WELCOME TO

ST. PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



Let the Little Children come to Me, Carl Christian Vogel von Vogelstein c. 1805.

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME 19th September 2021

God and Father of all, you have taught us through your Son that the last shall be first, and have made a little child the measure of your kingdom: give us the wisdom from above, so that we may understand that in your sight the one who serves is the greatest of all. 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.**

WEEKLY MUSINGS

There is a saying that there are two things that should never be spoken about at a dinner party – religion and politics. Either subject is likely to cause friction in relationships simply because, whether we admit it or not, views of God and government run very deep and give rise to intense emotional responses. Into this reality Jesus comes preaching a message of love. Yet even his most trusted followers could not resist the temptation to gain personal advantage over each other. It is good that the writers of the New Testament have not attempted to 'air brush' over the difficulties. We cannot look back to a golden age where Christians were able to claim that they got things completely right.

However, the quality of the relationships of Jesus' followers is of great concern. In addition to passages such as Mark 9.30-37, John 17 tells us that Jesus prayed that his disciples might all be one as he and the Father are one. This cannot mean that by being one we are to be the same as each other, otherwise Jesus would have chosen a much more homogenous group of disciples, and God would have created a world of clones. In our diversity there is a real challenge to live as people who love God and make every effort to make this love real in the world.

How we remain faithful to the gospel in managing our differences has immediate relevance for the Anglican Church of Australia. *The Melbourne Anglican* reports this month about a threat to the unity of our church (http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/this-months-tma). There are plans for the formation of a new church body as a breakaway group. The decisive breaking point has been differences over attitudes towards same sex unions. Those advocating for the separation cannot accept the Appellate Tribunal's decision that the blessing of same sex couples already married does not contravene the Church's constitution.

History is strewn with examples of we Christians breaking from each other. I wonder why it has seemed necessary for Christians to split over disagreements. Often one group will claim their way is God's way therefore those who disagree must be against God. I know many of these disputes arise because one group claims a clear view of Scripture so it may be provocative to do exactly that, as it seems clear to me that Jesus taught his disciples that they must put aside their pride and live with each other in humility and love.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Due to the latest pandemic lock-down public worship is not currently permitted; but we warmly invite you to join us online for Mass, live-streamed to FaceBook and YouTube.

PRELUDE: *Meditation* by G. Sceats

MASS SETTING: Mass: Missa Corona Dolorum by R. Heagney (b. 1942)

The sacred ministers process to the altar steps; the celebrant then censes the altar.

INTROIT

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord; from whatever tribulations they cry out to me, I will give heed to them; and I will be their Lord for ever.

Vs. Attend, O my people, to my law; incline your ear to the words of my mouth Glory be etc.

Celebrant:

In the name of the Father, + and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The celebrant chants the collect for purity.

The cantor sings:

Kyrie eleison

Christe eleison

Christ have mercy

Kyrie eleison

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

The celebrant 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.

The Gloria.

Gloria in excelsis Deo Glory to God in the highest,

et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. And on earth peace to men of good will, We

Laudamus te, praise you,

benedicimus te,

adoramus te,

glorificamus te.

We bless you,

We adore you,

We glorify you.

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam We give you thanks for your great glory.

gloriam tuam,

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Lord God, heavenly King, Deus Pater omnipotens. O God, almighty Father,

Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe, Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.

qui tollis peccata mundi, You take away the Sins of the world,

miserere nobis; have mercy on us,

qui tollis peccata mundi, You take away the Sins of the world,

suscipe deprecationem nostram. receive our prayer

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

miserere nobis. have mercy on us.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, For you alone are the Holy One,

tu solus Dominus, you alone are the Lord

tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

cum Sancto Spiritu: With the Holy Spirit,

+ in gloria Dei Patris. Amen + In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The celebrant chants the collect of the day. Please then be seated for the readings.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

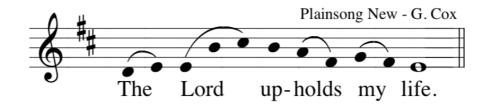
Wisdom 2.12, 17-20 read by Eugene Chin

The godless say. "Let us lie in wait for the righteous one, who makes life inconvenient to us and opposes our actions; who reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training. "Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life; for if the righteous one is God's child, God will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries. "Let us test him with insult and torture, so that we may find out how gentle he is, and

make trial of his forbearance. Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected."

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 54 led by the cantor, please join in the refrain.



Save me, O God, by your name, and vindicate me by your might. Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth **R**.

For the insolent have risen against me, the ruthless seek my life; they do not set God before them. **R**.

But surely, God is my helper; the Lord is the upholder of my life. With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you; I will give thanks to your name, for it is good. **R.**

JAMES 3.16 - 4.3 read by Eugene Chin

Where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Dirigatur oratio mea sicut incensum in conspectu tuo Domine.

V. Elevatio manuum mearum sacrificium vespertinum. Alleluia.

Let my prayer ascend like incense in your presence O Lord.

V. May the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice. Alleluia.

ALLELUIA sung by cantor

THE GOSPEL

Celebrant:

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (9.30-37)

+ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

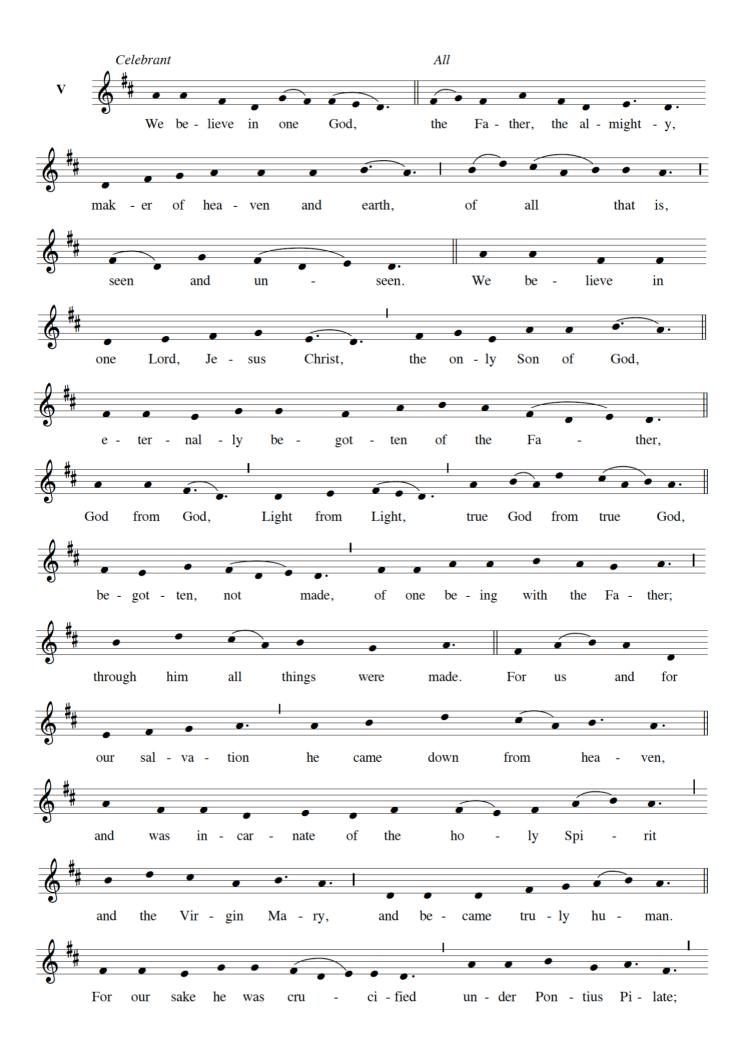
After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house Jesus asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. Jesus 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."

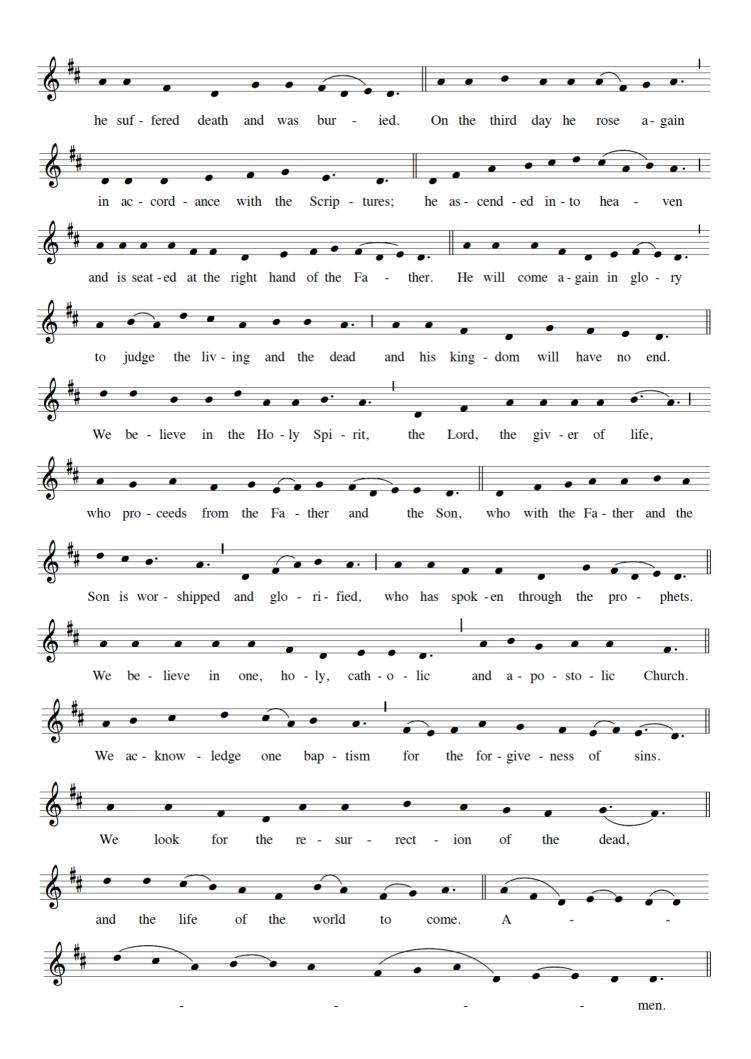
This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Alae Taule'alo

After the homily there is a short time of silent prayer.

Please stand for the Credo.





All kneel for the Prayers of the People, led by Eugene Chin. 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.

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

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

OFFERTORY

If I walk in the midst of tribulation you shall preserve my life, O Lord; you shall stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand has delivered me

MOTET: *Psaume 34* by A. Honegger (1895-1955)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 Church.

Celebrant:

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, leading to ...

Celebrant: ... forever praising you and saying:

Sanctus, Sanctus Holy, holy, holy

Dominus Deus Sabaoth. God of power and might, Pleni sunt caeli et terra heaven and earth are full

gloria tua. of your glory.

Hosanna in excelsis.

+ Benedictus qui venit
in nomine domini.

Hosanna in the highest.

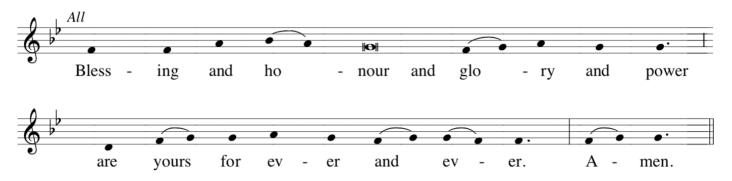
+ Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in excelsis Hosanna in the highest.

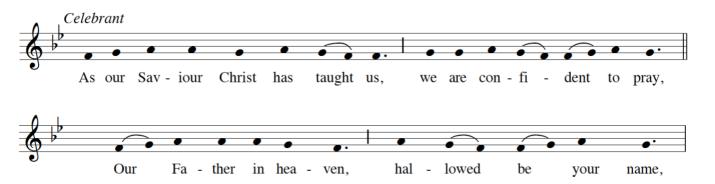
The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

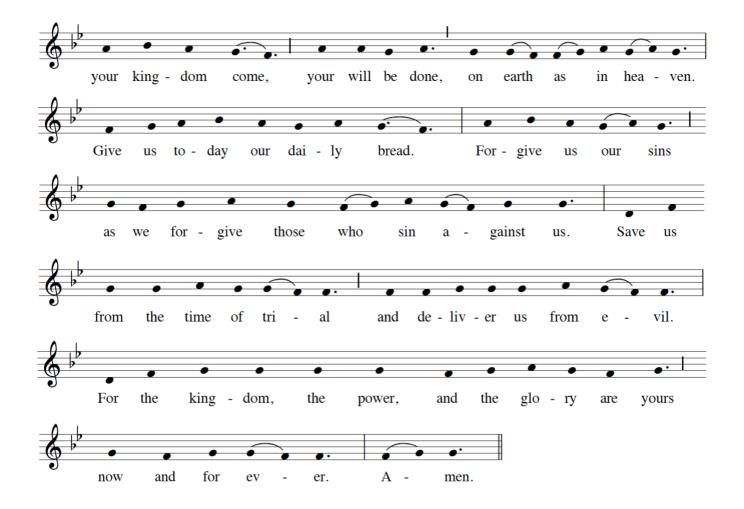


The celebrant continues the prayer, ending with:



All chant the Lord's Prayer:





Celebrant:

We who are many are one body. For we all share in the one bread.

All remaining kneeling. The cantor leads:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

miserere nobis. world: have mercy on us.

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Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

dona nobis pacem. world: grant us peace.

Celebrant:

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed 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.

Breaking of the Bread & Communion

The Sacrament is shared.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Though hast charged that we shall diligently keep thy commandments: O that my ways were made so direct that I might keep all the judgements of thy mouth.

MOTET: *Psaume 140* by A. Honegger

At the conclusion of the communion of the people, there is a time of silent prayer.

SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The celebrant chants 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 a blessing and dismisses the congregation:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ, Amen.

Postlude: Dialogue 'Veni Creator' by L. de Grigny (1672-1703)

DAILY INTERCESSIONS

FOR THE SICK:

Helen Barnard, Margaret Bishop, Kate Castle, Margaret Collins, David Curtis, Wendy Hancock, Janet Hubner, Russell Kennedy, Martin Moran, Lyn Nicholas, Noleen Nicholls, Liz Prideaux, Gary Robertson, Alex Robins, Judy Ryles, John Small, Ronald Stroud, Paul Wheelton & Peter.

AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, David Bornstein, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Rhonda Graham, Grace James, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Roman Kerr, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Alice McCraith, Mary Montagu, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Robin Page, Jenny Sasse, John Stewart BISHOP, Margaret Sutherland, Ian Thornton, Michael Upson, Barbara Ure-Smith & Jan.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: Alan Matheson

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

- Sun 19th George Humphris, Walter George Ivans PRIEST
- Mon 20th Ethel Lydia May Arnold, May Arnold, David Aymes, Louise Blencoe, Charles George Bright-Parker PRIEST, Marjorie Sarah Carter Cameron, Lorraine Marks, Blanche McEntee
- Tue 21st John Bull, Herbert, Henry Hammond PRIEST, Lily O'Connor, Henry George Kenneth Putt, John Francis Rosenthal
- Wed 22nd Freda Rae Mahnig
- Thu 23rd Marion Wood
- Fri 24th Helen Laura Nicolette Hooper, William Keartland, Peter George Courtney McWhinney, Jessie Harriet Welsh
- Sat 25th Violet Cresswell, Donald Hamley PRIEST, Margaret Malcolm

INCUMBENCY COMMITTEE NEWS

From the Parish representatives on the Incumbency Committee

Sunday 26th September 2021

(but watch this space)

The Parish Incumbency committee members are still meeting, and we welcome any feedback from you on any ideas.

A key part of the process is, as we have previously advised, a Parish Consultation convened by Archdeacon Heather Patacca. The purpose of the meeting is to invite the congregation to express its views in looking to the future of St Peter's.

It is currently scheduled for 26 September 2021, after High Mass. Our hope was that this would be face-to-face (it has been deferred once to allow this). We now know if it goes ahead on that day, it will be via zoom or equivalent. The Archdeacon will make a call about that in the light of what the Premier foreshadows when he makes an announcement about COVID restrictions on 19 September. Parishioners will be advised by a special email early next week.

Stephen Duckett (Wardens), Carol O'Connor (People) and Craig Wilson (People) Parish representatives on the Incumbency Committee look for your prayerful support throughout the process and suggest this prayer for guidance:

God of Grace, you judge your people with wisdom and rule us with love.

Give a spirit of understanding to the members of the incumbency committee

that they may make wise decisions

that will give glory to you and be a blessing to your people.

God of all Wisdom, you are our eternal shepherd and guide.

In your mercy grant your Parish of St Peter a shepherd after your own heart who will walk in your ways and with loving care watch over your people, that your name may be glorified.

Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

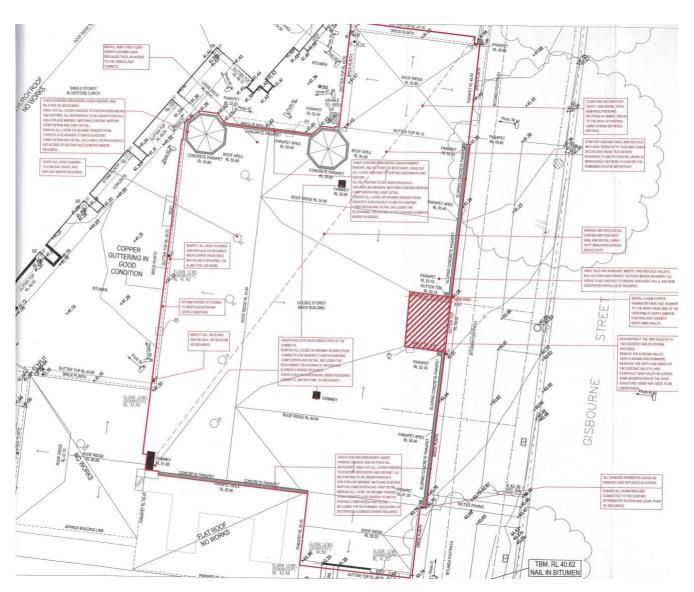
LIVING HERITAGE GRANT

We are pleased to announce that, with the assistance of Trethowan Architecture, we are the proud recipients of a Living Heritage Grant. The grant, awarded by the Victorian Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning provides matched funding for urgent repair and conservation works to the Hall roof.

The works will address current issues of water ingress and resultant damage and disrepair, and ensure the future preservation of the Hall.

The Hall is used for a variety of public events and services, as well as outreach activities for at-risk people in the local community. Roof repair and preservation will ensure these important services can continue into the future.

Thank you to Trethowan Architecture and the Victorian Government. We look forward to working together to complete these important works.



Parish Prayer Link

Apparently the most widely searched for Christian poem on Google is "Footprints in the Sand" by the American poet Carolyn Joyce Carty.

It is about a man who has a dream that he is walking along a beach with Jesus and sees scenes from his life in the sky. He sees his footprints in the sand behind him, two sets of prints, his own and Jesus'. He has travelled his life trusting in Jesus, but it troubles him that at the worst times in his life when he has really struggled, there is only one set of prints.

He asks Jesus why, at these times when he needed Jesus most, he had been alone. Jesus replies

"My son, my precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

This poem is so loved because it speaks to people of how in life there are times when we need to be carried by Jesus. Our own resources even our prayers can dry up.

The parish Prayer Link is one way that prayer support can be found at such times. Others can support you in prayer for yourself or your loved ones, confidentially, even namelessly, for as long as you like. It is one way of "bearing each others burdens", especially when we need prayer support in life's struggles.

Please feel welcome to get in touch if you would like the prayer link to support you in prayer, for yourself or others.

Fr Roger Prowd Tel: 0417 323 112

Email: rwprowd@bigpond.com

FAITH FORUM

An invitation to join a conversation on issues, questions, challenges of faith and spirituality

WHEN: Sunday 3rd October

(Please note: change of day and time due to Parish Consultation)

TIME: 12PM TO 1PM

MEETING ONLINE

Zoom Link:

https://sewanee-edu.zoom.us/j/84325903774

Meeting ID: 843 2590 3774

TOPIC FOR THIS MONTH

Prayer for 'hard times'! Facilitator: Roland Ashby

Roland will lead us in a journey of prayer – sharing some of his experience in meditation and contemplative prayer. This will be an opportunity to share our own experiences of prayer as well as ask questions and explore new options for prayer especially in the midst of a pandemic. What does prayer offer? Can it really help us? What works and what doesn't for us when it comes to prayer?

All are welcome! For more information or help in connecting to zoom contact **Fr. Greg** on **0417 992 976**

FRANCISCAN JOY



A DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION ON WHERE JOY
IS TO BE FOUND ... IN THE LIFE OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI AND IN
EVERY CHRISTIAN LIFE

SATURDAY 9th OCT 9.30am - 3.00pm

On Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84976254385 (or https://bit.ly/3nfIcmR)

LISTENING. SHARING. PRAYER SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

For enquiries and registration contact Mthr Pirrial Clift tssf

pirrialclift@outlook.com ph: 0407 453 306

Our Lady of Walsingham Rosary Group Invitation for Fasting and Prayer with Mary and for our Mother Earth

From 5pm on 2nd October, to 5pm on 3rd October 2021

October is the month of Mary. The 7th is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

Join us for 24 hours of prayer & fasting for the health and wellbeing of our planet.

Our fast will take place from the beginning of the zoom Rosary session at **5pm on Saturday 2**nd **October**, and conclude at the end of our zoom Rosary session at **5pm on Sunday 3**rd **October**.

Fasting is a discipline to help us focus on God.

- You could fast from food and drink
- Or fast from social media
- Or fast from negative thoughts
- Or fast from TV
- Or fast for just one meal, or two

The Invitation is to let the Holy Spirit and prayer guide you.

Resources will be provided:

- How to fast
- Prayers that may be helpful
- Information about the history of the Rosary and Mary in the Catholic and Orthodox Tradition.

For more information contact:

Carol - bookroom@stpeters.org.au Xeverie - xeverieswee@yahoo.com.au

The Rosary silences the inner disturbances of the soul; chaos that prevents you from praying falls to the wayside, as your body mind and spirit are enveloped.' Mthr Brit Frazier

Scripture by Text in Lockdown

As we journey through what we hope will be the last weeks of lockdown in Melbourne, we need scripture, reflection and prayer more than ever to comfort us and give us fresh perspective on the challenges we face in our daily lives.

Sign up to a receive a daily text message with a quote from scripture, an invitation to reflection and a short prayer. Here's an example of the kind of text message you'll receive:

John 12:36 "'Put your trust in the light while you have it, so that you may become the sons of light,' When he had finished speaking, Jesus left and hid himself from them."

Q: Is there someone who needs your light shined in their world RIGHT NOW? How will you shine?

Prayer: Light of light, ignite in me the passion to shine my light in dark places. Amen.

You can opt out at any time.

If you're interested, please text our Lay Minister Alae Taule'alo 0409 802 892. Text messages will begin Monday 20 September and continue for the remainder of lockdown.

Thankyou for supporting our 2021 calendar

Our 2022 calendar is out for grabs!!!

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2-3 are \$13	Postage \$5.50
4-6 are \$12	Postage \$12.95
7-25 are \$11	Postage \$16.30
20-40 are \$10	Postage \$19.65
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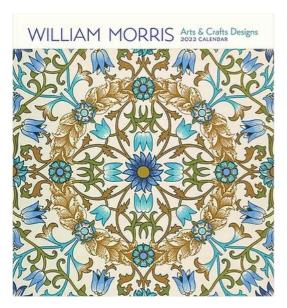
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William Morris 2022 Art Calendar has recently come in.



Have a look at our beautiful range of Blue Island Press calendars online and in store at this time

Price: \$30

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Office Hours: 10am to 2pm, Tuesday – Friday

Sunday Service (during lock-down)

10.30 am Mass - live-streamed on FaceBook and YouTube

Weekday Services (during lock-down)

Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays) – live-streamed on FaceBook Saturday Mass with Devotions to Our Lady of Walsingham (3rd Sat. of the month) – live-streamed on FaceBook Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm – live-streamed on FaceBook

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	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976
	Fr Philip Gill	0480 101 711
	Fr Ken Letts	03 9662 2391
	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112
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Organist:	Rhys Arvidson	0405 277 853
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Alae Taule'alo

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

