

LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY – TRANSFIGURATION

"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, and come to 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!

# Sentence for Today

Your Father in heaven makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Matthew 5.45, Luke 6.36.



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 125 "The God of Abraham praise"

The God of Abraham praise who reigns enthroned above, ancient of everlasting days, and God of love: the Lord, the great I AM by earth and heaven confessed! We bow and bless the sacred name for ever blessed.

The God of Abraham praise, whose all-sufficient grace shall guide us all our happy days in all our ways. He calls us each a friend, he calls himself our God; and he shall save us to the end through Jesus' blood.

He by himself has sworn, we on his oath depend: we shall, on eagles' wings upborne, to heaven ascend: we shall behold his face, we shall his power adore, and sing the wonders of his grace for evermore.

The God who reigns on high the great archangels sing, and 'Holy, holy, holy,' cry, 'almighty King!' who was and is the same and evermore shall be, the Lord, our Father, great I AM eternally.

The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high: 'Hail, Father, Son and Spirit blest!' they ever cry. Hail, Abraham's God and ours! with heaven our songs we raise: all might and majesty are yours, and endless praise.

#### **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:

O God, before whose face we are not made righteous even by being right: free us from the need to justify ourselves by our own anxious striving, that we may be abandoned to faith in you alone; through Jesus Christ. **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

# Godzone blessing

# The ministry of the Word:

# The first reading: Exodus 24.12-18

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.' Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 2

Why are the nations in tumult:

and why do the peoples cherish a vain dream?

The kings of the earth rise up

and the rulers conspire together:

against the Lord and against his anointed, saying,

'Let us break their bonds asunder:

let us throw off their chains from us.'

He that dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn:

the Lord will hold them in derision.

Then will he speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury:

'I, the Lord, have set up my king on Zion my holy hill.'

I will announce the Lord's decree, that which he has spoken:

'You are my son, this day have I begotten you.

'Ask of me,

and I will give you the nations for your inheritance:

the uttermost parts of the earth for your possession.

'You may break them with a rod of iron:

and shatter them in pieces like a potter's vessel.'

Now therefore be wise, O kings:

be advised, you that are judges of the earth.

Serve the Lord with awe,

and govern yourselves in fear and trembling:

lest he be angry, and you perish in your course.

For his wrath is quickly kindled:

blessed are those that turn to him for refuge.

The second reading: 2 Peter 1.16-21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn: TiS 234 "How good, Lord, to be here"

How good, Lord, to be here! your glory fills the night; your face and garments like the sun, shine with unborrowed light.

How good, Lord, to be here, your beauty to behold, where Moses and Elijah stand, your messengers of old.

Fulfiller of the past, promise of things to be: we hail your body glorified, and our redemption see.

# The Gospel reading:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew, chapter 17 beginning at verse 1

# Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Before we taste of death, we see your kingdom come; we have to hold the vision bright, and make this hill our home.

How good, Lord, to be here! yet we will not remain; but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

Joseph Armitage Robinson 1858-1933 alt.

#### 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**

Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Matthew 5.16.

# 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 111 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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.

Praise to the Lord who in all things is wondrously reigning and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining: have you not seen all that is needed has been sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper our work and defend us; surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend us: ponder anew what the Almighty can do as with his love he befriends us.

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.

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 and others

# 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:

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 536 "'An upper room did our Lord prepare'"

An upper room did our Lord prepare for those He loved until the end: and His disciple still gather there to celebrate their risen friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave His own to share His bread His loving cup. Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by His cross shall lift us up.

And after supper he washed their feet, for service too is sacrament. In Him our joy shall be made complete - sent out to serve as he was sent.

No end there is we depart in peace. He loves beyond our uttermost: in every room in our Father's house he will be there as Lord and host.

# **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 569 "Guide me, O thou great Redeemer"

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand: bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain whence the living waters flow: let the fiery, cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through: strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan bid my anxious fears subside; death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side: songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee,

William Williams 1717-91

During the final hymn at the 9:30am Eucharist, we will proceed outside where previous year's palm crosses will be burnt to make ashes for use during our Ash Wednesday Services this week.

The Lord be with you.

# And also with you

We gather here to turn these palms from our celebration of the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem into ashes that we may be reminded of our mortality and our need of God.

Let us pray together

Living God, in their life these palms drew life from the earth and gave it back to our air

and to the animals they hosted and sheltered.

In the worship of our community, they helped us offer festive iov:

Grant now, O God, that these palms, reduced to ashes,

may be for us a sign of your power

to purify our hearts,

that we may recognise death at work in us,

and replant our lives

in the sure and humble soil

of your truth and grace.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

One God, now and forever. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you always.

Thanks be to God!

#### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen

The ashes will be gathered for administration on Ash Wednesday.

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# **NOTICES**

**Ash Wednesday:** This Wednesday, we have services at both 10:00am and 7:30pm with the imposition of ashes, please try and attend one of these services as we begin the season of Lent.

**Shrove Tuesday:** Come along for Pancakes at the McKenzie household (2 Lincoln Ave Glen Waverley) this Tuesday starting at 7:00pm. Please add your name(s) to the list in the Narthex to ensure the chef beats up enough mixture!

Pat's jams are available Today!

#### <u>Lenten Reflections 2023 - Dust Dreaming of Glory: 10:00am-Noon or 7:30-9pm</u> Wednesdays 1<sup>st</sup> -29<sup>th</sup> March (5 sessions)

As part of our Parish's commitment to both individual and shared GROWTH, we will be offering a series of Lenten reflections based on the Gospel readings through Lent in the lead up to Easter. These group reflections will be led by Rev. Trevor Smith and will be held each Wednesday following the 10:00am Midweek Eucharist or, for those who find evenings easier, each Wednesday 7:30pm. During this time we will be taking a deep dive into the Gospel readings for the upcoming Sunday. To express your interest, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Narthex so that we can get a sense of numbers.

**Not home alone:** We will meet for the first time this year at the Mountain View Hotel, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 12 Noon for lunch at 12:30pm. Look forward to seeing you all there. Judithe 9729 8185.

**Footy Tipping** - It is that time of the year when sporting minds turn to .... Footy Tipping! It's back again this year, so start watching the pre-season form. Entry details coming soon.

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 <a href="http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/newsstand">http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/newsstand</a>

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

Monday William Grant Broughton, first bishop of Australia (d. 1853)

Wednesday ASH WEDNESDAY

Thursday Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna, martyr (d. c. 155) Friday MATTHIAS, APOSTLE AND MARTYR

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Wednesday: Next Sunday: First Sunday of Lent

Joel 2.1-2, 12-17 Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7

Psalm 51.1-17 Psalm 32

2 Corinthians 5.20b-6.10 Romans 5.12-21 Matthew 6.1-6, 16-21 Matthew 4.1-11

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

Sun 19 St John the Divine Croydon (John Webster); The Diocese of Tasmania (Bp Richard Condie, Missioner Bp Chris Jones, Clergy & People); Ivanhoe Grammar School (Gerard Foley, Principal, John Sanderson, Chaplain);

Mon 20 Church of the New Guinea Martyrs Croydon South (Bruce Bickerdike); The Diocese of The Murray (Bp Keith Dalby, Clergy & People); Church Missionary Society (Jonathan Wei-Han Kuan, Victorian Director; Andrew Livingstone);

Tues 21 The Anglican Parish of Croydon Hills & Wonga Park (Leroy Coote); The Diocese of The Northern Territory (Bp Greg Anderson, Clergy & People);

Wed 22 St James' Dandenong (Graeme Peters, George Ladu, Michael Kicevski, Oyem Amaylek); The Diocese of Wangaratta (Bp Clarence Bester, Clergy & People); Janet Clarke Hall (Damian Powell, Principal);

Thur 23 St Michael & St Luke Dandenong (Jeremiah Paul); The Diocese of Willochra (Bpelect Jeremy James, Clergy & People); Community of the Holy Name (Sr Carol Tanner); Friday 24 St Philip's Deep Creek (Benjamin Clements, Megan Curlis-Gibson); Anglicare Australia (Bp Chris Jones, Chair; Kasy Chambers, Exec Director); Cross-Cultural Ministry; Sat 25 Parish of St John's, Diamond Creek w. St Katherine's, St Helena and St Michael's, Yarrambat (Tim Johnson, Joel Snibson, Kirk Mackenzie); Theological Colleges, Church Schools & Church Kindergartens; The Scottish Episcopal Church; St Luke's East Frankston - Pastoral Visit (Bp Paul Barker); St Mark's Fitzroy - Pastoral Visit (Bp Genieve Blackwell); Gisborne Anglican Parish - Pastoral Visit (Bp Kate Prowd).

#### **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. A peaceful outcome in Eastern Europe. The many affected by the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria. 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, Kaye Smith 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:**

**Flowers** 

KOSTEKS.		
	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>9:30am</u>
Welcomers	Sue Tregear	Ros Smith & Heather McKenzie
Reader	Kym Le Riche	Joanne Waite
Servers	Sue Tregear	Christine Youings, Ava & Ron McKenzie
Liturgical Assistant		Joanne Waite
Intercessions	Fr Anthony	Chloe Bedlow
Godzone	•	Natalie Ortlieb & Elizabeth Waite
Music		Peter Bedlow
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Ruth Ganasalingam & Shirley Reid
Sacristan	Judithe Atkinson	
Garden	Alma Brand	
Printing	Alma Brand	

Cheryl Hall



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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 pewsheet to Ron McKenzie by

5:00p.m. Thursday evening (r.mckenzie@novatechsolutions.com.au.)

Baptism, Marriage & funerals by arrangement

#### Weekly services

**Sunday** 8:00am Eucharist

9:30am Eucharist

'Godzone' children's program during 9.30 am service (during school term)

**Tuesday** Fr Anthony's day of rest!

Wednesday 10:00am Eucharist

**Friday** 10:00am – Noon. Drop-in for cuppa and chat.

<u>Commitment to Child Safety:</u> 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