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# ANGLICAN CHURCH *of the* ASCENSION

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20<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

EAST BURWOOD

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

## Welcome to Church

### Sentence for Today

Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea  
obey him? Mark 4.41



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 561** “Who would true valour see”

Who would true valour see,  
let them come hither;  
those here will constant be,  
come wind, come weather.  
There's no discouragement  
shall make them once relent  
each first avowed intent  
to be a pilgrim.

Whoso beset them round  
with dismal stories  
who but themselves confound:  
their strength the more is.  
No lion can him fright,  
they'll with a giant fight,  
but each will have a right  
to be a pilgrim.

Hobgoblin nor foul fiend  
Can daunt their spirit:  
they know they at the end  
shall life inherit.  
Then fancies flee away;  
they'll scorn what people say,  
and labour night and day  
to be a pilgrim

John Bunyan (1628-1688) *alt.*

### **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:***

O God our defender,  
storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid:  
rescue your people from despair,  
deliver your sons and daughters from fear,  
and preserve us all from unbelief;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
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

*Godzone blessing*

*The ministry of the Word:*

***The first reading: 1 Samuel 17.1a, 17.4-11, 17.19-23, 17.32-49***

Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle; they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armoured with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him. He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, 'Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us.' And the Philistine said, 'Today I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man, that we may fight together.' When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid. Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines. David rose early in the morning, left someone in charge of the sheep, took the provisions, and went as Jesse had commanded him. He came to the encampment as the army was going forth to the battle line, shouting the war cry. Israel and the Philistines drew up for battle, army against army. David left the things in charge of the keeper of the baggage, ran to the ranks, and went and greeted his brothers. As he talked with them, the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines, and spoke the same words as before. And David heard him. David said to Saul, 'Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.' Saul said to David, 'You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth.' But David said to Saul, 'Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God.' David said, 'The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine.' So Saul said to David, 'Go, and may the Lord be with you!' Saul clothed David with his armour; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. David strapped Saul's sword over the armour, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, 'I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them.' So David removed them. Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the

pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine. The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, 'Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?' And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. The Philistine said to David, 'Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field.' But David said to the Philistine, 'You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's and he will give you into our hand.' When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly towards the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### ***Psalms 9.9-20***

The Lord is a strong tower to those that are oppressed:

**he is a tower of strength in time of need.**

All who heed your name will trust in you:

**for you have never forsaken those that seek you.**

O sing praises to the Lord who dwells in Zion:

**tell among the peoples what great things he has done.**

For he that avenges blood has remembered the poor:

**he has not forgotten their cry.**

The Lord has been merciful toward me,

he saw what I suffered from my foes:

**he raised me up again from the gates of death,**

That I might tell all your praises in the gates of Zion:

**that I might rejoice in your deliverance.**

The nations have sunk into the pit they dug for others:

**in the very snare they laid is their foot taken;**

The Lord has declared himself and upheld the right:

**the wicked are trapped in the work of their own hands.**

The wicked shall be given over to death:

**and all the nations that forget God.**

For the needy shall not always be forgotten:

**nor shall the hope of the poor perish for ever.**

Arise, Lord, let no human power prevail:

**let the nations be judged before you.**

Put them in fear, O Lord:

**and let the nations know they are but human.**

### ***The second reading: 2 Corinthians 6.1-13***

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain.

For he says,

‘At an acceptable time I have listened to you,  
and on a day of salvation I have helped you. ‘See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!’

We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry,

but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities,

beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger;

by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left;

in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true;

as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed;

as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you.

There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours.

In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Gradual hymn: TiS 619***      *“Have faith in God, my heart”*

**Have faith in God, my heart,  
trust and be unafraid;  
God will fulfil in every part  
each promise he has made.**

**Have faith in God, my mind,  
though oft thy light burns low;  
God's mercy holds a wiser plan  
than you can fully know.**

**Have faith in God, my soul,  
his cross for ever stands;  
and neither life nor death can pluck  
his children from his hands.**

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

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
according to Mark, chapter 4, beginning at verse 35.

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



On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

For the gospel of the Lord.

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

**Lord Jesus, make me whole;  
grant me no resting place,  
until I rest, heart, mind and soul,  
the captive of thy grace.**

*Bryn Austin Rees 1911-83 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 I am the bread of life. Who ever comes to me will never be hungry, and who ever believes in me will never be thirsty. John 3.35

***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 595   “O Jesus, I have promised”***

O Jesus, I have promised  
to serve you to the end;  
Lord, be for ever near me,  
my master and my friend;  
I shall not fear the battle  
if you are by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway  
if you will be my guide.

2. O let me hear you speaking  
in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion:  
the murmurs of self will;  
Lord, speak to reassure me,  
to chasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen,  
true guardian of my soul.

3. O Jesus, you have promised  
to all who follow you  
that where you are in glory  
there shall thy servant be;  
And Jesus, I have promised  
to serve you to the end—  
Oh, give me grace to follow,  
my master and my friend.

4. O let me see your footprints,  
and in them plant my own;  
my hope to follow duly  
is in your strength alone;  
Oh, guide me, call me, draw me,  
uphold me to the end;  
And then in Heav’n receive me,  
my Saviour and my friend.

John Ernest Bode 1816-74 *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.

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 607 “Make me a channel of your peace”***

**Make me a channel of Your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love;  
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;  
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.  
*Oh Master, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love with all my soul.***

**Make me a channel of Your peace.  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;  
where there is darkness, only light:  
and where there's sadness, ever joy.  
*Oh Master, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love with all my soul.***

**Make me a channel of Your peace.  
It is pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving to all men that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.**

*Sebastian Temple (Johann Sebastian von Tempelhoff, 1928–1997 (1993))*

***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: 106**    *“Now thank we all our God”*

Now thank we all our God  
with hearts and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom the world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

2. O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us.

Lord, keep us in your grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all harm  
in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God  
who reigns in highest heaven,  
to Father and to Son  
and Spirit now be given:  
the one eternal God,  
whom heaven and earth adore,  
who ever was, is now,  
and shall be ever more.

*Martin Rinkart 1586-1649 tr. Catherine Winkworth 1827-78 alt.*

**Dismissal**

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

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**NOTICES**

**Annual Leave:** Fr Anthony will be on leave from Wednesday 23 June to Thursday 1 July. The Rev'd Colleen O'Reilly will be taking services at Ascension during that time (on Wed 23, Sun 27, and Wed 30 June). For any emergencies please contact one of the Wardens - Ron McKenzie, Jo Waite, or Christine Youngs.

**Prayer for Healing Service at Ascension:** At 5pm today we will be holding a special Prayer for Healing Service. This is a relaxed "come as you are" opportunity to join others as we pray for the world, for ourselves, and for others who we know are in special need of healing - in body, mind, spirit, relationships etc. Anything raised remains confidential and all are welcome.

**Midweek Meditation** will be in recess for the next two Wednesdays and will recommence Wed 7 July.

**Ration Challenge - Thank you from Natalie.** I would like to thank everyone for their interest and support over the last few weeks, leading up to and during my time participating in the Ration Challenge. As of Thursday morning, the total amount raised was \$1,077. This would not have been possible without the generosity and kindness from this parish, and the help of my friends and family. The money donated is already going towards providing refugees with food, healthcare and life-saving support. This has been a truly meaningful experience for me and I am grateful for the opportunity I had to share this with you all. Thank you!

**Arrangements for Gerry Wheeler's Funeral** The funeral for Gerry Wheeler will be held at Ascension 10:30am on Friday 2 July. Due to changing COVID restrictions it is very difficult to say how many people will be allowed in the church space. As with previous funerals at Ascension in these circumstances, seating priority will be offered to the family and close

friends. The funeral service will be live-streamed and details will be provided when available. Thank you for your understanding with this.

**Honours List** - A past parishioner, Rev Jim Pilmer received an order of Australia medal (OAM) in the Queen's Birthday Honours this year for services to the Anglican church.

**Not Home Alone** has been held over until Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July due to Covid restrictions. We hope the relaxed conditions will continue and we can enjoy a meal together.

**Footy Tipping 2021.** Despite being a 'bye' round with seven games, the average was less than three from our tipsters with many upsets in Round 13 - a majority got just the two right! The best result was 4 correct from Judithe Atkinson, Heather McKenzie and Christine Youings. The ladies are showing the way with the top three places in the second half season competition being filled by Christine Youings (10), Louise Godden and Heather McKenzie (9) and Jo Condie (8).

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- Former Primate, police chaplain among Anglicans recognised in Queen's Birthday Honours
- Anglican bishops nationally send open letter to Government calling for the return of young family back to Biloela
- Advocating for a consistent ethic of life is not limited to abortion
- Raising the age of criminal responsibility
- and more...

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

Tuesday Alban, first British martyr (d.c. 209)

Thursday THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Wednesday:**

Genesis 15.1-18

Psalms 105.1-7

Matthew 7.15-20

**Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 1.1, 1.17-27

Psalms 130

2 Corinthians 8.7-15

Mark 5.21-43

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

*Sun 20:* The Church of North India (United); The Diocese of Rockhampton (Bp Peter Grice, Clergy & People); Brighton Grammar School (Ross Featherston, Principal; Chester Lord, Chaplain); Upper Yarra Parish (Luke Whiteside); City on a Hill, Chadstone – Pastoral Services (Bp Paul Barker); St Alfred's Blackburn North & St Luke's Vermont – Pastoral Services (Bp Genieve Blackwell); Altona St Eanswythe's w. St Clements Laverton – Pastoral Services (Bp Kate Prowd);

*Mon 21:* The Diocese of Sydney (Abp Kanishka Raffel, Regional Bps Chris Edwards, Michael Stead, Peter Hayward, Peter Lin, Malcolm Richards, Gary Koo, Clergy & People); Melbourne Anglican Foundation; The Anglican Parish of Upwey/Belgrave (Bruce Hallyburton);



*Tue 22:* The Diocese of Tasmania (Bp Richard Condie, Missioner Bp Chris Jones, Clergy & People); Archdeaconry of The Yarra (Tim Johnson); The Parish of the Holy Name of Jesus, Vermont South (Victor Fan);

*Wed 23:* The Diocese of The Murray (Bp Keith Dalby, Clergy & People); Beaconhills College (Tony Sheumack, Principal; Peggy Kruse, Chaplain); St Luke's Vermont (Peter MacPherson);

*Thu 24:* The Diocese of The Northern Territory (Bp Greg Anderson, Clergy & People); Ministries to Youth; Parish of Wandin Seville & Mt Evelyn (Ron Peterson);

*Fri 25:* The Diocese of Wangaratta (Bp Clarence Bester, Clergy & People); Mission to Seafarers (Neil Edwards, Chair; Onfré Punay, Chaplain); St John the Baptist Wantirna South (Stephen Morris);

*Sat 26:* The Diocese of Willochra (Bp John Stead, Clergy & People); St Stephen's Warrandyte (Mark Hanson)

## **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, Marie (Cath Ortlieb's cousin) 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**

**The Lord could do without our intercession and praise.**

**Yet it is the mystery of God that He should require us,**

**His co-workers, to keep on praying and never lose heart.**

*("The Rule of Taizé" by Roger Schutz)*

## **ROSTERS:**

	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>9:30am</u>
<b>Welcomers</b>	Sue Tregear	Ros Smith & Elizabeth Waite
<b>Reader</b>	Sue Tregear	Trevor Smith
<b>Servers</b>	Sue Tregear	Christine Youings
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>		Joanne Waite
<b>Intercessions</b>	Fr Anthony	Fr Anthony
<b>Godzone</b>		Michael Jellis & Anne Wharton
<b>Music</b>		Sam King & Josh Waite
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Barrie Harding & Jan Mansfield
<b>Sacristan</b>	Sue Tregear	
<b>Printing</b>	David Wood	
<b>Flowers</b>	Judithe Atkinson	
<b>Cleaning</b>	Ron McKenzie	
<b>Garden</b>	Robin Jellis	
<b>Lawn mowing</b>	Keith 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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**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.

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