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# ANGLICAN CHURCH *of the* ASCENSION

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11<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

EAST BURWOOD

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

## Welcome to Church

### Sentence for Today

Who shall stand in the Lord's holy place? Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their hands to what is false. Psalm 24.3-4



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 246** “Christ is the world's Light”

Christ is the world's Light, Christ and none other;  
born in our darkness, he became our brother.  
If we have seen him, we have seen the Father:  
Glory to God on high.

Christ is the world's peace, Christ and none other;  
no one can serve him and despise another.  
Who else unites us, one in God the Father?  
Glory to God on high.

Christ is the world's life, Christ and none other;  
sold once for silver, murdered here, our brother-  
he, who redeems us, reigns with God the Father:  
Glory to God on high.

Give God the glory, God and none other;  
give God the glory, Spirit, Son and Father;  
give God the glory, God with us, my brother:  
Glory to God on high.

*Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000)*

### **Acclamation:**

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God's kingdom, now and 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:***

Eternal God,  
open our eyes to see your hand at work in the splendour of creation  
and in the beauty of human life.  
Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us,  
to share our blessings with our sisters and brothers,  
and to experience the joy of life in your presence;  
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.**

***Prayer in a time of pandemic disease:***

**Keep us, good Lord,  
under the shadow of your mercy  
in this time of uncertainty and dis-ease.  
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may 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: 2 Samuel 6.1-5, 6.12b-19***

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. It was told King David, 'The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.' So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart. They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt-offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### ***Psalms 24***

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it:

**the compass of the world and those who dwell therein.**

For he has founded it upon the seas:

**and established it upon the waters.**

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord:

**or who shall stand in his holy place?**

Those who have clean hands and a pure heart:

**who have not set their soul upon idols,  
nor sworn their oath to a lie.**

They shall receive blessing from the Lord:

**and recompense from the God of their salvation.**

Of such a kind as this are those who seek him:

**those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**

Lift up your heads, O you gates,

and be lifted up, you everlasting doors:

**and the King of glory shall come in.**

Who is the King of glory?:

**the Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.**

Lift up your heads, O you gates,

and be lifted up, you everlasting doors:

**and the King of glory shall come in.**

Who is the King of glory?:

**the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.**

***The second reading: Ephesians 1.1-14***

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Gradual hymn: TiS 132 "Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty"***

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty,  
early in the morning to you our praise shall be;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore you,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before you,  
God everlasting through eternity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide you,  
though the sinful human eye your glory may not see,  
you alone are holy, there is none beside you  
perfect in power, in love and purity.**

### ***The Gospel reading:***

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
according to Mark, chapter 6, beginning at verse 14.

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

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old. But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.' For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

For the gospel of the Lord.

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

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty,  
all your works shall praise your name in earth and sky and sea;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.**

*Reginald Heber 1783-1826 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 for 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:***

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 134 "Praise, my soul, the king of heaven"***

Praise, my soul, the king of heaven;  
to his feet your tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who like me his praise should sing?  
Praise him, praise him, hallelujah,  
praise the everlasting king!

Praise him for his grace and favour  
to his people in distress;  
praise him still the same for ever,  
slow to chide and swift to bless:  
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,  
glorious in his faithfulness!

Father like he tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame he knows;  
in his hands he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes:  
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,  
widely as his mercy flows!

Frail as summer's flower we flourish,  
blows the wind and it is gone;  
but while mortals rise and perish  
God endures unchanging on.  
Praise him, praise him, hallelujah,  
praise the high eternal one!

Angels, help us to adore him,  
you behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him,  
dwellers all in time and space:  
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,  
praise with us the God of grace!

Henry Francis Lyte 1793-1847 *alt.* based on Psalm 103

### ***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,  
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: 519      “And now, O Father, mindful of the love”***

**And now, O Father, mindful of the love  
that bought us, once for all, on Calvary’s tree,  
and having with us Him that pleads above,  
We here present, we here spread forth to thee,  
that only offering perfect in thine eyes,  
the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.**

**Look, Father, look on his anointed face,  
and only look on us as found in him;  
look not on our misusings of thy grace,  
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim;**

for lo! between our sins and their reward,  
we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.

And so we come; O draw us to thy feet,  
most patient Saviour, who can love us still!  
and by this food, so awesome and so sweet,  
deliver us from every touch of ill:  
in thine own service make us glad and free,  
and grant us nevermore to part with Thee.

William Bright 1824-1901 *alt.*

***The sending out of God's people:***

Bountiful God,  
at this table you graciously feed us  
with the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation.  
May we who have reached out our hands to receive this sacrament  
be strengthened in your service;  
we who have sung your praises  
tell of your glory and truth in our lives;  
we who have seen the greatness of your love  
see you face to face in your kingdom  
and come to worship you with all your saints for ever.

**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: 416    "Great God, your spirit like the wind"***

**Great God, your Spirit, like the wind -  
unseen but shaking things we see -  
will never leave us undisturbed,  
fulfil our dreams, or set us free,  
until we turn from faithless fear  
and prove the promise of your grace,  
in justice, peace and daily bread,  
with joy for all the human race.**

**Lord, shake us with the force of love,  
to rouse us from our dreadful sleep;  
remove our hearts of stone, and give  
new hearts of flesh, to break and weep  
for all your children in distress  
and dying for the wealth we keep.  
Help us prevent, while we have time,  
the blighted harvest greed must reap.**

And then in your compassion, give  
your Spirit like the gentle rain,  
creating fertile ground from which  
your peace and justice spring like grain;  
until your love is satisfied,  
with all creation freed from pain,  
and all your children live to praise  
your will fulfilled, your presence plain.

Alan Grant 1935-

### **Dismissal**

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

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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 one of our welcomers following the service and do stay for a cuppa and chat!

### **NOTICES**

**TMA:** The July copy is available in the narthex, please take a copy and catch up on the Anglican news both locally and worldwide!

**Pat's jams** are available today, perfect for winter toast!

**Midweek Meditation** - 3pm - 3:45pm each Wednesday in the Ascension Church Space. A number of parishioners have expressed a need for a time of contemplative prayer (shared stillness and silent prayer) to be incorporated into our regular weekly rhythm of worship. This is an important way for us to be spiritually nourished and revitalised aside from our busyness, to make quiet sacred space for God and the movement of the Holy Spirit. It will be led each week by Fr Anthony and begins with quiet music and welcome, a short spiritual reflection, 20 minutes meditation, music as we leave quietly. For those new to meditation, guidelines are given and there is a time afterwards for questions or sharing if you wish. All are welcome. Come, taste, and see!

**Our Church Visit to Fountain Retirement Village** which was unfortunately postponed due to the Covid shutdown has a new date, Thursday 15th July from 2.00 - 3.30pm.

Hopefully those who were able to attend last time, will be able to attend the new date.

The address is 100 Station Street, Burwood.

Please see Keith Hall or Joy Ritchie to add your names to the list.

**Not Home Alone** will return on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July. We hope the relaxed conditions will continue and we can enjoy a meal together at the Mountain View Hotel. Please see Judithe if you have any questions.

**Footy Tipping 2021.** Some big matches and upsets in Round 16 with the average of 5.5. Four tippers (Peter Wharton, Aggie Canterbury, Norma Leseberg and Christine Youings) managed best with 7 tips.

For the second half season championship, Christine Youngs (26) has taken back control to lead by two from Louise Godden and Norma Leseberg (24) with Aggie Canterbury, Jo Condie and Russell Mills (23), with Father Anthony (22) in hot pursuit!

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**In this week's TMA Newsstand:**

- Regional Victorian church sets up shop in local cafe to reach wider community
- C of E General Synod to discuss target of 10,000 new lay-led churches in the next 10 years
- Sydney Anglicans urge NSW Government to reduce misery from pokies
- Heads of WA Churches call for continued conversation on Voluntary Assisted Dying
- Abp Fereimi Cama, Primate of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, dies aged 66
- and more...

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

Tuesday      Sydney James Kirkby, bishop, pioneer of outback ministry and the Bush Church Aid Society (d. 1935)

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Wednesday:**

Exodus 2.1-15a  
Psalm 69.31-38  
Matthew 11.20-24

**Next Sunday: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 7.1-14a  
Psalm 89.21-38  
Ephesians 2.11-22  
Mark 6.30-34, 6.53-56

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

*Sun 11:* The Episcopal Church in the Philippines; Ministry to the Defence Force (Bishop Grant Dibden, Chaplains & Members of the Defence Forces); Karingal - St Laurence Community Services; Holy Trinity Balaclava & Elwood (Kathryn Watt); Holy Trinity Surrey Hills – Pastoral Services (Bp Paul Barker); Christ Church South Yarra – Pastoral Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell); St Paul's Westmeadows/Bulla Service & St Mary Magdalene

Dallas/Broadmeadows – Pastoral Services (Bp Kate Prowd);

*Mon 12:* The Diocese of Gippsland (Bp Richard Treloar, Clergy & People); St Barnabas' Balwyn (Randle Bond); Mentone Girls Secondary College – Staff Worship Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell);

*Tue 13:* The Diocese of Grafton (Bp Murray Harvey, Clergy & People); Geelong Grammar School (Rebecca Cody, Principal; Gordon Lingard, Howard Parkinson, Chaplains); Parish of Banyule (Denise Nicholls, Patrick Senn);

*Wed 14:* Ministry with the Aboriginal people of Australia (Bp Chris McLeod, National Aboriginal Bishop, Aboriginal Clergy & People); Stewardship Agencies; St Stephen's Bayswater (Jacqui Smith);

*Thu 15:* Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander people of Australia (Torres Strait Islander Clergy & People); Archdeaconry of Essendon (Vanessa Bennett); St Michael & All Angels, Beaumaris (Wayne Walters);

*Fri 16:* The Diocese of Melbourne (Abp Philip Freier, Asst Bps Paul Barker, Bradley Billings, Genieve Blackwell, Kate Prowd, Clergy & People); Hume Anglican Grammar School (Bill Sweeney, Principal; Peter Waterhouse, Chaplain); St Martin's Belgrave Heights (Martin Oliver);

Sat 17: The Diocese of Newcastle (Bp Peter Stuart, Asst Bps Charlie Murry, Sonia Roulston, Clergy & People); Department of Theological Education (Bp Bradly Billings, Assistant Bishop, Monomeeth Episcopate); Bellarine Gateway Parish (Elizabeth Breakey).

## **AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND**

Families, healthcare workers, emergency workers in these uncertain times.

## **THE WORLD**

Containment of the coronavirus pandemic, those suffering and the medical staff.  
A compassionate outcome for Asylum Seekers on Manus & Christmas Islands, and Nauru.

## **THE ASCENSION COMMUNITY**

Each other and God's presence in the events of the week

Those in special need of prayer: *Helen Daniels, Peggy Horman, Estelle Carman (and daughter Sue), Jean (& Alan) Close, Carole, Pauline Le Riche (Kym's sister), Glenys and Brian Howell, Ethel Lloyd, Barbara Stark, Lyle Mansfield, Julie Munday, Stanley & Rose Joseph, Marie Cleaver (Judithe's friend), Geoffrey (Josh's father), Gwen McMahon, David Wood, Mark (Cath's friend) and others known to us.*

Those at the Peter James Centre and Burwood Lodge

Those working in Health and Aged Care settings

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

**When you get whacked with a problem,  
open yourself to a deeper relationship to the Lord.  
Don't focus on the problem  
but on the Lord's presence and power.**

*"Let God Love You" by Lloyd Ogilvie.*

## **ROSTERS:**

	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>9:30am</u>
<b>Welcomers</b>	Sue Tregear	Elizabeth Waite & Ros Smith
<b>Reader</b>	Sue Tregear	Daniel Waite
<b>Servers</b>	Sue Tregear	Christine Youings
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>		Ron McKenzie
<b>Intercessions</b>	Fr Anthony	Trevor Smith
<b>Godzone</b>		Holiday program
<b>Music</b>		Peter Bedlow
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Cheryl & Keith Hall
<b>Sacristan</b>	Judithe Atkinson	
<b>Printing</b>	David Wood	
<b>Flowers</b>	Aggie Canterbury	
<b>Cleaning</b>	Augustus Luo	



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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 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
	3:00 – 3:45pm. Midweek Meditation
<b>Friday</b>	10:00am – Noon. Drop-in for coffee 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)