | gods in | Zion.
- 8 O Lord God of hosts | hear my | prayer: give | ear O | God of | Jacob.
- 9 Behold O God | him who reigns | over us: and look upon the | face of | your a|nnointed.
- One day in your courts is | better than a | thousand:
  I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God
  than | dwell •in the | tents of• un|godliness.
- 11 For the Lord God is a rampart and a shield the Lord gives | favour• and | honour: and no good thing will he withhold from | those who | walk in | innocence.
- 12+ O Lord | God of | hosts: blessed is the man who | puts his | trust in | you.

A reading from the Apostle Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.





He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.' Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'



# **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.

# **COMMUNION MOTET**

Ave Verum

Edward Elgar (1857 – 1934)

#### PARISH PRAYERS

Murray Steele, Bill Pearson, Dr Helen Kouzmin, Wayne Oswald, Gabriel Pronobis, Alan Tracey, Bella Saadala, David Nolte, Dorothy Maher, Anthony Schiavone, Stephen 'Spud' Murphy, Frank McFall, Paul Finch, Colin Derbyshire, Rebecca Bowden, The Malek family, Katie Pittle, Hannah, Colin Summerbell, Vince Cristiano, Bob Hill, Matt Clay and his father, Faye, Rachel, Kyle, Lilly, Pam Hill, Violetta Karama Wickvamasinghe, Libby Davis, Jan Peggie, Roger Douglas, Ann Derbyshire and those known to you alone.

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.

We give thanks to God for Nan and Coral who will exercise a ministry of prayer for growth.

# PRAYER FOR MISSION PARTNER

## The Mission to Seafarers - Victoria

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.



# YEAR'S MIND

Aug 25	Christina MAGEE	2015
Aug 25	William SUMNER	1967
Aug 25	Thomas BARNES	1984
Aug 25	Allan CARTER	1988
Aug 25	Mary DINEEN	1992
Aug 25	Ronald BOORER	1990
Aug 26	Jeane ADAM	2015
Aug 26	John EMERY	1978
Aug 26	Esther STRICKLAND	1979
Aug 26	Mrs Ailsa NOLTE	2001
Aug 27	Faye JACOBSON	1973
Aug 27	Amy THOMPSON	1981
Aug 28	Rima SWAIN	1981
Aug 28	Philip SEMMENS	1966
Aug 28	Olive COOKES	1990
Aug 28	Norman GLEDHILL	2021
Aug 29	Jack BENSON	1971
Aug 29	Maxwell GIBSON	1970
Aug 30	Catriona SCOTT	2005
Aug 30	Laurence MEAD	1981
Aug 31	Dorothy TURNER	2015

# 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.



# **PARISH NOTICES**



Please encourage your friends, family and neighbours to 'like' and 'follow' us on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgesEastIvanhoe) and subscribe to our YouTube channel (St George Peace Memorial Church East Ivanhoe). Please take the time to 'like' and 'follow' our Facebook presence @ HeartEdgeMelbourne (https://www.facebook.com/HeartEdgeMelbourne). where you might find news of our HeartEdge initiatives.

# Live-Streaming of Services - YouTube

We live-stream our services and events via our YouTube channel, (St George Peace Memorial 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.

#### General

If you wish to place a notice, please refer it to the wardens.

# Rev'd (Fr) Jonathan Jackson

We give thanks to God for the ministry of Fr Jonathan Jackson as our locum Sunday Priest these past weeks. We give thanks for his care and compassion, and wisdom.

# 7.30am Sunday Morning Prayer

There will be no 7.30am Sunday Morning Prayer whilst Fr. John is on holiday. This will be reviewed in late August.

# Fr John's Sabbatical – Administrative Arrangements

Rev'd Heidin Kunoo – Acting Vicar

Rev'd Jonathan Jackson - Sunday Locum

Meron Pitcher, Vicar's Warden - Coord

David Morgan, Church Warden - Admin Lead

Ted Smart, Church Warden - Maintenance Lead

Vince Cristiano, Treasurer – Finances Please support the Wardens and Parish Council as they seek your support during Fr John's holidays.

# **Building Fund Required**

As parishioners of St Georges, we are bound to be good stewards of all our church assets just as those before us have been. This will continue to ensure the church's ongoing presence and its work in our community. Major building works involving the underpinning of some foundations, brickworks and drainage upgrade are required to reinstate complete building integrity. Quotations and presentations have been organised by a duly appointed church building committee and delivered by a range of service providers. The wardens have approved a way forward requiring funding in the tens of thousands. Timing of the various work stages will be subject to the availability of funds. Work will commence this year. We ask for your contributions and prayers as we tackle this important project. Please see the wardens with your giving or for any further information.

Parish Banking Details: St Georges Anglican Church E Ivanhoe BSB No 633000 Account No 122088198

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# Welcome home John and Josie

We welcome home John and Josie from their trip to France and the Olympic Games!

# Fr John's Sabbatical – Locum

Awaits content from Meron Pitcher.

#### **Funeral Service**

The funeral service of our dear sister, Gwen Pearce, will be held at St George's at 10 am on Monday, 26 August.

# Congratulations

Congratulations to our dear friend, Esmae Pimm, who turns 100 on 30 August. Details of celebrations will follow.

#### Save the date

# Sunday 25th August

5pm Choral Evensong

# Saturday 31 August

3.30pm Heidelberg Wind Ensemble Concert

# Sunday 29th September

5.30pm Jazz Vespers

# Sunday 27th October

5pm Choral Evensong

#### Saturday 23 November

7.30pm Heidelberg Wind Ensemble Concert

#### Sunday 1st December

5pm Choral Evensong for Advent Sunday – Launch of the 2024 Christmas Bowl Appeal

# Sunday 15th December

5.30pm Jazz Vespers

#### Sunday 22nd December

9pm Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols by Candlelight

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