



ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
TOORAK
EST. 1859



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
19 October, 2025
8am

Welcome

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. We are part of the Anglican Church of Australia and a member of the global Anglican Communion, comprised of 80 million people.

Worship

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

Mission

Our mission is to know and love Christ and neighbour. We actively follow Jesus' command to love God, love one's neighbour and to care for all people. We 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.

Visitors

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.

The Church

The church is decorated in white today, the liturgical colour of Principal Services, especially those where the Holy Spirit is invoked, such as Baptism and Confirmation. White symbolises purity, light, glory, and joy.

Cover Image

The Iniquitous Judge, Eugène Burnand (1850-1921),
c.1910, pastels, pencil and crayons on paper,
Eugène Burnand Museum, Moudon, Switzerland.

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge we meet on the Traditional Lands of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung and Bunurong peoples of the East Kulin Nations and pay our respect to their Elders past and present.



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As you enter the church, please ensure your phone is switched off or on silent and use the time before the service for prayer or quiet reflection, allowing others to do the same

INTRODUCTORY RITE

Please stand when the procession enters the church

PRELUDE No. 3 from *Vesper Voluntaries*, Op 14, Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

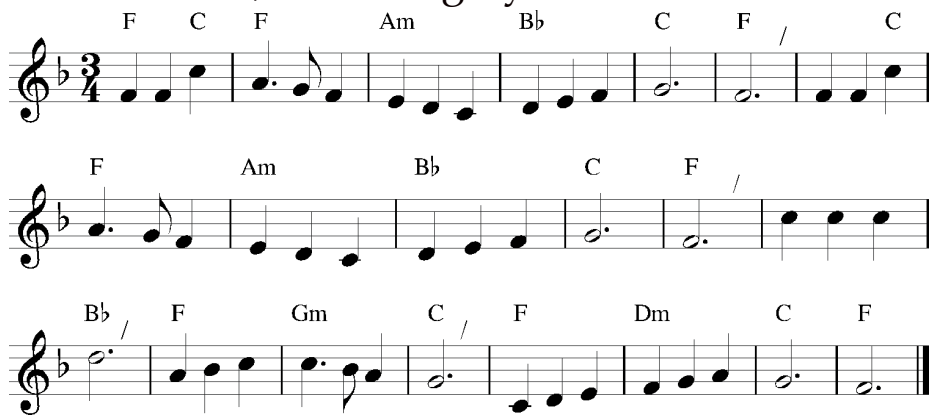
THE INVOCATION

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

GREETING

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

HYMN 'Praise to the Lord, the Almighty'



1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is
your health and salvation.
Come all who hear,
brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord, who when
darkness of sin is abounding,
who, when the godless do
triumph, our best hopes
confounding,
sheds forth his light,
scatters the horrors of night,
saints with his mercy surrounding.

3. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is
in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come
now with praises before him.
Let the Amen
sound from his people again:
gladly for ever adore him.

Joachim Neander 1650-80
tr. Catherine Winkworth 1827-78 & others
LOBE DEN HERREN (Tis 111)

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.**

THE TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord your 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.’

KYRIE ELEISON

**Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy.
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy.**

CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God’s forgiveness.

Silence is kept

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*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the Glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

O Lord, tireless guardian of your people, teach us to rely, day and night, on your care. Drive us to seek your justice and your help, and support our prayer lest we grow weary, for in you alone is our strength. We make our prayer through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING Jeremiah 31.27-34 *read by Anthony Rose*

The days are surely coming, says the Lord , when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: 'The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge.' But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the Lord , when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord : I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord ', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord ; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

THE PSALM Psalm 121 *said together*

I lift up my eyes to the hills:

but where shall I find help?

My help comes from the Lord:

who has made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer your foot to stumble:

and he who watches over you will not sleep.
Be sure he who has charge of Israel:
will neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord himself is your keeper:
the Lord is your defence upon your right hand;
The sun shall not strike you by day:
nor shall the moon by night.
The Lord will defend you from all evil:
it is he who will guard your life.
The Lord will defend your going out and your coming in:
from this time forward for evermore.
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 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5 *read by Maureen List*

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. 1 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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

Please stand for the Gospel, turning to face it as it is read

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.

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." ' And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

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

THE SERMON The Vicar, The Revd Dr Peter French

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 *led by Maureen List*

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.

THE 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.

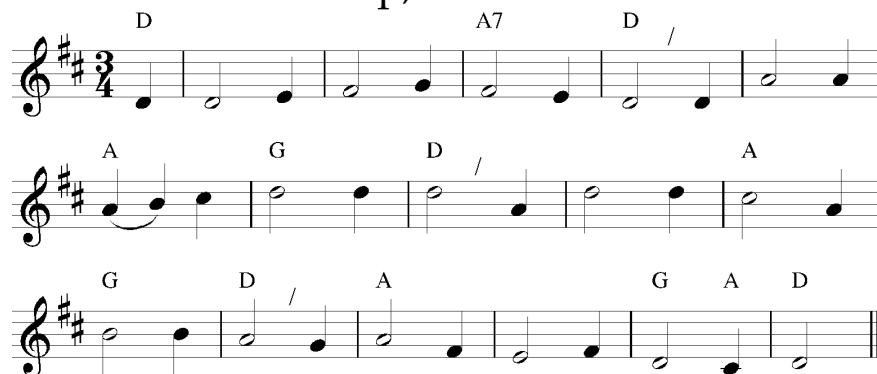
All share with each other a 'COVIDsafe' sign of peace

OFFERTORY

As the gifts of bread and wine are brought forward, a monetary collection for the life of St. John's is taken. Please give by contributing to the collection plate, at the paypoint at the rear of the church or by scanning the QR code.



OFFERTORY HYMN 'O love how deep, how broad'



1. O love how deep, how broad, how high!
it fills the heart with ecstasy
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.
2. For us he was baptized, and bore
his holy fast, and hungered sore;
for us temptations sharp he knew;
for us the tempter overthrew.
3. For us he prayed, for us he taught,
for us his daily works he wrought,
by words and signs and actions,
thus
still seeking not himself but us.
4. For us he rose from death again,
for us he went on high to reign,
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen and to cheer.

5. To him whose boundless love has
won
salvation for us through his Son,
to God the Father, glory be
both now and through eternity.

Attrib. Thomas à Kempis 1379–1471 *tr.* Benjamin
Webb 1819–85 *alt.* PENLAN (TiS 588)

PRAYER FOR RECEIVING THE OFFERTORY

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. **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:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer continues to the following

...Let us proclaim the mystery of faith
Christ has died, Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer ends with the following

... songs of never ending praise *or* ... now and for ever.
Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:
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 THE 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

Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

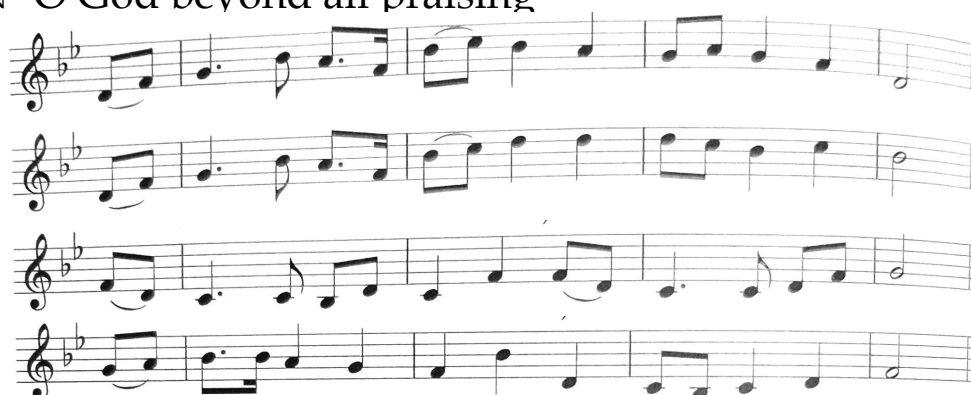
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POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Please stand*

The prayer ends with the following

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 'O God beyond all praising'





O God beyond all praising,
we worship you today
and sing the love amazing
that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder
at every gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word,
we honor and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior,
accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favor
may serve you as our king;
and whether our tomorrows
be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows
and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty
and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty
our sacrifice of praise.

Michael A. Perry (1982)
THAXTED Hymns Ancient and Modern 743

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE *Toccata and Fugue, Anon., Italian (18th century)*

As the postlude is played please remain seated or leave quietly



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Your support of St John's is greatly appreciated!

Donations can be made directly to:

St. John's Anglican Church General Account, Westpac

Account Name: St John's Anglican Church | BSB: 033 086 | Account: 871931.

International transfers please include SWIFT code **WPACAU2S**.



Wednesday Night Service

You are invited to join us each week, Wednesday at 7pm,
for Eucharist in the Chapel of St. Michael and All Angels.
The service is usually followed with supper and fellowship.
All are welcome. We hope to see you there!



CURRENT NOTICES

Thank you for your pledge!

Many thanks for those who took time to consider their financial contribution to St. John's during *Stewardship September* and returned a pledge form before, on or after *Gift Sunday*. Because of your commitment and generosity, we are able to budget for the coming year. For those who have not yet returned their pledge, it is not too late! We will continue to accept pledges in the coming weeks as we continue preparations for our Annual Meeting.

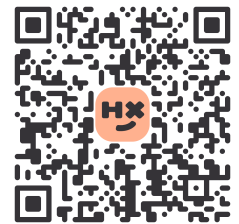
TODAY Sunday 19 October, 2025, at 10am

Service of Baptism, Confirmation & Reception into the Anglican Church

Our annual service of Baptism, Confirmation and Reception is today at 10am with Bishop Alison Taylor. Please pray for our candidates, *Joel Alon, John Foley, Elise Kennett* and *Scarlett Pennell*, as they take this significant step in their faith journeys.

A St John's Soirée, Friday 24 October, at 7pm

Join us for a wonderful evening of music, theatrical entertainment, fellowship and light refreshments. Invite your family and friends. All are welcome. Tickets are \$30. Concession \$20. All proceeds to St. John's Church & Music Programme. Scan the QR code or go to events.humanitix.com/a-st-john-s-soiree to book your tickets!



All Souls Day Service, Thursday 30 October, at 7pm

Each All Souls' Day we remember the faithful departed in a service of remembrance, prayer, scripture and music. Please join us as we commend the departed to God and join with many other people who also both mourn and give thanks for loved family members and friends who have died. You are welcome to bring a framed photo on the evening to be displayed. If you would like your dearly departed's name to be read during the service please complete the form [here](#), in the Narthex or contact the Parish Office.

Remembrance Day Service, Sunday 9 November, at 10am

On Sunday 9 November we will be joined by members of the Toorak RSL Sub-branch for our annual Remembrance Day Service. This year is particularly significant as we mark the 80th anniversary of the end of WWII.

Annual Archbishop's Dinner, Wednesday 19 November, 6pm

In support of Trinity College Theological School's *Building Our Future Appeal*, join us for auctions, entertainment and a three-course dinner hosted by Bishop Administrator Genieve Blackwell. Evensong at 6pm in Trinity College Chapel, followed by Dinner at 6.45pm in the A C C Farran Hall, Trinity College. RSVP by Wednesday 12 November, 2025. To book tickets, make a donation, place a silent auction bid or purchase raffle tickets trybooking.com/DETAO Enquiries: Briony O'Halloran events@trinity.unimelb.edu.au (03) 8341 0216

REGULAR NOTICES

Safeguarding and Wellbeing

St. John's is committed to safeguarding all people and protecting their wellbeing, including young and vulnerable people, especially Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, and children with diverse needs. All relevant staff and volunteers are trained in child safety and have appropriate clearance for service or ministry. If you have any concerns about the wellbeing of children in this parish, contact Kooyoora on 1800 135 246 or www.kooyoora.org.au. If you have concerns about your wellbeing or that of another churchgoer, please contact the clergy.

Pastoral Care

Clergy and members of the Pastoral Care Team offer pastoral care on a regular basis to parishioners as well as to those who specifically request it. This may include Home Communion. They also visit local hospitals at the request of patients, family, friends or staff with the consent of the recipient. Clergy and Lay Pastoral Carers visit a number of local Aged Care facilities on a regular, usually monthly, basis. Parishioners and others are welcome to phone the church office to arrange a home visit by the clergy or a lay pastoral carer. Those who are no longer able to attend usual services at the church are visited on a regular basis.

The Melbourne Anglican (TMA) and Prayer Diary

The latest edition of TMA is [here](#). The link to the October Prayer Diary is [here](#).

Contribute to Worship Services

All our ministries at St John's are supported by our wonderful volunteers. The rosters for this month are available [here](#). And you will note that volunteering for morning tea has now been added to the list of duties. If you can help fill any of the gaps please contact the parish office. Thanks in advance.

Parish Council

Parish council meets monthly, and minutes are available on request.

Communion Instructions

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Zoom Link

Our 10am Sunday service is streamed here:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86212089431?pwd=ZEN2M2xWRHRhMVhxTWWhwcmVwTzFEEdz09> Meeting ID: 862 1208 9431 | Passcode: 541347

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 Vicar Peter has Friday and Wendy usually 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.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers for Victims of War: Give comfort, O Lord, to all who are torn away from their homes and their loved ones, by war, by famine, or by cruelty; give the world your peace and turn the hearts of those who will to war; grant that we who dwell secure in this insecure world may be generous in caring for our displaced brothers and sisters, of all faiths and none. We ask this in the name of the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

From the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: St Peter's Melbourne (Michael Bowie, Cara Greenham Hancock); The Diocese of Adelaide (Abp Geoff Smith, Asst Bps Timothy Harris, Christopher McLeod, Sophie Relf-Christopher, Clergy & People); Converge International (Jenny George, CEO, and Chaplains); The Church of the Province of Uganda (Abp Stephen Kaziimba); Mt Eliza Anglican Church – Anniversary service (Bp Paul Barker); St Stephen's Richmond – Pastoral service (Bp Kate Prowd);

For the Anglican Church: The Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia, The Most Revd Geoffrey Smith; Archbishop-elect of the Diocese of Melbourne, The Rt Revd Dr Richard (Ric) Thorpe; Diocesan Administrator The Rt Revd Genieve Blackwell; and Assistant Bishop of Melbourne, Marningatha Episcopate, The Rt Revd Alison Taylor.

For those who lead us in Government: His Majesty King Charles III; Governor General Sam Mostyn AC; Prime Minister Anthony Albanese; Member for Kooyong, Dr. Monique Ryan; Premier of Victoria, Jacinta Allan; and, Member for Prahran, Rachel Westaway.

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 our Neighbours: Our partner churches in the Toorak Ecumenical Movement, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Toorak Uniting Church, and The Swedish Church; and our friends at the Melbourne Hebrew Congregation.

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

For schools in our parish: Geelong Grammar School Toorak Campus, Head of Campus Nicole Ginnane; St Catherine's School, Principal Natalie Charles; and Toorak Primary School Principal Suada Dzaferovic.

For the sick and all in need: Nichole, Joanna, Ivan, Anthea, Joan, James, Karen, Trisha, Emma, Thomas, Rod, Robyn, Stephen, Stella, Louis, Nina, Bissie, Jane, Naomi, Rosie, John, Alina & Maria.

For those in aged care and those who are housebound: Angela, Elizabeth, Russ, Sue & Nancy.

For those who have died and their families who mourn them: Beverley Joyce & Ross Van Prooyen.

Give thanks for those whose Anniversary of Death is this week: Mollie Connolly (1997); Ken Ritson (2013); Fred Spittel (2023); James Crow (2015); Janet Gilfillan (2019); Constance Blomfield (1988) & Geoffrey Brewer (1999).

MUSIC COMMENTARY

PRELUDE: No. 3 from *Vesper Voluntaries*, Op 14. - Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

The *Vesper Voluntaries* set consists of eight numbered pieces with an Introduction and Coda to begin and end, plus an Intermezzo between Nos. 4 and 5. Whilst they can be played separately, Elgar evidently had it in mind that they could also be played as a group, as it appears that he planned a coherent sequence of keys. The pieces are written on two staves, and whilst pedals are indicated they are understood to be optional.

ART COMMENTARY

The art on today's pewsheet is by Swiss born painter and illustrator, *Eugène Burnand*. He was a deeply religious man and became best known in Europe for his illustrations of the various Parables, of which today's drawing is a prime example. In 1872 he entered the Fine Arts School in Paris under Jean-Léon Gérôme. You can see Gérôme's influence in the level of realism in *The Iniquitous Judge*, drawing, and focusing on the emotions being conveyed. The judge dressed in white appears rather fed up, looking away from the woman in front of him; and the widow dressed in black is seen begging, kneeling imploringly in front of the judge.



This Week

SUNDAY, 19 October 2025

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8am Said Eucharist

10am Sung Eucharist

with the Rites of Baptism, Confirmation &
Reception into the Anglican Church

MONDAY, 20 October 2025

10am Memorial Service for Beverley Joyce

WEDNESDAY, 22 October 2025

7pm Eucharist, in the Angel Chapel

FRIDAY, 24 October 2025

12pm Funeral Service for Ross Van Prooyen

7pm St. John's Soirée, in Buxton Hall



Next Sunday, 26 October Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

8am Eucharist

First Reading: *Joel 2:23-32*, Brenda Mouritz

Second Reading: *2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18*, Ted Mouritz

Gospel Reading: *Luke 18:9-14*

Intercessor: Brenda Mouritz

Preacher: The Revd Dr Wendy Crouch

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Morning Tea: Kari Gleeson, Amanda &
Christopher Bagot



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