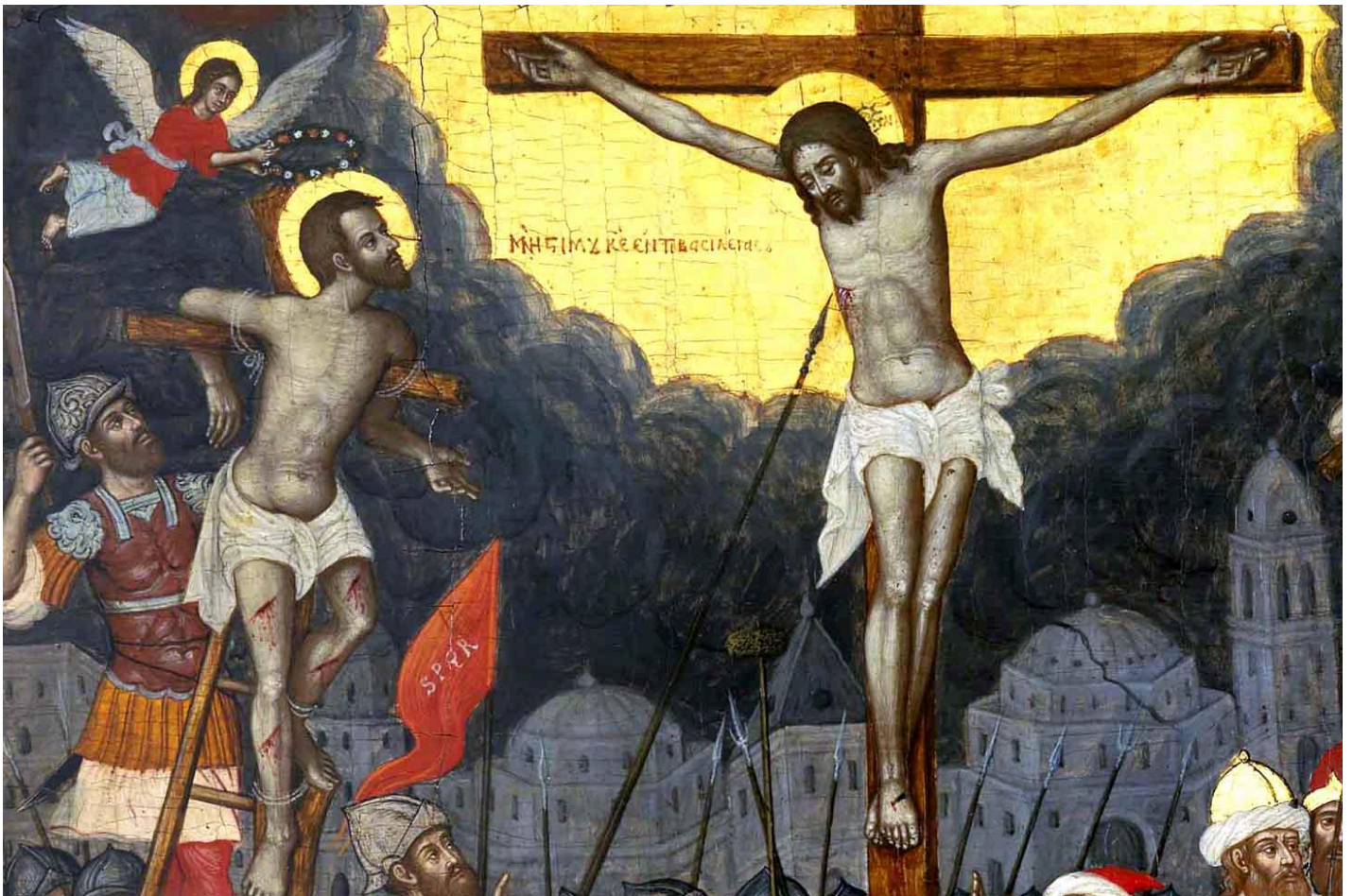




ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, MALVERN

CHRIST THE KING



'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom'

Between the two thieves, Ioannis Moskos, (c. 1711),

Hellenic Institute of Venice

23rd November, 2025

8:00 a.m. and 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.

Christ Church Mass Philip Matthias (1954–)

Opening Hymn: 352

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

SENTENCE

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Zechariah 9:9

*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 (p. 121).

COLLECT

Eternal God,
you exalted Jesus Christ to rule over all things,
and have made us instruments of his kingdom:
by your Spirit empower us to love the unloved,
and to minister to all in need,
then at the last bring us to your eternal realm
where we may be welcomed into your everlasting joy
and may worship and adore you for ever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:1–6

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!
says the LORD.

Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel,
concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people:
It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away,
and you have not attended to them.
So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD.

Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock
out of all the lands where I have driven them,
and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I
will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them,
and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed,
nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD,
when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
and he shall reign as king and deal wisely,
and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.
In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety.
And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

FOR THE PSALM: SONG OF ZECHARIAH (BENEDICTUS)

**Response: Blessèd be the Lord who sets his people free.
(at 8:00 a.m. only)**

Blessèd be the Lord, the God of Israel:

for he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour:

born of the house of his servant David. **R.**

Through the holy prophets he promised of old:

that he would save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all that hate us,

He promised to show mercy to our forebears

and to remember his holy covenant. **R.**

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham:

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear:

holy and righteous in his sight, all the days of our life. **R.**

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High:

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation:

by the forgiveness of their sins. **R.**

In the tender compassion of our God:

the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death:

and to guide our feet into the way of peace. **R.**

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:11–20

A reading from the letter to the Colossians:

Brothers and sisters:

May you be made strong with all the strength

that comes from his glorious power,

and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience,

while joyfully giving thanks to the Father,

who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

He has rescued us from the power of darkness

and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son,

in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;
for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,
things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers —
all things have been created through him and for him.
He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
He is the head of the body, the church;
he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
so that he might come to have first place in everything.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things,
whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 457

GOSPEL

Luke 23:33–43

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father,
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull,
they crucified Jesus there with the criminals,
one on his right and one on his left.

Then Jesus said,

‘Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.’

And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

And the people stood by, watching;

but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, ‘He saved others;

let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!’

The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,
‘If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!’

There was also an inscription over him, ‘This is the King of the Jews.’

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,
'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!'
But the other rebuked him, saying,
'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?
And we indeed have been condemned justly,
for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds,
but this man has done nothing wrong.'
Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.'
He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia; The Diocese of Gippsland;
Church of the Ascension, Springvale; St Eanswythe's, Altona; St Stephen's, Bayswater;
St Paul's, East Kew; Christ Church, Little River; Geelong Grammar School;
those ordained to the priesthood yesterday: Victoria Bakerov; Graeme Chiswell; Bruce Everett;
Kyle Hosken; Alison McGrice; Ricky Njoto; Lauren Weatherlake; Chuck Zhang; Victor Zhu;
and all those nominated and seeking election at our Annual Meeting this morning.

For all in need

We pray for: Ann; Ann; Coral; George; Josie; Joy; Katherine; Kaye; Murray; Neil (and Cynthia and family); Roger (and +Kate and family); Tricia; and those we name before you in the silence of our hearts.

For the Faithful Departed

We remember those whose anniversary of death which occurs at this time: Norman Coles;
Patricia Crowl; Frederick Fuller; Patrick William Grutzner; Marjorie Hagerty; Marilyn Margaret Lannan; Marjorie (Allison) Pope; Helen Trumble; Emily Whitbourne; and Walter Yencken.

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

Offertory Hymn: 296

The Great Thanksgiving (p. 128) begins using one of the prayers that follow.

During communion at 10 a.m., the choir will sing:

King of glory, King of peace I will love Thee;
And that love may never cease I will move Thee
Thou hast granted my request; Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working breast, Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing Thee.
And the cream of all my heart I will bring Thee.
Though my sins against me cried, Thou didst clear me;
And alone, when they replied, Thou didst hear me

Seven whole days, not one in seven I will praise Thee;
In my heart, though not in heaven I can raise Thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort to enroll Thee:
E'en eternity's too short to extol Thee.

Words: George Herbert (1593–1633)
Music: J. S. Bach (1685–1750)
Arr. W. H. Harris (1883–1973)

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: 388

Postlude: Ode for Saint Cecilia's Day (HWV76): Overture
Georg Friedrich Händel (1685–1759)

Scripture Readings next week:

Isaiah 2:1–5
Romans 13:9–14

First Sunday of Advent

Psalms 122
Matthew 24:36–44

The Week Ahead

Tuesday	James Noble, pioneer Aboriginal deacon (d. 1941)
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Morning Prayer

8:30 a.m., Monday – Saturday

In St Martin's Chapel, or by Zoom: Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283
<https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWVIdm1XWDQ4Zz09>

Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

In St Martin's Chapel, or by Zoom: Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283
<https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWVIdm1XWDQ4Zz09>

Reflections on the Lections

7:30 p.m., Wednesday

Meeting ID: 868 9252 3142; Passcode: 744866
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86892523142?pwd=MlczZlJRempKL0hrQThORXBFeFFBdz09>

Roster for today Christ the King 23 November 2025		Roster for next week Advent Sunday 30 November 2025	
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	David Sheppard	Sides-person	Venetia Patchett
Acolyte	Christopher Miles	Acolyte	Malcolm Tadgell
Eucharistic Assistants	Malcolm Tadgell Leigh Mackay	Eucharistic Assistants	Leonie Bird Malcolm Tadgell
Intercessor	Leonie Bird	Intercessor	Venetia Patchett
Readers	Simon Dickie Hamish Tadgell	Readers	David Sheppard Coral Gordon
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-persons	Philip Jenkins Melissa Carson	Sides-persons	Suzanne Lennie Tim Lennie
Acolytes	Pam Felgate Meg Winter	Acolytes	Judy Mallinson Alison Canty
Eucharistic Assistants	Meg Winter Ewan Morgan	Eucharistic Assistants	Ray Lester Geraldine Powell
Intercessor	Judy Wright	Intercessor	Judy Wright
Readers	Vincent Amos Suzie Hill	Readers	Geraldine Powell Brian Tobin
Morning Tea	Suzanne Lennie Robyn Whitehouse	Morning Tea	David Amos Pam Felgate
Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Judy Wright	Sides-person	tbc
Reader	Judy Wright	Reader	Pam Felgate

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

Notices

Annual Meeting 2025

The Annual Meeting of the Parish of St George, Malvern, will take place this morning, following the 10:00 a.m. eucharist.

The monthly collection for St Alban's occurs **today**. Please give generously (cash or shopping vouchers) to assist the parish of St Albans in providing food for those in desperate need in these difficult times in a part of Melbourne where many struggle to eat.

November's Book Club meeting will be on tomorrow **Monday November 24th** at **12:00 noon**. We will be discussing *Lady Tan's Circle of Women* by Lia See Book. Discussion will be followed by **Christmas lunch** to which we would like you attend. All welcome, contact Sandra Morgan 0448 884 306.

Spiritual Café is on this Tuesday 25 November.

Our speaker is The Reverend Fr Jeremy Cavanagh, Assistant Priest at St George's. He will be interviewed by the Vicar on the following topic "Vocational Paths I have known: a conversation with Fr Jeremy". Jeremy is an Anglican priest, ordained in later life in the UK. He has been on the clergy team at St George's for the past year. 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.

Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project collection is on the fifth Sunday of the month which is **next Sunday 30 November**. Please refer to the flyers at the service counter for goods to donate. As well as the usual goods, BASP now accepts direct debit donations (those over \$2 are tax deductible): Account name: BASP Trust
BSB: 083 004 Account Number: 56 924 6603

Anglicare Victoria's Homeless Support Services is continuing their established tradition of **distributing Christmas hampers** of food and other amenities to the homeless. All donations will need to be received at St Mark's, Fitzroy by **Friday 5th of December at the latest**. Please refer to details in flyers on the service counter at the entrance of the church. Donations from St George's parishioners can be **left in the red bags at the back of the church**, and they will be taken directly to St Mark's Fitzroy. This will save people travelling there individually.

Cantate Singers present *Rejoice and be Merry* on **Saturday 22 November 2025** at 2pm in **Our Holy Redeemer Hall**, 311 Mont Albert Rd, Surrey Hills. Celebrate the beginning of the Festive Season with traditional carols and songs.
<https://www.trybooking.com/CWZFY>

Tudor Choristers present *Sing Nowell! 2025* on **Tuesday 2 December 2025** at 7pm in **St John's Camberwell**, 552 Burke Rd Camberwell and on **Tuesday 9 December 2025** at 7pm **Wesley Uniting Church City** 130 Lonsdale Street at 7pm
<https://www.tudorchoristers.org.au>

The **Melbourne Scottish Fiddle Club** is having its **30th birthday concert** on **Saturday, 29th November, 2–5 p.m. at St John's, Camberwell** 522 Burke Road, Camberwell. For more information, head to the booking website at <https://bit.ly/MSFC30>

Looking ahead

On the afternoon of **Sunday, December 14, Stonnington Brass** returns to St George's for another offering of Christmas Carols and Music, supported by members of St George's Choir. This was a marvellous occasion last year, with a full church of family and friends of the brass players. Why not come along and enjoy this fun afternoon and show a welcome to those who come to sit and hear in our Church?

On Sunday, December 21, we will welcome **Bishop Garry Weatherill**, current Bishop of Ballarat, who will preside and preach at a special **Feast of Dedication** in a combined service at **9:30 a.m.** This will be followed by a buffet luncheon in the Hall. Please ensure that you are here, and invite any past members and all friends of the parish who are able to come, to join with us to celebrate this wonderful milestone in true St George's style.

Sunday December 28 will be Fr Jeremy's final Sunday with us. We will have one service that morning (at **9:30 a.m.**) followed by a Festive Morning Tea at which we will have the opportunity to thank him most sincerely for his faithful and sterling ministry among us.



Pledge Giving: An important message from Parish Council

St George's is reliant on the generous giving of all parishioners to ensure its ongoing financial viability. **The Parish is entirely self-funded.**

Figures for the month of October reveal the stark reality:

Total income: \$22,430 and Total expenses: \$35,244

This is a significant deficit of \$12,914.

You will note that since publishing these figures we have had a negative trend in each month.

This reinforces the need for the pledge request that the Parish Council is making.

Looking to the future the Parish has substantial repairs and maintenance to undertake on the church building to address damp issues.

It is also committed to taking on an Assistant Curate next year.

These will add extra costs to the Parish.

For this reason, Parish Council is requesting that all current pledge givers consider their current pledge undertakings and look to increase them in a substantive way. We also request that those who have not yet made an annual pledge and are contributing via the open plate to consider seriously committing to our annual pledge programme. (Offerings are then payable weekly/monthly/quarterly or annually in advance). These contributions are critical to the financial management of the Parish. We are forecasting total expenses for next year of **over \$800,000**. Whether you attend weekly or less often Parish expenses remain the same.

We are richly blessed by the foresight and generosity of many who preceded us here. They have provided a beautiful church in which to worship every week, with gardens, grounds and other buildings.

We all enjoy a wonderful Parish with outstanding ministry led by the vicar, Father Gregory, and wonderful pastoral care and companionship.

Unfortunately we need to recognise that maintaining all of this costs money.

Therefore please give this request serious consideration.

Please speak to or email Geraldine Powell, Thanksgiving Co-Ordinator, (dgp3934@icloud.com) to indicate your increased amount or new pledge commitment. Geraldine will be very pleased to discuss all payment options with new and existing pledge givers.

*Ray Lester
Parish Treasurer,
on behalf of Parish Council*

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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.*