

ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, MALVERN

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

I June, 2025



The Exorcism of the Slave Girl, fresco, the basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls, Rome Pietro Cavallini (1277–79)

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Before the service, speak with God; during the service, let God speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

SETTING AT 10 A.M.

Parish Eucharist Michael Dudman (1938–94)

The service begins on p. 119 of **A Prayer Book for Australia** (The "Green" or "Blue" book)

Opening Hymn: 134

SENTENCE

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved.

Acts 16:31

Following the opening prayer, we move to p. 120 of **APBA** for the Kyrie (said or sung). This introduces the Confession and is followed by Gloria in excelsis.

COLLECT

Almighty God, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, as you and he are one: grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you have sent, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 16:16-34

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money

by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out,

'These men are slaves of the Most High God,

who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days.

But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit,

'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.'

And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods.

After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God,

and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

PSALM 97

Response: The LORD is king, most high over all the earth. (at 8:00 a.m.)

- I The LORD is king; let the earth rejoice: let the multitude of isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him and burns up his enemies on every side. **R.**
- 4 His lightnings light the world; the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the LORD of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, and all peoples see his glory. **R.**
- 7 Confounded be all those who worship carved images and delight in false gods!: Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgements O LORD.
- 9 For you are the LORD: most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The LORD loves those who hate evil; he preserves the lives of the saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, and joyful gladness for those who are true-hearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous: and give thanks to his holy name. **R.**

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- 1. The LORD is king, let earth rejoice, the many coastlands be glad. God's throne is justice and right.
- 2. The skies proclaim his justice; all peoples see his glory, All you spirits, worship him.
- **3**. For you indeed are the LORD most high above all the earth, exalted above all spirits.

SECOND READING

Revelation 22:12–14, 16–17, 20–21

A reading from the Revelation to John.

I, John, heard a voice saying to me:

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me,

to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates...

'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.' The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift... The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

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

GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord said, "I will not leave you orphans. I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice."

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus looked up to the heavens and prayed:

'Holy Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us,

so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me,

may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me.

I made your name known to them, and I will make it known,

so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

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

The Sermon.

After the sermon, silence is kept before the liturgy continues with the Creed on p. 123 of **APBA**, followed by

John 17:20-26

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

The Anglican Church of Korea; Archdeaconry of Essendon; St James the Great, St Kilda East; St Peter's, Bundoora; St Peter's, Craigieburn; St Phillip's, Collingwood; St Paul's, Frankston; Dame Phyllis Frost Centre Ravenhall; and Theological Colleges, Church Schools & Church Kindergartens.

For all in need

We pray for: Alison; Ann; Coral; Douglas; George; Helen; John; Josie; Judy; Katie and family; Kaye; Neil; Paul; Ravi; Roma; Sam; Simon; Tim; Vicky; and those we name before you in the silence of our hearts.

For the Faithful Departed

We remember those who have died recently: Ann Taper-Clay; and those anniversary of death occurs at this time: Robina Bisset; Nancy Campbell Browne; Angela Carlisle; John Creighton Dean; Alistair Hillier; Edgar Hindell; Harold Hood; William Ian Lowry; Arthur Mansell; Jocelyn Margaret Ray; Dorothy Valentine; Isabel Hope Wallace; and Noel Willsmore.

The Peace (p. 127) is shared, followed by

Offertory Hymn: 271

The Great Thanksgiving (p. 127) begins with the Seasonal Introduction (p. 156) and continues with one of the prayers (pp. 128-9 or 136-8)

There is no need to kneel when you come to receive the sacrament (though you are welcome to do so). In fact, the Council of Nicaea (1700 years ago this year), as well as formulating the first version of the Creed we say each Sunday, issued a Canon (XX) saying that, "as we have been raised with Christ, so, prayer should be made to God standing". This was especially to be the case in the Easter season when we celebrate Christ being raised from the dead.

During communion, the choir will sing:

A Choral Hymn for Ascension - arranged by Henry Ley

After communion, silence is kept, before we offer a final prayer (p. 144)

Notices are then given followed, at 10 a.m. by

Final Hymn: 130 (vv 1,2,4,6,7)

Postlude

Prelude and Fugue No.8 in B Flat, from Eight Short Preludes and Fugues

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Scripture Readings next week:

Day of Pentecost

(Last Sunday of Easter also called Whitsunday)

Isaiah 49: 1-6 Acts 13:16-26

Psalm | 39: |-|| Luke 1:57-66, 80

The Week Ahead

	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (until the Eve of Pentecost)		
Tuesday	Martyrs of Uganda (d. <i>1886</i>); Janani Luwum, archbishop of Uganda, martyr (d. <i>19</i> 77) John XXIII, bishop of Rome, reformer (d. <i>1963</i>)		
Thursday	Boniface of Mainz, bishop and martyr (d. 754)		

Morning Prayer

8:30 a.m., Monday – Saturday

5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283 https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRIdmIXWDQ4Zz09

Evening Prayer

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283 https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRIdmIXWDQ4Zz09

Reflections on the Lections

7:30 p.m., Wednesday Meeting ID: 868 9252 3142; Passcode: 744866 https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86892523142?pwd=MIczZIJRempKL0hrQThORXBFeFFBdz09

Roster for today SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER I June 2025		Roster for next week Day of Pentecost (Whitsunday) 8 June 2025		
8:00 a.r	n. Holy Eucharist	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		
Sides-person	Bryan Elmes	Sides-person	Campell Paine	
Acolyte	Malcolm Tadgell	Acolyte	Ravi Renjen	
Eucharistic Assistants	Leonie Bird Venetia Patchett	Eucharistic Assistants	Simon Dickie Helen Baddeley	
Intercessor	Malcolm Tadgell	Intercessor	Jenny Robertson	
Readers	Charles Tegner Campell Paine	Readers	Betty Renjen Leigh Mackay	
10:00 a.	m. Holy Eucharist	I 0:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		
Sides-persons	Melissa Carson Philip Jenkins	Sides-persons	Geraldine Powell David Powell	
Acolytes	Jenny McPherson Meg Winter	Acolytes	Pam Felgate Philip Jenkins	
Eucharistic Assistants	Geraldine Powell Ewan Morgan	Eucharistic Assistants	Ewan Morgan Ray Lester	
Intercessor	Meg Winter	Intercessor	Judy Wright	
Readers	Riley Brooks Jenny McPherson	Readers	Ewan Morgan Judy Wright	
Morning Tea	Sandra Morgan Ewan Morgan	Morning Tea	Geraldine Powell Cynthia Kunaratnum	
Thursday 10	15 a.m. Holy Eucharist	Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		
Sides-person	Judy Wright	Sides-person	Andrea King	
Reader	Judy Wright	Reader	Andrea King	

Of your charity, **please continue to pray** for those in long term need or sickness: His Majesty the King; Ann; Geoff; Ivan; Jane; Joan; and Liza.

NOTICES

There is a special collection for **Anglicare, North Coast today**. Please give generously to assist their ministry to victims of flood. For tax deductable donations, donate directly to their website: https://anglicarenorthcoast.org.au/donate/

Next Sunday we celebrate The Feast of Pentecost. Be sure to wear something <u>RED</u>.

Samson and Delilah – at least, the operatic version by Camille Saint-Saëns – will be performed by Melbourne Opera at the Palais Theatre, June I and 3. Natalie, from our choir, is singing in this production, and would love to see familiar faces in the audience. It is also good to reflect on how a famous Biblical story has inspired (and been transformed) in an artistic work.

Spiritual Cafe Tuesday 10 June. Our guest speaker is Yvonne Panagacos OAM. Yvonne is a talented iconographer following the traditional Byzantine style. Examples of her work can be found in Anglican churches and private collections both here and abroad. Yvonne held senior positions in secondary education, significant roles in the Greek community in Melbourne and Australia and is a past President of the Lyceum Club. Her topic is "*lcons - a window to the spiritual world*". We will also be joined by Sally Ann Fraser, another icon writer. They are bringing a display of their icons for us to enjoy. Join us for dinner at Giorgio's, 1235 High St Armadale (enter Glenferrie Rd) at 6.30 p.m. For bookings, please email: office@stgeorgesmalvern.org or call 9822 3030.

Book club will meet on 16 June (note the regular day, 9 June is King's Birthday – Public Holiday**) in the North room at 2.00 p.m.** We will discuss the book *Talking to my Country* by Stan Grant. All welcome, contact Sandra Morgan 0448 884 306.



We received news that the National Trust Appeal has reached just over \$33,000. That is a significant milestone. We have also received a generous donation of \$20,000. We are very grateful to all who have given, especially to our anonymous benefactor.

We still need to raise 60% of the total budgeted amount.

Please consider again whether you can donate to assist in this vital work. And many thanks to those who have already done so.



Donations to the St. George's external appeal through the National Trust of Australia (Victoria) are allowable as deductions for tax purposes.

Donations can be made by scanning the QR Code, visiting our website https://www.stgeorgesmalvern.org/support-donations or going directly to http://www.givenow.com.au/stgeorgemalvernroof

Your full donation will fund this important work as administration and platform costs have been absorbed by the church.

Publicity is vital for the success of this appeal and volunteers are still needed for "Flyer-Drops" in local letterboxes.

Please **do not** make your cheques payable to St George's but to the **National Trust of Australia (Victoria) and include a note** of your name and the address/email to which you wish the receipt sent.

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We acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung and Bunurong peoples of the East Kulin nations as the Traditional Custodians of the land upon which we meet: land which was taken, not ceded. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present, acknowledge their continuing spiritual and living connection to Country, and affirm our commitment to walk together the path of reconciliation.



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10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 9822 3030 Option 2

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