

ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Bp. Alison Taylor

The Baptism of our Lord

Sunday 12 January 2025

8am & 10am

MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Hymns: 331, 216, 61, 328

Psalm: 29

Organist: Cyril Thomas

	THIS WEEK				
	No Service of 10am Holy Communion until January 2025				
1pm	Parish Council Meeting Room				
10am	Holy Communion at Benetas the Views Heidelberg				
	I Samuel 62.1-5 Ps 36.5-10 Mark 13. 1 – 11 1 Corinthians 12.1-11 John 2. 1 – 11				
8am	Holy Communion				
10am	Sung Eucharist				
	10am				

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

SENTENCE

The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased'.

LUKE 3. 22

COLLECT

Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan you proclaimed him as your beloved Son, and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: grant that all who are baptised into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, 'Give them up', and to the south, 'Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory,

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

whom I formed and made.'

PSALM 29

- 1. Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2. Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendour.
- 3. The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.
- 4. The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.
- 5. The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- 6. He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- 7. The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.
- 8. The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 9. The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, 'Glory!'
- 10. The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for ever.
- 11. May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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GOSPEL Luke 3. 15 – 22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. But Herod the ruler, who had been rebuked by him because of Herodias, his brother's wife, and because of all the evil things that Herod had done, added to them all by shutting up John in prison.

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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

Murray Steele, Bill Pearson, Dr Helen Kouzmin, Wayne Oswald, Gabriel Pronobis, Bella Saadala, David Nolte, Dorothy Maher, Anthony Schiavone, 'Spud' Murphy, Frank McFall, Paul Finch, Rebecca Bowden, Katie Pittle, Colin Summerbell, Bob & Anne Hill, Vince Cristiano, Faye, Rachel ,Kyle, Lilly ,Pam Hill, Violetta Karama, Wickvamasinghe, Libby Davis, Jan Peggie, Roger Douglas, King Charles, Catherine Princess of Wales 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.

PRAYER FOR MISSION PARTNER

Mission to Seafarers

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

Jan 12	Edwin BROWN	1962
Jan 12	Charles GUMMEY	1965
Jan 12	Harry ACKEROYD	1978
Jan 12	Tony ENDREY	1999
Jan 12	Alice ENGLISH	1993
Jan 12	Margaret STEVENS	2011
Jan 13	Jessie RYAN	1993
Jan 13	Howard PURCELL	2023
Jan 14	Margaret NEALE	1991
Jan 14	Mabel BANNISTER	1953
Jan 14	Amy TUTTON	1994
Jan 14	Glenne LEMERIS	2014
Jan 15	Jillian THORBURN	1971
Jan 15	Arden LAIBROOY	2009
Jan 16	Jean KLEEMAN	2014
Jan 16	Lucy HENDERSON	1996
Jan 17	Francis WATT	1999
Jan 18	Clara HALL-BENTICK	1974
Jan 18	Percy CLARK	1981
Jan 18	Mabel REDDROP	1988
Jan 18	Robert WHITAKER	2003

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.

Notice of Statutory Meeting for the Parish of St Georges East Ivanhoe;

At a meeting of the Parish Council held on January 9th 2025, it was decided that it would be in the best interests of St George Parish to withdraw from the cooperating agreement with St Paul's East Kew, given that St George's is now vacant.

The Parish Council further resolved to hold a Statutory Meeting of the Parish on Sunday February 2nd 2025 at 11.30am.

The churchwardens are grateful that Archdeacon Colleen O'Reilly AM has agreed to Chair the meeting.

The Statutory Meeting will provide the opportunity for parishioners to discuss the Parish Council s recommendation and vote on the proposal to withdraw from the cooperating Agreement.

Should you have any questions please speak to one of the Church Wardens.

Church Wardens

Bp. Alison Taylor

is our Locum Bp Alison will finish her duties at St George on Sunday January 26th Please set this date for farewell To Bp Alison with Morning Tea after the 10 am Service.

Revd Barry Fernley

Will continue working with us on Friday, including ministry at Benetas. Please note:- Fr Barry will conduct 8am & 10 am Services on Sunday February. 2nd.

Our new locum (To be advised) will be with us from Sunday Feb 9th

Name tags

Everyone is requested to wear their name tags for services. This makes it much easier for newcomers to engage in conversation, and it makes them feel very welcome.

Nan's Card & Book Stall

Stall will continue running under Nan's Card & Book Stall in loving memory of Nan. Alison Smart has offered to continue running it and looks forward to presenting the books & cards as well as Nan did.

On Sunday 19 January, straight after the 10 am service, the ashes of Nan McCulloch will be interred in the memorial garden. This will be followed by morning tea in the church, where we can catch up with the members of Nan's family who have come for the interment.

Processional Cross

Our processional cross is being professionally repaired by a semi-retired silversmith, replacing broken silver at the base of the cross and repairing the connection between it and the handle. We expect its return in Late January/ February this year due to the excessive workload the silversmith has.

Building Fund

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

Building Remediation Works:

Stage 1 of our building program works have now been completed.

Stage 2 Will start Mid - January 2025 with the following:-

- A. The (Under pinning) Raising & levelling the Church building
- B. A building permit has been obtained re compliancy regulations
- C. The Brick work internally & externally will be repaired (Firstly, all the cement mortar (Where required will be grinded out)
- D. Then after the (Under pinning) Raising has been completed all the cement mortar joints where required will have Heli-bars inserted & the then re cement mortar into place.
- E. Importantly The Organ will be fully wrapped at the start if works and remain so until completion of works or when viable.

Farewell Father John.

As announced at the 10am service last week, the wardens confirm that Father John has decided to resign from St Georges after much reflection and consideration. We are very thankful for his tireless work ethic and his commitment to our parish and beyond. Father John will leave us in late February to March 2025 and further announcements will be made shortly.

We totally support him in his next calling.

Paul Smith, Ted Smart, David Morgan - church warden

Christmas Bowl Appeal

Our Christmas Bowl Appeal for 2024 is open till the end of January. Envelopes for the Appeal are available on the table at the back of the church. You may place a donation in the envelope and put it in the collection plate during the church service, or you can find the options for donating online at https://christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au/donate Tax-deductible receipts are available.

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