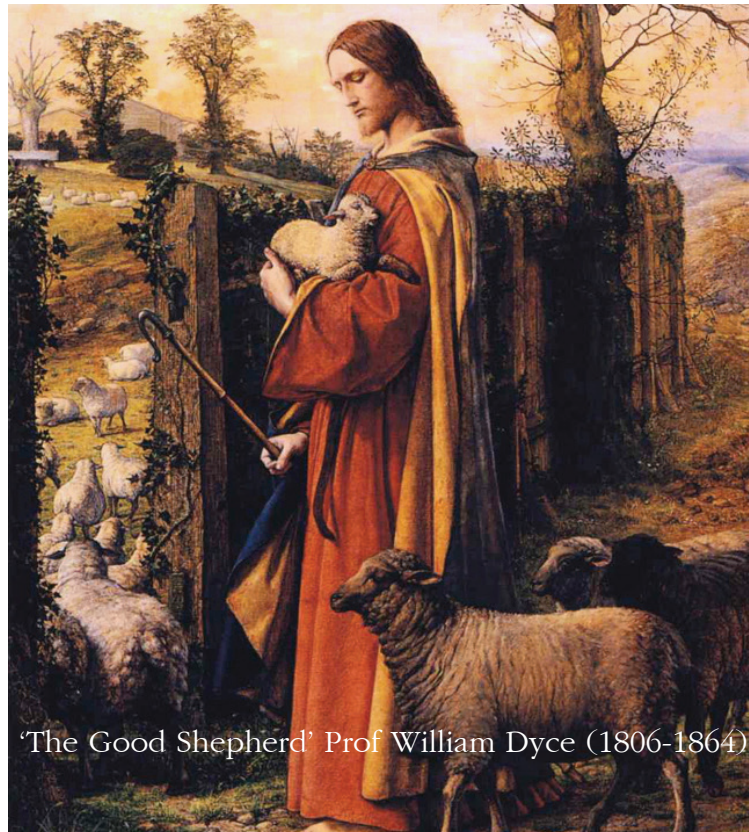


Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia
Parish Church of the City since 1846



'The Good Shepherd' Prof William Dyce (1806-1864)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

3RD MAY 2020

God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep: send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. *Amen*

VICAR'S MUSINGS

“Devote yourselves to prayer,
keeping alert in it with thanksgiving.” *Colossians 4:2*

Prayer, alertness and thanksgiving. In this time of exile, as a scattered church community, our personal prayer lives are of vital importance. The metaphor of logs on a fire has long been used as an apologetic for maintaining church attendance: one log on its own soon goes out. Well, in this pandemic era, with the closure of public worship, we have all been forced into varying levels of isolation; and this puts significant pressure on the vitality of our spiritual lives. Particularly in the current reality, we each need to take responsibility for our inner lives, and devote ourselves intentionally to the discipline of prayer.

For many of us, clergy and laity alike, the spiritual task at hand may feel somewhat overwhelming. But there is great wisdom, and an invaluable road map, in the experience of those who have gone before us. A common theme in the contemplative tradition of prayer is attentiveness. Mary Morrison, in her book *Let Evening Come: Reflections on Aging* (1998) encourages her readers in this ancient practice:

Simple attention to the present moment,
So that each moment stands alone,
And becomes a visitation,
A presence in its own right.

At a time when we are denied communal physical participation in the Eucharist, I do not believe that God abandons us. But it takes work; establishing new spiritual routines and practices. As we do this, we will be graced by discoveries of the Real Presence in new and unexpected places.

Thirdly, thanksgiving. Dr Kerry Howells is one of the world's leading researchers into the psychology and practice of Gratitude. Over the past month, I have been receiving a daily e-mail from Kerry entitled: “Gratitude in Practice”. It has been such a blessing to open these e-mails each morning, and to reflect on these words of wisdom and encouragement alongside the anxiety of pandemic realities. A couple of weeks ago Kerry wrote: “In her brilliant book, *The Gift of Thanks: The Roots and Rituals of Gratitude*, social anthropologist Margaret Visser tells us that the French word for gratitude is ‘reconnaissance’ – to recognise. When we express gratitude to another in ways that are meaningful to them, we enact a certain kind of reconnaissance where we recognise their value and worth”.

SPATIAL DISTANCING?

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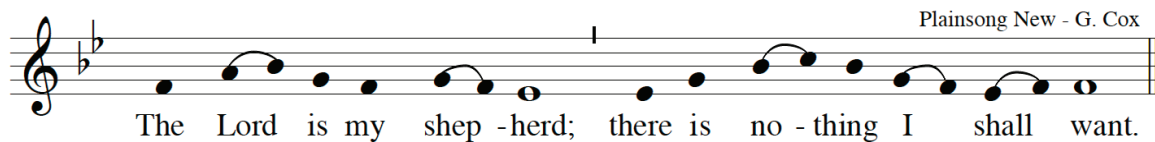


SUNDAY MASS READINGS

First Reading: Acts 2.14a, 36b-41

When the days of Pentecost had come. Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd. “Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” Now when the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added to their number.

Psalm : 23.1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6



The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul.

R.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

R.

You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

R.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord

my whole life long.

R.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2.20b-25

Brothers and sisters: If you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel: John 10.1-10

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP, WEDNESDAYS AT NOON

Meditation is a way of tapping into a deep spring of love, joy and peace that is within us all. Jesus called it 'living water'. Parishioner Roland Ashby has set up an online Christian meditation group and warmly invites any parishioner to join the group. It is on Wednesdays at 12 noon, and lasts for about 45 minutes. If you are interested, please email him or more details: randrashby@bigpond.com

THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these days of pandemic we are no longer able to gather as a worshipping community as we used to. Many parishioners, however, are finding it a comfort to worship and pray at home. It is a long-held tradition for Christians, Lay and Ordained, to pray the Daily Office. All you need is a Bible and A Prayer Book. If you only have one or neither of these at home, call Carol in the Bookroom, or online at : <http://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/>

MORNING PRAYER

EVENING PRAYER

Philip and James, Apostles and Martyrs

Monday Ps 27
Job 22.31-23.11, 15-16
Acts 2.37-47

Ps 33
Proverbs 4.10-18
John 6.1-14

Tuesday Pss 143 & 146
Numbers 6.1-8, 6.22-7.5
John 11.17-37

Ps 105.23-45
Exodus 25.1-22
1 Corinthians 4.6-21

John, Apostle & Evangelist

Wednesday Ps 45
Wisdom 7.3-14
John 1.1-18

Ps 66
Exodus 25.31-40, 27.20-21
1 Corinthians 5

Thursday Pss 47 & 99
Numbers 10.35-11.15
John 11.45-54

Ps 135
Exodus 28.1-6 & 29.1-9
1 Corinthians 6.1-11

Julian of Norwich, holy woman and mystic (d.1417)

Friday Pss 16 & 30
Numbers 11.16-33
John 11.55-12.8

Ps 136
Exodus 29.38 -30.8(9-10)
John 6.12-20

Saturday Ps 116
Numbers 12
John 12.9-19

Pss 111 & 113
Exodus 31
1 Corinthians 7.1-11

PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

Margaret Brown, Joe Butscher PRIEST, Hanna Christiansen, Alice McCraith, Grace James, Lyn Nicholas, Tania Burdick, John Small, John Taaff, Evelina Thornton, Paul Wheelton, Rosemary Wilcox, Geoffrey Wratten, and George.

AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, Chris Bennie, Tania Burdick, John Crocker, Gail Edwards, Sr Gloria CHN, Cliff Gornall, Sr Hilary CHN, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Liz Prideaux, Judith Ryles, Barbara Ure-Smith, Annette Wood, Anne Wuttke; Andrew, Cecilia, Chad, Jan, and Peter.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: Allan Rei, Marion Rose Webster

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun 3 Andrew James Bennie, Mary Robbins

Mon 4 Roberta Alicia Lyons, Elizabeth Jane Trehern

Tue 5 William A'Beckett, Helen Winifred Gore Claridge,
William Downes James PRIEST, May Johns,
John William Stringer PRIEST

Wed 6 Grace Ferguson, Carol Hunter, May Millicent Furphy Johns,
Made Sukarna

Thu 7 Owen Dowling BISHOP, Eleanor Kent Hughes,
Julie Anne Messina

Fri 8 Katherine Bird, Ann Cozens, Harold Keith Hiah, Allen Kenn,
Hubert Clarence Mitchell, Rochelle Ondaatje,
Anna Whitney Ross, Silas Johnston Smyth,
Harold Thompson PRIEST, Reginald Wigger, Mary Williams

Sat 9 Nelly Fraser, Geoffrey Ogilvy, Ethel Were

NOTICES

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON YOUTUBE, EVERY SUNDAY MORNING

During these days of lock-down, all our Sunday Mass services are recorded. This Sunday's service will be posted early in the morning, so you can join us for remote worship at your usual Sunday worship time if you would like. Just tune into the St Peter's You Tube channel:

<https://bit.ly/34PFoBK>

SUNDAY MORNING TEA AT THE VICARAGE, BY ZOOM EVERY SUNDAY FROM 12.30PM

Usually, after Mass, we gather in the Hall for morning tea. As we can't do this in the same way anymore, the Vicar has started hosting a virtual "Sunday Morning Tea at the Vicarage" on Zoom. Do feel free to join in, by following the link: <https://bit.ly/3csplvY>

DEVOTIONAL RESOURCES ON THE PARISH WEBSITE

As we are no longer able to gather as a Parish for worship, our personal devotions will become increasingly important for nurturing our faith and our sense of God's presence in this crisis. Our Lay Minister, Alae Taule'alo, has put together a number of devotional resources that may be helpful to you over the coming weeks and months of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Link: <https://www.stpeters.org.au/devotional-resources>

ZOOM ROSARY AT ST PETER'S

The Rosary will be held thrice weekly: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5pm via Zoom. To download the Zoom app or join the meeting online visit the Zoom website: <https://zoom.us/>. If you're interested in being on the Zoom Rosary mailing list please email: alaetaulealo@gmail.com

FLOWERS DONATED TO THE PARISH

Flowers are given by Mary Armour in loving memory of her husband Jack Macmichael Armour, whose year's mind occurred on Good Friday'.

THE MELBOURNE ANGLICAN NOW ONLINE

The May edition of “The Melbourne Anglican” (TMA) is now available at <http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/this-months-tma> in various formats for reading online and printing.

On page 4 this month “Around Melbourne” there is an article on the St Peter’s Social Enterprise “Heaven at The Hill” meal distribution program.



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‘Transformative’ gift from Melbourne Anglicans for fire recovery

DONORS TO the Melbourne Anglican Foundation have raised tens of thousands of dollars for emergency relief funds in the Anglican Dioceses of Gippsland and Wangaratta after the devastating summer fire season.

“The gift of the Melbourne Anglican Foundation and its supporters has been transformative in shaping our ministry to bushfire-ravaged east Gippsland,” said Bishop of Gippsland Richard Treloar. “It enables us to provide sustained and widespread relief directly to affected households and businesses, working with local parishes to help individuals and their communities rebuild lives and hope.

“The Diocese is greatly moved

by this expression of solidarity from within the Province of Victoria, amid many other donations and acts of human kindness that have been received. Thank you generous Melbournians!”

The fires in the Diocese of Wangaratta devastated small communities in the Corryong and the Alpine regions.

“These areas were heavily impacted economically as both [regions] depend on tourists for economic survival,” Bishop of Wangaratta Clarence Bester said.

“We would like to express our thanks to all donors who gave to the Melbourne Anglican Foundation.”

Read full story on page 10.



Dr Richard Treloar, Bishop of Gippsland, with the Revd Jude Benton from the Croajingolong Parish, at fire-affected Croajingolong National Park in East Gippsland in mid-January.

SA’s Archbishop Smith the new Primate

by Mark Brolly

ARCHBISHOP GEOFFREY Smith of Adelaide



COVID-19: Have a ‘big vision’, says Archbishop Freier

by Stephen Cauchi

ARCHBISHOP PHILIP Freier has urged Anglicans to have a “big vision” to

“We need to be not just looking at the present day troubles and tribulations but have a strong vision for the future – how ministry is

THE LAZARUS CENTRE CHAIPLANCY NEWSLETTER

The latest edition of Fr Philip's Lazarus Centre Chaplaincy Newsletter is now available to download in PDF format at: <https://bit.ly/2SoJN9Q>

Thanks to Fr Philip, Chris De Paiva and all the Lazarus Centre Team for this essential service to some of Melbourne's poorest people in this time of pandemic.

Easter 2020

Lazarus Centre Chaplaincy Newsletter

Volume 7 Issue 1

Caring for the marginalised in times
of Covid-19



The Lazarus Centre Breakfast Program continues to operate during these testing times. After a couple of configurations as social distancing expectations came into sharper focus the way of serving our participants settled into the way pictured above. The Baine Marie is filled with ham, cheese and tomato sandwiches prepared in the kitchens of Parliament House and toasted by Breakfast Program staff and volunteers.

There is a steady stream of people who, as ever, are appreciative of a hearty meal but there is something missing that is a crucial element of ministry to those in need at St Peter's. That

ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

We are still open behind closed doors! Please phone, email or order online through our website.

As reviewed and celebrated in April's edition of The Melbourne Anglican these three traditional women Christian mystics affirm our sense 'that in these tumultuous times we are going to have to dig deep and that we are called to stand with courage in truth.' A reissue of pocket size books for daily reading. Each contains inspiring and profound selections by these marvellous women mystics.

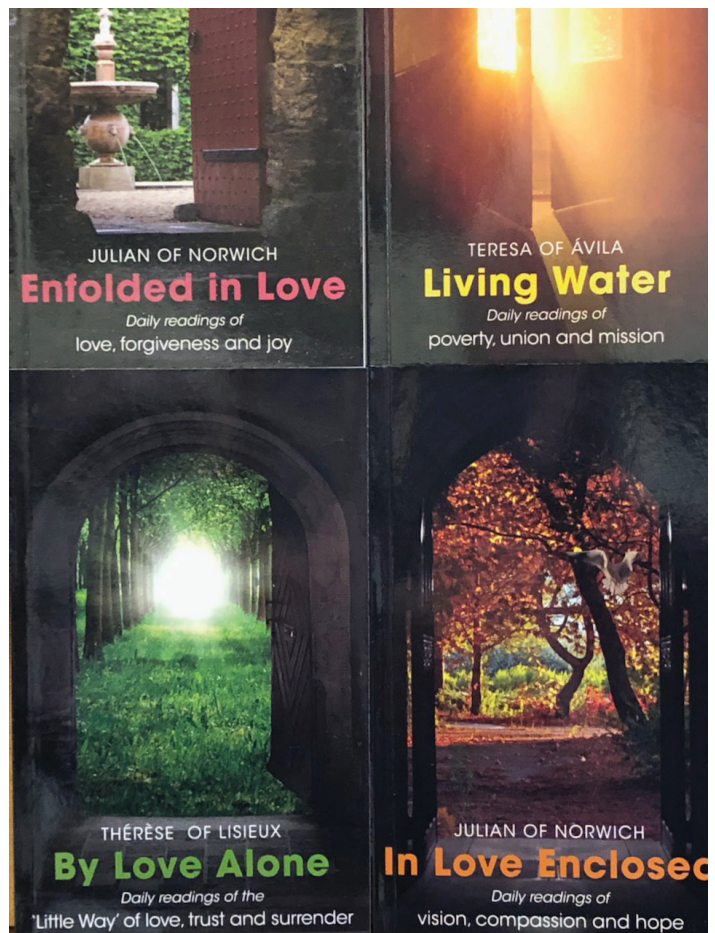
'I saw that all compassion to one's fellow-Christians, exercised in love, is a mark of Christ's indwelling.' Julian of Norwich

Enfolded in Love: Julian of Norwich
\$14.95

In Love Enclosed: Julian of Norwich
\$14.95

Living Water: Teresa of Avila \$14.95

By Love Alone: Terese of Lisieux \$14.95



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Monday – Friday 9.30am to 4.30 pm Sunday - after 9.30am & 11am Mass

15 Gisborne St Melbourne 3002

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Sunday Services

8.00 am	Low Mass (BCP)
9.30 am	Family Mass
11.00 am	High Mass
6.00 pm	Low Mass (Evensong & Benediction on 4 th Sunday)

Refreshments are available in the Parish Hall after each of the Sunday morning Masses

Weekday Services

Mon – Fri:	Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays) Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm
Wed:	Mass at 1.15pm
Sat:	Mass at 9.00am (Cell of our Lady of Walsingham, 3 rd Saturday of the month)

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Vicar:	Fr Hugh Kempster	0488 960 022
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	Fr Don Edgar	0418 967 829
	Fr Philip Gill	0480 101 711
	Fr Ken Letts	03 9662 2391
	Fr David Peake	0412 299 839
	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112
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	Helen Drummond (People)	0419 897 973
	Rachel Ellyard (People)	0419 335 793
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Flowers:	Helen Drummond	0419 897 973
Guild of St Benedict	Daniel Ferguson	0419 572 033
Head Server:	Anthony Schepis	0400 578 952
Music Administrator:	Sue Wuttke	0422 866 286
Organist:	Rhys Arvidson	0405 277 853
Parish Administrator:	Konstantine Soteriou	03 9662 2391
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RMIT Chaplaincy:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892
Weekday Mass	Christy Thiagarajah	03 9662 2391

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Stephen Duckett (Chair)
Rachel Ellyard
Daniel Ferguson
Peter Griffin (Treasurer)
Stuart Hibberd
Fr Hugh Kempster (President)
Daniel Mitterdorfer (Secretary)
Terry Porter
William Southey
Rwth Stuckey
Peter Wild
Sue Wuttke

*We are an inclusive
and welcoming Church,
built on the lands of the
Wurundjeri people.
We are committed to
social justice, equality and
diversity. Our mission
is: "Catholic Evangelism:
Growing in God's love".*