

ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Reverend Fiona Raike Fourth Sunday In Lent

> Sunday 30 March 2025 8am and10am

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MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Hymns: 543 God of Grace 352 Blessed Jesu 249 Sing my tongue 109 Tell out my soul

Organist: Cyril Thomas

THIS WEEK				
Monday 31 March				
Tuesday 1 April				
Wednesday 2 April	10am	Holy Communion		
Thursday 3 April				
Friday	10am	Holy Communion – Benetas the Views Heidelberg		
4 April	7pm	Mary Immaculate Church, Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe		
Saturday 5 April				
Sunday 6 April		Isaiah 43.16-21 Ps 126 Philippians 3.3-14		
Fifth Sunday in		John 12.1-8		
Lent	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

God has reconciled us to himself through Christ, and given us the ministry of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5.18

COLLECT

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Joshua 5. 2-12

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 Gibeathhaaraloth.

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.For as the heavens are higher than the earth,

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

PSALM 32



- Blessèd are they whose | sin is for | given: whose in|iquity is | put a | way.
- 2. Blessèd are they to whom the Lord im | putes no | blame: and in whose | spirit • there | is no | guile.
- For whilst I | held my | tongue: my bones wasted a | way • with my | daily com | plaining.
- Your hand was heavy upon me | day and | night: and my moisture was dried | up • like a | drought in | summer.
- 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.
- 7. 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.

SECOND READING

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.

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." '



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:Christus Factus EstFelice Anerio

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

Sorted

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.



Mrs Margaret MEE	2020
Alice PHILLIPS	1970
Jackie COOKE	2008
Fay FRASER	2008
Hank LEMEREIS	2014
Rt Rev'd John Stewart	2024
Violet DIXON	1981
Violet BARTLETT	2000
Jeannie THOMPSON	1986
Michael TISDAL	1995
Beresford HOUGHTON- 2017	
ALLEN	
	Alice PHILLIPS Jackie COOKE Fay FRASER Hank LEMEREIS Rt Rev'd John Stewart Violet DIXON Violet BARTLETT Jeannie THOMPSON Michael TISDAL Beresford HOUGHTON-

YEAR'S MIND

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

Wednesday Morning Holy Communion 10am

Please take time our of your busy lives, for peace, rest and prayer, at our Wednesday morning communion at 10am.

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 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

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.

Friday 4th April 7pm

Stations of the Cross, Mary Mother of the Church, Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe

Friday 11th April 7pm

Stations for the Cross, St George's East Ivanhoe

Saturday 12th April 6.30 pm

Parish Dinner, Evans Hall







ST GEORGE EAST IVANHOE, MELBOURNE

Website

We have started to update our website (<u>https://www.</u> <u>stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org</u>). 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

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: <u>https://stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org/online</u> (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 (<u>https://</u><u>www.facebook.com/StGeorgesEastIvanhoe</u>) and subscribe to our YouTube channel.

Pew Bulletin

Anyone wanting to put any items in the Pew bulletin please Email Ted & Dave, including upcoming or special events.

Thank you





Emergency Evacuation Diagrams

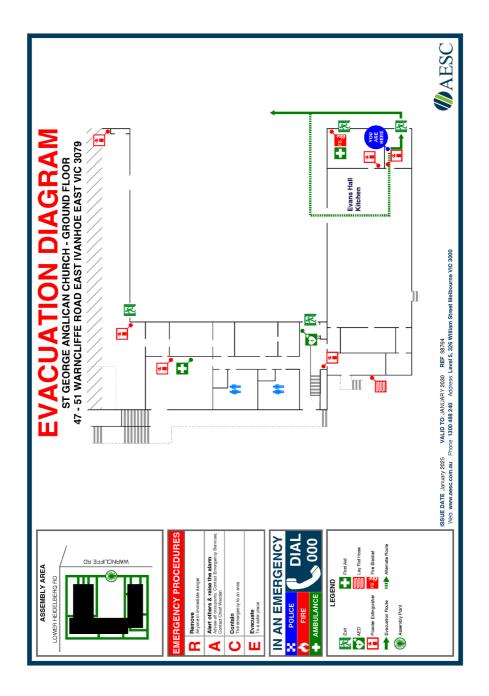
We have now installed new Evacuation Notices to:-

- 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 Evans Hall Kitchen. On a 2 weekly cycle we will be printing all the other Evacuation Notices as listed above



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