# Welcome to ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? [John 14.2]

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7 MAY 2023

# WORSHIP AT ST PETER'S

#### **SUNDAY**

8.00am Low Mass (Traditional Language in the Handfield Chapel)

9.30am FAMILY MASS

11.00am HIGH MASS

6.00pm Evensong & Benediction (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays).
6.00pm Low Mass (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays)

#### **WEEKDAYS**

Daily Low Mass – 8.00am Monday to Friday in the Handfield Chapel.

This is also live streamed on Facebook.

Wednesday – 1.15pm & Saturday 12noon Low Mass in the Handfield Chapel.

# **DAILY INTERCESSIONS**

**FOR THE SICK:** Jude Westrup, Geoffrey Wratten, Bp Michael Hough, Peter-Barnabas Wild, Shelley Young, Eileen McSweeney, Sharon Mulready, Nelson Rufatt, Janine Stewart, Bp John Stewart, Rob Whalley, Helen Drummond, Bp John Parkes.

#### FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

John Scott Priest, Roger Kelly Priest, Jenny Pickering, John McLaughlin, Stephen Miles Priest, Kate Jessup, Paul Kathner, Verity Anne CSJE, Don McDonald.

#### FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK

- May 7 Owen Dowling візнор, Eleanor Hughes, Julie Messina
  - 8 Katherine Bird, Ann Cozens, Harold Hiah, Allen Kenn, Hubert Mitchell, Rochelle Ondaatje, Anna Ross, Silas Smyth, Harold Thompson PRIEST, Reginald Wigger, Mary Williams
  - 9 Nelly Fraser, Geoffrey Ogilvy, Ethel Were
  - 10 Jack Armour, Louisa Bakewell, Norman Bevan, Eileen Heden
  - 11 Frances Burrows, Barry Dobson, Ethel Hudson, Ethel Wall
  - Mildred Dahle, Mary Duggan, David Owen, Lawrence Turnbull PRIEST, Charles Wheeler
  - 13 John Butement, Elizabeth Dawson, Stanley Dening, Gladys Hammond, John Mills

Please contact Eugene Chin at the Parish Office or email office@stpeters.org.au to have names added to the sick list. They will remain on our prayer list for one month unless requested to be extended.

# THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Please stand for the beginning of the Mass. The people's responses are printed in bold.

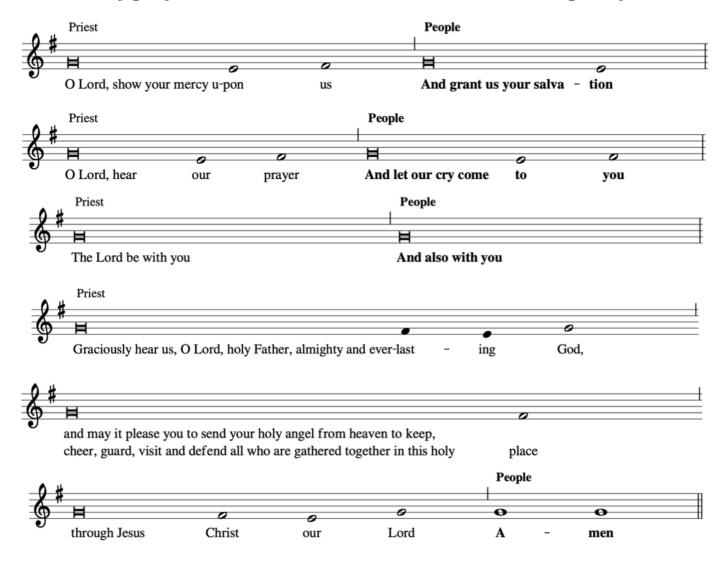
Mass setting: Victoria: Missa O quam gloriosum

Entrance Hymn:

- [9.30am & 11.00am] NEH 114 Now is eternal life
- 9.30am Family Mass begins on page 4.



The sanctuary party re-enters the chancel. The celebrant intones the responsory.



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#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

O sing a new song to the Lord, alleluia; for he has worked wonders, alleluia; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia, alleluia.

V. O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have wrought salvation.

O sing a new song...

#### Celebrant:

In the name of the Father, ♣ and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Christ is Risen. Alleluia.

He is Risen indeed. Alleluia.

Please kneel

The Deacon introduces the Confession:

Merciful God: Our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the Absolution.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

The Kyries are sung at 9.30am and sung by the choir at 11.00am

Kyrie eleison

Christe eleison

Christ have mercy

Kyrie eleison

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, + in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Celebrant prays the Collect.

Everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life: give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

Please sit for the readings.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### Acts 7.55-60

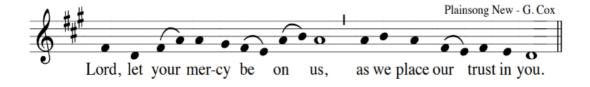
A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Standing before the high priest and the council, Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 33



Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

Praise befits the upright.

Praise the Lord with the lyre;

make melody to him with the harp of ten strings. **R.** 

For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord. **R.** 

Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine. **R.** 

#### THE EPISTLE: 1 Peter 2.2-10

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight. Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,' and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Deacon:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John [14.1-12]. 

# Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit for the Homily by Fr Michael Bowie

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified und

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please kneel. After each petition:

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.

And let light ★ perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace. Celebrant:

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.** 

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** 

# **OFFERTORY ANTIPHON** [Sung by the choir]

Shout with joy to God, all the earth; sing a psalm to his name. Come and hear, all who fear God, and I will tell you what great things the Lord has done for my soul, alleluia.

Offertory hymn NEH 296 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Celebrant:

Blessed are you, Lord God..... Blessed be God forever.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy Church.

The Celebrant prays the Prayer over the Offerings. People respond with Amen.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Please kneel. The celebrant continues the prayer.

At 9.30am the Sanctus is sung by the people. At 11.00am the choir sings the Sanctus.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

+ Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:

#### Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

now

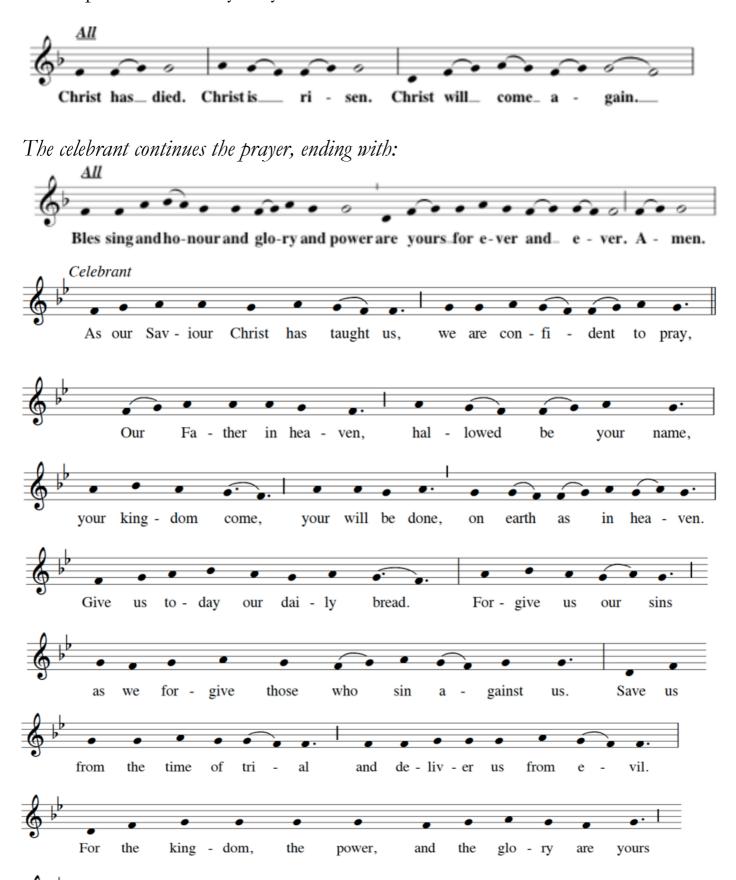
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#### Celebrant:

We who are many are one body.

For we all share in the one bread.

All remaining kneeling as the Agnus Dei is sung by the choir.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

#### Celebrant:

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The Celebrant recites silently the Communion Antiphon.

Communicant members of any Christian church are invited to receive the sacrament. All others are very welcome to come forward for a blessing.

# **COMMUNION MOTET** Sung by the choir.

Durufle: Tantum ergo

Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.

NEH 119 The strife is o'er

# THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Celebrant sings the final prayer, leading to:

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

The Celebrant offers the blessing and the Deacon dismisses the congregation:

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### THE REGINA CAELI

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia. He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia. As he promised hath arisen, alleluia. Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia, alleluia.

O God, who by the Resurrection of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has given joy unto the world: grant we pray that by the help of his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of life eternal, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Sanctuary party processes to the West door for the final prayers and dismissal.

Postlude: D. Buxtehude (1637-1707) Praeludium in G (BuxWV 149)

If you are a new parishioner, or a visitor to St Peter's, please introduce yourself to the clergy at the door as you leave the church. All are welcome for refreshments after the Mass in the Parish Hall.

# Readings for the Sixth Sunday of Easter.

Acts 17.22-31; Psalm 66; 1 Peter 3.13-22; John 14.15-21

# **NOTICES**

|See page 18 for Weekly Reflections|

# Supporting the Parish financially

Please continue to think about how you can contribute to the Parish for our ongoing ministries. If you plan to commit to a regular donation, please let us know as this helps with planning and budgeting. There are a number of ways you can support the Parish.

#### General contributions

This is the most important way to help us, as your donation can be used to support all of the activities of the Parish. A *regular deposit via bank transfer* helps us meet the ordinary bills of the parish. Please put your name in the relevant field so we can acknowledge your contribution.

Direct payment to the Parish account held by Anglican Development Fund: BSB: 703-122 Account number: 05004666. You can also specify that your donation – either regular or once off - could be for something specific, such as flowers. A regular deposit helps us plan what we can do throughout the year.

If you want to give something extra as a once off, please tap your credit card on the machine at the door. Tap as often as you like – the more the merrier!

Regular donation envelopes. We maintain a system of regular giving through envelopes put in the collection plate. For those of you who give this way, thanks. If you want to start giving this way, please contact the Parish Office office@stpeters.org.au

#### Tax deductible donations:

For those parishioners who are taxpayers, there are two ways of making tax deductible donations, which can help your donation go further:

- A donation to the Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation, specifying St Peter's, helps keep our uplifting music program going. Please specify your name so we can acknowledge the donation. You can donate at this website: <a href="https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/">https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/</a>
- The St Peter's Eastern Hill Melbourne Charitable Foundation is a not-for-profit charity established in 1999 to support people and need, including Anglicare 'Lazarus Centre' homeless breakfast program, and the Social Enterprise. The Charitable Foundation also helps the parish restore and maintain its facilities and amenities. If making a donation to help with maintenance so we can continue our work with those in need, please specify 'maintenance' in the relevant field on the Charitable Foundation website <a href="https://www.spehcf.com.au/support-the-foundation">https://www.spehcf.com.au/support-the-foundation</a>

# Bequests:

Please also remember St Peter's in your will, giving after you die in the same way you gave in life. Bequests can be made for a specific purpose (such as maintenance) and you can also specify that the bequest be placed in our 'endowment fund' (the Handfield Fund) so that only the interest or dividends are used for the work of the parish, but the initial amount you donated remains intact.

**Roster to Polish wood in the church!** Today following our 11am High Mass – we are starting to polish the wood in the Handfield Chapel. If you have half an hour or an hour after a cup of coffee in the Hall please come to the chapel. David Outram will provide the materials needed and give guidance and assistance. The next polishing event will be Sunday June 4<sup>th</sup> when we will polish the Lady Chapel.

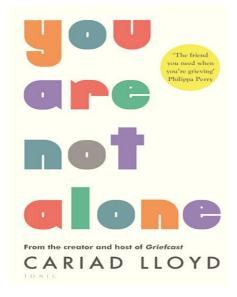
# St Peter's Bookroom & Church Supplier

Recommended Reading:

You Are Not Alone by Cariad Lloyd

When Cariad was just fifteen, her dad died. She became the person-whose-dad-had-died; a mess of emotions and questions; a grief-mess.

Years later, she began trying to unravel this tightly wound grief. What had happened? What effect had it all had on who she was? She started Griefcast, the podcast that talks openly, honestly and at times cheerfully about life's most difficult moment: its end.



Inspired by her own grief mistakes and lessons, and from the profound and witty insights from her incredible guests – including Philippa Perry, Reverend Richard Coles, Isabel Allende, Nish Kumar and Marian Keyes – Cariad provides a road map for all of us. For anybody who has felt lost in grief, who wants to help someone struggling, or just wants to understand this life a little better. You are not alone.

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#### WEEKLY REFLECTION

Mthr Kathryn writes...

When I first spoke to a vicar about being a parish priest, he said, 'I like to say we and hairdressers are the last two 'jack-of-all-trades' professionals. A priest is part therapist, part handyman...' The list went on. How right he was. So it was that last Wednesday morning after mass and breakfast, I went on an adventure with one fellow Christian and several brooms up several steep flights of stairs in St Peter's bell tower, on a rescue mission: retrieve the parish flag.

I am told that only last year this lovely new parish flag was made to welcome Fr Michael to the parish. It was hoisted up the flagpole last June,

where it fluttered happily overhead for almost a year, waving silently on as everyone came and went in the church grounds below. Then a few weeks ago someone looked up and beheld a significant absence: the flag was missing.

Some investigation revealed that its rather weathered rope had snapped, and the flag had fluttered into one of the stone grooves in the second tier of the tower. There it remained, out of reach to those above and below. So, as I say, it was that Christian and I proceeded up into the turret with said brooms and some duck-tape—out of which we fashioned a long reaching implement to lift the flag out of the niche...

There were initial delays as we discovered that not only did the brooms need duck-taping, but eyeglasses also needed to be duck-taped to temples to avoid Christian's clear-sightedness and our hopes of success spiralling off his nose onto the slats below.

Half-hanging ourselves out of the turret again, Christian proceeded to prod and pull at the flag for some time before deciding we needed more perspective. Christian handed me the "reacher", moved around to the other side of the pinnacle and located the second half of the flag tucked into the groove around the corner. The sky clouded over, rain spattered down upon us, but we were not deterred. We passed the reacher back and forth, prodding and tugging from all angles. With many, many minutes' patience, we managed to hoist the flag out of the far corner. Back around at our original vantage point, success drew near: the flag was hooked, uplifted—and proceeded to tumble out of reach onto the roof slats below.

There it now lays, awaiting yet another adventure for us—this time, with a very long ladder—to ransom it from the rooftop and restore it to its rightful heights. Do not let your hearts be troubled: before the month is out, it will be fluttering overhead again, the symbol of two keys and an inverted cross reminding us of Peter this parish's patron and two great 'moments' of faith. The inverted cross directs us to the humility with which, by legend, Peter asked to be crucified upside down, as he was not worthy to hang upright, in the same manner as his Lord; and the keys symbolise those which our Lord entrusted to Peter on behalf of his people, keys to open the gates to that other kingdom, where the only ropes snapped are those of sin and mortality, while we are uplifted and transfigured, like the clouds, in the presence of our blessed Lord.

# PARISH DIRECTORY

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Office Hours: 10am to 1pm, Tuesday – Friday

#### **Sunday Services**

8.00am Low Mass [BCP]; 9:30am Family Mass; 11.00am High Mass 6pm Low Mass [ $1^{st}$ , $3^{rd}$  & $5^{th}$  Sundays] 6pm Evensong & Benediction [ $2^{nd}$  &  $4^{th}$  Sundays]

#### Weekday Services

Mon-Fri Mass at 8.00am (9.00am on Public Holidays); Wednesday 1:15pm Mass; Saturday 12noon Mass Special Devotion to Our Lady of Walsingham on the 4th Saturday of the month Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 7.00pm

Clergy and Lay Ministers			Parish Council Membership
Vicar:	Fr Michael Bowie	0432 072 213	Geoffrey Bush-Coote
Assistant Priest:	Mthr Kathryn	0416 378 748	Rachel Ellyard
	Bellhouse		Fr Michael Bowie(President)
Associate Clergy:	Fr Graeme Brennan	0427 321 744	Daniel Ferguson
	Mthr Pirrial Clift	0407 453 306	Peter Griffin (Treasurer)
	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976	Stuart Hibberd
	Fr Philip Gill	0480 101 711	Daniel Mitterdorfer
	Fr Ken Letts	03 9662 2391	(Secretary)
	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112	Terry Porter
Klingner Scholars:	Alex De Leon	03 9662 2391	Michael Upson
	Naomi Johnson	03 9662 2391	Peter Wild
Other Parish Ministries and Program	2		Sue Wuttke
Bookroom:	Carol O'Connor	03 9663 7487	Michael Gronow
Cell of O.L.O.W:			Geoff Sutherland
Charitable Foundation:	Krystyna Campbell-	03 9662 2391	Craig Wilson
	Pretty		
Children's Church:	Katherine Barnett	0403 352 256	
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Churchwardens:	(Vicar's Warden)		church, built on the unceded lands
	Michael Gronow	0411 289 318	of the Wurundjeri people. Our
	(People's Wardens)		mission is: 'Worshipping Christ
	Rachel Ellyard	0419 335 793	in the Eucharist; serving Christ
	Daniel Ferguson	0419 572 033	in the world".
COVID Safe & Child Safety Officer:	Rachel Ellyard	0419 335 793	
Director of Music.	Andrew Raiskums	0439 556 627	
Flowers:	Michael Upson	0492 964 984	
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:	Eugene Chin	03 9662 2391	
Pastoral care:	Di Clark	0407 354 987	
Prayer Link & Pastoral:	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112	
Sacristan:	Naomi Johnson	03 9662 2391	