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# ANGLICAN CHURCH *of the* ASCENSION

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EAST BURWOOD



24<sup>th</sup> January 2021

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

## Welcome to Church

### Sentence for Today

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel. Mark 1.15



**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

*Entrance hymn: TiS 136 "There's a wideness in God's mercy"*

There's a wideness in God's mercy  
like the wideness of the sea,  
and forgiveness in his justice  
sealed for us on Calvary.

There is plentiful redemption  
in the blood that has been shed;  
there is joy for all the members  
in the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader  
than the measures of our mind;  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.

But we make his love too narrow  
by false limits of our own,  
and we magnify his strictness  
with a zeal he will not own.

If our love were but more simple  
we should take him at his word;  
and our lives would be illumined  
by the goodness of our Lord.

Frederick William Faber 1814-63 *alt.*

### ***Acclamation***

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

### ***Welcome***

### ***Prayer of Preparation:***

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### ***The Two Great Commandments:***

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

***Kyries:*** Lord have mercy,  
**Christ have mercy,**  
Lord have mercy.

### ***The Gloria:***

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### ***The Prayer of the Day:***

Bountiful God,  
through your Son you have called us to repent of our sin,  
to believe the good news,  
and to celebrate the coming of your kingdom:  
teach us, like Christ's first apostles,  
to hear the call to discipleship,  
and, forsaking old ways,  
to proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for 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: Jonah 3.1-10***

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, 'Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.' So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, 'Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!' And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: 'By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.' When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

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

***Psalm 62.5-12***

Nevertheless, my soul, wait in silence for God:

**for from him comes my hope.**

He only is my rock and my salvation:

**my strong tower, so that I shall not be moved.**

In God is my deliverance and my glory:

**God is my strong rock and my shelter.**

Trust in him at all times, O my people:

**pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.**

The children of Adam are but breath,

the children of earth are a lie:

**place them in the scales and they fly upward,  
they are as light as air.**

Put no trust in extortion,

do not grow worthless by robbery:

**if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.**

God has spoken once, twice have I heard him say:

**that power belongs to God,**

That to the Lord belongs a constant goodness:

**for you reward each one of us according to our works.**

***The second reading: 1 Corinthians 7.29-31***

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Gradual hymn: TiS 583 “‘Take up your cross,’ the Saviour said”***

**‘Take up your cross,’ the Saviour said,  
‘if you would my disciple be;  
take up your cross with willing heart  
and humbly follow after me.’**

**Take up your cross; let not its weight  
Fill your weak spirit with alarm;  
his strength shall bear your spirit up  
and brace your heart and nerve your arm.**

**Take up your cross, nor heed the shame,  
and let your foolish pride be still:  
your Lord refused not even to die  
upon a cross, on Calvary’s hill.**

**Take up your cross, then, in his strength  
and calmly every danger brave;  
it guides you to a better home  
and leads to victory o'er the grave.**

***The Gospel reading:***

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

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
according to Mark, chapter 1 beginning at verse 14

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

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, ‘The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.’ As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, ‘Follow me and I will make you fish for people.’ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw

James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

For the gospel of the Lord.

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

**Take up your cross and follow Christ,  
nor think till death to lay it down;  
for only those who bear the cross  
may hope to wear the glorious crown.**

Charles William Everest 1814-77 *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***

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

### ***Prayer of Approach:***

**We do not presume  
to come to your table, merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your manifold and great mercies.  
We are not worthy  
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.  
But you are the same Lord,  
whose nature is always to have mercy.  
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
and to drink his blood,  
that we may evermore dwell in him,  
and he in us. Amen.**

### ***Invitation to Confession:***

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

### ***Confession:***

**Merciful God,  
our maker and our judge  
we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us.  
Strengthen us to love and obey you  
in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***Absolution:***

Almighty God,  
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:  
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,  
strengthen you in all goodness  
and keep you in eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***The Greeting of Peace:***

We are the body of Christ.

**His spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

***Offertory hymn: TiS 598*** *“Dear Father, Lord of humankind”*

**Dear Father, Lord of humankind,  
forgive our foolish ways;  
re clothe us in our rightful mind:  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence, praise,  
in deeper reverence, praise.**

**In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word  
rise up and follow thee,  
rise up and follow thee.**

**O sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love,  
interpreted by love!**

**Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace,  
the beauty of thy peace.**

**Breathe through the heats of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still small voice of calm,  
O still small voice of calm.**

*John Greenleaf Whittier 1807-29 alt.*

***Prayer over the gifts:***

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom. **Blessed be God for ever.**

***The Great Thanksgiving:***

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,

Our Saviour Jesus Christ,

Who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary

And lived as one of us.

You anointed him as Messiah,

the light of the nations,

and revealed him as the hope

of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life,

he offered the one true sacrifice for sin

and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,

and with all the company of heaven,

we proclaim your great and glorious name,

for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Merciful God, we thank you

for these gifts of your creation,

this bread and wine,

and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,

we who eat and drink them

may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;

and when he had given you thanks

he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,  
and again giving you thanks  
he gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Drink from this, all of you.  
This is my blood of the new covenant  
shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:  
proclaiming his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross,  
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming again,  
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,  
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,  
unite us in the body of your Son  
and bring us with all your people  
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father,  
in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

*As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:*

**Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

### ***The breaking of the bread:***

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
We who are many are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread.

### ***Agnus Dei:***

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

### ***Invitation to communion:***

The gifts of God, for the people of God.  
Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ  
in remembrance that he died for us,  
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

### ***The Communion***

***Post communion hymn: TiS 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 hill,  
and having with us him who pleads above,  
we here present, we bring before you still  
that only offering perfect in your 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 your grace,  
our prayer so halting, and our faith so dim:  
for now between our sins and their reward  
we set the passion of your Son our Lord.**

**And so we come; O draw us to your 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 your own service make us glad and free,  
and may we in your presence ever be.**

*William Bright 1824-1901 alt.*

### ***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 147 "Forth in your name, O Lord, I go"**

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

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

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

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

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

*Charles Wesley 1707-88 alt.*

### **Dismissal**

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

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**WELCOME TO CHURCH.** . . We are delighted that you are worshipping with us today, please take Communion, whatever your denomination and come and worship with us again. If you are visiting, please make yourself known to Fr. Anthony or to one of our welcomers following the service and do stay for a cuppa and chat!

## NOTICES

**Date for your diary** – 9:30am Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February we welcome Bp Paul Barker for the confirmation of Daniel Waite. Bp Paul will preach and preside at the combined service.

**Pastoral Care** – Fr Anthony would like to meet with the team following the 9:30am service on 31<sup>st</sup> January.

**ROSTERS** this week:

<b>Flowers</b>	Bashilika Dassanayake	
	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>9:30am</u>
<b>Welcomers</b>	Don Lambourne	Pat Ludwick & Joanne Waite
<b>Readers</b>	Sue Tregear	Elizabeth Waite
<b>Intercessions</b>	Fr Anthony	Fr Anthony
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Jan & Lyle Mansfield
<b>Music</b>		Peter Bedlow

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

- Ahead of inauguration, US faith leaders urge devotees to take caution
- Australian financial watchdog admits mistake about sum sent by Vatican to Pell defence
- Five reasons you should care about persecuted Christians
- Martin Luther King's vision for racial equality
- Noosa Satanists celebrate what they say is "important win for religious freedom"
- and more...

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

Monday	CONVERSION OF PAUL THE APOSTLE
Wednesday	John Chrysostom, bishop of Constantinople, teacher (d. 407)
Thursday	Thomas Aquinas, theologian (d. 1274)
Saturday	Charles, King of England (d. 1649)

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### **Wednesday:**

Hebrews 10.11-18  
Psalm 110.1-4  
Mark 4.1-20

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

Deuteronomy 18.15-20  
Psalm 111  
1 Corinthians 8.1-13  
Mark 1.21-28

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

*Sun 24:* Pray for The Church of Bangladesh; The Diocese of Adelaide (Abp Geoff Smith, Asst Bps Denise Ferguson, Timothy Harris, Christopher McLeod; Clergy & People); Aged Care Ministry; City on a Hill Melbourne (Guy Mason, Andrew Grills, Matt Keller, Stephanie Judd, Andrew Pearce, Luke Nelson); St George's Anglican Church Red Hill – Pastoral Service (Bishop Paul Barker)

*Mon 25:* The Diocese of Armidale (Bp Rick Lewers, Clergy & People); Anglican Boys' Society - CEBS (Bruce Anderson, Secretary); All Saints' Clayton (Charles Fletcher, Abraham Amuom, Jeremiah Paul);

*Tue 26:* The Diocese of Ballarat (Bp Garry Weatherill, Clergy & People); St Alban's Coburg West-Pascoe Vale South (Kate Heath);

*Wed 27:* The Diocese of Bathurst (Bp Mark Calder, Clergy & People); University of Divinity (Peter Sherlock, Vice-Chancellor); Holy Trinity Coburg (Faraj Hanna);

*Thu 28:* The Diocese of Bendigo (Bp Matt Brain, Clergy & People); Anglican Cursillo Movement; St Luke's Cockatoo (Owen Prout);

*Fri 29:* The Diocese of Brisbane (Abp Phillip Aspinall, Regional Bps Jeremy Greaves, Cameron Venables, John Roundhill, Clergy & People); Archdeaconry of Williamstown (Glenn Buijs); St Philip's Collingwood (John Raike);

*Sat 30:* The Diocese of Bunbury (Bp Ian Coutts, Clergy & People); Melbourne Girls' Grammar School (Toni Meath, Principal); St Andrew's Corio - Norlane (David Milford);

### **AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND**

All who have lost their livelihood due to the Coronavirus. 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 Island, Christmas Island, and Nauru.

Peace, justice, and healing for the people of the USA and a renewed sense of unity and hope. Healing and hope for the people of Croatia & Indonesia after the recent earthquakes.

### **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, Joanne, Nelson, Pauline Le Riche (Kym's sister), Paul Maharaj, Graeme Floage (& Lisa), Glenys and Brian Howell, Ethel Lloyd, Barbara Stark, Rosemary Roach, Brittany Lee, Cath Ortlieb, Lyle (& Jan) Mansfield, Dave (& Joy) Richie, Angelo (from Burwood Lodge), Julie and Jackson Munday, Colin Darvell, Rose Joseph, and others known to us*

*We give thanks for God's healing mercies for Elizabeth O'Shannessy, Vivienne Aitken, and Jim Ashworth.*

Those at the Peter James Centre and Burwood Lodge

Those working in Health and Aged Care settings

**Ourselves - as we stay connected through the power of the Holy Spirit in love and prayer**

*A prayer in time of pandemic disease:*

Lord Jesus Christ, healer and friend,  
come and care for all of us  
through the danger and uncertainty  
of the coronavirus pandemic.  
To people who are sick, bring healing.  
To people who are displaced, isolated,  
or cut off from family, friends or work,  
bring comfort and companionship.  
Work with medical staff as they care for the sick,  
and protect them from harm.  
Give skill and fruitful research to scientists  
as they search for treatments, prevention and a cure.  
To public health authorities, give wisdom  
to decide the best ways to manage  
both this crisis and our anxieties.  
When communities are fearful, give a calm spirit,  
and kindness to neighbours and strangers.  
Through this testing time,  
and through all the risks we face together,  
teach us once again how we can love one  
another as you have loved us.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

All great prayer, all liberating worship,  
all lasting encounters with God,  
begin with praise and rejoicing.  
(*“Let God Love You” by Lloyd Ogilvie*)



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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
<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)