



ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
TOORAK
EST. 1859



Third Sunday after Pentecost

26th of June, 2022

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, and celebrating our 160th year! We are part of the Anglican Church of Australia and a member of the global Anglican Communion, comprised of 80 million people.

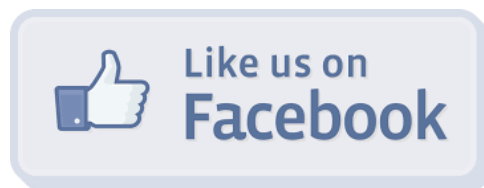
Regular services of worship are held each Sunday at 8am and 10am, and Wednesday at 7pm. All are welcome. Services are followed by times of fellowship over food and drinks to which everyone is also welcome.

This church actively follows Jesus' command to love God, love one's neighbour and to care for all people. Our clergy and parishioners regularly visit the sick, home-bound, and the dying. 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. If we can be of service to you or your family, please do not hesitate to get in touch. 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.

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

Donatello *St Luke* 1460-65

Bronze

San Lorenzo, Florence

A Reflection

This week, Friday the 24th June, the church marked The Birth of John the Baptist. Malcolm Guite, renowned UK priest and poet, has written a poem in which he reflects on the mystery and grace of baptism. It can be found in his wonderful book of poetry: *Sounding the Seasons*, Canterbury Press.

Rev'd Wendy

St John the Baptist: Baptism

Love's hidden thread has drawn us to the font,
A wide womb floating on the breath of God,
Feathered with seraph wings, lit with the swift
Lightening of praise, with thunder over-spread,
And under-girded with an unheard song,
Calling through water, fire, darkness, pain,
Calling us to the life for which we long,
Yearning to bring us to our birth again.
Again the breath of God is on the waters
In whose reflecting face our candles shine,
Again he draws from death the sons and daughters
For whom he bid the elements combine.
As living stones around a font today,
Rejoice with those who roll the stone away.

Malcolm Guite

As you enter the church, please ensure your telephone is switched off or to silent. Please also use the time before the service for prayer and quiet reflection and allow others to do the same.

INTRODUCTORY RITE *please stand*

THE INVOCATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

THE GREETING

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

HYMN AT 8AM 'Let all the world in every corner sing'



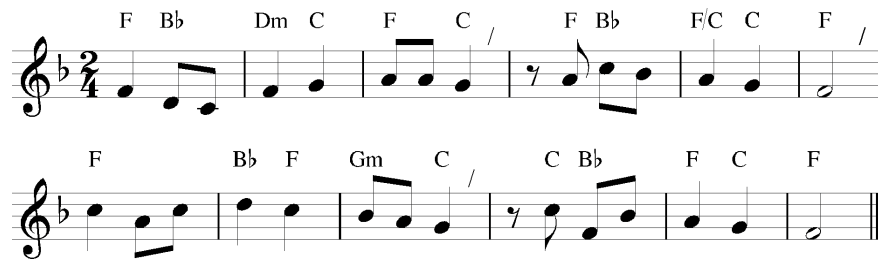
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sing:
My God and King!
The heav'ns are not too high,
his praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner
sing:
My God and King!

2. Let all the world in every corner
sing:
My God and King!
The church with psalms must
shout,
no door can keep them out;
but, above all, the heart
must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner
sing:
My God and King!

George Herbert 1593–1633

Music by permission the Trustees of the late
Dr Basil Harwood's settlement trust

HYMN AT 10AM 'Spirit divine attend our prayers'



1. Spirit divine, attend our prayers
and make this house your home,
descend with all your gracious
powers:
O come, great Spirit, come.
2. Come as the light: to us reveal
our emptiness and woe,
and lead us in those paths of life
where all the righteous go.
3. Come as the fire: and purge our
hearts
like sacrificial flame;
let our whole life an offering be
to our Redeemer's name.
4. Come as the dove: and spread
your wings,
the wings of peaceful love,
and let your Church on earth
become
blest as the Church above.
5. Come as the wind, with rushing
sound
and pentecostal grace,
that all of woman born may see
the glory of your face.
6. Spirit divine, attend our prayers,
make this lost world your home;
descend with all your gracious
powers:
O come, great Spirit, come.

Andrew Reed 1787-1862 *alt.*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as

yourself.' Let us therefore bring our sins before the one true God, in penitence and faith.

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.

ABSOLUTION

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *said at 8am, sung at 10am*

Gloria 2



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for_ your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, _ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One: you a - lone are the Lord: you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the_ glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

From Christ Church Mass - Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

COLLECT FOR THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

O God, the light of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you, the strength of the thoughts that seek you: help us so to know you that we may truly love you, and so to love you that we may fully serve you, whose service is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING 2 Kings 2.1-2, 2.6-14 *at 8am read by Chris Garnaut; at 10.00am read by Jenny Smith*

¹Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. ⁶Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. ⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' ¹⁰He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' ¹¹As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. ¹³He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. ¹⁴He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, 'Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?' When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

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

THE PSALM Psalm 77.1-2, 77.11-20, *said together at 8am and sung by the choir at 10am*

¹ I call to my God, I cry out toward him:

I call to my God, and surely he will answer.

² In the day of my distress I seek the Lord,

I stretch out my hands to him by night:

my soul is poured out without ceasing,
it refuses all comfort.

¹¹ I will declare the mighty acts of the Lord:

I will call to mind your wonders of old.

¹² I will think on all that you have done:

and meditate upon your works.

¹³ Your way, O God, is holy:

who is so great a god as our God?

¹⁴ You are the God that works wonders:

you made known your power among the nations;

¹⁵ By your mighty arm you redeemed your people:

the children of Jacob and Joseph.

¹⁶ The waters saw you, O God,

the waters saw you and were afraid:

the depths also were troubled.

¹⁷ The clouds poured out water, the heavens spoke:

and your arrows darted forth.

¹⁸ The voice of your thunder was heard in the whirlwind:

your lightnings lit the world,

the earth shuddered and quaked.

¹⁹ Your way was in the sea, your path in the great waters:

and your footsteps were not seen.

²⁰ You led your people like sheep:

by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

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.

THE SECOND READING Galatians 5.1, 5.13-25

at 8am read by Vivienne Randall; at 10.00am read by Michael Kirwan

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what

you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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

Please stand, if you are able, for the hymn and/or the Gospel reading

GOSPEL HYMN 'Let all the world' *sung at the 10am service only*

1. Let all the world in every corner
sing:
My God and King!
The heav'ns are not too high,
his praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner
sing:
My God and King!

2. Let all the world in every corner
sing:
My God and King!
The church with psalms must
shout,
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We turn and face the Gospel as it is read

THE GOSPEL Luke 9.51-62

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

⁵¹When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did

not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village. ⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' ⁵⁹To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' ⁶¹Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' ⁶²Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

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

THE SERMON The Assistant Curate, The Revd Lydia Thangadurai

ANTHEM *King of glory, King of peace*

William Harris (1883 – 1973)

THE NICENE CREED *said together, standing*

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *kneeling*. At 8am led by Brenda Mouritz; at 10am led by Jenny Smith.

The Prayers end with the following

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.**

PARISH NOTICES

THE GREETING OF PEACE *standing*

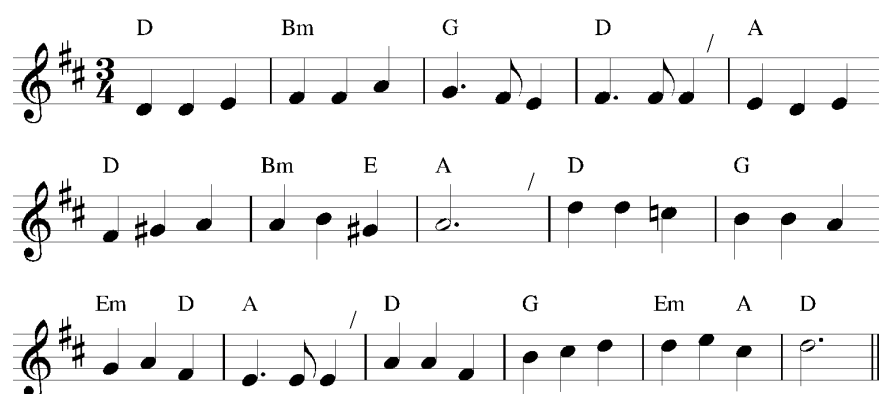
We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.**

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

All share with each other a 'COVIDsafe' sign of peace

OFFERTORY A monetary collection for the life and ministry of St. John's is taken here. You may give by contributing to the brass collection plate, at the paypoint at the rear of the church, or by prior arrangement with the parish office.

OFFERTORY HYMN 'Worship the Lord'



1. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
bring, and adore him: the Lord is his name.
2. Low at his feet lay your burden of carefulness,
high on his heart he will bear it for you,
3. Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth you would reckon to own:
truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to bring to his throne.
- comfort your sorrows, and
answer your prayerfulness,
guiding your steps in the way best for you.

4. These, though we bring them in
trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is
dear,
mornings of joy give for evenings
of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling, and hope
for our fear.

5. Worship the Lord in the beauty
of holiness,
bow down before him, his glory
proclaim;
gold of obedience and incense of
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bring, and adore him: the Lord is
his name.

John Samuel Bewley Monsell 1811–75 *alt.*

PRAYER FOR RECEIVING THE OFFERTORY

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
Fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have ourselves to offer,
fruit of the womb and formed by your love.
We will become your people for the world.
Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *All remain standing*

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.


The Great Thanksgiving Prayer continues to the following

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying/singing:

Sanctus 2




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly___ Lord, God of pow'r and might,



Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in___ the high - est.

Benedictus



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in___ the high - est.

From Christ Church Mass - Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer continues to the following

...Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

Acclamation




Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer ends with the following

... songs of never ending praise. or ... now and for ever.

Acclamation



Bless - ing and hon - our and glo - ry and pow'r are___ yours, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

From Christ Church Mass - Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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.

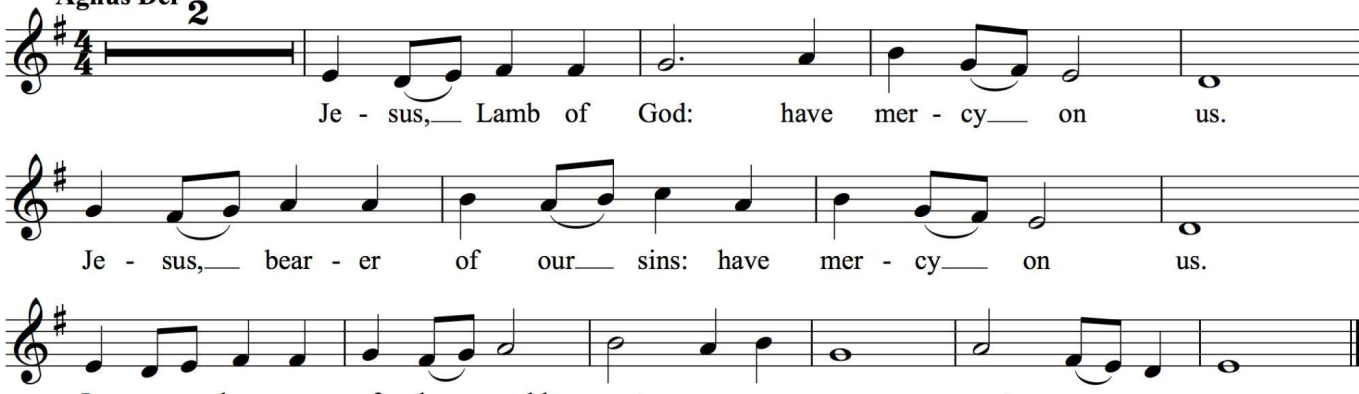
THE BREAKING OF BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, **for we all share in the one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei 2



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re-deem - er of the world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

From Christ Church Mass - Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *kneeling or standing*

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Communion is given in both kinds, consecrated bread and wine. The wine is served by two chalices: one for drinking from; the other for intinction (for dipping of the wafer). If you do not wish to receive communion and would prefer a blessing, please come forward and indicate your desire to do so by keeping your arms behind your back.

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Ubi caritas*

Maurice Duruflé (1902 – 1986)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this sacrament of your Son's body and blood worship you in all we do, proclaim your word to all the world, and live in the power of your Spirit.

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.

FINAL HYMN 'At the dawning of creation' at 8am, first & third verses



1. At the dawning of salvation;
in the morning of the world,
Christ is raised, a living banner
by the love of God unfurled,
Through the daylight, through
the darkness,
Christ leads on his great array:
all the saints and all the sinners
he has gathered on his way.

2. He is risen in the morning,
he is risen from the dead;
he is laughter after sadness,
he is light when night has fled.
He has suffered, he has
triumphed,

life is his alone to give:
as he gave it once he gives it
evermore, that we may live.

3. For the glory of salvation
in the dawn of Easter day
we will praise you, loving Father;
we rejoice to sing and pray
with the Son and with the Spirit.
Lead us on, your great array,
saints and sinners celebrating
your triumphant love today.

Jock Curle 1919-

BLESSING

God the holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side and guide you in all truth and peace;
and the blessing ...

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Voluntary in C

Maurice Greene (1696-1765)

As the postlude is played please remain seated or leave quietly



PARISH NOTICES

Morning Tea after the 10am Service

Please come and enjoy a lovely morning tea in the Church Hall following the 10am Service, provided by volunteers from the congregation. A donation is appreciated to support the cost of morning tea.

Support Our Choir and Music Program

In the lead-up to the end of the financial year, please consider making a tax deductible donation in support of our wonderful choir. Go here:

<https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/> Under "Fund," select MACO, and then St. John's, Toorak. Do speak with Chris Cook or the Vicar if you need further assistance. Thankyou. Every gift, large and small, helps us sing!

Mask Wearing at St. John's no longer mandatory - but recommended!

Further to the government's further easing of Covid restrictions and the consequent advice from the Archbishop's Office, mask wearing during church services is no longer mandatory. Given the continued pandemic, the rising number of cases (including those at St. John's) and the continuing need to look after each other - especially those who are most vulnerable to infection - I recommend that we do continue to wear masks, especially when we are unable to physically distance ourselves from one another. *The Vicar.*

Distribution of Wine at all Services of Communion

On St. John's Day, May 8, we returned to the sharing of consecrated wine at all our services of Communion. It has now been two years since we have been able to receive the consecrated wine at Communion and I trust this is a welcome return to a central expression of our communion with Christ. We have received advice from the Archbishop's Office to say that this is now a possibility, given the health advice shared with the Diocese by the Health Department. As is our custom, on Sundays two chalices of consecrated wine are available: the first can be sipped from; the second, wafers can be partially dipped into. With the shared chalice, please know this is very hygienic: all our chalices are made of pure metal (and thus do not absorb anything), the wine (a port, which is fortified wine) has an alcohol content of 22% which kills germs and the chalice is wiped with a clean, linen cloth, and rotated, after each person has drunk from it. With the chalice for intinction, this also is hygienic, *as long as people do not dip their fingers into the wine itself*. For those of you concerned more broadly about the hygienic nature of wine at communion, please know that at each service of Communion one of the clergy consumes all of the remaining consecrated wine, as it should not be kept. If this was not hygienic, your

clergy would be sick all the time, which we are not! In fact, clergy are some of the longest living members of the community (in England at least, where this practice is common)! Naturally if you do not wish to receive the wine at Communion, you may simply leave after receiving the bread.

An Update on Parish Council

St. John's is faithfully served by Wardens and Parish Council. The Wardens have special responsibility for the care and upkeep of the church. Two Wardens are elected at the Annual Meeting ('People's Wardens') and the third nominated by the incumbent, that is, the Vicar ('Vicar's Warden'). Unfortunately, due to ill health, Stella Jongebreuer has had to stand down as Warden. We thank her for her service since the Annual Meeting in November, 2021, and continue to pray for her recovery. Amongst the Parish Council, one person serves as the Treasurer, and we have been faithfully served by Jessica Hall in this capacity for the past almost three years. Again unfortunately, Jess has had to stand down from this position. Jess has made a wonderful contribution to the life of the church and the management and oversight of our finances and we give thanks for her and her contribution. Naturally these positions are being considered by the Parish Council, especially with a view to the Annual Meeting in November. Keith Beecher has kindly stepped in as Treasurer and we are grateful to him for his time and experience with this position. *The Vicar.*

Safe Ministry Training Program for all church volunteers

Thank you to everyone who has completed the Safe Ministry training courses, either online individually or in the two group sessions held recently. The Parish Council has committed itself to excellence in our care of young and vulnerable people in our parish and this training is an important part of providing and establishing this. A special thank you to Vivienne and Marcus Brown, for running these sessions. If you are a volunteer, or would like to be a volunteer at St. John's, then you must complete the Level 1 course. You can do so here:

www.openlearning.com/courses/adom-safe-ministry-essentials Please contact Sally in the Office on 9826 1434 or enquiries@saintjohnstoorak.org for further information.

Confirmation Service, September 18

Our bishop, The Rt. Revd. Genieve Blackwell, will preside and preach at the annual service of Confirmation on 18 September, 2022, at the 10am service. If you or someone you know is considering Confirmation, please contact the church office.

The Melbourne Anglican (TMA)

The link to the latest edition of TMA is [here](#). The link to the June Prayer Diary and prayer resources is [here](#)

Wednesday Eucharist at 7pm

Our regular celebration of the eucharist on Wednesday evening is a lovely, quiet service in the peaceful Angel Chapel, to which everyone is always welcome, and to supper in the vestry following.

Be part of our Sunday Services

All our ministries at St John's are supported by our volunteers. The rosters for July and August are now available [here](#).



If you would like to assist with any duties please contact the parish office or fill in the roster form by scanning the QR code to the left or visit <https://forms.gle/4CTWx7UEA7ewCseL9>

Good Books to Borrow and Read!

Our previous Assistant Curate, The Revd Keiron Jones, has donated some books to the parish in appreciation of her time here. If you would like to borrow one they are available in the Parish Office.

Titles and authors are as follows:

Rowan Williams *Luminaries: Twenty lives that illuminate the Christian Way*

Stephen Cottrell *How to pray alone with others at any time in any place*

Paula Gooder *Body. Biblical spirituality for the whole person*

David Adam *Radiance of his Glory. Prayers for the Church: A, B & C*

Collected Poems by Malcolm Guite *The Singing Bowl*

Mary Zournazi & Rowan Williams *Justice and Love. A Philosophical dialogue*

Prayer apps to help us pray

Along with prayer books and the Bible, a number of apps are available, which can help us maintain an active and engaged prayer life. Here are a few for you to consider: [epray](#) [Daily Prayer app and podcast](#) [Pray as you go](#)

Prayer Requests

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

Clergy Days Off

Our clergy have one regular day off per week. Our Assistant Curate Lydia has Monday and Vicar Peter has Friday. Wendy works Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday only. 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.

Support St. John's

Your support of St. John's is greatly appreciated. Donations can be made directly to: St. John's Anglican Church General Account, Westpac, 509 Toorak Road, Toorak, Victoria, 3142, Australia. Account Name is St. John's Anglican Church. BSB is 033 086. Account No. is 871931. For international transfers please include SWIFT code WPACAU2S.

In the Church Foyer

The following pamphlets & newsletters are currently in the foyer for your perusal

- *Flying for Life* The Quarterly Magazine of MAF Australia Winter 2022

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

From the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan; The Diocese of Bunbury (Bp Ian Coutts, Clergy & People); Upper Yarra Parish (Luke Whiteside); St Paul's East Kew – Pastoral Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell).

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 in the year of her Platinum Jubilee; Governor General David Hurley AC; Prime Minister Anthony Albanese; Federal Member of Parliament for Division of Higgins, Dr. Michelle Ananda-Rajah; Premier of Victoria, Daniel Andrews.

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.

For 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: Doug Harrah on Friday.

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: Rosie Creswell; Gwen; Jean James; Lachie Sullivan; Mary; Sue; Samantha; Anthea; Bp. Andrew St. John; Matthew; Mike; Tracey; Sam; Annette; Stella Jongebreur; Bruce Fordham.

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

Give thanks for those whose Anniversary of Death is this week: Claire Jackson; Jean Brett; Bruce Williams; Nancy Milner; Lesley Wheeler; Michael Zifcak; Barbara Hadley; John Court.

For those who have died and their families who mourn them: Ron Benson.

THIS SUNDAY

8am Service

First Reading: 2 Kings 2.1-2, 6-14, Chris Garnaut
Second reading: Galatians 5.1, 13-25, Vivienne Randall
Gospel Reading: Luke 9.51-62
Intercessor: Brenda Mouritz
Preacher: The Revd Lydia Thangadurai
Celebrant: The Revd Dr Peter French

10am Service

First Reading: 2 Kings 2.1-2, 6-14, Jenny Smith
Second reading: Galatians 5.1, 13-25, Michael Kirwan
Gospel Reading: Luke 9.51-62
Intercessor: Jenny Smith
Morning Tea: Catherine Soans and Anthony Mannering
Preacher: The Revd Lydia Thangadurai
Celebrant: The Revd Dr Peter French

NEXT SUNDAY, 3 July

8am Service

First Reading: Habakkuk 2.1-4, Brenda Mouritz
Second reading: Ephesians 2.19-22, volunteer required
Gospel Reading: John 20.24-29
Intercessor: volunteer required
Preacher: The Revd Dr Peter French
Celebrant: The Revd Dr Wendy Crouch

10am Service

First Reading: Habakkuk 2.1-4, Michael Kirwan
Second reading: Ephesians 2.19-22, volunteer required
Gospel Reading: John 20.24-29
Intercessor: volunteer required
Morning Tea: Amanda Bagot & Jane Anderson
Preacher: The Revd Dr Peter French
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