



**ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH,
MALVERN**

MARY, MOTHER OF THE LORD



17th 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.

Christ Church Mass Philip Matthias (1954–)

Opening Hymn: 181

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

SENTENCE

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman,
so that we might receive adoption as God’s children.

Galatians 4:4–5

*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

Loving God,
who chose the blessed virgin Mary
to be the mother of your incarnate Son:
grant that we who are redeemed by his blood,
may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Revelation 11:19 – 12:6, 10

A reading from the book of Revelation.

God's temple in heaven was opened,
and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple;
and there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder,
an earthquake, and heavy hail.

A great portent appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun,
with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.
She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pangs, in the agony of giving birth.
Then another portent appeared in heaven: a great red dragon,
with seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads.
His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth.
Then the dragon stood before the woman who was about to bear a child,
so that he might devour her child as soon as it was born.
And she gave birth to a son, a male child,
who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron.
But her child was snatched away and taken to God and to his throne;
and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God,
so that there she can be nourished
for one thousand two hundred and sixty days...

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.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 45: 9–11, 13–16

Response: The queen stands at your right hand arrayed in gold.
(at 8:00 a.m.)

(at 10:00 a.m. the Gradual hymn – see below – is sung as the psalm)

9. Kings' daughters are among your noble women:
the queen is at your right hand in gold of Ophir.
10. Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear:
forget your own people and your father's house,
11. The king desires your beauty.
he is your lord, therefore bow down before him.... **R.**
13. The king's daughter is all glorious within:
her clothing is embroidered cloth-of-gold.
14. In robes of many-colours she is led to you, O king:
and after her the virgins, that are with her. **R.**
15. They are led with gladness and rejoicing:
they enter the palace of the king.
16. In place of your fathers you shall have sons;
and make them princes over all the land. **R.**

SECOND READING

Galatians 4: 4–7

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman,
born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law,
so that we might receive adoption as children.

And because you are children,

God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts,
crying, 'Abba! Father!'

So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir,
through God.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 186

GOSPEL

Luke 1:39–56

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary, for your firm believing
that the promises of the Lord would be fulfilled.

Alleluia, 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.

In those days Mary set out
and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country,
where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.
When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb.
And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry,
'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.
And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me?
For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb
leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be
a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

And Mary remained with her for about three months
and then returned to her home.

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 Scottish Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Rockhampton; St Jude's, Carlton;
St John's, Diamond Creek; Holy Trinity, Doncaster; St John's, Sorrento;
St Paul's, Gisborne and Church of the Resurrection, Macedon; and Girls' Friendly Society.

For all in need

We pray for: Ann; Betty; Chris; Coral; Jackie John; Josie; Matthew; Murray; Peter; 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: Peter John Elliott; Geoffrey Raymond Smith;
Peter Douglas Treloar; and those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Annie Dalton;
Christabel Dickie; William Harris; Wendell Gladwyn Nicholas; John Palliser; Isabel Joan Porter;
Helen Pritchard; Mona Reid; Marjorie Tozer; Justine Tsiang; and Alfred Watson.

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

Offertory Hymn: 185

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

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

*Ave Maria, gratia plena,
Dominus tecum.
Benedicta tu in mulieribus,
Et benedictus fructus ventris tui,
Jesus. Ave Maria!*

*Sancta Maria, Mater Dei,
Ora pro nobis peccatoribus,
Nunc et in hora mortis nostrae.
Ave Maria!*

*Hail Mary, full of grace,
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed the fruit of thy womb,
Jesus. Hail Mary!*

*Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners,
Now, and at the hour of our death.
Hail Mary!*

Words: Luke 1
Music: Franz Liszt (1811–86)

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: 161 vv. 1, 4–6

Postlude: Toccata and Fugue, Op.59, Max Reger (1873–1916)

Scripture Readings next week:

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 1:4–10
Hebrews 12:18–29

Psalms 71:1–6
Luke 13:10–17

The Week Ahead

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| Tuesday | Holy Eucharist at Cabrini Hospital 12 noon. All welcome. |
| Wednesday | Bernard of Clairvaux, abbot and teacher (d. 1153) |

Morning Prayer

8:30 a.m., Monday – Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

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

Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

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

Reflections on the Lections

7:30 p.m., Wednesday

Meeting ID: 868 9252 3142; Passcode: 744866

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| Roster for today Mary, Mother of our Lord 17 August 2025 | | Roster for next week Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost 24 August 2025 | |
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| 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist | | 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist | |
| Sides-persons | Claire Sheppard David Sheppard | Sides-person | Bryan Elmes |
| Acolyte | Christopher Miles | Acolyte | Ravi Renjen |
| Eucharistic Assistants | Leonie Bird Betty Renjen | Eucharistic Assistants | Bryan Elmes Jane Baddeley |
| Intercessor | Jenny Robertson | Intercessor | Leonie Bird |
| Readers | Malcolm Tadgell Lorilae Garcia | Readers | David Sheppard Betty Renjen |
| 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist | | 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist | |
| Sides-persons | Geraldine Powell David Powell | Sides-persons | Len Whitehouse Robyn Whitehouse |
| Acolytes | Pam Felgate Vincent Amos Neil Nyholm (<i>Th</i>) | Acolytes | Pam Felgate Philip Jenkins |
| Eucharistic Assistants | Clergy Ray Lester | Eucharistic Assistants | Ewan Morgan Geraldine Powell |
| Intercessor | Clergy | Intercessor | John Stewart |
| Readers | David Powell Gavin Watson | Readers | Suzie Hill Grant Rowlands |
| Morning Tea | David Amos Pam Felgate | Morning Tea | Robin Barrett Sandra Morgan |
| Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist | | Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist | |
| Sides-person | Miriam Cherry | Sides-person | Judy Wright |
| Reader | Miriam Cherry | Reader | Judy Wright |

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.

Notices

Today, we 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.

Our regular collection for St Alban’s will occur next Sunday, the fourth of the month. Please give generously (cash or shopping vouchers) to assist the parish of St Alban’s in providing food for those in desperate need in these difficult times in a part of Melbourne where many struggle to eat.

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*.

This Wednesday, August 20, 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. (see over.)

Next 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.

VICTORIAN ANGLICANS TOGETHER

Invite you to talk, with Q & A.

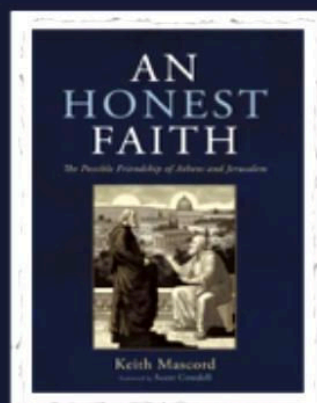
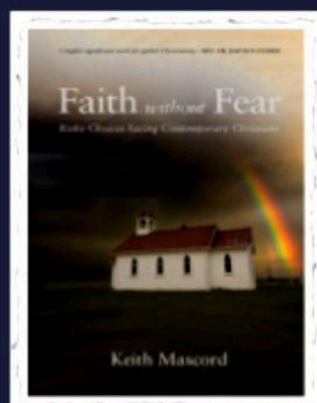
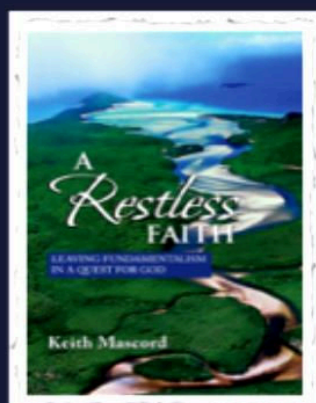
A Reconstructing Faith: A Journey of a Lifetime.



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.





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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.*