



ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
TOORAK
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The Tenth Sunday
after Pentecost

9th of August, 2020

Welcome

On behalf of everyone at St. John's, Toorak, a very warm welcome to this church and faith community. St. John's welcomes everyone to all services and events, regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, race or background.

This is a wonderful and historic church, founded in 1859, a faithful Christian presence for over 160 years! We are part of the Anglican Church of Australia and a member of the global Anglican Communion, comprised of 80 million people.

Normally, regular services of worship are held each Sunday at 8am and 10am, and Wednesday at 7pm. All are welcome. Services are followed by times of fellowship over food and drinks to which everyone is also welcome.

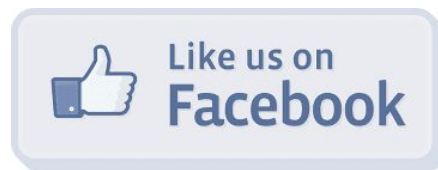
However, during this period of COVID-19, services have been suspended. Services will resume as soon as possible.

This church actively follows Jesus' command to love God, love one's neighbour and to care for all people. Normally, our clergy and parishioners regularly visit the sick, home-bound, and the dying; however, during the pandemic pastoral care will necessarily take place via phone. We care for the poor and needy through service and charitable giving, through our Opportunity Shop run in partnership with the local Catholic and Uniting churches, and by supporting the work of Anglicare, The Brotherhood of St. Laurence and The Anglican Board of Mission. Our clergy regularly baptise new members of the church, preside at weddings and care for the grieving through our funeral ministry. We look forward to resuming weddings and baptisms as soon as possible. If we can be of service to you or your family, please do not hesitate to get in touch. When the church reopens, if you would like to give of your time and talents in the service of others, please also contact the church and we will gladly welcome your contribution.

When we resume services, if you're visiting for the first time please introduce yourself to a welcomer or member of the clergy, and fill out the blue 'Welcome' card found at the end of every pew so we can stay in touch with you.



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Cover Image

Lluís Borrassa *St Peter is Walking on the Water* 1411-13
Tempera on wood, 102 x 65 cm
Sant Pere, Terrasa

The service below is designed for Sunday worship at home and reminds us that we believe in the love and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. You are encouraged to prayerfully pray through the following liturgy, at your own pace and at a time you set apart for this purpose. You may wish to do so on Sunday at your regular time of worship, or to pray this with a family member or fellow member of the church, either in person or virtually.

A video recording of this service, including the sermon by the Assistant Curate, The Revd Keiron Jones, can be found on the St. John's [YouTube channel](#) on Sunday morning. An audio-only recording of the sermon can be found on the St. John's [website](#). A music recording by our Director of Music can be heard [here](#). Notes on this piece of music are on page 11.

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Sentence for The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

They cried out in fear, but Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' *Matthew 14.26-27*

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect for The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech you, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading *Genesis 37.1-4, 37.12-28*

¹Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. ²This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. ³Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age;

and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. ⁴But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. ¹²Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. ¹³And Israel said to Joseph, 'Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them.' He answered, 'Here I am.' ¹⁴So he said to him, 'Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me.' So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, ¹⁵and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, 'What are you seeking?' ¹⁶'I am seeking my brothers,' he said; 'tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock.' ¹⁷The man said, 'They have gone away, for I heard them say, "Let us go to Dothan." ' So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. ¹⁸They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. ¹⁹They said to one another, 'Here comes this dreamer. ²⁰Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams.' ²¹But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, 'Let us not take his life.' ²²Reuben said to them, 'Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him' – that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. ²³So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; ²⁴and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. ²⁵Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. ²⁶Then Judah said to his brothers, 'What profit is there if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? ²⁷Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.' And his brothers agreed. ²⁸When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt. Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalter *Psalms 105.1-6, 105.16-22*

¹ O give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name:
tell among the peoples what things he has done.

- ² Sing to him, O sing praises:
and be telling of all his marvellous works.
- ³ Exult in his holy name:
and let those that seek the Lord be joyful in heart.
- ⁴ Seek the Lord and his strength:
O seek his face continually.
- ⁵ Call to mind what wonders he has done:
his marvellous acts, and the judgements of his mouth,
- ⁶ O seed of Abraham his servant:
O children of Jacob his chosen one.
- ¹⁶ Then he called down a famine on the land:
and destroyed the bread that was their stay.
- ¹⁷ But he had sent a man ahead of them:
Joseph who was sold into slavery,
- ¹⁸ Whose feet they fastened with fetters:
and thrust his neck into a hoop of iron.
- ¹⁹ Till the time that his words proved true:
he was tested by the Lord's command.
- ²⁰ Then the king sent and loosed him:
the ruler of nations set him free;
- ²¹ He made him master of his household:
and ruler over all his possessions,
- ²² To rebuke his officers at will:
and to teach his counsellors wisdom.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Second Reading *Romans 10.5-15*

⁵Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' ⁶But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" ' (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or "Who will descend into the abyss?" ' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.

¹¹The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.'

¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ¹⁴But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

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

The Gospel *Matthew 14.22-33*

²²Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' ²⁸Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' ²⁹He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. ³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

A Prayer for after Holy Scripture is Read

Almighty God, we thank you for your holy word. May it be a lantern to our feet, a light to our paths, and strength to our lives, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sermon The Assistant Curate, The Revd Keiron Jones

The Nicene Creed

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 for the world and the church *including prayers from 'Common Worship'*

Gracious God, we pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout the world. We pray for the honouring of human rights, and for the relief of the oppressed.

We give thanks for all that is gracious in the lives of men, women and children.

We pray for the renewal of the Church in faith, love and service. We pray for Geoff our Primate, Philip our Archbishop, Genieve our regional bishop, and for the life of the St John's parish.

We give thanks for the gift of your word, and the fellowship of your people.

We pray for leaders throughout the world and particularly the leaders of this nation, that they may govern with wisdom and compassion for all people.

We give thanks for diverse skills and capacities in responding to the needs of many people around the world.

We pray for the young and the elderly, for families, and all who are alone.

We pray for those who are in need; for the sick, sorrowful and bereaved. We pray for all who bring comfort, care and healing.

We give thanks for human love and friendship and for all that enriches our daily lives.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

We give you thanks for your servants in every age. Grant that we, with those who have died recently and all your saints, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your kingdom.

We make these prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing & Dismissal

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

PARISH NOTICES

During this period of church closure keep up to date via email, our [website](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), [Instagram](#) and postal mail. If you are aware of someone who is not receiving information from the church and wishes to do so, please advise the Parish Office on 9826 1765.

STAGE 4 RESTRICTIONS AND WHAT THIS MEANS FOR ST. JOHN'S

On 2 August, the Victorian Government imposed Stage 4 restrictions on the whole of Melbourne. In the light of new restrictions, the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne has communicated the following to all Anglican churches in Melbourne:

From 11.50pm Wednesday, August 5, all church premises are to be closed. This includes op shops and staff offices. Apart from the exceptions below, nobody is allowed to be in churches, op shops or church premises. Clergy and staff who normally work from the church building must relocate to their homes. This prohibition also applies to accessing church buildings for any reason, including printing, office supplies, financial reporting, personal prayer, cleaning and bell-ringing.

Exceptions relevant to St. John's are:

Services: A maximum of five people can video or livestream a service in church premises.

The Vicar, Assistant Curate and secretary will be working from home until further notice, except for the recording of the weekly service and for the Wednesday midday prayer service.

Pew sheet

Unfortunately, due to Stage 4 restrictions it will be impossible to produce a hard-copy pew sheet for the next several weeks. This week's pew sheet will be the last one until we are permitted to return to the church and office.

If you receive this pew sheet as a hard copy, please check our website to read the pew sheet online. The website address is <https://www.saintjohnstoorak.org/>. If this is not possible, you may wish to ask a family member or friend to print out a copy for you and send it to you via mail. The pew sheet will continue to be emailed to those on our email list and also posted to our website.

Recorded Services

Our weekly service of worship, led by the Vicar and the Assistant Curate, will continue to be offered online. Please go to St. John's [YouTube channel](#) on Sunday mornings to view the service. An audio-only recording of the sermon can also be found on the St. John's [website](#).

Funerals and Memorial services / Weddings

Funeral and Memorial services are permitted, with a maximum of ten people present. No weddings may be held unless for compassionate reasons.

A message from Archbishop Freier #CandlesAtCurfew

Archbishop Freier encourages us all to light a candle at curfew for Melbourne and Victoria, as a symbol of God's light piercing the darkness.



New Prayer Service, Wednesdays at Midday

We began our Wednesday midday prayer service on 29 July and will continue to meet each Wednesday via zoom for a time of prayer. The service is 12.00pm-12.15pm. There are two scripture readings (a psalm and a reading from the New Testament), set prayers, and time for participants to pray for themselves and others.

Ongoing dates of the service are: Wed August 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, September 2nd, 9th

Register your interest in joining this prayer service by emailing our dedicated email address prayers@saintjohnstoorak.org. A zoom link and password will be sent to you. If you would like to be a **reader** for one of the services, please email [here](#) with the day you are available. A link to the reading will be sent to you several days before the service.

For those unable to participate on zoom, the Wednesday readings will appear in the weekly pew sheet. You are also welcome, as always, to email prayer requests to prayers@saintjohnstoorak.org

Readings from Wednesday 5 August prayer service: Psalm 84; Matthew 15.21-28.

Music for Pentecost X

As we emerge from winter, the musical offerings here will become more celebratory. This week, the exclamation on the hymn *Lobe den Herren, o meine Seele* [Praise the Lord, O my soul] is drawn from the Opus 65 set of Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933).

This anonymous tune, published in the appendix to the 1664 hymnal *Neu-vermehrte Christlich Seelen-Harfe*, is a setting for a versified form of Psalm 103.

This was a list piece for my grade 7 AMEB organ exam. At this stage I had taught myself to play the organ, so I felt that passing grade 6 & 7 was some achievement. Hugh Brandon, by that stage, had cataracts, so was probably not able to see many of my visual transgressions of technique, though in turn I was barely able to read the report!

Christopher Cook, Director of Music

Support during second lockdown

As we enter a second period of lockdown, life can be very challenging indeed. It may be that you would value some support right now, perhaps in prayer or a phone call. The Vicar, The Revd Dr. Peter French, and the Assistant Curate, The Revd Keiron Jones, continue to work at and for the church. The church is *you* and our wider community. If you would like to chat with one of us, please contact us during office hours. Also, there is enormous gratitude for the Pastoral Care team who have been unstinting in their care for people in various different ways. If you are in a position to offer comfort or lend a hand to a parishioner or neighbour (within current physical distancing guidelines), please reach out. We're called even more to care for each other and our community through prayer and also support where possible.

Confirmation at St. John's

At this stage, on Sunday 1 November during the 10.00am service, a service of Confirmation is planned. Expressions of interest should be given to the clergy or contact the parish office, by 20 September, 2020. Confirmation classes may need to be held via zoom, but more information will be forthcoming in the next few weeks.

The Book of Memory

Even though the church is currently closed, the Book of Memory is faithfully tended daily.

The Melbourne Anglican (TMA)

The link to the latest edition of TMA is [here](#). The link to this week's Newstand is [here](#). The link to the August Prayer Diary and prayer resources is [here](#).

Clergy Days Off

Our clergy have one regular day off per week. Our Vicar Peter has Friday and our Assistant Curate Keiron Monday. Please respect their time away from work and unless in an emergency, please refrain from telephoning, texting, visiting the Vicarage, or emailing them on these days. Thank you.

THIS WEEK'S SUNDAY READINGS

Commentary for The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 9, 2020.

These comments present one interpretation of today's readings; other interpretations may be possible. Comments are best read with the readings.

Genesis 37:1-4,12-28 NRSV

Jacob is the first of his line to call Canaan home. (His father, Isaac, now dead, saw himself as a foreigner living there.) Why do his brothers hate Joseph? (1) he tells tales ("bad report", v. 2) about them; (2) Jacob loves him more than the other sons, even to the extent of making him "a long robe with sleeves" (v. 3) or a many-coloured coat – such a robe was worn by royalty; and (3) Joseph has two dreams (vv. 5-11) which are interpreted as showing that his brothers and his parents will bow down to him. In v. 13, Jacob ("Israel") sends Joseph to his brothers. When he reaches Shechem, they are nowhere to be seen; he is told that they have moved on to other pastures. When the brothers see him, they plot his death. They say "Here comes this dreamer." (v. 19) In the ancient world, dreams were believed to be divinely inspired, but to be only effective as long as the dreamer lived. Pits or cisterns, dug to store rain-water, were used as prisons; they were usually dry near the end of summer. (Jeremiah spent time in one when the king did not want to heed his advice.) The brothers intend deceit – something fairly common in Genesis. They intend to kill him, but Reuben wants no part of it (v. 21-22). Vv. 25-27, and v. 28, tell two stories of how Joseph got to Egypt: in the hands of Ishmaelite nomads, and in those of "Midianite traders": two versions of the story were merged in Genesis. In the ancient view "blood" (v. 26) could not be concealed; being sacred to God, he would exact vengeance on those who spilled it. Judah (and Reuben, v. 22) knew this. (When Cain killed Abel, God caused him to quit farming and become nomadic.) This story is part of salvation history, of how God came to exercise his saving grace in the world, working through ordinary people – as may be seen in the psalm.

Psalms 105:1-6,16-22 NRSV

In vv. 1-6 the people of Israel, God's people, the "offspring of ... Abraham" (v. 6), are invited, as they worship ("glory in his holy name", v. 3, and "seek the Lord"), to acknowledge all that God has done for them ("wonderful works", v. 5, "miracles", and "judgements") The psalm then tells biblical history, from the covenants with the patriarchs to entry into the Promised Land. Today's portion is about Joseph, sent by God to benefit humans. His dreams did indeed come true. The perspective is a particular one: God is the motivating force behind all of history. In vv. 16-17 "he" is God; in vv. 18ff, Joseph.

Romans 10:5-15 NRSV

Paul has written that Gentiles, without aiming to be one with God, have achieved oneness, while Israelites, who tried to be godly, failed to be so. Why? Because their approach was based on the Law and “works” (9:32) rather than faith. By mangling two verses from Isaiah, he has argued that God intended that they fail (9:33). He has prayed that they (whom he knows first-hand for their “zeal for God”, v. 2) be included in God’s salvation. They do not recognize the way humans are related to God: as now revealed in Christ; rather, they have taken their own path: through the Law. They have failed to realize that the Law pointed forward to Christ (“end”, v. 4), in whom oneness with God is open to all. Leviticus (thought to be written by “Moses”, v. 5) says that the Law-based path to life requires doing it, practising it perfectly: which Paul has already shown is impossible. But in Deuteronomy 30, Moses argues for a faith-based approach (“on your lips and in your heart”, v. 8) without excess of deeds (“ascend”, v. 6, “descend”, v. 7). In fact, Christ has gone all the way for you Israelites: he has come “down” (v. 6, been born into the world) and has been raised from “the dead” (v. 7). So “the word of faith” (v. 8) of which God’s righteousness (“the righteousness”, v. 6) speaks is the good news of Christ – that the way to salvation is through God’s love. If you acknowledge “Jesus is Lord” (v. 9) and mean it, and believe that the Resurrection really happened, you will be saved and attain oneness with God (“justified”, v. 10). (“Jesus is Lord”, v. 9, is perhaps the earliest creed of the Church.) As Isaiah wrote, belief in “him” (v. 11) is the key; Paul takes “him” to mean Christ. As Joel wrote (v. 13) all who ask will be saved. (Paul takes ““Lord”” as Christ.) But what of those Jews who did not heed Isaiah and Joel (v. 14), who neither believed, nor understood (“heard”), nor heard proclamation of Christ by one with authority (“sent”, v. 15)? Paul insists (quoting Isaiah again), that they have heard the “good news”, have had the opportunity to understand it, and have been properly proclaimed to, but they have declined belief – in fulfilment of Old Testament prophecies (vv. 16-21).

Matthew 14:22-33 NRSV

This story is in a section on instructing the disciples about their mission. It is a story of miracles – there is no limit to what God can do – and of the power of faith: the disciples can do the seemingly impossible if they have sufficient faith. Jesus has just fed the crowd, in the miracle of the loaves and fish. He compels the disciples to embark (v. 22); presumably the miracle has aroused popular enthusiasm – in terms of political freedom – rather than faith. Because the Sea of Galilee is shallow, storms arise rapidly. It was “early in the morning” (v. 25); from the Greek, we know it was before dawn. Walking on water was beyond the disciples’ experience, so they are afraid that they are seeing a ghost. The three miracles are: Jesus walking on water, Peter doing the same, and the wind ceasing abruptly – that Matthew mentions it (v. 32) shows that he believed it to be a miracle. Jesus brings

outward and inner calm, and a deeper faith. The disciples acknowledge him as “Son of God” (v. 33) for as God did at the time of creation, Jesus controls the waters, then believed to be chaotic and evil. Jesus is God’s agent of renewal.

OFFERTORY GIVING WHILST ST. JOHN’S IS CLOSED

St. John’s is a busy, active parish. Even - perhaps especially - in unusual times, we have a number of significant financial obligations, including additional costs to keep the church clean and safe. The church is enormously grateful for each and every person’s contributions. As a member of this church family, each of us is encouraged to keep giving as normal, whether it is through:

- a. ADF (Anglican Development Fund)
- b. Electronic transfer of funds to:
 - St. John’s Anglican Church General Account
 - Westpac
 - 509 Toorak Road, Toorak, Victoria, 3142, Australia
 - Account Name: St. John’s Anglican Church
 - BSB: 033 086. Account No: 871931
 - (For international transfers please include SWIFT code WPACAU2S)
- c. Cash / envelope offertory: If you normally make an offertory contribution via the collection plate on Sundays, please do consider contributing through the ADF. Details can be found at <https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/agencies-anglican-development-fund/>.

Every person’s offering contributes to the fabric and wellbeing of St. John’s. When we recommence services, let us be in a strong position to get on with the mission of sharing God’s love in Christ to each other and to the wider community.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

From the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the Anglican Church of Rwanda (Abp Laurent Mbanda); Diocese of Wangaratta (Bp Clarence Bester, Clergy & People); Ridley College (Brian Rosner, Principal; Tim Foster, Richard Trist); St James’ Dandenong (Graeme Peters, Oyem Amaylek, Michael Kicevski, George Ladu).

For all those who lead us in the Anglican Church, especially: Our Primate The Most Revd Geoffrey Smith, Our Archbishop The Most Revd Philip Freier, and our Bishop, The Right Revd Genieve Blackwell.

For those who lead us in Government: Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II; Governor General David Hurley AC; Prime Minister Scott Morrison; Federal Member of Parliament for Division of Higgins, Dr. Katie Allen; Premier of Victoria Daniel Andrews; Member for Malvern and Leader of the Opposition, Michael O’Brien.

For Reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians: For Aboriginal Anglican clergy and lay-leaders around Australia, their spiritual health and physical well-being, and the people they care for. For Aboriginal and Government leaders and their work together.

The Toorak Ecumenical Movement: Our partner churches, St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Toorak Uniting Church, and The Swedish Church.

For The Anglican Board of Mission, The Brotherhood of St. Laurence, and Anglicare

For those celebrating birthdays: Barbara Brown on Wednesday.

For schools in our parish: Geelong Grammar School Toorak Campus, Head of Campus Rachel George; St Catherine's School, Principal Michelle Carroll; and Toorak Primary School, Principal Julie Manallack.

For the sick and all in need: Rosemary Griffith; Maggie Perkins; Rosie Creswell; Gwen; Sohaib; Audrey Leeton; Jean James; Lachie Sullivan; James Griffith; Philip and Becky Newman; Mary.

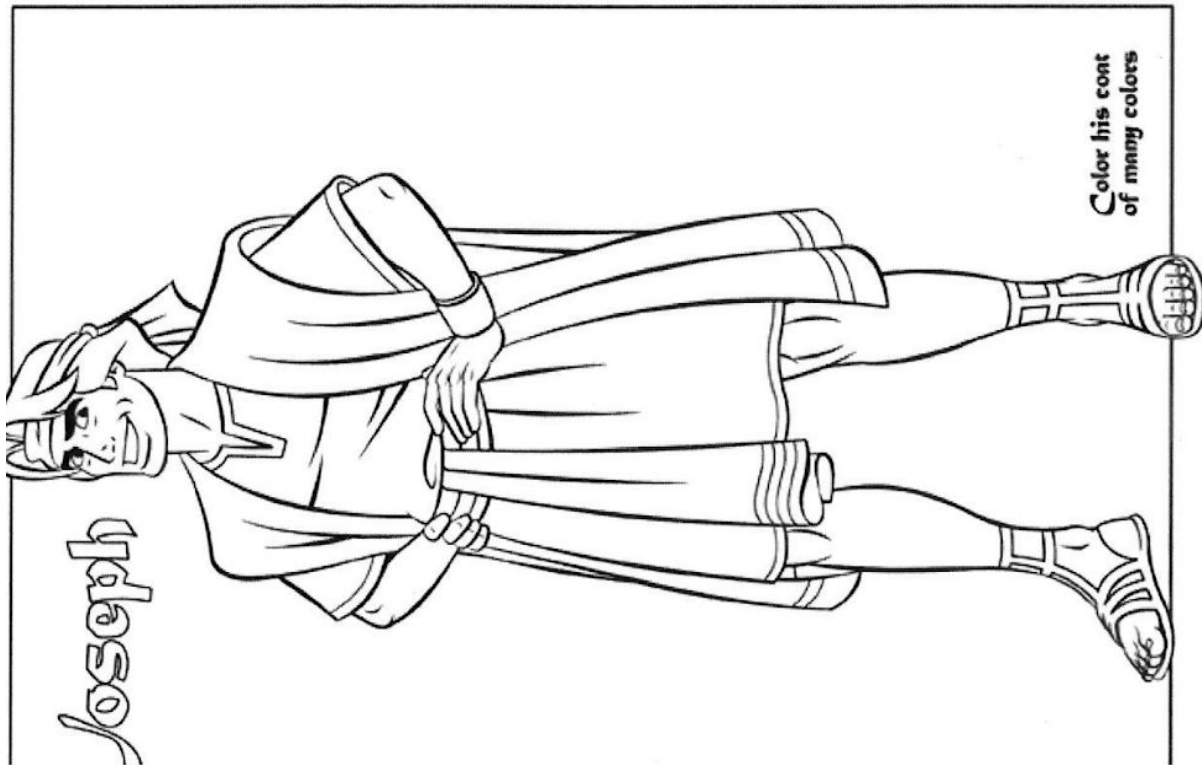
For those in aged care and those who are housebound: Teri Lawrence; Janet Field; Beverley Joyce; Val Hurst; Marcia Larsson; Gordon Kennett; Anne Myers; Billee Edwards.

Give thanks for those whose Anniversary of Death is this week: Les Bell; Margaret McFarlane; Agnes Johnston; Cam Johnston; Jennifer White; John Darling; John Bell; Tony Brothers; Cherry McCardel; Allan Wright; Dulcie Walsh; Jean Allsep; David Caro; Karen Holmes.

The prayer petitions above closely follow the daily prayer regimen of the Anglican Church of Australia, which you can follow everyday [here](#).

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests can be sent to prayers@saintjohnstoorak.org. The Vicar and Assistant Curate check emails for prayer requests daily, and pray in solidarity with anyone who would like prayers said for them.



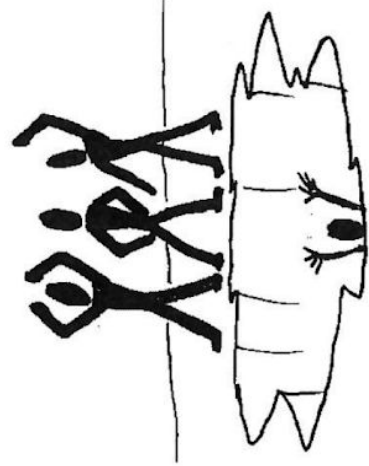
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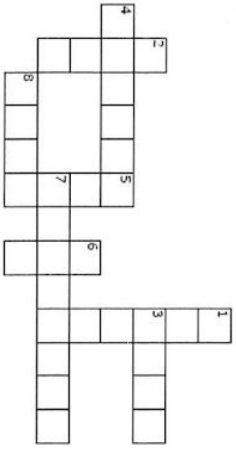
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- 8-6-25-17 _____
- 17-18-2-16-7-2-18 _____
- 9-12-25-25 _____
- 18-6-23-2 _____
- 25-6-10-2-17 _____
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- 15-6-8-2-11-26 _____
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- 15-16-24-6-23 _____
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DREAMER	LOVED	SILVER	STRIPPED	KILL
BROTHERS	SOLD	JACOB	JOSEPH	ROBE



Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3. Gave something to someone else in return for money
4. A male parent
7. Men or boys with the same parents as another person
8. To have strong feelings of affection for another person

DOWN

1. Son of Jacob who had a coat of many colors
2. To dislike someone or something very much
5. A long, loose-fitting piece of clothing
6. A male offspring

LOVE	FATHER	JOSEPH	SOLD
BROTHERS	SON	HATE	ROBE



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R O P G L A O T M F K M B A W
W H G I D C Y M L R A O X A T
J O S E P H G B D D C T C L S
P O P Z Z D W H N A S C H D T
I Q E N M R A A J N M A F E U
P B R G S G L W E M E N L F R
C O R S Y N R R M E R A A O O F
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O B W H J F E E O S N P H I F
V C C K T T H R N O T A D L T
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D O O H Z E S S B D J Y H A Z O

LAND	MERCHANTS	LOVED	JOSEPH	CANAAN
HATED	GRAZE	OLD	BORN	ROBE
SONS	JACOB	BROTHERS	SILVER	CHILDREN
EGYPT	KILL	FLOCKS	FATHER	SOLD



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