Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



Ordinary Sunday 28 11th October 2020

Saving and healing God, you have promised that those who have died with Christ shall live with him: grant us grace to be continually thankful for all you have done for us, and in that thankfulness to be eager to serve and live for others so that we and all your children may rejoice in your salvation; 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

Bp Genieve invited me this week to speak at a Diocesan webinar: "Social Enterprise as Faith in Action: in the time of COVID-19 and beyond." The text of my talk is reproduced below.

What is a social enterprise? Business Victoria (www.business.vic.gov.au) defines them as: "businesses that trade to intentionally tackle social problems, improve communities, provide people access to employment and training, or help the environment." As Christians we might add: "it's just what do, and always have; faith in action." The scriptural justification is in almost every book of the Bible: "Love your neighbour as yourself" *Lev. 19:18*; "what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" *Micah 6:8*; "Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha ... she was devoted to good works and acts of charity" Acts 9:36; "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God" *Luke 6:20*.

Here at St Peter's social enterprise is in our DNA. In the depression of the 1890s we supported Sr Esther in her Mission to Streets and Lanes. Fr Tucker established the Brotherhood of St Laurence from St Peter's during the Great Depression of the 1930s. Following the 1987 share-market crash, parishioners of St Peter's started up the Lazarus Centre breakfast program, that we now run in partnership with Anglicare and still going strong.

The most recent chapter to the book has been the formation of St Peter's Eastern Hill Social Enterprise; an Incorporated Association and Registered Charity. After several years of dreaming, planning and fundraising, in September 2019 we launched our coffee caravan, which trades under the name "Heaven at The Hill." The primary purpose of the caravan – aside from making some of Melbourne's best coffee – is to provide employment pathways, training and volunteering opportunities, as well as meaning, purpose and a place of belonging for those who are in necessitous circumstances. A year later, by God's grace and a lot of hard work, we have been able to employ three post-release prisoners, assist one of our staff in securing an apprenticeship, and over the year we have built up a team of 41 volunteers, most of whom lost their jobs in March when the pandemic hit.

Ironically, our time of most dramatic growth as a social enterprise over the past year has been during the two COVID-19 lock-downs, and it is this story that I would like to tell briefly in the time we have left. At the end of March this year I received a call from State Parliament, where I serve as honorary Chaplain, asking if we would like to

distribute pre-packaged meals to those in need as a result of the pandemic. Our social enterprise Board member and volunteer Director of Operations, Dr Ree Boddé, said she might be ablke to find some spare time and take it on. Initially, we picked up 60 meals each day, and froze half of them. It was manageable with a handful of volunteers, including our daughter Hannah. But then we linked in with our other project partner, RMIT University, where St Peter's staff member, Alae Taule'alo, heads up the Multifaith Chaplaincy. It was at a time when the University had more than 17,000 student applications for emergency relief. In each communication with these students, they were encouraged to go to St Peter's if they needed food. The flood-gates opened! We now have around 350 students whom we serve each week, mostly international, and have distributed more than 44,000 meals in the last 6 months. Many of those picking up meals said they would like to give something back, so we now have a team of 41 volunteers. Our catch phrase is "run by students, for students."

We are a social enterprise, so as well as providing a hand-out, we also aim to give a hand-up as best we can. Soon after this second lock-down hit, we had a coffee machine donated, for training purposes, by the St Peter's Charitable Foundation. Since then we have developed a barista training program. Our trainees make pay-as-you-feel takeaway coffee for those who come to pick up their pre-packaged meals. One student visiting us then said: "can I sell my art work?" so now the students can pick up Matilda's beautiful postcards and cool painted shopping bags as well as a coffee. Then another student brought in some pre-loved clothes, and that has turned into the idea of a second-hand clothes shop for students, which we will launch as soon as the restrictions ease. The Parish Hall is fast becoming a hotbed of social entrepreneurism.

In closing, I'd like to tell a story that sums up, for me, the Heaven at The Hill meals program. It is the story of Alston, one of our first volunteers (and he's given his permission for me to tell his story). Alston is an Engineering Master's student at RMIT, from Mumbai. Back in April, he was desperate. He had lost his casual job, was not eligible for JobKeeper or JobSeeker. Back home, one of his parents had lost a job due to the pandemic. Alston was quite literally down to a potato and an onion in the cupboard, and he had no idea where tomorrow's food would come from. He had limited data on his phone, and the library was closed, so he had to ration his data and choose carefully which lectures to watch. Fortunately RMIT University told him about our food program. On his first day picking up food he asked if he could volunteer, to give something back. He then told us about his internet woes, so we gave him the parish office internet code, and set up a desk so he could study. Between lockdowns, and with a reference from us, he managed to get part-time work again, but he still makes the time to volunteer each week, and is integral to the ongoing planning and development of our various emerging programs.



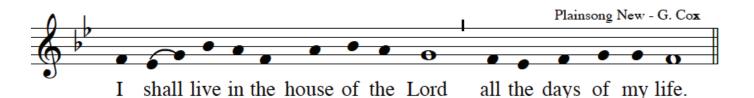


Sunday Mass Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 25.6-10a

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation. For the hand of the Lord will rest on this mountain.

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.

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.

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You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

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: Philippians 4.10-14, 19-20

I rejoice in the Lord greatly that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned for me, but had no opportunity to show it. Not that I am referring to being in need; for I have learned to be content with whatever I have. I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me. In any case, it was kind of you to share my distress. My God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel: Matthew 22.1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet'. But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."



PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

Michael Boyle PRIEST, Sr Gloria CHN, Mary Grima, Siew-Hung, Bradley James, Adain McCann, Alice McCraith, Jack Mulready, Lyn Nicholas, John Small, John Stewart BISHOP, Paul Wheelton, George and Charles.

As well as:

Jenny Allen, Chris Bennie, Tania Burdick, Joe Butscher PRIEST, John Crocker, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Grace James, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Liz Prideaux, Margaret Sutherland, Evelina Thornton, Joan Waldren-Small, Barbara Ure-Smith, Annette Wood.

For the Recently Departed: Walter Billeter, Sister Gloria CHN,
Jo-Anne Wells Priest, Jim White BISHOP,

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun	11	Edwin Eldridge PRIEST, Lloyd Stanley Rees
Mon	12	Hazel Mary Barry, June Lorraine Bond, Mary Johnston, Isabella Saxon, George Frederick Siemering, Walter George Thomas PRIEST
Tue	13	Barbara Ann Brock, Mary Theresa Cooke, Alice Dixon, Amelia Etheridge, Dorothy Weeks
Wed	14	Norman Harper, Bessy Ipsen
Thu	15	Herbert O'Hara Drysdale, James Likeman, Norma Moorehouse, Donald Redding BISHOP
Fri	16	Terence (Terry) Virgo Allen
Sat	17	Colin Holden Snr, Katherine Watson-Horoi

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			
Elizabeth Fry, prison reformer, England (d.1845)					
Monday	Pss 99 & 100 Zechariah 4.8-5.11 Matthew 13.1-17	Ps 103 Daniel 1 1 Peter 1.1-9			
Tuesday	Pss 101 & 102.1-11 Zechariah 6 Matthew 13.18-30	Ps 102.12-28 Daniel 2.1-16 1 Peter 1.10-17			
Wednesday	Pss 108 & 109.20-30 Zechariah 7.1-8.8 Matthew 13.31-43	Ps 119.105-128 Daniel 2.17-35 1 Peter 1.18-2.3			
Teresa of Avilo	a, teacher (d.1592)				
Thursday	Ps 104.1-25 Zechariah 8.9-23 Matthew 13.44-58	Ps 104.26-37 Daniel 2.36-49 1 Peter 2.4-10			
Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, Bishops and martyrs (d. 1555)					
Friday	Ps 105.1-22 Ezra 5 Matthew 14.1-21	Ps 105.23-45 Daniel 3.1-15 1 Peter 2.11-17			
Ignatius of An	tioch, Bishop and martyr (d. c 115	5)			
Saturday	Ps 106.1-24 Ezra 6.1-15 Matthew 14.22.36	Ps 106.25-50 Daniel 3.16-30 1 Peter 2.18-25			

Terry Swann

Kimberley to the Pilbara



Terry Swann

5 – 30 October 2020

In the first solo exhibition of fortyfivedownstairs' Fragments series, artist Terry Swann – one of Australia's foremost contemporary landscape watercolourists - takes us on a journey from Kimberley to the Pilbara.

Since living in the Yarrabah Aboriginal Community, Far North Queensland during the early years of her career, Terry's love for the land has continually drawn her back to the Australian wilderness, where she captures the diversity of the Australian landscape through her expressive and spontaneous style.

In Terry's words, "While I draw in a sketchbook and do note-taking, my passion is to paint in situ where I can use my emotional response to capture the essence of the landscape. During lockdown, I have used sketchbooks and memories of recent trips to the Kimberley and Pilbara to do this body of work."

Kimberley to the Pilbara explores the process of creating work that captures the everchanging sounds and moods of the bush when there's no option but to stay at home.

You can join Terry for Kimberley to the Pilbara on Instagram at @fortyfivedownstairs, where a new stage of the journey will be released every Monday and Friday during the exhibition. For further details, visit: bit.ly/2GMmDHi

We hope you enjoy the journey!







BREAKING NEW GROUND: GROWING THE CHURCH

Saturday 31 October 2020 | 1.30-4.00pm

By Zoom conference \$25 | \$20 concession

Fresh expressions of church and pioneer ministry have been commended to the church as crucial for handing on Christian faith in contemporary culture, and for securing an intergenerational future for Anglicanism. This discussion session welcomes the minister of Merri Creek Anglican, the Rev'd Dr Peter Carolane, to share the story of its growth, introduce the convictions that have formed it, and identify the challenges of pioneer ministry in Melbourne. Joining him in discussion is Bishop Lindsay Urwin, the Vicar of Christ Church Brunswick. The discussion will be moderated by Bishop Kate Prowd, the bishop of the Oodthenong area of episcopal care in the Diocese of Melbourne.

Click here for more information and to register.

Alternatively, email theologyevents@trinity.edu.au or call 03 9348 7127.



ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

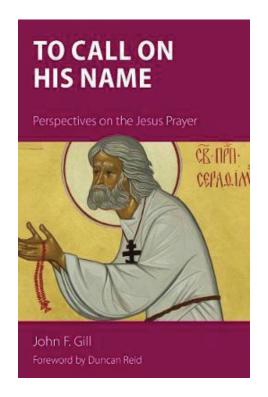
Lots of new Christmas Cards are now coming in stock - still more to come! See our website for a selection of our current range.

NEW RELEASE!

To Call on His Name: Perspectives on the Jesus Prayer by John Gill

Having developed within the heart of the Christian tradition, the Jesus Prayer is a personal prayer expressing fundamental Christian faith; it is therefore a prayer which can hold universal appeal to Christians of all denominations.

John Gill in this comprehensive study of the Jesus Prayer discusses the historical development of the prayer from the Christian East and its basis in scripture, patristic spirituality, theology, and psychology. He also offers guidance for those who want to learn to use the Jesus Prayer as part of their spiritual practice and suggestions for further reading.



\$39.95

St Peter's Bookroom is continuing to be open and operational behind closed doors. Please phone, email or order via our website.

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Sunday Services

10.30 am Parish Mass - online only, due to the pandemic restrictions

YouTube: www.youtube.com/c/StPetersEasternHill Facebook: www.facebook.com/stpeterseasternhill/

Weekday Services

Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays)

Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm Also online only, due to the pandemic restrictions YouTube: www.youtube.com/c/StPetersEasternHill Facebook: www.facebook.com/stpeterseasternhill/

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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".