Welcome to

St Peter's Eastern Hill

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



Ordinary Sunday 16 19th July 2020

Saving God, in Jesus Christ you opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Vicar's Musings

Thanks to everyone who has given so incredibly generously to this year's Foundation Annual Appeal. See the letter below from our Foundation Chair. Also, some very sad news, for your prayers: Fr Don Edgar, a non-stipendiary St Peter's priest for more than 20 years, died on Thursday after a battle with cancer. Our hearts go out to Judie, and to Fr Don's family in their loss. May he rest in peace ...

Dear all,

I am pleased to report that, thanks to the deep generosity of our parishioners and supporters, this year's Annual Appeal has raised a total of \$73,565; an amount similar to last year. Given the very difficult prevailing economic circumstances, this is an outstanding result. Our sincere thanks to everyone who gave so generously. Particular mention must be made of a very generous gift of \$10,000 received from the Estate of Father Colin Holden. This was an amazing act of kindness by the executors of the Estate and is deeply appreciated. All donations are important and each and every one matters.

The Annual Appeal funds will be put to good use by the Foundation in both continuing our work with the homeless through the Lazarus Centre, as well as supporting the increasingly important work of our social enterprise, Heaven at The Hill. Our pandemic-relief work, distributing pre-packaged meals to the growing numbers of those in great need, continues and is gathering momentum. Under the leadership of social enterprise Board member and volunteer Operations Manager, Dr Ree Boddé, our team of twenty-four Heaven at The Hill student volunteers, have distributed more than 33,000 meals since the program began at the end of March.

We are working together, alongside Anglicare Victoria, the Parliament of Victoria and our other project partners, to assist those who are struggling in these incredibly challenging times. Thank you to all our donors for enabling us to continue this work.

Krystyna Campbell-Pretty Chair, St Peter's Eastern Hill Melbourne Charitable Foundation https://spehcf.com.au

Sunday Mass Readings

First Reading: Wisdom 12.13, 16-19

There is no god besides you, Lord, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly. For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it. Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose. Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

Psalm: 86.5-6, 9-10, 15-16



You, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you. Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication.

All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

R.

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

Turn to me and be gracious to me.

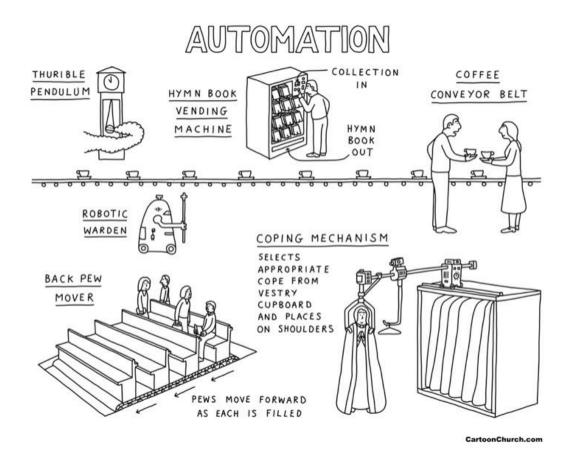
Give your strength to your servant. R.

Second Reading: Romans 8.26-27

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Gospel: Matthew 13.24-33

Jesus put before the crowds a parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." Jesus put before them another parable: The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."



PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

David Bornstein, Margaret Brown, Alice McCraith, Adain McCann, Sandrine Ficet, Mary Grima, Bradley James, Grace James, Christine Jounet, Margaret Lugg, Lyn Nicholas, John Small, John Stewart BISHOP, Margaret Sutherland, Evelina Thornton, Joan Waldren-Small, Paul Wheelton, and George.

As well as:

Jenny Allen, Chris Bennie, Tania Burdick, Joe Butscher Priest, John Crocker, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Sr Gloria CHN, Sr Hilary CHN, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, 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: Don Edgar Priest

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

- Sun 19 John Joseph Banks, Helen Blakston, Walter Bull, John Gordon, Alex Keamy, Muriel Lord, Hubert Neville
- Mon 20 Gertrude Dahle, Doris Draper, Georgina Gibbard, Edmund (Ted) Gielis, Sr Maree CHN, Cora Willat, Melva Wyatt
- Tue 21 Margaret Blackwell, James Richmond, Esther Elizabeth Taylor
- Wed 22 Constance Camilatos, Don Chessels, Grace Colgrave, Elsie Cousens, Dorothy Isabel Fearon, Graeme Hesketh, Stanley Harold Moule, Harry Reynolds Smyth PRIEST
- Thu 23 John Adams, Ernest Reglar
- Fri 24 Donald McCall, Ronald Francis Norman
- Sat 25 Joyce Bruce, Isobel Letts, Joseph Ernest Mack, Anne Mawbey, John Preston Walker

The Daily Office at Home

In these days of pandemic we are no longer able to gather as a worshiping 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		
Monday	Ps 48 Amos 5.18-6.7 John 6.52-71	Ps 49 Ezekiel 33.1-20 Romans 1.26-32		
Tuesday	Ps 50 Amos 6.8 -7.9 John 7.1-13	Ps 119.41-64 Ezekiel 33.21-33 Romans 2.1-11		
Mary Magdalene				
Wednesday	Ps 32 1 Samuel 16.14-23 Luke (7.36-50) 8.1-3	Ps 30 Hosea 14 Mark 15.40-16.8		
Thursday	Pss 54 & 55.1-12 Amos 8.4-14 John 7.32-53	Pss 55.13-15 (16-17) 18-28 Ezekiel 34.17-31 Romans 2.25-3.8		
Friday	Pss 56 & 57 Amos 9.1-6 John 8.1-11	Pss 60 & 61 Ezekiel 35 Romans 3.9-20		
James, Apostle & Martyr				
Saturday	Ps 29 2 Kings 1.9-15 Luke 9.46-56	Ps 7 Jeremiah 26.1-16 Mark 1.14-20		

God Only: A 6 Day At Home Retreat With Evelyn Underhill (Sunday 26th July – Friday 1st August 2020)

Evelyn Underhill (1875 – 1941) is best known today for her writing on mysticism and prayer. As an Anglican, worship and the sacraments were fundamental to her faith. Abp Michael Ramsey later said it was Evelyn Underhill who kept the church going during the period between the wars. Each day on this retreat we shall learn a little about her life, as well as read and reflect on a piece of writing from one of her books. There will be some questions, short biblical passage and a prayer. The retreat is designed to accommodate those of us who lead busy lives as well those at home during this time. It is time flexible; retreatants can devote half a hour a day or more as they prefer. There will also be suggested prayer times where will be apart but together in the Spirit. Retreat preparation will begin on Saturday 25th July, with an email letter of introduction.

This retreat has been prepared by Carol O'Connor, who is a writer, retreat conductor, parishioner and manager of St Peter's Bookroom, Melbourne.

Please let Carol know if you are interested in being part of this retreat. She can be contacted via email: bookroom@stpeters.org.au. Or, phone: 03 9663 7487 where a message can be left. Material will be emailed out early morning on each day of the retreat so we will need your email address. If you would like to be part but don't have an email contact, please contact Carol and we can devise another means for the material to reach you.

THE CONFIRMATION OF ELECTION OF THE 98TH ARCHBISHOP OF YORK - STEPHEN COTTRELL

The Confirmation of Election of Bishop Stephen Geoffrey Cottrell as the 98th Archbishop of York took place on Thursday 9 July at 11am.

The order of service may be viewed here: bit.ly/2WcGNiK

A video of the event may be viewed here: bit.ly/3fquvL1

Finally, a video introducing the 98th Archbishop of York may be viewed

here: bit.ly/2ZmyFhp

Congratulations Archbishop!

ST PETER'S PRAYER LINK

AN INITIATIVE OF THE PASTORAL CARE TEAM

Our Pastoral Care Team has launched a new initiative this month: the St Peter's Prayer Link. We are inviting parishioners and others to submit prayer requests, which will trigger focused prayer support from a small group of pray-ers, for one month from the date of the request being made. Further prayer requests may be made, but the prayer focus does not automatically continue beyond a month. The St Peter's Prayer Link does not replace the weekly Prayer List that is published in the Pew Sheet, and used at Mass each day of the week. Rather, this is intended as a prayer boost, additional private prayer support for those who request it.

Prayers for the month may be requested for those who are sick, but also for particular situations or concerns that are weighing heavily on you. They say that a problem shared is a problem halved. Similarly, a prayer shared is a prayer multiplied.

Fr Roger Prowd is the St Peter's Prayer Link coordinator. The others in the Prayer Link at this inaugural stage are: Fr Hugh, Di Clark, Xeverie Swee, and Peter Yewers. We anticipate bringing one or two other members of the Pastoral Care team onto the Prayer Link in the coming weeks. Who these new members are will be communicated clearly in the weekly Pew Sheet.

Confidentiality is of course paramount to this model of prayer support, so be assured that prayer requests will be kept strictly private amongst the Prayer Link group. Prayer requests will not be made public at Mass, nor shown in the Pew Sheet.

To ensure effective, confidential and accurate communication, all prayer requests should be made to the coordinator, Fr Roger, only. Fr Roger will then pass the request to the others in the Prayer Link. If you would like additional confidentiality for your prayer request, just mention this to Fr Roger, and your petition will be circulated to the Prayer Link group anonymously. For further information on the St Peter's Prayer Link, and to request prayer support in this way, please contact Fr Roger Prowd on: 0417 323 112 or rwprowd@bigpond.com



ABM Pew Reflections - 1 July to 29 September, 2020

Dear Friends in Mission,

We are pleased to present to you the ABM Pew Reflections for July to September, 2020. These may be downloaded from the Resources section of our website, click here.

This quarter's reflections have been written by ABM's Partnerships Coordinator, Robert McLean.

We hope you and your congregations will find these to be a useful resource.

Yours in Christ,

Michael Begaud Marketing & Fundraising Manager

DEVOTIONAL RESOURCES ON THE PARISH WEBSITE

As many of us are still not 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

SPATIAL DISTANCING?

Connect with St Peter's online

stpeters.org.au



Worship Devotions Social Networking







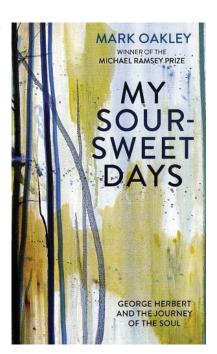
ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

Once more we are back open behind closed doors! This week please take time to check out all we have been doing, including our new card range, on our Bookroom Wesbsite.

New Release recommended for this time:

My Sour-Sweet Days: George Herbert and the Journey of the Soul by Mark Oakley

A book to sit with and ponder some of the great poems by well-loved English devotional poet George Herbert. His poems are 'heart-work and heaven-work', embracing love and closeness, anger and despair, reconciliation and hope. There is too an appealing and audacious playfulness about Herbert: he seems to take God on, knowing God will win, confident God will not abandon him. This sense of relationship with God as primarily friendship; one that is well worth deepening in our own current time of lockdown. \$32.95



My God, thou art all love.

Not one poore minute scapes thy breast,

But brings a favour from above;

And in this love, more then in bed, I rest.

Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 9.30am to 4.30 pm Sunday - after 9.30am & 11am Mass 15 Gisborne St Melbourne 3002

Situated in the Parish Hall building on the street side, facing St Patrick's Cathedral P: (03) 9663 7487 E: bookroom@stpeters.org.au

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[03] 9662 2391 Web: www.stpeters.org.au

E-mail: sphoffice@stpeters.org.au or vicarswarden@stpeters.org.au

Office Hours. 9.30am – 2.00pm Monday-Thursday

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 4th 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, 3rd Saturday of the month)

Clergy and Lay Ministers

Vicar:	Fr Hugh Kempster	0488 960 022
ASLM:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892
Clergy:	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976
	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
Klingner Scholar:	Xeverie Swee	03 9662 2391

Other Parish Ministries and Programs

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Acting Sacristan	Eugene Chin	03 9662 2391		
Bookroom:	Carol O'Connor	03 9663 7487		
Cell of O.L.O.W:	Liz Prideaux	03 9662 2391		
Charitable Foundation:Krystyna Campbell-Pretty		03 9662 2391		
Children:	Katherine Barnett	03 9387 4089		
Child Safety Officer:	Rachel Ellyard	03 9662 2391		
Churchwardens:	Stephen Duckett (Vicar)	0447 837 741		
	Helen Drummond (People)	0419 897 973		
	Rachel Ellyard (People)	0419 335 793		
Director of Music:	Andrew Raiskums	0439 556 627		
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		
Pastoral Care:	Di Clark	0407 354 987		
RMIT Chaplaincy:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892		
Weekday Mass	Christy Thiagarajah	03 9662 2391		

Parish Council Membership:

Helen Drummond Stephen Duckett (Chair) Rachel Ellyard

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".

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