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EAST BURWOOD



9th August 2026

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

“Seeking God, Serving with love, Sharing hope”

Welcome to Church

We are delighted that you are worshipping with us today.
Please take Communion, whatever your denomination.
If you are visiting, please make yourself known to
Fr Anthony or to one of our welcomers following the service
and do stay for a cuppa and chat!

Sentence for Today

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.



For those who have children with them, there is a children's corner in the church for the little ones. During school term, children who are pre-school age and above can attend 'Godzone' - Special Children's Activities - shortly after we begin the 9.30am service.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Before each service we enter a time of silence as we prepare ourselves for worship.

Entrance hymn: **TiS 143** “Immortal, invisible, God only wise”

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor, wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might;
your justice like mountains high soaring above,
your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small,
in all life now living, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree,
then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
your angels adore you, all veiling their sight;
of all your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart—
take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.

All praise we would render: reveal to our sight
what hides you is only the splendour of light;
and so let your glory, Almighty, impart,
through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

Walker Chalmers Smith 1824-908 *alt*

Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome

Prayer of Preparation:

Let us pray.

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 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.'

Kyries: Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy.

The Gloria:

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.

The Prayer of the Day:

Mighty God and ruler of all creation,
give new strength to our faith,
that we may recognise your presence
even when all hope seems lost.
Help us to face all trials with serenity
as we walk with Christ through the stormy seas of life
and come at the last to your eternal peace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

We pray for God's Spirit of Welcome:

God of Welcome,
you call on us to extend your hospitality
by serving others with love.
Grant us clear eyes to see people as you see them,
sensitive feet to stand in their shoes,
and warm smiles to welcome them in your name.

**Give us such generous hearts,
that our church becomes a foretaste of heaven,
where all may find their loving home
in the community of your Son, Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Godzone blessing

The ministry of the Word:

The first reading: Genesis 37.1–4, 12–28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This 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. Now 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. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And 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.' So 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, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, 'What are you seeking?' 'I am seeking my brothers,' he said; 'tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock.' The 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. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, 'Here comes this dreamer. Come 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.' But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, 'Let us not take his life.' Reuben 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. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then 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. Then Judah said to his brothers, 'What profit is there if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, 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. When 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.

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

Psalm 105.1–6, 16–22

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

The second reading: Romans 10.4-15

For Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.'

But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down)

'or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But 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); because 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.

For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.

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

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.

For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

But 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? And 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!'

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

Gradual hymn: TiS 598 *"Dear Father, Lord of humankind"*

Dear Father, Lord of humankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
reclothe us in our rightful mind:
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise,
in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee,
rise up and follow thee.

O sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love,
interpreted by love!

The Gospel reading:

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Matthew, chapter 14 beginning at verse 22

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.' When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret. After the people of that place recognized him, they sent word throughout the region and brought all who were sick to him, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and
stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace,
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our
desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake,
wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm,
O still small voice of calm.

John Greenleaf Whittier 1807-92 *alt.*

Sermon – followed by a time of silent reflection

The Creed:

Let us stand together and affirm the faith of the church:

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation,
he came down from heaven;
*was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.***

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

**We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People:

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

The response is...**Hear our prayer.**

At the conclusion

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.**

Preparation

Jesus said: Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11.28.

Prayer of Approach:

**We do not presume
to come to your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord,
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him,
and he in us. Amen.**

Invitation to Confession:

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

Confession:

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge
we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you
in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Absolution:

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Greeting of Peace:

We are the body of Christ.
His spirit is with us.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Offertory hymn: TiS 526 "Lord Jesus Christ"

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| 1. Lord Jesus Christ
You have come to us
You are one with us,
Mary's Son.
Cleansing our souls from all their sin.
Pouring Your love and goodness in.
Jesus our love for you we sing,
Living Lord. | 3. Lord Jesus Christ
You have come to us
Born as one with us,
Mary's Son.
Led out to die on Calvary,
Risen from death to set us free,
Living Lord Jesus help us see
You are Lord. |
| 2. Lord Jesus Christ
Now and every day
Teach us how to pray,
Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
This in remembrance Lord of you
Into our lives your power breaks
through,
Living Lord. | 4. Lord Jesus Christ
I would come to you
Live my life for you,
Son of God.
All your commands I know are
true,
Your many gifts will make me new,
Into my life your power breaks
through,
Living Lord. |

Patrick Robert Norman Appleford 1925-

Prayer over the gifts:

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:

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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin,
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

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:

The gifts of God, for the people of God.
Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ
in remembrance that he died for us,
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Communion

Post Communion Hymn: "Be still for the presence of the Lord"

**Be still for the presence of the Lord
the Holy One is here.
Come bow before Him now
with reverence and fear,
in Him no sin is found
we stand on holy ground.
Be still for the presence of the Lord
the Holy One is here**

**Be still for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.
He burns with holy fire
with splendour He is crowned,
how awesome is the sight
our radiant King of Light.
Be still for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around**

**Be still for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.
He comes to cleanse and heal
to minister His grace,
no work too hard for Him
in faith receive from Him.
Be still for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.**

David J Evans 1957 -

Prayer after Communion:

**Living God,
in this holy meal you fill us with new hope.
May the power of your love,
which we have known in word and sacrament,
continue your saving work among us,
give us courage for our pilgrimage,
and bring us to the joys you promise.**

**Most loving God,
you send us into the world you love.
Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit.**

Notices

Blessing:

**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.****

Final Hymn: TiS 315 "Mine eyes have seen the glory"

**Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:
his truth is marching on.**

***Glory, glory, hallelujah, glory, glory, hallelujah,
glory, glory, hallelujah, his truth is marching on.***

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat:
O be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on.
Glory, glory, hallelujah,

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom which transfigures you and me:
as he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
while God is marching on.
Glory, glory, hallelujah,

He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;
he is wisdom to the mighty; he is succour to the brave:
so the world shall be his foot-stool, and the soul of time his slave:
our God is marching on.
*Glory, glory, hallelujah, glory, glory, hallelujah,
glory, glory, hallelujah, our God is marching on.*

Julia Ward Howe 1819-1910 and others.

Dismissal

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

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NOTICES

Fr Anthony's last service: We celebrate and give thanks today for Fr Anthony's ministry with us at Ascension. We will continue the celebration in the hall after the service, to enjoy a 'hearty morning tea' with our tea/coffee/bubbles!

Next Week: We welcome Rev Fiona Raike back, as she begins her time with us as our Acting Vicar. Rev Fiona will be with us 3 days each week, during our interregnum period.

Parish Film Night: The next Ascension Film Night will be held at Pinewood Cinema, this Friday(14th) for the newly released Australian comedy drama *Holy Days*.

The film features three elderly nuns, who are trying to save their convent, and an unhappy young boy, who embark on a road trip.

Can we meet in the Cinema foyer at 5.45pm as the movie will start at 6pm. Entry is \$15 per head and is due TODAY. Coffee/tea at the nearby 57 Café Bar, after the movie, is optional. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex. All enquiries to Peter on 0409 192 532 or whartonp@bigpond.net.au

Commissioning Service: We are all invited to the commissioning service for Fr Anthony at St Bartholomew's, Burnley on Monday, August 24th at 7pm. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to stbartsburnley@gmail.com or let Christine know ASAP. Incense will be used at this service.

An afternoon with Archbishop Ric: On Sunday, August 16th at 2.30-3.30pm, we are invited to gather at St Paul's cathedral for an opportunity to meet the Archbishop and hear what he is noticing across our diocese, ask questions and share what is on your mind as we look ahead together as a diocese.

To register: <https://events.humanitix.com/afternoon-with-archbishop>

Please let Christine know if you would like to attend, and we can travel into the cathedral together.

Footy Tipping 2026: One or two big surprises for Round 21 last week saw just three tipsters get 7 correct - Brian Brand, Aggie Canterbury and Suzanne Seager.

A mixed result among the leaders saw Judithe Atkinson (55) just one point ahead of Brian Brand (54) in the Second Half-Season championship, and then the trio of Aggie Canterbury, Matthew Godden and Peter Wharton (53) in third place, two points ahead of Cooper & Peter Godden, Peggy & Paul Kruse, and Jon Youngs (51).

Three rounds to go and the leadership still hotly contested!

SAINTS AND HOLY WOMEN AND MEN FOR THIS WEEK

Monday	Laurence, deacon and martyr at Rome (d. 258)
Tuesday	Clare of Assisi (d. 1252)
	John Henry Newman, cardinal and theologian (d.1890)
Thursday	Jeremy Taylor, bishop and spiritual writer (d.1667)
Friday	Twentieth century martyrs including grand Duchess Elizabeth of Russia (d. 1918), Maximilien Kolbe, friar (d.1941), Dietrich Bonhoeffer, theologian (d. 1945), Maria Skobtsova, abbess in Russia (d. 1945), Martin Luther King jr, worker for civil liberties (d. 1968), Janani Luwum, archbishop of Uganda (d. 1977), Oscar Romero, archbishop of San Salvador (d. 1980)
Saturday	MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Wednesday:

Ezekial 9.1-7; 10.18-22

Psalms 113

Matthew 18.15-20

Next Sunday: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 45.1-15

Psalms 133

Romans 11.13-32

Matthew 15.21-28

WE THANK GOD FOR THE MANY BLESSINGS IN OUR LIVES

From Melbourne Diocesan Prayer Diary –

Sun 19: Cameroon, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea, The Episcopal Church; Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe.

Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn: Bishop Mark Short; Bishop Vanessa Bennett; St Saviour's Cathedral, Dean Gavin Andreas Krebs; clergy, lay ministers and people.

Jumbunna Episcopate, Archdeaconry of Frankston, Deanery of Frankston & Kingston South: St Paul's Frankston, St Luke's Frankston East, St Thomas' Langwarrin with St Peter's Pearcedale, St John's Frankston North with St Luke's Carrum Downs, Anglican Parish of Longbeach, Mount Eliza Anglican Parish.

Hume Anglican Grammar School.

The Parish of the Holy Name of Jesus, Vermont South (ABp Ric Thorpe); Opening of General Synod, St Paul's Cathedral (ABp Ric Thorpe); St Paul's Frankston (Bp Paul Barker).

To our God who saves and lifts us up, we pray on behalf of —

OUR WORLD

- for the quelling of tensions, the de-escalation of conflicts and for peaceful cooperation.
- for a hand for the victims of devastation by wildfire and wild weather in the North.
- for all those who watch and wait over the health and well-being of their loved ones.

OUR COUNTRY

- for our vigilant and accurate conduct of the Census and for informed future planning.
- for determined leadership in implementing overall reforms in relation to gambling.
- for the safety of all those who find themselves enslaved in labour-hire schemes.

OUR CHURCH

- for the good conduct of the 19th General Synod convening in Melbourne this week.
- for attentive conversation and sharing of hope at the Afternoon with Archbishop Ric.
- for our Parish Nominators as they listen for whom is being called as our incumbent.

OUR COMMUNITY

- for a reversal of our failing trust in our political and governmental institutions.
- for all our citizens who strive for multi-cultural and multi-faith inclusion and equity.
- for the Mission to Seafarers and its ministries to those visiting the Port of Melbourne.

OURSELVES

- for Anthony and Kym as they conclude their ministry with us and transition to Burnley.
- for our Peace Garden and all our gardens and for the preservation of our green spaces.
- for our sense of being together as brothers/sisters and recognising the divine presence.

THE ASCENSION COMMUNITY

Please hold in your daily prayers any individual parish members who may be on your heart, and for an awareness of God's presence in the events of the week.

Those in special need of prayer: *Estelle Carman, Douglas Mortimer, Kaye & Carole Smith, Pauline & Siew Tin Le Riche, Lyle & Jan Mansfield, Marie Cleaver, Shirley & Alan Wagner, Fanny Driedricks, Dawn, Stanley, and Rose Joseph, Heather McKenzie, Rachael Allan, Peggy & Paul Kruse, Tim Youings, Ravinash Kumar, Rick Knight, Sue Spalding, Cheryl Hall, Sharon Munday, Julie Wee, Chrissie Gartlan, Glen Wood and others known to us who are in special need of prayer.*

Those at the Peter James Centre, Burwood Lodge, and Calvary the Highbury.

All who work in health and aged care settings.

Those who come for help to East Burwood Care.

Our local Schools, Colleges, and Universities.

We remember this week, the year's mind of: *Lawrence Hodgson.*

ROSTERS:

Welcomers

Reader

Server

Liturgical Assistant

Intercessions

Godzone

Music

Morning Tea

Sacristan

Printing

Flowers

9:30am

Elizabeth Waite & Pat Ludwick

Trevor Smith

Christine Youings

Daniel Waite

Cath Ortlieb

Jo Waite

Dawn, Andreas, Heath and Josh

Joy Ritchie & Pat Eadon

Sue Tregear

Alma Brand

Judithe Atkinson



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*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land,
the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation.
We pay our respects to their elders, past, present, and emerging.*

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Pew sheet: Please send all items for inclusion in next week's pew sheet to Christine Youings by 5:00pm Thursday evening (jyouings@melbpc.org.au)

Baptism, Marriage, & Funerals by arrangement

Weekly services

Sunday	8:00am Eucharist 9:30am Sung Eucharist 'Godzone' children's program during 9:30 am service (during school term)
Wednesday	10:00am Eucharist
Friday	10:00am – Noon. Drop-in for a cuppa and chat.

Commitment to Child Safety: At the Church of the Ascension we follow Christ in being a caring Church welcoming of all, extending his love and invitation of new life. In ministry to children, young people and vulnerable adults we are committed to providing an environment that is physically, emotionally and spiritually safe and supportive. We have a zero-tolerance approach to Child abuse or abuse of vulnerable people. This includes a culture of child-safety and of inclusivity for people of cultural and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background, people with disability or any other specific group.

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