

St George's Anglican Church, Malvern

THE FESTIVAL OF ALL SAINTS

30 October 2022



A great multitude, from every nation and tribe and people and language, cried with a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'.

(Revelation 7: 10)

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

The Congregation stands as a bell is rung, and we sing the following hymn:

For all the Saints, who from their labours rest, Who thee by faith before the world confest, Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest. Alleluya! Alleluya!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might; Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light. Alleluya! Alleluya!

O blest communion! Fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluya! Alleluya!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day; The Saints triumphant rise in bright array: The King of glory passes on his way. Alleluya! Alleluya!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost:

Alleluia!

Words: W. Walsham How (1823–97) Music: Sine Nomine, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

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.

The President welcomes the congregation, then this sentence of Scripture is read:

Blessed are you when people hate and revile and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven.

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:

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:

We praise you, heavenly Father, that you have knit together your chosen ones in one communion and fellowship in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen**.

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophecy of Daniel:

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon,
Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed.
Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another....

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me.

I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: 'As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever.'

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Hear the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

Psalm 149

Response: We praise you, O Lord, for all your works are wonderful.

- Sing a new song to the Lord,
 praise God in the assembly of the faithful.

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- Let Israel rejoice in its maker,
 let Zion's people exult in their king.

 R.
- 3. Let the people praise God's name with dancing and make music with timbrel and harp. R.
- 4. For the Lord takes delight in the people and crowns the poor with salvation.R.
- 5. Let the faithful rejoice in their glory,Shout for joy and take their rest.R.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians:

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.

In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers.

I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints,

and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,

far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named,

not only in this age but also in the age to come.

And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Ephesians 1:11–23

Hear the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN:

Blest are the pure in heart, For they shall see our God, The secret of the Lord is theirs, Their soul is Christ's abode.

Still to the lowly soul
He doth himself impart,
And for his dwelling and his throne
Chooseth the pure in heart.

Lord, we thy presence seek; May ours this blessing be: Give us a pure and lowly heart, A temple meet for thee.

Words: John Keble (1792–1866) et. al Music: Franconia adapted by W. H. Havergal (1793–1870)

GOSPEL Luke 6:20–31

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, called out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Alleluia!

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 looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.

Rejoice on that day and leap for joy,

for surely your reward is great in heaven;

for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you,

for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

A sermon is preached

The Nicene Creed

Let us together 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 of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

Iglesia Anglicana de Chile; The Diocese of Bendigo; St Luke's, Melbourne South; St Timothy's, Bulleen; St Thomas', Langwarrin; St Agnes' Black Rock; St John's, Diamond Creek; Firbank Grammar School

For all in need

Matthew, Ann, Coral, Keith, Erica, Peter, John, Margaret, Joan, Ray and Elsbeth.

For the Faithful Departed

Those whose anniversary of death occurs this week: Ella Cornish, Arthur Dickens, Dorothy Wilma Gibson, Myrtle Glasson, John Glover, Paul Grainger-Smith, Peter Hooper, Daphne Howard, Iris Ingham, Herbert Kelly SSM, Frederick King, Harold Robinson, Hugh Were.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

Silence is kept.

Let us then run our race, laying aside every weight and bringing our sins to the Lord 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.
Amen.

The President pronounces Absolution, and the people respond

Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are fellow citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

Who are these, like stars appearing,
These before God's throne who stand?
Each a golden crown is wearing;
Who are all this glorious band?
Alleluya, hark! they sing
Praising loud their heavenly King.

Who are these of dazzling brightness,
These in God's own truth arrayed,
Clad in robes of purest whiteness,
Robes whose lustre ne'er shall fade,
Ne'er be touched by time's rude hand –
Whence comes all this glorious band?.

These are they whose hearts were riven,
Sore with woe and anguish tried,
Who in prayer full oft have striven,
With the God they glorified;
Now, their painful conflict o'er,
God has bid them weep no more
Possess the promised rest.

These like priests have watched and waited,
Offering up to Christ their will,
Soul and body consecrated,
Day and night to serve him still:
Now, in God's most holy place
Blest they stand before his face.

Words: German, H. T. Schenck (1656–1727) trans. Frances Cox (1812–97)

Music: All Saints, melody from Geistreiches Gesangbuch (1698) adapted by W. H. Monk (1823-89)

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The gifts are set up on the altar and the President offers prayers, 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 appropriate to the season, concluding with:

... 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.

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:

As this broken bread was once many grains which have been gathered together and made one bread; so may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

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.

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 people and ministers receive the sacrament.

During Communion, the following Anthem is sung:

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
Raise the glad strain, Alleluya!
Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluya!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest, Ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest, Alleluya, Alleluya! Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong, All Saints triumphant, raise the song Alleluya!

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluya!

Words: Athelstan Riley (1858–1945) Music: George Oldroyd (1886–1951)

After Communion, silence is kept.

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

A prayer is offered by the President, which ends

Father.

we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

Notices are given

Final Hymn:

Jerusalem the golden,
With milk and honey blest,
Beneath thy contemplation
Sink heart and voice opprest.
I know not, O I know not,
What social joys are there,
What radiancy of glory,
What light beyond compare.

They stand, those halls of Sion,
Conjubilant with song,
And bright with many an angel,
And all the martyr throng;
The Prince is ever in them,
The daylight is serene,
The pastures of the blessèd
Are decked in glorious sheen.

There is the throne of David,
And there, from care released,
The song of them that triumph,
The shout of them that feast;
And they who, with their Leader,
Have conquered in the fight,
For ever and for ever
Are clad in robes of white.

O sweet and blessèd country,
Shall I ever see thy face?
O sweet and blessèd country,
Shall I ever win they grace?
Exult, O dust and ashes!
The Lord shall be thy part:
His only, his for ever,
Thou shalt be, and thou art!

Words: vv. 1-3, Bernard of Cluny (12th century) tr. J. M. Neale (1818-66) v. 4 Hymns Ancient and Modern (1861) Music: Ewing, from St Bede's a tune by Alexander Ewing (1853)

THE BLESSING

The President pronounces a blessing, to which all respond

Amen.

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

Scripture Readings next week

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

XXIIND AFTER PENTECOST

Psalm 145:1–5, 17–21 Luke 20:27–40

NOTICES

Collection for Brigidine Asylum Seekers Resource Centre is today.

Recital this afternoon.

Please join us for the splendid recital offered by Isaac and Noah this afternoon commencing at 2:30 p.m. It should be a feast of music and a chance to hear two excellent 'choral' voices shining in solo repertoire.

A note donation towards the Choral Scholar fund would be appreciated. Join us for some refreshments afterwards.

Tomorrow is the final day for submitting names for inclusion in the prayer list for All Souls.

Annual General Meeting

According to the *Parish Governance Act, 2013* of the Diocese of Melbourne, the Churchwardens hereby give formal notice that the Annual General Meeting of the Parish of St George, Malvern, will take place following a combined 9:30 a.m. eucharist on **Sunday, November 20**. Currently, it is envisaged this meeting will take place in the Parish Hall, with the possibility of Zoom attendance for those who would otherwise be unable to attend (for valid medical reasons only).

In order for that meeting to be duly constituted, the following notices are also issued:

- 1. The Parish Electoral Roll will be in the coming week and, if necessary, amended by Thursday November 3, and published from **Sunday November 6**.
- Nominations to the office of Church Warden (2 to be elected); for membership of the Parish Council (6 to be elected); and for membership of the Parish Incumbency Committee (2 to be elected) should be made in writing to the Parish Secretary of the Vicar by Sunday, November 13.

Each nomination (collect from the back) must be signed by at least two members on the parish electoral roll, and must also include the written consent of the person nominated.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Weekdays Monday – Saturday	9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
Day	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday, 31 October Martin Luther and other Continental Reformers	Psalm 83 Nehemiah 8:13–9:5 Revelation 1:1–8	Psalm 92 Daniel 9:15–27 Matthew 21:1–13
Tuesday, I November (Ferial)	Psalms 1; 2 Nehemiah 9:6–25 Revelation 1:9–20	Psalms 3; 4 Daniel 10:1–17 Matthew 21:14–22
Wednesday, 2 November All Souls	Psalm 90 Job 19:21–27 Romans 6:1–9	No Evening Prayer because of eucharist at 5:00 p.m.
Eucharist at 5:00 p.m.	Job 14:1–14;	Psalm 29; John 15:19–29
Thursday, 3 November Richard Hooker, priest and teacher	Psalm 9; Nehemiah10:28–11:2 Revelation 2:8–11	Psalm 10 Daniel 11:14–28 Matthew 21:33–46
Holy Eucharist at 10:15 a.m.	Philippians 3:3-8a;	Psalm 105:1-7; Luke 15:1-10
Friday, 4 November Day for Anglicans and Roman Catholics to pray for one another	Psalms 11; 12 Nehemiah 13:1–14 Revelation 2:12–17	Psalms 13; 14 Daniel 11:29–45 Matthew 22:1–14
Saturday, 5 November	Psalms 15; 16 Nehemiah 13:15–31 Revelation 2:18–29	Psalm 17 Daniel 12 Matthew 22:15–33
Next Sunday, 6 November Twenty second after Pentecost	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:00 pm	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist & meditation

Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m., Monday - Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

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Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m., Monday - Saturday

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