



St George's Anglican Church, Malvern

Patronal Festival

April 24, 2022



**Holy Eucharist in Thanksgiving
for the life and witness of
George of Lydda, Martyr**

9:30 a.m.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*The Setting of the Eucharist: **Missa Gratia** by Calvin Bowman*

President: Let us proceed in peace. Alleluia, Alleluia.

All: In the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

1. Christ is made the sure foundation,
And the precious corner-stone,
Who, the two walls underlying,
Bound in each, binds both in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.
2. All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved by God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody,
God the One, in Threefold glory,
Singing everlastingly.

The Procession having reached the Lady Chapel, the President prays the following Collect, then censes the Icon of St George:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Graciously hear us O Lord, holy Father,
Almighty, everlasting God;
and may it please you to send your holy angel from heaven
to keep, cheer, guard and defend all
who are gathered together in this holy place,
dedicated to your Great Martyr, George,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The hymn and Procession recommence.

3. To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of hosts, today;
With thy wonted loving kindness,
Hear thy people as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls for ay.
4. Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
Gifts of grace by prayer to gain;
Here to have and hold for ever,
Those good things their prayers obtain,
And hereafter, in thy glory,
With thy blessed ones to reign.
5. Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

*Words: Latin, c. 7th century tr. J. M. Neale (1818–66)
Music: 'Westminster Abbey', by Henry Purcell (1659–95)
Descant: John Rutter (b. 1945)*

President: Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: **Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ is risen. Alleluia, alleluia!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia!

The President welcomes the congregation in suitable words, followed by 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 mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy**

**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.**

Let us pray.

The people pray silently, and then the President 'collects' the silent prayer:

God of hosts, who so kindled the flame of love
in the heart of your servant George
that he bore witness to the risen Lord
by his life and death:
give us the same faith and power of love
that we who rejoice in his triumphs
may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the Revelation to John:

War broke out in heaven;

Michael and his angels fought against the dragon.

The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated,
and there was no longer any place for them in heaven.

The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent,
who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—
he was thrown down to the earth,
and his angels were thrown down with him.

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,

'Now have come the salvation and the power

and the kingdom of our God

and the authority of his Messiah,

for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.

But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony,
for they did not cling to life even in the face of death.
Rejoice then, you heavens
and those who dwell in them!
But woe to the earth and the sea,
for the devil has come down to you
with great wrath,
because he knows that his time is short!

Revelation 12: 7–12

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

Psalm 126

Sung Response:

The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with joy.

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **R.**
2. The heathen themselves said,
‘What marvels the Lord worked for them!’
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **R.**
3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in a dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **R.**
4. They go out, they go out full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing;
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the second letter to Timothy:

Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus.

No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs;
the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer.

And in the case of an athlete,

no one is crowned without competing according to the rules.

It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share
of the crops.

Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all
things.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—
that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship,
even to the point of being chained like a criminal.

But the word of God is not chained.

Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect,

so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus,
with eternal glory.

The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

2 Timothy 2:3–13

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

1. Martyr of God, whose strength was steeled
 To follow close God's only Son,
Well didst thou brave thy battlefield
 And well thy heavenly bliss was won!
2. Now join thy prayers with ours, who pray
 That God may pardon us and bless;
For prayer keeps evil's plague away,
 And draws from life its weariness.
3. All praise to God the Father be,
 All praise to thee, eternal Son;
All praise, O Holy Ghost, to thee,
 While never-ending ages run. Amen.

Words: Latin, 10th century, tr. Percy Dearmer (1867–1936)
Music: Song 34 ('Angels' Song') by Orlando Gibbons, (1583–1625)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you,
for the Spirit of God rests upon you.

c.f. 1 Peter 4:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Deacon: Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All: **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus continued speaking to the disciples, and said:

‘If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you.
If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own.
Because you do not belong to the world,
but I have chosen you out of the world—
therefore the world hates you.

Remember the word that I said to you,

“Servants are not greater than their master.”

If they persecuted me, they will persecute you;

if they kept my word, they will keep yours also.

But they will do all these things to you on account of my name,
because they do not know him who sent me.’

John 15: 18–21

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Right Reverend Genieve Blackwell

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

Deacon: 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 Church throughout the world, remembering today all churches and institutions who share with us the patronage of George, and especially the Cathedral Churches of St George in Perth and Jerusalem, and the Chapel of St George within Windsor Castle. We also pray for The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea; The Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn; All Saints' Kooyong; Anglican Cursillo Movement.

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, John, Margaret, Joan, Thea, John, Ray and others we mention before God in the silence of our hearts.

For the Faithful Departed

We pray for Leslie Clifton Blackman, George Bloom, Brian Wilson Cherry, Arthur Clark, George Granger, Florence Hale, Mary Frances Hewett, Barry Willard Kennedy, Edith Manning, Frank Oldfield, Sandy Richards, Constance Jean Sawyer, Henry Sullivan *whose anniversary of death we remember this week.*

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.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon: We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

Silence is kept.

Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith,
with a sincere and a true heart, confident in God's forgiveness.

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.

The Bishop pronounces Absolution, and the people respond

Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

The Bishop says:

Jesus stood among the disciples and said,
'My peace I give to you; my peace I leave with you.' Alleluia!

Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord.
Alleluia!

The peace of the Lord, crucified and risen, be always with you. Alleluia!
And also with you. Alleluia!

Members of the congregation greet one another in an appropriate way.

*[Throughout the Easter season, it is customary to use the greeting:
'Christ is Risen. Alleluia!', to which the response is 'He is risen indeed. Alleluia!']*

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

*During the following hymn, the people's gifts are brought forward,
and the altar prepared.*

Hymn

1. Leader now on earth no longer,
Soldier of th'eternal king,
Victor in the fight for heaven,
We thy loving praises sing.

Chorus:

*Great Saint George, our patron, help us,
In the conflict be thou nigh;
Help us in that daily battle,
Where each one must win or die.*

2. Praise him who in deadly battle
Never shrank from foe or sword,
Proof against all earthly weapon,
Gave his life for Christ the Lord.
3. Who, when earthly war was over,
Fought, but not for earth's renown;
Fought, and won a nobler glory,
Won the martyr's purple crown.
4. Onward, till, our striving over,
On life's battlefield we fall,
Resting then, but ever ready,
Waiting for the angel's call.

Words: J.W. Reeks (1849–1900)

Music: 'Pond Street' by John Earwaker (1936–)

arr. Heather Moen-Boyd (1953–)

The President offers prayers over the gifts, to which the people respond:

Blessed be God for ever.

The President then begins the Great Thanksgiving Prayer

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, concluding 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:

**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.**

The President continues the prayer until:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died,

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The President continues the prayer, which concludes:

...we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

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

A brief silence is kept.

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 AND THE COMMUNION

As the President breaks the bread, the following is said:

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

We sing:

**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.**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

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.

Communion is distributed.

During Communion, the choir sings:

Jubilate Deo

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his courts with praise:
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

*Words: Psalm 100 (Coverdale/BCP translation)
Music: Benjamin Britten (1913–76)*

After Communion, silence is kept.

All stand

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

President: God, the source of all holiness:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims on earth
be welcomed with George and all your saints
to the heavenly feast in your kingdom.

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.

THE BLESSING

The Bishop pronounces a blessing, to which all respond

Amen.

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

Recessional Hymn

1. Lord God of Hosts, within whose hand
Dominion rests on sea and land,
Before whose word of life or death
The strength of nations is but breath:
O King, enthroned all thrones above,
Give strength unto this church we love.
2. To George our Saint thou gavest grace
Without one fear all foes to face,
And to confess by faithful death
That Word of Life which was his breath.
O help us, helper of Saint George,
To fear no bonds humans can forge.
3. Arm us, like him, who in thy trust
Beat down the dragon to the dust;
So that we too may tread down sin
And with thy saints a crown may win.
Help us, O God, that we may be
A church acceptable to thee.

Words: Laurence Housman (1865–1959) alt.

Music: Melita, J. B. Dykes (1823–76)

Descant: Alan Gray (1855–1935)

Postlude

O Filii et Filiae

Pierre Dandrieu (1664–1733)

THE WEEK AHEAD

Weekdays Monday – Saturday	9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
<u>Day</u>	<u>Morning Prayer in Chapel and by</u>	<u>Evening Prayer Zoom (details below)</u>
Monday, 25 April <i>ANZAC Day</i>	Psalm 135 Leviticus 6:1–18 1 Peter 3:1–7	Psalm 136 Exodus 15:1–18 Matthew 28:1–10
Tuesday 26, April <i>St Mark, Evangelist and Martyr (transferred)</i> Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m.	Psalm 19 Isaiah 50:4–11 Acts 12:25–13:13 Isaiah 62:6–12; Ps. 89:1–9;	Psalm 45 Ezekiel 1:4–15 2 Timothy 4:1–11 Ephesians 4:7–16; Mark 16:1–15
Wednesday, 27 April	Psalm 140 Leviticus 16:1–19 1 Peter 3:17–4:2	Psalms 141; 142 Exodus 16:1–21 Luke 24:1–12
Thursday, 28 April Holy Eucharist at 10:15 a.m.	Psalms 143; 146 Leviticus 16:20–34 1 Peter 4:3–11 Acts 5:27–33; Ps. 34:1–8;	Psalm 119:153–176 Exodus 24:1–11 Luke 24:13–27 John 3:31–36
Friday, 29 April <i>Catherine of Siena</i>	Psalm 145 Leviticus 19:1–18 1 Peter 4:12–19	Psalm 147 Exodus 17:8–18:9 Luke 24:28–35
Saturday, 30 April	Psalms 148; 149 Leviticus 19:23–37 1 Peter 5	Psalms 144; 150 Exodus 18:10–27 Luke 24:36–53
Next Sunday, 1 May 3rd Sunday of Easter	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist & Meditation

Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

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9:00 a.m., Monday – Saturday

Evening Prayer

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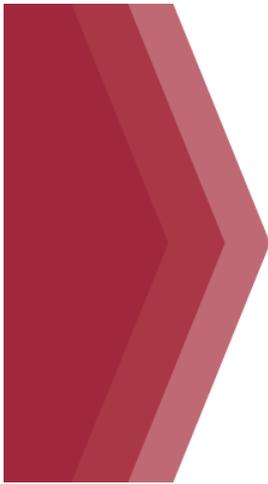
5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

NOTICES

A very warm welcome to Bishop Genieve Blackwell as she joins us today to lead us as we celebrate our Patron, St George. Please stay to meet with her over morning tea, after which she will be meeting with members of the Parish Council.

A HUGE thank you to all who did so much to ensure that our celebrations in Holy Week and Easter were so special: to the choir and ea, all the readers and servers, and those who cleaned, polished, arranged flowers. Our preacher, The Reverend Professor Christiaan Mostert sent a lovely message in which he said he found it a privilege to preach for us, and that the liturgies were, at some points, exhilarating. We hope you found them so also.

Reflections on the Lections will not occur this week, but a number of people from that group will be attending a lecture at Trinity College. Please see below for information.



Rethinking Earliest Christianity: Paul's Christ Groups in their Cultural Contexts

presented by Dr Richard Ascough,
Professor of Religious Studies, Queen's University (Canada)
and Visiting Scholar, Trinity College Theological School

Wednesday 27 April 2022



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Date: Wednesday 27 April 2022

Time: 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Venue: Old Warden's Lodge (OWL), Trinity College, 100 Royal Parade, Parkville (enter through Gate C)

Tickets: Tickets are free of charge, but you must register by Tuesday 26 April via this link : <https://www.trybooking.com/BXZDC>

Enquiries: Briony O'Halloran - 03 9348 7536 / events@trinity.unimelb.edu.au

A reminder that the Vicar will be on leave from tomorrow until Monday, May 2. Fr Matthew will be offering priestly care for the parish in the coming week, and we thank him for this.

Scripture Readings next week

Acts 9: 1–20

Revelation 5: 6–14

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Psalm 30

John 21: 1–19

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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.