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# ANGLICAN CHURCH *of the* ASCENSION

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EAST BURWOOD



22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023

**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

*“Seeking God, Serving with love, Sharing hope”*

## Welcome to Church

### Sentence for Today

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. *Matthew 4.23.*



**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 561** “Who would true valour see”

Who would true valour see,  
let them come hither;  
those here will constant be,  
come wind, come weather.  
There's no discouragement  
shall make them once relent  
each first avowed intent  
to be a pilgrim.

Whoso beset them round  
with dismal stories  
who but themselves confound:  
their strength the more is.  
No lion can them fright,  
they'll with a giant fight,  
but each will have a right  
to be a pilgrim.

Since Lord thou dost defend  
us with thy spirit:  
we know we at the end  
shall life inherit.  
Then fancies flee away;  
we'll scorn what people say,  
we'll labour night and day  
to be a pilgrim

*John Bunyan (1628-1688) 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:***

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

***We give praise to God:***

**We thank you, Lord,  
for keeping us under the shadow of your mercy,  
for sustaining and supporting the anxious and fearful,  
for lifting up all who are brought low.  
May we always rejoice in your comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us  
from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen**

***The ministry of the Word:***

***The first reading: Isaiah 9.1-4***

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.  
The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness—  
on them light has shined.  
You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.  
For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

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

### ***Psalm 27.1-10***

The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom then shall I fear?:  
**the Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?**  
When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes,  
come upon me to devour me:  
**they shall stumble and fall.**  
If an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not be afraid:  
**and if war should rise against me, yet will I trust.**  
One thing I have asked from the Lord,  
which I will require:  
**that I may dwell in the house of the Lord  
all the days of my life,**  
To see the fair beauty of the Lord:  
**and to seek his will in his temple.**  
For he will hide me under his shelter  
in the day of trouble:  
**and conceal me in the shadow of his tent,  
and set me high upon a rock.**  
And now he will lift up my head:  
**above my enemies round about me.**  
And I will offer sacrifices in his sanctuary  
with exultation:  
**I will sing, I will sing praises to the Lord.**  
O Lord, hear my voice when I cry:  
**have mercy upon me and answer me.**  
My heart has said of you, 'Seek his face':  
**your face, Lord, I will seek.**

### ***The second reading: 1 Corinthians 1.10-18***

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that

there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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

**Gradual hymn: TiS 274** *"The people that in darkness walked"*

**The people that in darkness walked  
have seen a glorious light;  
the light has shined on them who dwelt  
in death's surrounding night.**

**To hail you, Sun of righteousness,  
the gathering nations come:  
rejoicing as when reapers bear  
their harvest treasures home.**

**To us a child of hope is born,  
to us a Son is given;  
him shall the tribes of earth obey,  
him all the hosts of heaven.**

**The Gospel reading:**

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

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
according to Matthew, chapter 4 beginning at verse 12

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee.

He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali,  
so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,  
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—  
the people who sat in darkness  
have seen a great light,  
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death  
light has dawned.'

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen.

And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them.

And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

For the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**His name shall be the Prince of Peace  
for evermore adored,  
the Wonderful, the Counsellor,  
the great and mighty Lord.**

**His power increasing still shall spread,  
his reign no end shall know:  
justice shall guard his throne above  
and peace abound below.**

John Morison 1750-98 vv. 3-5 and compilers vv. 1-2.

## ***The Sermon***

### ***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 Church and for the world.

*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***

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever  
believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3.16

***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:***

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.  
Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in  
penitence and faith.



**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 598** “Dear Father, Lord of humankind”

Dear Father, Lord of humankind,  
forgive our foolish ways;  
re clothe 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!



**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.*

***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.

You anointed him as Messiah,  
the light of the nations,  
and revealed him as the hope  
of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

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 he 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: TiS 521 "Lord Christ, at your first eucharist"***

**Lord Christ, at your first eucharist you prayed  
that all your church might be for ever one;  
may at each eucharist this prayer be made  
with longing heart and soul, 'Your will be done.'  
O may we all one bread, one body be,  
through this blest sacrament of unity.**

**For all your church, O Lord, we intercede;  
make all our sad divisions soon to cease;  
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,  
by drawing all to you, O Prince of Peace:  
thus may we all one bread, one body be,  
through this blest sacrament of unity.**

**So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease  
may we be one with all your church above,  
one with your saints in one unbroken peace,  
one with your saints in one unbounded love;  
more blessed still, in peace and love to be  
one with the Trinity in Unity.**

*David J Evans 1957 -*

**Prayer after Communion:**

God of the nations,  
we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament.  
Guide us by your presence,  
that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness,  
and establish your justice in the earth.

**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**

**The Blessing:**

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the + blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

**Final Hymn: TiS 571 "Forth in your name, O Lord, I go"**

**Forth in your name, O Lord, I go,  
my daily labour to pursue,  
you, Lord, alone resolved to know,  
in all I think, or speak, or do.**

**Each task your wisdom has assigned  
still let me cheerfully fulfil,  
in all my works your presence find,  
and prove your good and perfect will.**

**You may I set at my right hand,  
whose eyes my inmost substance view,  
and labour on at your command,  
and offer all my works to you.**

**Give me to bear your easy yoke,  
and every moment watch and pray,  
and still to things eternal look,  
and hasten to your glorious day;**

**for you delightfully employ  
all that your bounteous grace has given,  
and run my course with even joy,  
and closely walk with you to heaven.**

*Charles Wesley 1707-88 alt.*

**Dismissal**

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

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**WELCOME TO CHURCH.** . . We are delighted that you are worshipping with us today, please take Communion, whatever your denomination and come and worship with us again. 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!

## **NOTICES**

**The flowers** today are in loving memory of Joan Bird, Heather's mother, and beautifully arranged by Aggie Canterbury.

### **Special Morning Tea today!!**

Today after our 9:30am service we will be acknowledging Chinese New Year and upcoming Australia Day with a special morning tea and multicultural goodies. Many thanks to Jo for coordinating this and others who have helped provide delicious treats. All are welcome!

### **Wednesday Midweek Eucharist**

This Wednesday at our Midweek Eucharist we will be acknowledging Australia Day (for the following day) with prayers for our nation and for the ongoing work of Reconciliation with our First Nations Peoples. Please join us for this important time of prayer and thanksgiving.

**News and views on faith from Australia and around the world brought to you by *The Melbourne Anglican*.** The NewsStand is now live on TMA's website, using the link <http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/newsstand>

- Missionaries need to understand diversity and multiculturalism to be effective, expert says – The Melbourne Anglican
- Cardinal George Pell, Australia's most powerful Catholic, who was dogged by scandal – The Guardian
- Victorian court allows abused altar boy's children and wife to sue Catholic Church – The Guardian
- Mark Drama breaks through in Mandarin – Sydney Anglicans
- Third generation of Bennett family becomes organist at St Faith's Anglican Church Rotorua – New Zealand Herald
- Bishops in Brazil condemn storming of congress as 'act of terrorism' – Church Times
- Recant or Leave: Mobs Expel Christians in Central India – Christianity Today
- 'Everyone has a story to tell': Iraq five years after Islamic State – The Age
- Chinese Pastors Can Teach You What John Calvin Can't – The Gospel Coalition
- Orthodox Christians around the world mark Christmas: In pictures
- and more...

## **SAINTS AND HOLY MEN AND WOMEN FOR THIS WEEK**

Tuesday Companions of Paul, including Timothy, Titus and Silas  
Wednesday **CONVERSION OF PAUL THE APOSTLE**  
Friday John of Chrysostom, bishop of Constantinople, teacher (d. 407)  
Saturday Thomas Aquinas, theologian (d. 1274)

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

### **Wednesday:**

1 Thessalonians 5:12-24  
Psalm 33:12-21  
John 8:31-36

### **Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

Micah 6.1-8  
Psalm 15  
1 Corinthians 1.18-31  
Matthew 5.1-12

## **WE THANK GOD FOR HIS MANY BLESSINGS, LET US PRAY EACH DAY FOR THE CHURCH**

*Sun 22* Christ Church Brunswick (Lindsay Urwin OGS, Jack Lindsay, Russell Goulbourne); The Diocese of Wangaratta (Bp Clarence Bester, Clergy & People); Archdeaconry of La Trobe (Gavin Ward); The Church of North India (United);  
*Mon 23* St John Chrysostom Brunswick West (Incumbency Vacant, Len Firth, Interim Locum); The Diocese of Willochra (Bp-elect Jeremy James, Clergy & People); Camberwell Girls' Grammar School (Debbie Dunwoody, Principal; Helen Creed, Chaplain);  
*Tues 24* St Timothy's Bulleen (Ben Lui Wong, Ivy Wong); Anglicare Australia (Bp Chris Jones, Chair; Kasy Chambers, Exec Director); Anglican Men's Society;  
*Wed 25* St Bartholomew's Burnley (Matthew Healy); Theological Colleges, Church Schools & Church Kindergartens; Anglicare Victoria (Paul McDonald, CEO);  
*Thurs 26* Church of the Ascension Burwood East (Anthony Frost); Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia; Gisborne Anglican Parish (Bp Kate Prowd)  
*Fri 27* St Thomas' Burwood (John Carrick, Hing Sing Ng, Joshua Millard, Michael Prabakaran, Rosalyn Armstrong); Religious Orders serving within the Anglican Church of Australia; Camberwell Grammar School (Paul Hicks, Principal; Charles Butler, Chaplain);  
*Sat 28* St Dunstan's Camberwell (Jobby John); Locums and all retired clergy; Anglican Overseas Aid (Bob Mitchell, CEO).

## **AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND**

Reconciliation and justice for our First Nations People. Those impacted by the state of the economy and recent natural disasters.

## **THE WORLD**

Containment of the coronavirus pandemic, those suffering and the medical staff. A compassionate outcome for all Asylum Seekers. Productive and harmonious relationships among Pacific neighbours. A peaceful outcome in Eastern Europe. Those affected by climate change - wisdom and leadership to prevent further environmental damage.

## 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: *Helen Daniels, Estelle Carman, Jean & Alan Close, Shirley and Alan Wagner, Glenys Howell, Barbara Stark, Gwen McMahon, Carole Smith, Pauline Le Riche, Lyle Mansfield, Stanley & Rose Joseph, Marie Cleaver (Judithe's friend), Geoffrey (Josh's father), David and Glen Wood, Fanny (Aggie's sister), Joy (Jan Wheeler's sister), Dave Ritchie, Gerald (Pat Eadon's brother), Don Lambourne, and others known to us.*

Those at the Peter James Centre and Burwood Lodge  
Those working in Health and Aged Care settings  
Our local Schools, Colleges, and Universities

**Ourselves - as we are strengthened through the power of the  
Holy Spirit in love and prayer for one another**

### **ROSTERS:**

	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>9:30am</u>
<b>Welcomers</b>	Sue Tregear	Anne Orchard & Heather McKenzie
<b>Reader</b>	Sue Tregear	Cath Ortlieb
<b>Servers</b>	Sue Tregear	Ron McKenzie
<b>Intercessions</b>	Fr Anthony	Trevor Smith
<b>Music</b>		Dawn Joseph
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Cheryl & Keith Hall
<b>Sacristan</b>	Judithe Atkinson	
<b>Garden</b>	Augustus Luo	
<b>Printing</b>	Ron McKenzie	
<b>Flowers</b>	Aggie Canterbury	





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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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**Pastoral Care contact:** Fr Anthony

**Pew sheet:** Please send all items for inclusion in next week's pewsheets to Ron McKenzie by 5:00p.m. Thursday evening ([r.mckenzie@novatechsolutions.com.au](mailto:r.mckenzie@novatechsolutions.com.au).)

*Baptism, Marriage & funerals by arrangement*

### Weekly services

<b>Sunday</b>	8:00am Eucharist
	9:30am Eucharist
	'Godzone' children's program during 9.30 am service (during school term)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>Fr Anthony's day of rest!</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00am Eucharist
<b>Friday</b>	10:00am – Noon. Drop-in for 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.

Read the full **Commitment to Child Safety** document on our website: [www.ascensionchurch.org.au](http://www.ascensionchurch.org.au)