



ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, MALVERN

DAY OF PENTECOST **(WHIT SUNDAY)**

24th May, 2026



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

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

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

The service may be followed from p. 119 in An Australian Prayer Book (with seasonal additions pp. 156–7)

Setting of the Eucharist (at 10:00 a.m.):

Christ Church Mass, Philip Matthias (1954–)

Processional Hymn: 138

SENTENCE

‘Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,’ says the Lord; ‘and let the one who believes in me drink. For out of your heart shall flow rivers of living water.’

c.f. John 7:38

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

COLLECT

Almighty God,
at the feast of Pentecost
you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
empower us with that same Spirit
to witness to your redeeming love
and draw all people to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1–21

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked,

‘Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.’ All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, ‘What does this mean?’ But others sneered and said, ‘They are filled with new wine.’

But 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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning.

No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

“In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:25–35; 37

**Response: Send forth your Spirit, O LORD,
and renew the face of the earth**

25. O LORD; how various are your works!
in wisdom you have made them all;
and the earth is full of your creatures. **R.**
26. Yonder is the great and wide sea:
with its living things too many to number; creatures both small and great.
27. There move the ships; and there is that Leviathan,
which you have made for the sport of it. **R.**
28. All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.
29. You give it to them, they gather it;
you open your hand and they are filled with good things.
30. You hide your face and they are terrified;
you take away their breath and they die and return to their dust. **R.**
31. You send forth your Spirit and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.
32. May the glory of the LORD endure for ever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works.
33. He looks at the earth; it shall tremble;
he touches the mountains and they smoke. **R.**
34. I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.
35. May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the LORD...
37. Bless the LORD, O my soul. Alleluia! **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:1–13

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says ‘Let Jesus be cursed!’ and no one can say ‘Jesus is Lord’ except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;
and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord;
and there are varieties of activities,

but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom,

and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit,

to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit,

to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy,

to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues,

to another the interpretation of tongues.

All these are activated by one and the same Spirit,

who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members,

and all the members of the body, though many, are one body,

so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 137

GOSPEL

John 20:19–23

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

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.'

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

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

For the Anglican Church

We pray for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines; The Diocese of The Northern Territory; Oodthenong Episcopate; Archdeaconry of Geelong; Deanery of Corio; and Yarra Valley Grammar School.

For all in need

We pray for: Alison; Ann; Austin; Christopher, Lindsay and the Pritchard family; Dan; David; Deborah, Fiona, Sarah and all the Hollingworth family; Elizabeth; Gwyn; Harry; Josie; Margie and the Richardson family; Kenny; Marie; Max; Muriel; Murray; Nicolae; Priya; Ravi; Richard; Robyn; Ron; Velma; Wendy; and Will; 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 Hollingworth; David John Leyburn Richardson; and Liyana Sudeera; and those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Rowan Blogg; Elwood (Ted) Chandler; Margaret Courtney; Jean Frances Crameri; Betty Cuming; Harry Furlonger; Jean (Jane) Gilchrist Garden; Isabel Doreen Jager-Glover; William Mallinson; George Ian Malloch; and Julian Leitch Walmsley.

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

Offertory Hymn: 409

The Great Thanksgiving (p. 157) begins.

During communion, the Choir sings the following anthem:

*O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
Blest is the man that trusteth in him.*

*Words: Psalm 34:8
Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)*

After communion, silence is kept, before we offer a final prayer (p. 157)

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

Final Hymn: 431

During the singing of this hymn, at 10:00 a.m., the clergy move to the Paschal Candle.

Please turn over for final prayers and dismissal

At the end of the hymn:

Celebrant: Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love.
With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit.
Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.
Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word;
the young receive visions, the old receive dreams.
With the new wine of the Spirit
they proclaim your reign of love.
Amid the birth pangs of the new creation
the way of light is made known.
Source of freedom, giver of life,
blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All Blessed be God for ever.

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ
over the powers of sin and death.

We have proclaimed God's mighty acts
and we have prayed that the power that was at work
when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.

As part of God's Church here in *Malvern*,

I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future,
trusting him to be your guide?

All By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?

All We will.

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other
in need?

All We will.

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings
of God?

All We will.

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?

All We will.

***The Paschal Candle is now extinguished in silence,
as we promise to carry its light to the world.***

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives.

All Amen.

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord.

All Amen.

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

All Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty...

All Amen.

Deacon: Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Exodus 34:1–8

2 Corinthians 13:11–13

TRINITY SUNDAY

Song of the Three 29–34

Matthew 28:16–20

Roster for today THE DAY OF PENTECOST 24 May 2026		Roster for next Sunday TRINITY SUNDAY 31 May 2026	
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	David Sheppard Claire Sheppard	Sides-persons	Miriam Cherry Venetia Patchett
Acolyte	Jenny Weller-Newton	Acolyte	Malcolm Tadgell
Eucharistic Assistant	Helen Baddeley	Eucharistic Assistant	Jane Baddeley
Intercessor	Simon Dickie	Intercessor	Jenny Robertson
Readers	Bryan Elmes Leigh Mackay	Readers	David Sheppard Jane Baddeley
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-persons	Philip Jenkins Melissa Carson	Sides-persons	Grant Rowlands Tim Lennie
Acolytes	Pam Felgate Lyn Beaumont	Acolytes	Jenny McPherson Alison Canty
Eucharistic Assistant	Ewan Morgan	Eucharistic Assistant	Meg Winter
Intercessor	Meg Winter	Intercessor	Jenny Robertson
Readers	Robyn Whitehouse David Powell	Readers	Geraldine Powell Brian Tobin
Morning Tea	Sandra Morgan Meg Winter	Morning Tea	Robyn and Len Whitehouse
Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Andrea King	Sides-person	Jenny Robertson
Reader	Andrea King	Reader	Jenny Robertson

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday	Bede of Jarrow, priest and teacher (d. 735)
Tuesday	Augustine of Canterbury, missionary and bishop (d. 605)
Wednesday	Begins Week of Prayer for Reconciliation

A reminder that the Daily Offices (Morning and Evening Prayer) are online each Monday – Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. respectively, 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

7:30 p.m., Wednesday

Meeting ID: 868 9252 3142; Passcode: 744866

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

NOTICES

Our regular collection for St Alban's occurs today. 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.

Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project (BASP) St George's allocated collection days are four/year, each on the last day of a month having five Sundays. The next one will be next Sunday, **31st May**.

BASP always appreciate our collections of money, vouchers and food. Please refer to the flyers on the entrance service counter for current items of most need.

Spiritual Cafe - Tuesday 23 June: Our guest speaker is The Reverend Andrew Stewart, Chaplain, Junior School Teacher and Religious Education Teacher at Mentone Grammar. Andrew has 25 years' experience working in Anglican schools and chaired the Chaplains in Anglican Schools Network in Victoria for 12 years.

His topic is 'Connecting young people to the Anglican Church' – a timely subject.

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.

SAVE THE DATE - Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy will be our speaker at Spiritual Café on Wednesday 12 August.

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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:
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.*