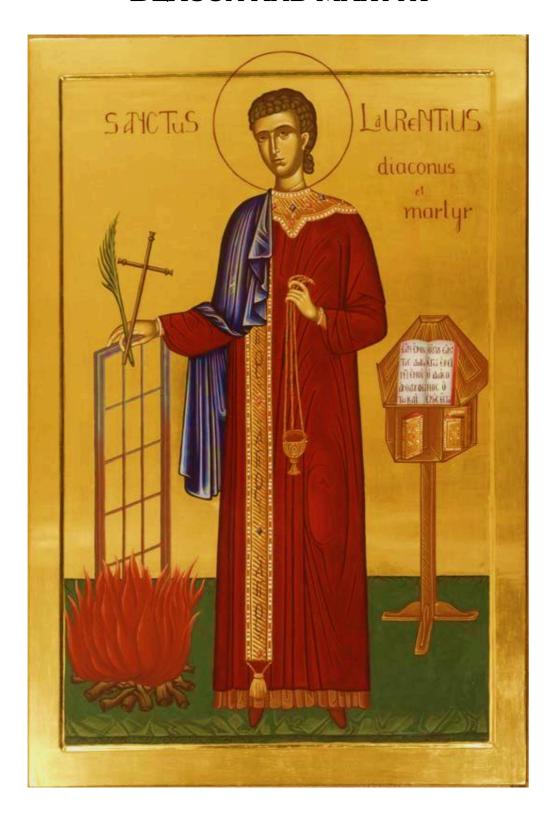


ST GEORGE'S ÅNGLICAN CHURCH, MALVERN

ST LAURENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR



10th August, 2025 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.m. Before the service, speak with God; during the service, let God speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

SETTING AT 10 A.M.

Parish Eucharist Michael Dudman (1938-94)

Opening Hymn: 217

The service begins on p. 119 of **A Prayer Book for Australia** (The "Green" or "Blue" book)

SENTENCE

Unless a grain falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

John 12:24

Following the opening prayer, we move to p. 120 of **APBA** for the Kyrie (said or sung).

This introduces the Confession and is followed by Gloria in excelsis (p. 121).

COLLECT

Almighty God, who made Laurence a loving servant of your people and a wise steward of the treasures of your Church: fire us with his example to love as he loved and to walk in the way that leads to eternal life; 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.**

FIRST READING

Tobit 4:5–11

A reading from the book of Tobit.

Tobit said to Tobias, 'Revere the LORD all your days, my son, and refuse to sin or to transgress his commandments.

Live uprightly all the days of your life, and do not walk in the ways of wrongdoing; for those who act in accordance with truth will prosper in all their activities.

To all those who practise righteousness give alms from your possessions, and do not let your eye begrudge the gift when you make it.

Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor, and the face of God will not be turned away from you. If you have many possessions, make your gift from them in proportion; if few, do not be afraid to give according to the little you have. So you will be laying up a good treasure for yourself against the day of necessity. For almsgiving delivers from death and keeps you from going into the Darkness. Indeed, almsgiving, for all who practise it, is an excellent offering in the presence of the Most High.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 66:9-13, 15-19

Response: God has heard us and heeded the voice of our prayer. (at 8:00 a.m.)

- 9. You have proved us, O God: you have tried us as silver is tried.
- 10. You brought us into the net: you laid sharp torment on our loins.
- 11. You let our enemies ride over our heads, we went through fire and water: but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

R.

- 12. I will come into your house with burnt-offerings: and I will pay you my vows,
- 13. The vows that opened my lips: that my mouth uttered when I was in trouble...

R.

- 15. Come then and hear, all you that fear God: and I will tell what he has done for me.
- 16. I called to him with my mouth: and his praise was on my tongue.
- 17. If I had cherished wickedness in my heart: the LORD would not have heard me.
- 18. But God has heard me: he has heeded the voice of my prayer.
- 19. Praise be to God: who has not turned back my prayer, or his steadfast love from me.

R.

(at 10:00 a.m)

- 9. For thou O God hast proved us: thou also hast tried us like as silver is tried.
- 10. Thou broughtest us into the snare: and laidest trouble upon our loins.
- 11. Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads: we went through fire and water, and thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.
- 12. I will go into thine house with burnt offerings: and will pay thee my vows, which I promised with my lips and spake with my mouth when I was in trouble....
- 14. O come hither and hearken, all ye that fear God: and I will tell you what he hath done for my soul.
- 15. I called unto him with my mouth: and gave him praises with my tongue.
- 16. If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart: the Lord will not hear me.
- 17. But God hath heard me: and considered the voice of my prayer.
- 18. Praised be God who hath not cast out my prayer : nor turned his mercy from me

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 9:6-10

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

As it is written,

'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 206

GOSPEL Matthew 6:19–24

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia, 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.

Jesus said to the disciples,

'Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

'The eye is the lamp of the body.

So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

'No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon.

After the sermon, silence is kept before the liturgy continues with the Creed on p. 123 of APBA.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

The Anglican Church of Rwanda; The Diocese of Armidale; St Luke's, Taylors Lakes; and St James', Wandin with St Paul's, Seville.

For all in need

We pray for: Ann; Betty; Coral; John; Matthew; Murray; Neil; Roma; Sam; Simon; Tom; and those we name before you in the silence of our hearts.

For the Faithful Departed

We remember those who have died recently: Geoffrey Smith; and whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Muriel Cornish; Kathleen Deans; Gladys Jenkins; Radcliffe Lewis; Alice Lyons; Elaine Evelyn Moran; Stanley Charles Moss; Jessie Campbell Fulton Murray; Barbara Meredith Nettlefold; Clare Vanderkelen; John Wailes; and Louise Willsmore.

The Peace (p. 127) is shared, followed by

Offertory Hymn: 271

The Great Thanksgiving (p. 128) begins using one of the prayers that follow.

During communion at 10 a.m., the choir will sing:

O holy Jesus, most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly, and follow thee more nearly. Amen.

Words: St Richard of Chichester (1197–1253)

Music: L J White (1910–1973)

After communion, silence is kept, before we offer a final prayer (p. 144)

Notices are then given followed, at 10 a.m. by

Final Hymn: 225

Postlude: Praeludium in D Minor - Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706)

Roster for today St Laurence, Deacon & Martyr 10 August 2025		Roster for next week Mary, Mother of our Lord 17 August 2025	
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Miriam Cherry	Sides-persons	Claire Sheppard David Sheppard
Acolyte	Malcolm Tadgell	Acolyte	Christopher Miles
Eucharistic Assistants	Simon Dickie Leigh Mackay	Eucharistic Assistants	Leonie Bird Betty Renjen
Intercessor	Leigh Mackay	Intercessor	Jenny Robertson
Readers	Helen Baddeley Leonie Bird	Readers	Malcolm Tadgell Lorilae Garcia
I 0:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		I 0:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-persons	Tim Lennie Suzanne Lennie	Sides-persons	Geraldine Powell David Powell
Acolytes	Vincent Amos Philip Jenkins	Acolytes	Pam Felgate Vincent Amos
Eucharistic Assistants	Geraldine Powell Ewan Morgan	Eucharistic Assistants	Clergy Ray Lester
Intercessor	Muriel Porter	Intercessor	Clergy
Readers	Suzie Hill Ray Lester	Readers	David Powell Gavin Watson
Morning Tea	Sandra Morgan Ewan Morgan	Morning Tea	David Amos Pam Felgate
Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Miriam Cherry	Sides-person	Miriam Cherry
Reader	Miriam Cherry	Reader	Miriam Cherry

Of your charity, **please continue to pray** for those in long term need or sickness: His Majesty the King; Ann; Geoff; Ivan; Jane; Joan; Liza; Mary; and Simon.

Scripture Readings next week:

Mary, Mother of our Lord

Isaiah 61:10 – 62:3 Galatians 4:4–7 Psalm 113 Luke 2:1–7

The Week Ahead

Monday	Clare of Assisi (d. 1252) John Henry Newman, cardinal, theologian and doctor of the Church (d. 1890))
Wednesday	Jeremy Taylor, bishop and spiritual writer (d. 1667)	
Thursday	Twentieth century martyrs	

Morning Prayer

8:30 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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Reflections on the Lections

7:30 p.m., Wednesday

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Notices

We welcome today the family and friends of the late Ann Hollingworth, who join with Bishop Peter and his and Ann's family for the interment of her ashes after the 10 a.m. eucharist. This is also a chance for the many parishioners whose lives were touched and graced by Ann's presence with us to recall a faithful Christian, and a devoted wife, loving mother and former first lady of Australia.

Today also offers a chance to reflect on Stewardship. St Laurence was asked to surrender the 'treasures of the Church' to the authorities in Rome. Given that he brought to the magistrate homeless and poor people in the imperial city and said, "these are the treasures of the Church", he was martyred for this 'impertinence'. Nevertheless, as one of the seven deacons, Laurence's ministry was to gather and guard 'treasures' for the Church, to ensure the mission of the Church could continue.

Please take the opportunity during the coming weeks to consider your own contributions and offerings to ensure that the ministry St George's offers today, and has offered over more than a century, can continue in coming generations.

Book club will meet tomorrow, Monday 11 August in the North room at 2.00 p.m. We will discuss the book *One Hundred Days* by Alice Pung. All welcome, contact Sandra Morgan 0448 884 306.

Our sister **Kaye Gooch requires a much-needed electric wheelchair** for mobility. A number of parishioners have mentioned a willingness to assist in the cost of this for Kaye (it will cost up to \$5,000). If you wish to join others in this act of caring for one of our own, feel free to offer by donating to the Parish's ADF operating account (BSB 703 122 Account # 0500 9778) but please use the Reference *Gooch Wheelchair*.

Looking ahead:

Next Sunday, we will commemorate Mary, Mother of our Lord or, as the Council of Ephesus declared her, the *Theotokos* or 'God-bearer', often translated in English as the Mother of God (because Jesus is truly God, and truly human). This great feast day will provide another opportunity to reflect on what each one of us can offer to the mission of our parish, and ensure that it continues to be a bearer of God's saving message to the people of Malvern for future generations.

On Wednesday, August 21, Victorian Anglicans Together invites you to a talk, with Q& A to follow, on "A Reconstructing Faith: A Journey of a Lifetime" with the Reverend Dr Keith Mascord, here at St George's (5:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.) Dr Mascord will discuss his own story of faith, especially focussing on his own journey from a fundamentalist faith to an intelligent and life-giving Anglican expression of belief in the living God.

Sunday August 24, well-known priest, hymn-writer and member of the Anglican Church of Australia's Liturgical Commission, The Reverend Dr Elizabeth Smith AM, will be our guest preacher at both morning services. Having completed ten years as "Mission Priest" in the Goldfields in the Diocese of Perth, based in Kalgoorlie, Elizabeth is coming to Melbourne – the Diocese of her ordination. She is an excellent preacher and well-worth hearing. She will also be preaching at Evensong at St Paul's Cathedral that evening. See the flyer at the back.

Celebrate the I75th anniversary of the Anglican Board of Mission (ABM), on 29th October in Sydney. Together, we will celebrate this remarkable milestone and give thanks to God for our shared journey of faith and service. This Anniversary is an opportunity not only for us to reflect and honour the past, but also to celebrate what God continues to do among us as we look to the future with hope. Please see the invitation below for all the details.



VICTORIAN ANGLICANS TOGETHER

Invite you to talk, with Q & A.

A Reconstructing Faith: A Journey of a Lifetime.



BY: The Reverend Dr Keith Mascord

WHERE: St George's Anglican Parish Malvern

296 Glenferrie Road, Malvern

WHEN: Wednesday 20 August 2025

TIME: 5.45pm - 7.30pm

In this lecture, Keith will draw upon his earlier two books,
'A Restless Faith': leaving fundamentalism in a quest for God and
'Faith Without Fear': risky choices facing contemporary Christians to
tell his own story of faith, from fundamentalism to an intelligent
and lifegiving Anglican expression of belief.

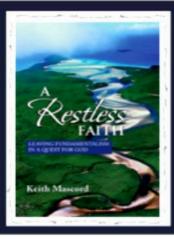
Keith is an advocate for women's and LGBTIQ+ equality.

He is an honorary priest in the Anglican Parish of Taree.

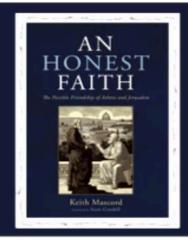
Keith's work is grounded in vigorous research, pastoral and academic experience, advocacy, and a commitment to social justice.

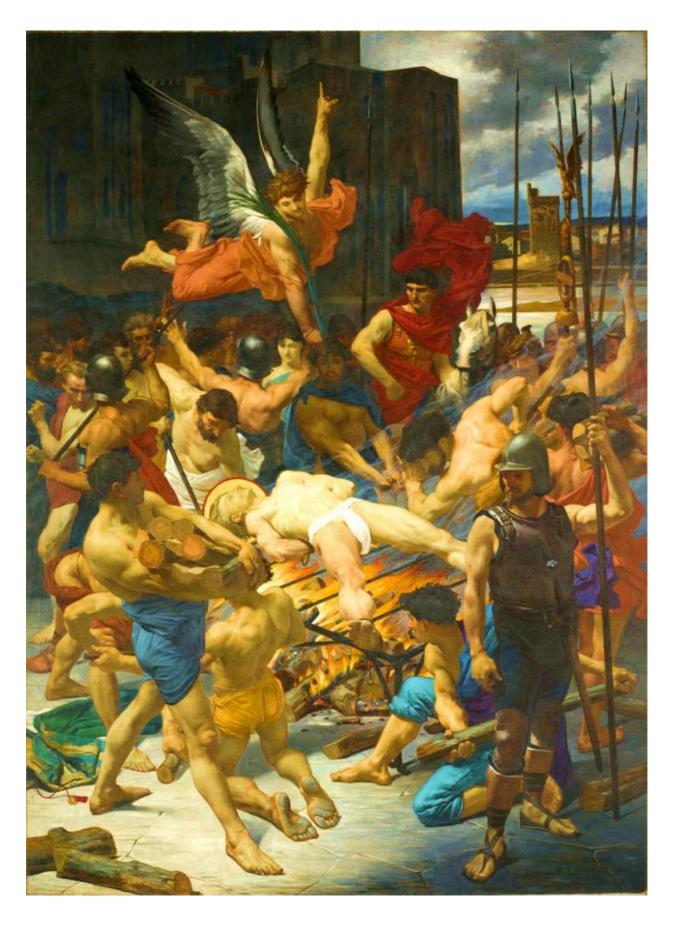
He is particularly interested in the interface between the inquisitive and questing spirit of philosophy and science, and Christian faith.

He has also reflected on the decline of Christianity in the West and the future of Anglicanism in Australia and globally.









Pierre Lehoux, Saint Laurent, martyr 1874 Musée d'Orsay

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We acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung and Bunurong peoples of the East Kulin nations

as the Traditional Custodians of the land upon which we meet: land which was taken. not ceded.

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