

ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Reverend Fiona Raike

Third Sunday In Lent

Sunday 23 March 2025
8am and 10am

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MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Hymns: 3 Let all the World
126 Jesu the very thought
139 Jesu Lover of my soul
129 King of Glory

Organist:
Cyril Thomas

THIS WEEK

Monday

24 March

Tuesday

25 March

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion

26 March

Thursday

27 March

Friday 10am Holy Communion – Benetas the Views Heidelberg
28 March 7pm Stations of the Cross, St George's.

Saturday

29 March

Sunday Joshua 5. 2-12
30 March Psalm 32
2 Corinthians 5.11-32

*Fourth Sunday
in Lent*

Luke 15.11-32
8am Holy Communion

10am Sung Eucharist followed by Lenten Studies 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'.

INTROIT

Litany for Lent

SENTENCE

'As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts,' says the Lord.

Isaiah 55.9

COLLECT

O God, the fountain of life,
to a humanity parched with thirst
you offer the living water that springs from the Rock,
our Saviour Jesus Christ:
stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit,
that we may profess our faith with freshness
and announce with joy the wonder of your love.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 55.1-9

Ho, everyone who thirsts,

come to the waters;

and you that have no money,

come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk

without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,

and your labour for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,

and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me;

listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,

my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples,

a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know,

and nations that do not know you shall run to you,

because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,

for he has glorified you.

Seek the Lord while he may be found,

call upon him while he is near;

let the wicked forsake their way,

and the unrighteous their thoughts;

let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them,

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,

nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord .

For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

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

PSALM 63.1-9



- 1 O God | you are . my | God:
eagerly | will I | seek | you.
- 2 **My soul thirsts for you, my | flesh | longs for you:**
as a dry and thirsty | land . where no | water | is.
- 3 So it was when I beheld you | in the | sanctuary:
and | saw your | power . and your | glory.
- 4 **For your unchanging goodness is | better . than | life:**
there|fore my| lips shall | praise you.
- 5 And so I will bless you as | long as . I | live:
and in your name will I | lift my | hands on | high.
- 6 **My longing shall be satisfied as with | marrow . and | fatness:**
my mouth shall | praise you .with ex|ultant | lips.
- 7 When I remember you up| on my | bed:
when I meditate up | on you . in the | night | watches,
- 8 **How you have | been my | helper:**
then I sing for joy in the | shadow | of your| wings,
- 9+ Then my | soul | clings to you:
and | your right| hand up|holds me.

SECOND READING

I CORINTHIANS 10.1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it. Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

LUKE 13.1-9

Priest

Congregation

Hear the Gospel of the Lord according to - Glory to you Lord Jes - us Christ

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, ‘Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.’ Then he told this parable: ‘A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, “See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?” He replied, “Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.” ’

Priest

Congregation

This is the Gospel of the Lord Praise to you Lord Jes - us Christ

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Communion Motet: God so loved the world John Goss

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, 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

Mar-25	Ada JOHNSON	1971
Mar-25	Alice FRANKLIN	1982
Mar-25	Helen DUNLOP	1990
Mar-25	Fr Dudley McGRATH	1996
Mar-25	Valerie DE RUN	2013
Mar-26	William HOWITT	1960
Mar-26	Elizabeth MCCULLOCH	1998
Mar-26	Mick HULL	1995
Mar-27	Henry DAY	1979
Mar-27	Eric MORRISON	1981
Mar-27	Charles LONGNEY	1986
Mar-28	Eunice WALTON	2005
Mar-28	Herbert WATTS	1989
Mar-28	Joan PHILLIPS	2019
Mar-29	Lindsay ATKINS	1941
Mar-29	Eva SHOVELTON	1976
Mar-29	Angus CARMICHAEL	1995
Mar-30	Agnes CLEVERDON	1984
Apr-01	Mrs Margaret MEE	2020
Apr-01	Alice PHILLIPS	1970
Apr-01	Jackie COOKE	2008
Apr-01	Fay FRASER	2008
Apr-01	Hank LEMEREIS	2014

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

Ecumenical Stations of the Cross in Lent 2025

We will once again partner with our friends from Ivanhoe Catholic Parish to undertake Stations at 7pm on Fridays.

- Friday 28th March - St George's East Ivanhoe
Friday 4th April - Mary Mother of the Church,
Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe
Friday 11th April - St George's East Ivanhoe

Lenten Studies Group

This year's Lenten Studies Group will meet following the 10am service and will be based on the book *The Things He Did: The Story of Holy Week* by Bp Stephen Cottrell. Bp Stephen is currently the Archbishop of York and Primate of England. He is also primarily responsible for the official functions of the Archbishop of Canterbury while that position is vacant. He previously served as Bishop of Reading, 2004–2010, and as Bishop of Chelmsford, 2010–2020.

Our Locum

We are happy to announce that Fiona with the blessings of Bishop Alison will now be continuing as our Locum for some time & further information will be posted as it comes to hand. If you would like a Pastoral visit from Reverend Fiona, please phone Fiona on 0418 104 942. She would love to drop in for a visit.

Food Basket

Donations required to fill our food basket please:-

Tea, Coffee, Biscuits, Ring pull Tinned food Baked beans. Spaghetti, Fish, Toiletries, 2 minute noodles etc. (All for food parcels)

Special Reminders for parishioners and visitors to St Georges:

CANDLES have special meanings for Christians.

At the front of the church (balcony side), and in the chapel, we have provision for individuals to light a taper ('Votive candle') and stand it in the sand within the large bowl. Your prayer continues as the taper burns.

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.

St George Webpage – the window into our wonderful Parish

Have a look. Tell us what you think. Have you got any suggestions?

Let us reach out and share this special place.

All are welcome...

Key Holders

Please be mindful of locking external & internal doors.

Some doors are being closed but not locked. Thank you

Save the date

Friday 28th March 7pm

Stations of the Cross at St George's East Ivanhoe

30 March 5:30pm

Jazz Vespers.

Vespers, originally begun at the rising of the evening star, are the Church's Evening Prayer. The Jazz Vespers Service is a synthesis of several traditions, each finding a unifying voice through the unique musical heritage that we call jazz.

Tuesday 1st April 7.30pm

The 2025 Richard McKinney Lent Lecture in partnership with Banyule Churches Together - 7.30pm Tuesday 1st April 2025, guest speaker Michael Moignard, 'Ryder Cheshire – for the Relief of Suffering – in Australia and Overseas,' Mary Mother of the Church Parish Centre, 4 Waverley Avenue, Ivanhoe.


Website



We have started to update our website (<https://www.stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org>). It's been a while since we last updated it. Look and see what is there; then consider any changes. We positively welcome any suggestions or comments on this important site. It is the window into our wonderful Parish of St George's.




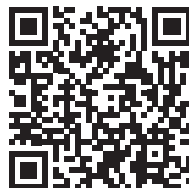
Live-Streaming of Services

 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> (or scan QR code). If you subscribe to our channel and enable notifications you will receive automatic alerts when we go live.



Social Media

 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.



Emergency Evacuation Diagrams

We have now installed new Evacuation Notices to:-

- Church, Meeting Room and Opp Shop
- Entry area off Courtyard into Office
- Evans Hall Kitchen & Evans Hall
- Upstairs Dance Room & Choir Room

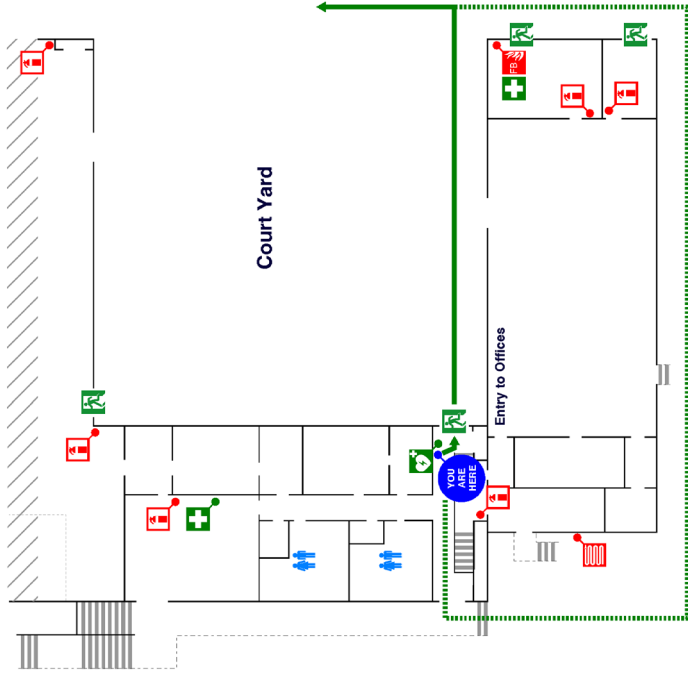
It is part of our Duty of Care to request you look at the new Evacuation Diagrams & familiarize yourself with the exit departures.

Should there be an Emergency & when directed please move quietly, and without panic to the designated meeting point. which is on the Warncliffe Road footpath between the Church & Evans Hall unless otherwise directed.

On the opposite page is the Emergency Evacuation Plan for the Office Exit / entry via Courtyard. On a 2 weekly cycle we will be printing all the other Evacuation Notices as listed above

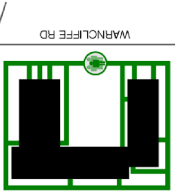
EVACUATION DIAGRAM

ST GEORGE ANGLICAN CHURCH - GROUND FLOOR
47 - 51 WARNCLIFFE ROAD EAST IVANHOE VIC 3079



ASSEMBLY AREA

LOWER HEIDELBERG RD



EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

R	Remove Anyone in immediate danger
A	Alert others & raise the alarm Notify all occupants, Contact Emergency Services, Contact Civil Defence
C	Contain The emergency to an area
E	Evacuate To a safer place

IN AN EMERGENCY

POLICE **DIAL 000**

FIRE

AMBULANCE

LEGEND

- Exit
- First Aid
- Fire Alarm Pull Station
- Fire Extinguisher
- Fire Blanket
- Evacuation Route
- Alternate Route
- Assembly Point
- Exit
- AED
- Lay Flat Hose

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