Welcome to ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? John4.11

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
12 MARCH 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 (2nd & 4th Sundays).

6.00pm Low Mass (1st, 3rd & 5th 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: Grace James, Janine Stewart, Shelley Young, John Stewart, Roger Kelly, Terry Maher, Jenny Pickering, Reynaldo Castillo, Paulie Loughnan, John Hall, Rob Whalley, Helen Drummond, Bp John Parkes,

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Anna Matthews PRIEST, Eleanor Hamilton, Piyaporn Srikancha

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

- March 12 Stacie Lea Burslem, Alan Clark PRIEST, David Connor, Peter McDougall, Marion Montgomery
 - 13 Sr Claire Eimes, Janet Rowland
 - 14 John Browne, Ernest Burgmann BISHOP, Elspeth Dean, John Farndon, Leslie Miller
 - 15 Stanley Evans, Elsie Stephens
 - 16 Thelma Chapman, Doris Griffiths, Warwick Harrison, Julian Thornton
 - 17 Robert Tait, Ruth Widdows
 - 18 Leslie Anton, Chandos Blacker, Ernest Crowle, Hedda Jolly, James Sullivan

Please contact Fr Greg 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

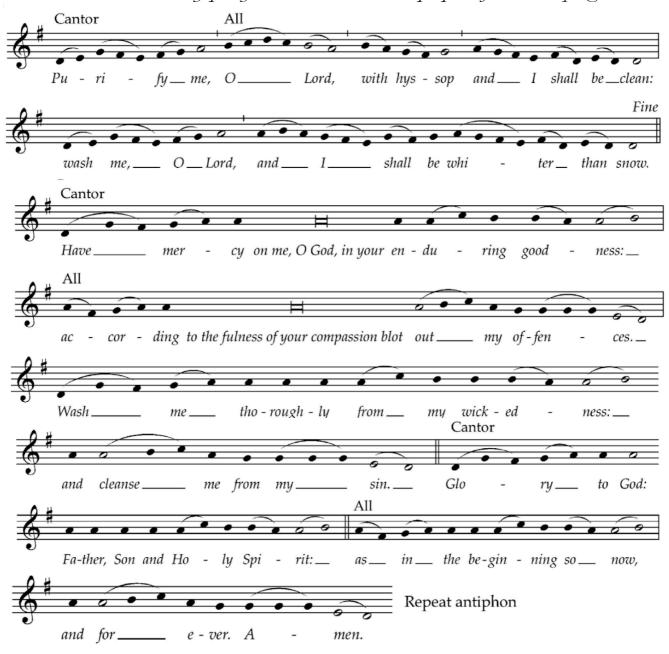
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Mass setting: Guerrero: Missa Sancta et immaculata

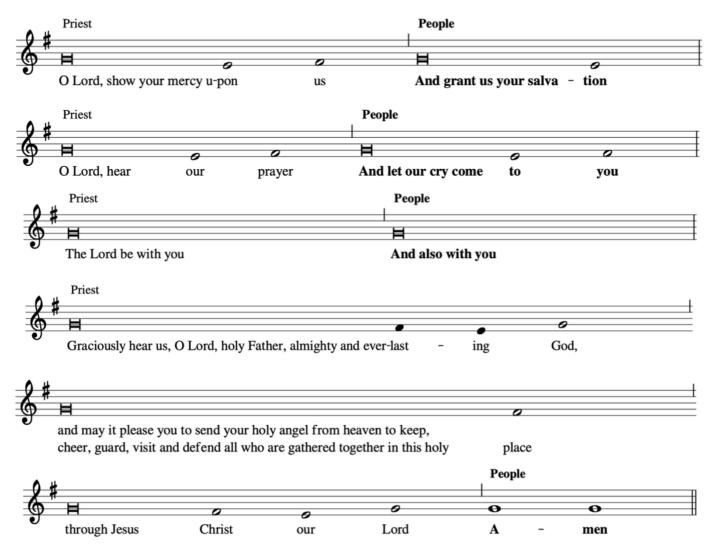
Introit Hymn NEH 76 Take up thy cross, the Saviour said

9.30am Mass begins on page 4.

At 11.00am the sanctuary party enters the chancel to prepare for the Asperges.



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



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When I prove my holiness among you, I will gather you from all the foreign lands; and I will pour clean water upon you and cleanse you from all your impurities, and I will give you a new spirit, says the Lord.

V. I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall be ever In my mouth. Let my soul glory in the Lord; the lowly will hear me and be glad. When I prove ...

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 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

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy

The Celebrant prays the Collect.

O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water that springs from the Rock, our Saviour Jesus Christ: stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit, that we may profess our faith with freshness and announce with joy the wonder of your love. 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**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Exodus 17.1-7

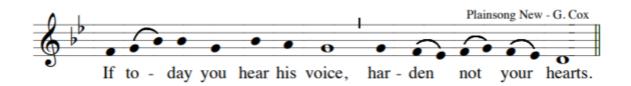
A reading from the book of Exodus

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the LORD, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The LORD said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, 'Is the LORD among us or not?'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 95



O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! **R.**

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice! Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, when your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work. **R.**

THE EPISTLE: Romans 5.1-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

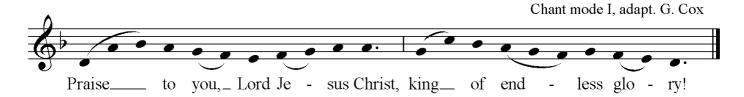
Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more

than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

Deacon:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John [4.5-42].

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink," you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them

will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.' Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.' Many Samaritans from that city believed in Jesus because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' So when the

Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit for the Homily by Fr Greg Davies

Please stand for the Creed.

[A copy of the music for the Sung Creed is available at the back of the church.]

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 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 Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON [Sung by the choir]

The justices of the Lord are right, rejoicing hearts, and his judgements are sweeter than honey and the honeycomb, for your servant keeps them.

Offertory hymn NEH 383 Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

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



The celebrant continues the prayer, ending with:



Celebrant:

We who are many are one body.

For we all share in the one bread.

All remaining kneeling as the Agnus Dei is said at 9.30am and sung by the choir at 11.00am.

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 at 11.00am

Purcell: Remember not, Lord, our offences

Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.

NEH 376 I heard the voice of Jesus say

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.

Notices are given here.

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

Go in the peace of Christ

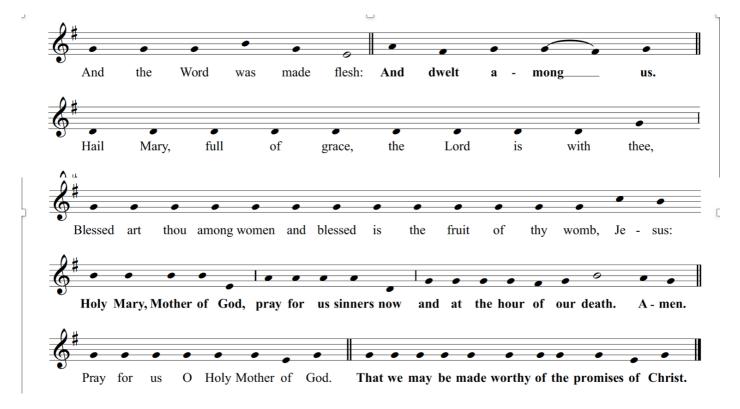
Thanks be to God.

THE ANGELUS

At 11.00am only The Angelus is led and sung by the Celebrant.

The church bell rings three times during the recitation of the Hail Mary, and nine times during the final Collect.





Let us pray. We beseech thee O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known the incarnation of thy son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Postlude: J. Brahms (1833-97) Mein Jesu, der du mich

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 Fourth Sunday of Lent are:

1 Samuel 16.1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5.8-14; John 9.1-41

Notice of Election of lay representatives and an alternate representative to the next Diocesan Synod

An election for the above will be held [if required] on Sunday March 26 at 1pm following High Mass. Two lay persons to be elected and one alternate. Nomination forms are at the back of the church and in the Parish Hall. Those eligible must be registered on the Parish Electoral Roll. Nomination forms must be returned to the Parish Office by March 22nd.

NOTICES

[See page 18 for Weekly Reflections]

Lent Study Program 2023

Fr Michael's Lenten addresses continue today at 1pm in the church. They are titled *The Eucharist makes the Church*. This Lent series will also be live streamed and recorded. To access the live stream or recorded session please go to the St Peter's site on Youtube or Facebook.

Fr Michael's booklet on what we do in church and why, titled, 'The Ritual Reason Why – A Guide to Catholic Anglican Worship' is available from the Bookroom for \$5.00 a copy.

Parish Administrator

Fr Michael writes

The Vicar and Churchwardens are delighted to announce that Eugene Chin, known to many of us already as a Klingner Scholar and for his diligent work as sacristan, will start work as Parish Administrator later this month. Fr Greg and Eugene will work together during a two week handover period and Fr Greg will continue to offer help and support as needed. It was clear from our interview process that Eugene has the skills and imagination to fulfil this complex role. I greatly look forward to working with Eugene.

I am particularly grateful to Fr Greg Davies for his work as interim Parish Administrator during the last several months. It has been immensely helpful at the beginning of my incumbency here to have a priest of Fr Greg's experience, expertise and local knowledge in our office, exercising a role which is both administrative and pastoral. It is wonderful to know that he is happy to continue supporting the parish in this way as needed, as well as by celebrating Mass and preaching. Thank you Fr Greg!

Please note: Monday March 13th is a Public Holiday.

Daily Mass – 9.00am

St Peter's Bookroom

We still have a wide range of Lenten titles to suit all readers - come into the shop or check us out online!

RECOMMENDED TITLE:

In his current Lenten series: *The Eucharist Makes the Church* Fr Michael Bowie has recommended this title:

Eucharistic Origins by Paul F. Bradshaw

Eucharistic Origins covers topics including: the last supper and New Testament narratives; the Didache and early Christian ritual meals; Justin Martyr; Irenaeus; Cyprian; the emergence of the eucharistic prayers and the transformation of the eucharist in the fourth century. Bradshaw shows that the Eucharist continued to be associated with an evening meal much longer than previously thought. Likewise, he argues that only gradually did the understanding of the bread and wine as the body and blood of Christ come to predominate.

Tracing what can be known--and what cannot--about the celebration of the Eucharist during this formative period of Christianity, Bradshaw sheds important new light on the central rite of the Christian faith.

RRP \$56.95 For LIMITED time only: Less 20% \$45.55

St Peter's Bookroom

Autumn Book Fair

As-new and second-hand Saturday **22 April** 2023 10am-4pm Sunday **23 April** 2023 10am-2pm

St Peter's Hall 15 Gisborne Street, East Melbourne

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

From Fr Michael Bowie

The readings for Lent 3 share a common theme: God's active compassion for sinners. In Exodus God doesn't write off his grumbling and ungrateful people but provides water for them in the desert. In Romans, Paul reminds us: 'God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us'. In the Gospel, we see his compassion in action as Jesus shares the living water of God's all-embracing love with a Samaritan woman, one whom he, a religious Jew, should shun.

This compassion is framed, in the first reading and the Gospel, by the gift and sign of water. The water given to the people in the desert is life-giving; Jesus in his human nature needs water as they did; in his divine nature he dispenses it as sign and sacrament. In another passage Paul makes a further fascinating link between the Exodus story and our Lord:

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ.

(1 Cor. 10.1-4)

Paul's radical inclusion of the past and present people of God (gentile and Jewish Christians together) mirrors Jesus' radical inclusion of the Samaritan woman and her people in Sunday's gospel. The gift of water is a sign of both human and divine, of how the incarnation signals the value God places on our embodied humanity, with its essential need for fresh, living water, and of how God, in the person of his incarnate Son, wishes our participation in divine, eternal life through the life-giving dispensation we know in word and sacrament. And it is a sign that this gift is true grace, overflowing and free, offered without entry qualifications or strings attached. If we are to receive it fully we are to rejoice that anyone, however unlikely or unsuitable according to our conceptions of morality and worth, can receive it too.

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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
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Vicar:	Fr Michael Bowie	0432 072 213	Geoffrey Bush-Coote
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	Mthr Pirrial Clift	0407 453 306	Daniel Ferguson
	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976	Peter Griffin (Treasurer)
	Fr Philip Gill	0480 101 711	Stuart Hibberd
	Fr Ken Letts	03 9662 2391	Daniel Mitterdorfer
	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112	(Secretary)
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	Naomi Johnson	03 9662 2391	Michael Upson
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Children's Church:	Katherine Barnett	0403 352 256	H77 . 1 . 1 . 1 .
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	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	
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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:	Fr Greg Davies	03 9662 2391	
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