



St George's Anglican Church, Malvern

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

27 August, 2023

Setting (10:00 a.m.):

Holy Trinity Mass – John Ross (1934–96)

Before the service, speak with God; during the service, let God speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

The service may be followed from p. 119 in An Australian Prayer Book (with seasonal additions pp. 154–5)

Opening Hymn (10:00 a.m.): 362

Sentence:

Jesus said to them, “Who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

Matthew 16:15–16

O God, fount of all wisdom, in the humble witness of the apostle Peter you have shown the foundation of our faith:
give us the light of your Spirit,
that, recognising in Jesus of Nazareth the Son of the living God,
we may be living stones for the building up of your holy Church;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Exodus 1:8–2:10

A reading from the book of Exodus.

A new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, ‘Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.’ Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labour. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and

in every kind of field labour. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, 'When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.' But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live.

So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, 'Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?' The midwives said to Pharaoh, 'Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.'

So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, 'Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.'

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months.

When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124

(at 8:00 a.m.). **Response: Our help is in the name of the LORD
[the maker of heaven and earth].**

1. If the LORD had not been on our side let Israel now say;
2. If the LORD had not been on our side when our enemies attacked us,
3. Then would they have swallowed us up alive,
in their fierce anger towards us; **R.**
4. Then would the waters have overwhelmed us
and the torrent gone over us;
5. Then would the raging waters have gone right over us. **R.**
6. Blessed be the LORD! he has not given us over to be prey for their teeth.
7. We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;
the snare is broken and we have escaped.
8. Our help is in the name of the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth. **R.**

(at 10:00 a.m.)

Response & Chant: Colin Mawby (1936–2019)



1. If the LORD himself had not been on our side,
now may Israel say;
2. If the LORD had not been on our side,
when enemies rose up against us;
3. Then would they have swallowed us alive
when their anger burned against us; **R.**
4. Then would the waters have overwhelmed us
and the torrent gone over our soul;
over our soul would have swept the raging waters.
5. But blessed be the LORD
who has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth. **R.**
6. Our soul has escaped as a bird from the snare of the fowler;
the snare is broken and we are delivered.
7. Our help is in the name of the LORD,
who has made heaven and earth. **R.**

SECOND READING

Romans 12:1–8

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn (10:00 a.m.): 393

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13–20



You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’ And they said,

'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?'

Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.'

And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

We pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui; The Diocese of Perth; Tamil Christian Congregation Mount Waverley; St Matthew's Glenroy; St Paul's East Kew; St Augustine's Mont Albert North and Ivanhoe Girls' Grammar School.

For all in need

May all who are in trouble, in need or sickness find peace and refreshment in you.

We pray for: Ann; Angus; Christopher; Coral; Diana; Geoff; Heather; Ivan; Jane; Jenny; Jenny; Joan; +John and Janine; Judy; Keith & Erica; Linda; Peter; Peter; Philip; Rhonda and Chris; Robin; Ron; Ron; Sarah; Simon; Susan; Syd and those we name before you in the silence of our hearts.

For the Faithful Departed:

We remember those who have died recently: Jacquelyn Berry;

And those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Gloria Joyce Bell; Burnice Furzer; Edna Jean Fyfe; Dawn Hilsberg; June Jackson; Rose MacPherson; Marcus Manders; Ray Pritchard; Elfrida Reeson; John Sanderson; Catriona Elizabeth Scott; Clifford Searby and Clifford Smith.

Offertory Hymn (10:00 a.m.): 288

During communion, the Choir sings the following anthem:

*Jesu dulcis memoria,
dans vera cordis gaudia,
sed super mel et omnia,
ejus dulcis praesentia.*

Jesu, the very thought of thee
With sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far thy face to see,
And in thy presence rest.

*Words: Attrib. St Bernard of Clairvaux (1090–1153)
Music: Attrib. Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548–1611)*

Final Hymn (10:00 a.m.): 360

*Postlude: Tu es petra et portæ inferi non prævalebunt adversus te
Henri Mulet (1878–1967)*

NOTICES

A message from the Church Wardens:

Help badly needed! Thank you to all those who have offered help with various roles. We are still in need for both 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. services of sidespersons/welcomers and servers. Please be assured that there will be training and assistance arranged in due course. Please kindly add your details to the sign-up sheet located at the service counter or contact the Parish Office on 9822 3030 (Option 2 for the Office) or at office@stgeorgesmalvern.org

St Alban's Food Relief collection will be collected on today's services. We are one of the main contributors to this outreach, so please give generously at this time of great need in this disadvantaged area of our city. For further information, please contact Helen Baddeley on 0417 302 236.

The next Archive working bee is on Wednesday 30 August 2:00 – 4:30 p.m. in the St George's Centre. The working bees are usually held once a fortnight. Thanks to everyone who has worked on the Archive project. For further information contact Leonie Bird on 0409 860 026 or leoniebird@vicbar.com.au.

Safe Ministry Level 3 Implementation for Senior Leaders is on next Sunday September 3 after the 10:00 a.m. service in the North Room. Participants, please ensure that you have familiarised yourself with the training documentation. Refreshments will be provided.

Spiritual Cafe - Tuesday 5 September: Our guest speaker is David Richardson AO OBE. His topic is 'Some personal reflections on the late Pope and his legacy.' Join us for dinner at Giorgio's Restaurant, 1235 High St, Armadale (enter Glenferrie Rd) at 6.30 p.m. For bookings, please email: office@stgeorgesmalvern.org or call 9822 3030.

Memorial and Interment of Ashes of Elsbeth Jones takes place on Sunday, September 10 after the 10:00 a.m. Eucharist. Those who are able to contribute to the morning tea after the interment please speak to Sandra Morgan.

Archbishop's Annual Dinner in support of Trinity College Theological School is on **Thursday 14 September** from 5:45 p.m. (Evensong); 6:45 p.m. (Dinner). Cost: \$110.00 Those interested in forming a 'parish table' (for which we need 10), please speak with the Vicar or Leigh Mackay or the Parish Administrator.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Exodus 3:1–15
Romans 12:9–21

Psalm 105:1–6, 23–26
Matthew 16:21–28

THE WEEK AHEAD

Weekdays Monday – Saturday	8:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
<u>Day</u>	<u>Morning Prayer</u> in Chapel and by	<u>Evening Prayer</u> Zoom (details below)
Monday, 28 August <i>Augustine of Hippo, bishop and teacher (d. 430)</i>	Psalms 143; 146 2 Samuel 24:1–14 Acts 21:1–14	Psalms 119:153–176 Job 1 Romans 14:13–23
Tuesday, 29 August <i>Beheading of John the Baptist</i>	Psalms 145 2 Samuel 24:15–25 Acts 21:15–26	Psalms 147 Job 2 Romans 15:1–13
Wednesday, 30 August Reflections on the Lections	Psalms 148; 149 1 Kings 1:1–31 Acts 21:27–39	Psalms 144; 150 Job 3 Romans 15:14–21
Thursday, 31 August <i>Aidan of Lindisfarne, bishop and missionary (d. 651), John Bunyan, preacher and spiritual writer (d. 1688)</i>	Psalms 83:1–18 1 Kings 1:32–53 Acts 21:40–22:16	Psalms 109:1–19 Job 4 Romans 15:22–33
Holy Eucharist at 10:15 a.m.	1 Thessalonians 3:7–13 Psalms 90:11–17 Matthew 24:42–51	
Friday, 1 September	Psalms 1; 2 1 Kings 2:1–12 Acts 22:17–30	Psalms 3; 4 Job 4:1; 5:1–16 Romans 16:1–16
Saturday, 2 September <i>Martyrs of New Guinea</i>	Psalms 126 Wisdom 3:1–9 Revelation 6:9–11	Psalms 116 Jeremiah 15:15–21 2 Corinthians 6:1–10
Next Sunday, 3 September <i>Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist & Meditation

Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m., Monday – Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

<https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWVldmIXWDQ4Zz09>

Evening Prayer 5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

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<https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWVldmIXWDQ4Zz09>

Reflections on the Lections 7:30 p.m., Wednesday

Meeting ID: 868 9252 3142; Passcode: 744866

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86892523142?pwd=MlczZlJRempKL0hrQThORXBFeFFBdz09>

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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.*