



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

**SECOND SUNDAY IN EASTER**



12 April, 2026

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.m.

SETTING AT 10 A.M.

Christ Church Mass – Philip Matthias (b. 1934)

Prelude: *Trio on “Jesu meine Freude (Jesus My Joy)”* Friedrich Wilhelm Mararpurg (1718–1785)

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

*The service begins on p. 119 of **A Prayer Book for Australia**; seasonal additions, p. 154*

**Processional Hymn:** 125 (vv. 1, 4–8)

**SENTENCE:** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!  
By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope  
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

*1 Peter 1:3*

### **Collect**

Almighty and eternal God,  
the strength of those who believe  
and the hope of those who doubt:  
may we, who have not seen,  
have faith and receive the fullness of Christ’s blessing;  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **FIRST READING**

*Acts 2:14a, 22–32*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven,  
raised his voice and addressed them:

‘Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you,  
and listen to what I say.

‘You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say:

Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power,  
wonders, and signs that God did through him among you,  
as you yourselves know — this man, handed over to you  
according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God,  
you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law.  
But God raised him up, having freed him from death,  
because it was impossible for him to be held in its power.

For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,  
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;

therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
moreover, my flesh will live in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
or let your Holy One experience corruption.  
You have made known to me the ways of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.”

‘Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David  
that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.  
Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him  
that he would put one of his descendants on his throne.

Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

“He was not abandoned to Hades,  
nor did his flesh experience corruption.”

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 16**

**Response: O LORD, you are my portion and my cup.**

1. Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;  
I have said to the LORD, ‘You are my LORD,  
my good above all other.’
2. All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,  
among those who are noble among the people **R.**
3. But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.
4. Their libations of blood I shall not offer,  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips. **R.**
5. O LORD you are my portion and my cup;  
it is you that uphold my lot.
6. The boundary enclose a pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage. **R.**
7. I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me, night after night.

8. I have set the LORD always before me;  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fail. **R.**
9. My heart therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;  
my body also shall rest in hope.
10. You shall show me the path of life;  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
11. You show me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy;  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. **R.**

## **SECOND READING**

*1 Peter 1:1–12*

A reading from the first letter of Peter:

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To the exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia,  
and Bithynia, who have been chosen and destined by God the Father  
and sanctified by the Spirit to be obedient to Jesus Christ and to be sprinkled  
with his blood:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope  
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading,  
kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God  
through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various  
trials, so that the genuineness of your faith — being more precious than gold  
that, though perishable, is tested by fire — may be found to result in praise and  
glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed.

Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see  
him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy,  
for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace  
that was to be yours made careful search and inquiry, inquiring about  
the person or time that the Spirit of Christ within them indicated, when it  
testified in advance to the sufferings destined for Christ and the subsequent  
glory. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you,

in regard to the things that have now been announced to you through those who brought you good news by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven — things into which angels long to look!

May grace and peace be yours in abundance.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: 102

## **GOSPEL**

*John 20:19–31*

Alleluia! Alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;  
blessèd are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again,

'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them,

'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.'

But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

For the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Offertory Hymn: 271

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### **For the Anglican Church**

The Igreja Anglicana de Moçambique e Angola; The Diocese of Grafton; Jumbunna Episcopate; Archdeaconry of Maroondah; St Luke's, Cockatoo; St Mark's, Emerald; St George's, Monbulk; St Michael and All Angels', Mount Dandenong; St Mary's, Warburton and All Saints', Yarra Junction; St James', Wandin, Seville & Mt Evelyn; Holy Trinity, Upwey; All Saints', Selby; St Martin's, Belgrave Heights; and Korowa 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; Coral; David; George; Harry; Jenny; John; Josie; +Kate and family; Max; Murray; Natalie and family; Nick; Richard; Sarina; Sophie; Susan; Ted; Wendy; and those we name before you in the silence of our hearts.

### **For the Faithful Departed**

We remember those who have died recently: Roderic Reid; and those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Hilda Amos; Jack Amos; Jean Marie Angliss; Sue Angliss; Dorothy Margaret Austin; Donald Eric Bowman; Arthur Carter; Patrick Chong; Dorothy Clark; Arthur Corless; Robert William Dann; Eileen Fulton; Owen Fyfe; Muriel Estelle Harris; Kathleen Ann Holligworth; Gillian Victoria Marguerita Isbel; Robert Kither; Lawrence Krome; Margaret Ellen Lamble; Robert Lemon; Corrie Mark; Fay Nicholson; Margaret Oldfield; Charles Pittman; Marjorie Powell; Margaret Elliott Robinson; Maxwell Robinson; Franz Schnelle; Guy Sexton; Graham Slobom; Lucy Beaumont Slobom; Beverly Jocelyn Summons; John Hedley Summons; Lilla White; and Valda Woinarski.

*A reminder that, during the Easter season, the Peace proceeds as follows:*

Christ is risen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Final Hymn: 113

*A reminder that, during the Easter season, the dismissal is:*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Postlude: in G minor, BWV 578*  
By Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

## **The Week Ahead**

A reminder that the Daily Offices (Morning and Evening Prayer) are prayed in St Martin's Chapel each Monday – Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. respectively, and can be joined via Zoom at:

### **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**

**resumes this Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.**

Meeting ID: 868 9252 3142; Passcode: 744866

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

## **Scripture Readings next week**

## **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Acts 2:14a; 22–32

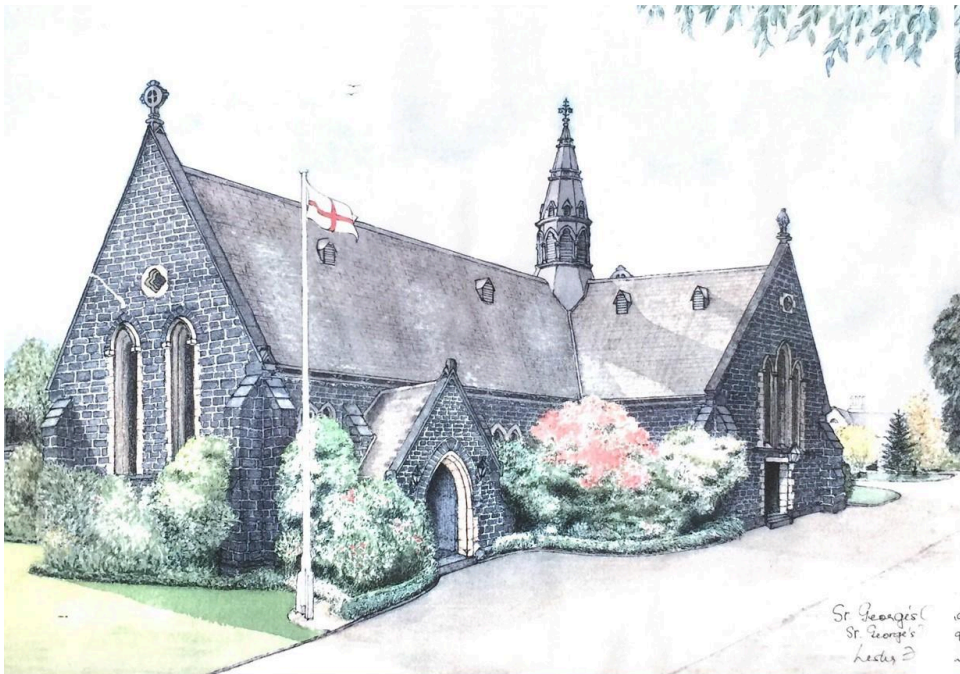
Psalm 16

1 Peter 1:1–12

John 20:19–31

<b>Roster for today Second Sunday of Easter 12 April 2026</b>		<b>Roster for next Sunday Third Sunday of Easter 19 April 2026</b>	
<b>8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist</b>		<b>8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist</b>	
Sides-person	David Sheppard	Sides-person	Campbell Paine
Acolyte	Christopher Miles	Acolyte	Ravi Renjen
Eucharistic Assistant	Helen Baddeley	Eucharistic Assistant	Betty Renjen
Intercessor	Jenny Robertson	Intercessor	Leigh Mackay
Readers	Leigh Mackay David Sheppard	Readers	Lorilae Garcia Miriam Cherry
<b>10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist</b>		<b>10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist</b>	
Sides-persons	Robyn Whitehouse Len Whitehouse	Sides-persons	Suzanne Lennie Tim Lennie
Acolytes	Meg Winter Alison Canty	Acolytes	Pam Felgate Lyn Beaumont
Eucharistic Assistant	Geraldine Powell	Eucharistic Assistant	Ray Lester
Intercessor	Muriel Porter	Intercessor	Meg Winter
Readers	Gracemary Huntley Geraldine Powell	Readers	Philip Jenkins Suzie Hill
<b>Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist</b>		<b>Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist</b>	
Sides-person	Pam Felgate	Sides-person	Judy Wright
Reader	Pam Felgate	Reader	Judy Wright

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



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## NOTICES

**Many thanks** to all who did so much to contribute to our wonderful Holy Week and Easter liturgies, with a special 'thank you' to the many helpers who cleaned, polished, scrubbed and decorated the Church so that it looked so splendid on Saturday evening and Sunday; and the women of the choir who led our worship so ably. Thanks too to Dorothy Lee for her engaging and informative preaching throughout the week.

**There will be a special meeting** following this morning's 10 a.m. liturgy to discuss the building project, and plans for the 'relocation'. Among those plans are: the 'final' Sunday in Church will be on **Sunday, April 26**, which we will keep as **St George's Day**, and with a commemoration of **ANZAC Day**. This will be followed by a festive morning tea.

**Book Club will meet tomorrow** (April 13) in the North Room at 2:00 p.m. to discuss this month's book : *Dusk* by Robbie Arnott. All welcome, contact Sandra Morgan 0448 884 306.

**Reflections on the Lections** resumes **this Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m.** Have you ever wanted to explore and think about the readings you hear each Sunday even before you hear them? Why not join the faithful and regular band of parishioners who, each Wednesday evening, reflect on things they have discovered in the texts for the coming week. See the notice above for the Zoom link. All are welcome.

### Looking further ahead:

**Spiritual Café Tuesday 12 May.** Our guest speaker is **Professor Peter Sherlock**, Executive Director of the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Charles Sturt University. He worships at St Paul's Cathedral where he sings in the choir and is a member of Archbishop in Council. His topic is Sacred Memory: The How and Why of Church Monuments drawing on his book, *The Monuments of Westminster Abbey: Power and Memory in Early Modern Britain*. He explores how and why Christians erect monuments to the dead in the sacred space of churches. Copies of the book will be available on the night for \$60 (cash or credit card). Join us for dinner at Giorgio's, 1235 High St Armadale (enter Glenferrie Rd) at 6.30pm followed by the speaker at 7.30pm. For bookings, please email: office@stgeorgesmalvern.org or call 9822 3030.

**We will be holding a series of fundraiser concerts in 2026.** The first will be on **Saturday 9th May at 2pm** in our Hall. **Featured artists: Shu-Cheen Yu and her Lotus Wind Choir.** Put the date in your diary now and encourage others to attend!



*The Incredulity of St Thomas, (c. 1601–2)*  
(Michaelangelo Merisi da) Caravaggio (1571–1610)

*Potsdam, Sans Souci Palace*

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*to be appointed*

*We acknowledge the Boon Wurrung and Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the Traditional Custodians and Owners 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 connection to Country, and affirm our commitment to walk together the path of reconciliation.*