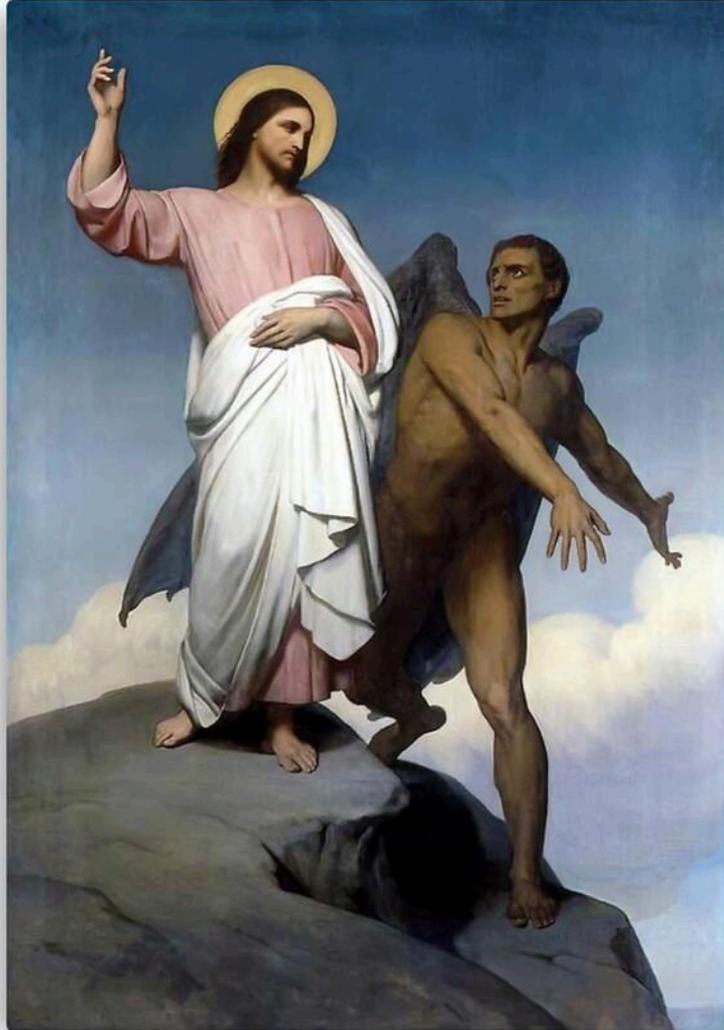




**St George's Anglican Church, Malvern**

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**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2022**



*Jesus said, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."*

**10:00 am**

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*During Lent, we sing the ancient 'Lent Prose' as an Introit.*

*The choir sings the refrain, which we repeat, and the choir sings a verse before we repeat the refrain.*

Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:  
for we have sinned against thee.

**Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us;  
for we have sinned against thee.**

To thee, Redeemer, King of highest heaven:  
lift we our eyes in grief and deep abasement:  
Listen, O Saviour, to our supplications.

**Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us;  
for we have sinned against thee.**

Bless the Lord, who forgives all our sins.

**Whose mercy endures forever.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*The President welcomes the congregation in suitable words then reads a sentence of Scripture*

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.**

*We sing together*

Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy,  
Christ have mer - cy. Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

*During Lent, the ancient Hymn of Praise, Gloria in excelsis, is omitted. Instead, we use another ancient refrain, the Trisagion:*

Hol - ly God, ho - ly and might - y, ho - ly and im -  
mor - tal, have mer - cy on us.

*The President says*

Let us pray.

*The people pray silently, before the President “collects” the communal prayer in the prayer of the Church for the day and for the season.*

O saving God, who led your people through the wilderness  
and brought them to the promised land:  
so guide us that, following our Saviour,  
we may walk through the wilderness of this world  
and be brought to the glory of the world which is to come;  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made,  
and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent:  
create and make in us new and contrite hearts,  
that we, worthily lamenting our sins  
and acknowledging our wretchedness,  
may obtain of you, the God of all mercy,  
perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

# THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

## First Reading

A reading from the book Deuteronomy

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name.

You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.'

When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God:

'A wandering Aramean was my father; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous.

When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors;

the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.

The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.

So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.'

You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God.

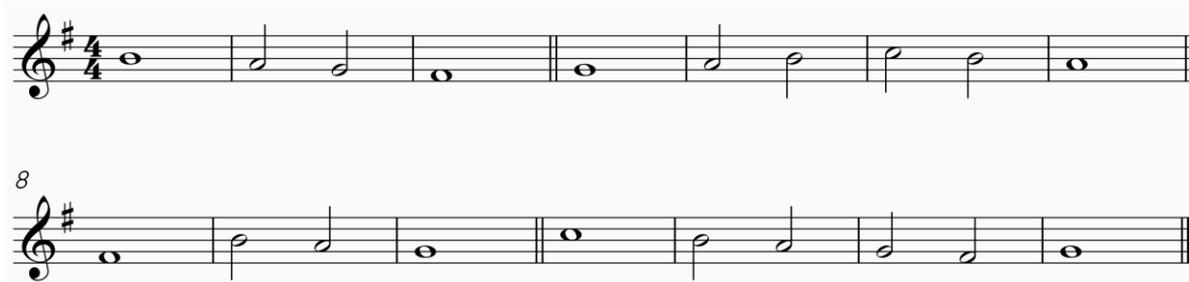
Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

*Deuteronomy 26:1-11*

Reader      Hear the Word of the Lord  
**All**        **Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 91: 1–2, 9–16

Chant: Richard Woodward (1743–1777)



1. Those who dwell in the shelter of the /Most /High:  
who abide under the /shadow /of the .Al/mighty.
2. They will say to the Lord,  
'You are my refuge /and my / stronghold:  
my /God in /whom I /trust.'....
9. The Lord him/self . is your /refuge:  
you have /made the .Most /High your /stronghold.
10. Therefore no /harm . will be/fall you:  
nor will any /scourge come /near your /tent.
11. For he will com/mand his /angels:  
to /keep you . in /all your /ways.
12. They will bear you /up . in their /hands:  
lest you dash your /foot a/gainst a /stone.
13. You will tread on the /lion . and the /adder:  
the young lion and the serpent you will /trample /under /foot.
14. 'You have set your love upon me,' says the Lord,  
'and therefore I /will de/liver you:  
I will lift you out of danger, be/cause . you have /known my /name.
15. 'When you call upon me /I will /answer you:  
I will be with you in trouble,  
I will /rescue you . and /bring you . to /honour.
16. 'With long /life . I will /satisfy you:  
and /fill you . with /my sal/vation.'

## Second Reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the church in Rome:

For Christ is the end of the law  
so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law,  
that 'the person who does these things will live by them.'

But the righteousness that comes from faith says,  
'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"'  
(that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"'  
(that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

'The word is near you,  
on your lips and in your heart'

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);  
because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord  
and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.  
For one believes with the heart and so is justified,  
and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.  
The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.'  
For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek;  
the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.  
For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

*Romans 10:4–13*

**Reader** Hear the Word of the Lord.  
**All** Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation

*The cantor sings the refrain which we repeat*

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory.

No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

*The refrain is repeated by all*

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.**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan

and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness,

where for forty days he was tempted by the devil.

He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over,

he was famished.

The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God,

command this stone to become a loaf of bread.'

Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone." '

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him,

'To you I will give their glory and all this authority;

for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please.

If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.'

Jesus answered him, 'It is written,

"Worship the Lord your God,

and serve only him." '

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem,

and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him,

'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you,

to protect you",

and

"On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." '

Jesus answered him,

'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." '

When the devil had finished every test,

he departed from him until an opportune time.

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee,

and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country.

He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

Luke 4: 1-13

For the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

*A sermon is preached.*

*After the sermon, silence is kept*

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

*All stand*

**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 of the world to come. Amen.**

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

*Prayers are offered for the world, the Church, for our local community, those sick or “in any other adversity”, and we remember the faithful departed.*

## **For the Anglican Church**

We pray for The Anglican Church of Korea; The Diocese of The Murray; Ridley College; St Michael & St Luke’s Dandenong; St Matthew’s Ashburton; St Alfred’s Blackburn North; St Paul’s Frankston.

## **For all in need**

May all who are in trouble, in need or sickness find peace and refreshment in you especially: Ann, Coral, Keith, Erica, Peter, Leon, Josh, Vincent, John, Margaret, Joan, Thea, John, John, George, David, Nicoll and others we mention before God in the silence of our hearts.

## **For the Faithful Departed**

We pray for those whose anniversary of death occurs this week: Thomas (Ray) Casey, Lesley Manning, Marjorie Scott, Jennifer Tonoli.

President: 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.**

Let us pray:

**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.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God,  
though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

*Silence is kept*

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**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.**

*The President pronounces absolution, and all respond*

**Amen.**

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

*All stand*

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

**We meet in his name and share his peace.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*We greet one another with a sign of God's peace.*

## OFFERTORY HYMN

NEH 273

*During the singing of this hymn, the altar is prepared and our offerings received.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

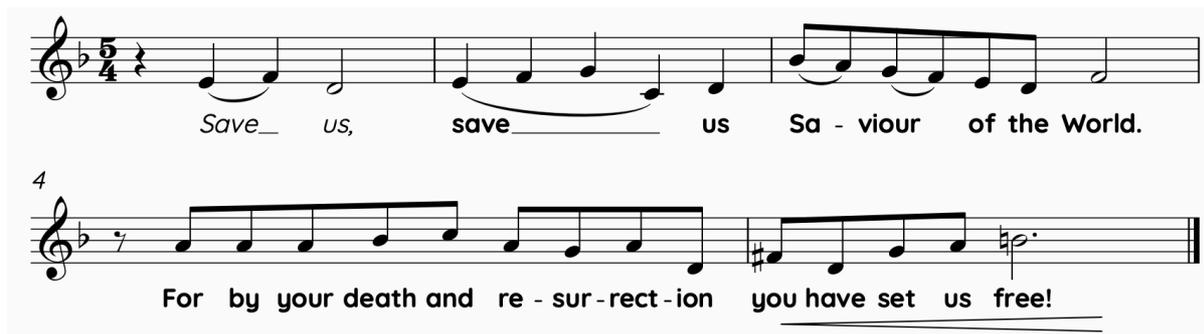
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The President continues with a prayer recalling God's saving acts, culminating with:*

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
7  
ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might! Hea-ven and Earth are full of your  
13  
glo-ry. Ho - san-na! Ho - san-na in the high-est! Bless-ed is he who  
18  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san-na! Ho- san-na in the high - est!

*The prayer continues recalling the Supper our Lord shared with his disciples, until:*



Musical notation for the prayer continuation. The first line is in 5/4 time and contains the lyrics: "Save us, save us Sa - viour of the World." The second line is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics: "For by your death and re - sur - rect - ion you have set us free!"

*The prayer concludes with a triumphant song of praise:*



Musical notation for the triumphant song of praise. The first line is in 6/8 time and contains the lyrics: "Our God - Bless - ing and hon - our and glo - ry and pow'r are". The second line is in 3/8 time and contains the lyrics: "yours, for e - ver and e - ver, A - men."

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 forever. Amen.**

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

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 is sung:*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, **have mer - cy on us.**

7  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, **have mer - cy on us.**

13  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, **grant us your peace.**

*The President invites people to the Lord's Table in suitable words.*

*During Communion, the choir sings the following anthem:*

To thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.  
My God, I trust in thee.

Words: adapted from Psalm 25  
Music: Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873–1943)  
from *Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom*, Op 31

*After all have received the sacrament, silence is kept.*

# THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*The President offers a prayer, ending with*

Father,  
**we offer ourselves to you  
as a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

*We stand to sing a final hymn*

NEH 67 (vv. 1, 3 and 6)

*Notices are given*

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*The President announces God's blessing, to which all respond*

**Amen.**

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

## POSTLUDE

*Audi Benigne Conditor (Listen loving creator)*

*from Le Tombeau de Titelouze Op 38, Marcel Dupre (1886–1971)*

### **Scripture Readings next week**

Genesis 15: 1–12, 17–18  
Philippians 3:17–4:1

### **2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT**

Psalm 27  
Luke 13: 31–35

## THE WEEK AHEAD

<b>Weekdays</b> <b>Monday – Saturday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>Evening Prayer</b>
<b>Day</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>in Chapel and by</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b> <b>Zoom (details below)</b>
<b>Monday, 7 March</b> <i>Felicity, Perpetua and their companions, Martyrs</i>	Psalms 19 Jeremiah 25:1–17 Hebrews 3:1–15	Psalms 119:1–16 Genesis 39 Luke 11:14–28
<b>Tuesday, 8 March</b> <i>John of God</i>	Psalms 20; 21 Jeremiah 25:27–38 Hebrews 3:16–4:10	Psalms 24; 26 Genesis 40 Luke 11:29–44
<b>Wednesday, 9 March</b> <i>Sister Emma, SSA</i>	Psalms 22:1–22 Jeremiah 26:1–19 Hebrews 4:11–5:6	Psalms 22:23–32; 23 Genesis 41:1–36 Luke 11:45–12:7
<b>Lent Study Group at 7:30 p.m.</b>	Via Zoom (details below)	
<b>Thursday, 10 March</b>	Psalms 25 Jeremiah 26:20–27:11 Hebrews 5:7–6:8	Psalms 27 Genesis 41:37–57 Luke 12:8–21
<b>Holy Eucharist at 10:15 a.m.</b> <i>followed by Lent Study Group</i>	Additions to Esther 14:3–14;	Ps. 138:1–3; Matthew 7:7–12
<b>Friday, 11 March</b>	Psalms 28; 29 Jeremiah 27:12–28:4 Hebrews 6:9–18	Psalms 30; 32 Genesis 42:1–17 Luke 12:22–34
<b>Saturday, 12 March</b>	Psalms 33 Jeremiah 28:5–17 Hebrews 6:19–7:10	Psalms 31 Genesis 42:18–38 Luke 12:35–48
<b>Next Sunday, 13 March</b> <b>Second Sunday in Lent</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>  <b>10:00 a.m.</b>  <b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>  <b>Holy Eucharist</b>  <b>Holy Eucharist &amp; Meditation</b>

### Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

<https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRldmIXWDQ4Zz09>

**9:00 a.m., Monday – Saturday**

### Evening Prayer

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

<https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRldmIXWDQ4Zz09>

**5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday**

### Lent Study

Meeting ID: 926 3986 2120; Passcode: 551393

<https://zoom.us/j/92639862120?pwd=dkpiSXdMa0VvZnVUYm5hUWFzWGcydz09>

**7:30 p.m. Wednesday**

## NOTICES

**THANK YOU** to Ewan and Sandra Morgan (yet again and still) and all who provided supplies, palms and good company last Tuesday evening as we enjoyed pancakes and burnt palm crosses. It was excellent to gather again as a community for the kind of fellowship COVID has prevented.

### LENT STUDY GROUPS

Began last Thursday after the eucharist, and will continue this coming Wednesday evening by Zoom, and again on Thursday after the eucharist. The book we are using to guide our reflections, *Say it to God* by Luigi Gioia, is available on kindle or, we now understand, can be purchased via ebay.

**LENT** provides an opportunity not only for 'reading and meditating' (as in our Study Group), 'self-examination, prayer and fasting' (as we heard on Ash Wednesday), but also for 'self-denial and acts of generosity' and also alms-giving! Thank you, therefore, to all who gave so generously last Sunday to the gift for St Alban's. A reminder that next Sunday (March 13) there will be another opportunity to donate, this time for the work of St Mark's, Fitzroy.

Furthermore, at the last meeting of the Parish Council, it was felt that some parishioners would be interested to learn how St George's is faring financially. To that end, from now until the end of Lent (at least) each week we will publish the offerings received in the last week, as well as the budgeted costs for running the parish each week of the year. These figures are here:

*Thanksgiving Pledges – \$350*

*Offertory Plate – \$375 covering all Sunday and Thursday services*

*Church Expenditure for the week – \$1,000+*

Please remember that, for now, passing of the offertory plate is not recommended under Covid advice. Therefore, please remember to place your offering in the bowl as you enter the church and before you take your seat, so that it can be presented at the Offertory of the gifts. Alternatively, please use the direct debit facilities set up for regular pledges.

Contact Geraldine Powell: [dgpowell@internode.on.net](mailto:dgpowell@internode.on.net) / 0414 – 831 968 for further details.

*We acknowledge the Boon Wurrung and Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the Traditional Custodians of the land upon which we meet.*

*We pay our respects to their Elders past and present, acknowledge their continuing spiritual connection to Country, and affirm our commitment to walk together the path of reconciliation.*