

WELCOME TO  
ST. PETER'S EASTERN HILL

*Diocese of Melbourne – Anglican Church of Australia  
Parish Church of the City since 1846*



James Tissot (1836-1902). *The Sermon of the Beatitudes (La sermon des béatitudes)*

PEW SHEET  
ORDINARY SUNDAY 6  
13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022



# WEEKLY MUSINGS

## The Sermon on the Level Playing Field

Large followings of disciples, large crowds of fans, healing power flowing from him. Does Jesus sense a real challenge to the true meaning of his mission? There is the scent of success in the air – fame, popularity, influence, and power.

Jesus was ‘charismatic’ and people clamoured to hear him and be close to him. So, he takes the time to reset the compass. His mission is to invite people to enter the kingdom of God – to have a relationship with God concerned with the wellbeing of every person, not the worldly success of a fortunate few. Jesus takes his followers to ‘a level place’. A place where no one is above another where all have equal access to him. A place we might describe in modern terms as a ‘level playing field’.

What he says turns our understanding of success and the good life on its head. Those who know poverty, sorrow, hunger, and unpopularity are those most likely to be open to the blessings that God has for them. Jesus saw this time and time again. The rich and powerful thought they did not need God while the lowly and poor desperately sought the new life God offered.

As well as recording the sermon on the plain, Luke also records the remarkable story Jesus once told of the man whose land produced great crops (Luke 12.13-21). The harvest kept giving. What should he do? He thought, I know, I’ll tear down my barns and build even bigger ones. On the surface, a sensible solution, but the man died before they were built. So, his whole life was taken up with the building of barns when there is so much more he could have both given and received.

In *All’s Well That Ends Well*, one of Shakespeare’s characters muses:

The web of our life is of a mingled yarn, good and ill together: our virtues would be proud if our faults whipped them not; and our crimes would despair if not cherished by our virtues. (act IV, scene III).

Life in all its richness is what God wants for us. Within a rich life there is sometimes sorrow and pain. We can spend so much time trying to avoid the sorrow and pain that comes with a life richly lived that we don’t truly live at all.

*Fr Philip*

# DAILY INTERCESSIONS

## FOR THE SICK:

Wendy Hancock, Judith Hibberd, Russell Kennedy, Thomas Low, Martin Moran, Lyn Nicholas, Noleen Nicholls, Gary Robertson, Alex Robins, Beatrice Scarfe, John Small, Paul Wheelton, Anne Wuttke, Reinhart Wuttke, Angus and Peter.

## AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, Helen Barnard, Margaret Bishop, David Bornstein, Margaret Brown, Kate Castle, David Curtis, Helen Drummond, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Grace James, Lynn James, Natalie Kellett, Roman Kerr, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Ken Letts PRIEST, Alice McCraith, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Robin Page, Liz Prideaux, Judy Ryles, Jenny Sasse, John Stewart BISHOP, Ian Thornton, Adrienne Moran, Barbara Ure-Smith & Jan.

## FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

John Harley, Brenda Ruth Williams, Sukanya Wongthawan

## FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun	13 <sup>th</sup>	Elizabeth Drysdale, Alexander Maxwell Macpherson, John McEntee, Lyndon Rosman
Mon	14 <sup>th</sup>	Vitthep Boontun, Elizabeth Martha Kennon, Kurt Schnell
Tue	15 <sup>th</sup>	Angus Donald Finlayson, Eve Alice Bradford Mossop
Wed	16 <sup>th</sup>	Sydney Walter Glover, Alan Newton, Arthur Ernest Howard Nickson
Thu	17 <sup>th</sup>	Thomas Haggart, Janice Mary Hughes, Pauline Karen Oakley
Fri	18 <sup>th</sup>	Dorothy Mavis McKenzie, Maurice Waugh <small>PRIEST</small>
Sat	19 <sup>th</sup>	

# MASS PROPERS & MUSIC

**Mass setting:** Herbert Howells (1892-1983): *Collegium Regale*

**Hymn:** 372. *He who would valiant be*

## INTROIT

Esto mihi in Deum protectorem, et in locum refugii, ut salvum me facias: quoniam firmamentum meum, et refugium meum es tu: et propter nomen tuum dux mihi eris, enutries me.

*Be Thou unto me a God, a Protector, and a place of refuge, to save me: for Thou are my strength and my refuge: and for Thy Name's sake Thou wilt lead me, and nourish me.*

## FIRST READING Jeremiah 17.5-8

Thus says the Lord: "Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. This tree shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit."

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 1.1-2, 3, 4+6



Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night. **R.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. **R.**

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish. **R.**

## SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15.12, 16-20

If Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL

Tu es Deus qui facis mirabilia solus:  
notam fecisti in gentibus virtutem tuam.  
Liberasti in brachio tuo populum tuum,  
filios Jacob et Joseph.

*Thou art the God that alone doeth wonders:  
and hast declared thy power among the people.  
Vs. Thou hast delivered thy people by thine  
arm: even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.*

## ALLELUIA



## THE GOSPEL

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (6.17, 20-26)

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

Jesus came down with the twelve and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## OFFERTORY

Benedictus es Domine, doce me  
justificationes tuas. In labiis meis  
pronuntiavi omnia judicia oris tui.

*Blessed are you, O Lord: teach me your  
statutes. With my lips I have pronounced all  
the judgments of your mouth.*

**Hymn:** 273. *And now, O Father, mindful of the love*

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Manducaverunt et saturati sunt nimis, et  
desiderium eorum attulit eis Dominus:  
non sunt fraudati a desiderio suo.

*They did eat, and were filled exceedingly, and  
the Lord gave them their desire: they were not  
defrauded of that which they craved.*

## COMMUNION MOTET: Arvo Pärt (b.1935): *The Beatitudes*

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake.

Rejoice and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Amen.

**Hymn:** 333. *All my hope on God is founded*

**Postlude:** Arthur Milner (1894-1972) *Prelude on a theme of Palestrina*

# NOTICES

## Hall Roof Repairs

Our hall roof repair project will start shortly. Scaffolding will be erected on 21 February around the whole building. The project itself will start around 28 February, and last 10 to 12 weeks.

As far as possible, all entryways will be still accessible, including the window to the main kitchen for distribution of food packages. The main kitchen is not part of the renovation work.

In terms of impact on the wider precinct:

1. Removal of tiles and other debris from the roof will be deposited in the skip located near the main kitchen.
2. We will erect fencing around the two car spots closest to the main kitchen; those two car spots will temporarily be relocated on the other side of the parish carpark, facing Parliament house.
3. This will mean that there will be fewer carparks available for visitors, including visitors to Keble House.
4. The shade cloth and bins that are currently in the courtyard outside the hall will be removed
5. Entry to the site will be restricted for OHS reasons, however this should not restrict use of the tenanted components of the building.
6. Removing the roof and replacing the tiles will create dust in the areas below. The builder anticipates that this will mostly be in the mornings, it would be prudent for any computers and other machines to be covered at the end of every day, to protect them from any dust. I will be able to tell you when your areas of the building are likely to be affected by dust. The roof is going to be removed sequentially and so not every part of the roof is going to be affected every day.
7. The parish will pay for a deep clean of each of the tenanted areas at the end of the project.

I apologise for the disruption the project will cause, but I'm sure you're aware of the problems of water getting into the site and will welcome the outcome when it is complete.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns, or if there is any uncertainty about what is to happen.

Stephen Duckett: 0447837741



## **Baptism**

We welcome William Darwin White who has been brought, by his parents and Godparents, to be baptised at High Mass today.

Baptism is incorporation into the life of Christ and a celebration and welcoming of a new member into the family of God. This is an occasion of great joy for the family and friends and for the members of the Church.

## **Lenten Study**

At 1pm On Sundays in Lent there will be a series of talks and discussions around the Liturgy and what we do at worship.

The talks will vary but will focus on why we do what we do in church rather than simply how we do what we do. The weekly topics will be in next week's pew sheet.

## **Working bee**

The church is looking for some volunteers to be part of a working group to thoroughly clean the sacristy and cook house (where the thuribles, coals Bunsen burner and candles are stored) on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February from 10am till 12noon. The state of both these rooms is in dire need of cleaning. Direction will be given.

If you can assist in this matter, it would be greatly appreciated. please call Terry Porter 0401721708

# ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIER

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Office Hours: 10am to 2pm, Tuesday – Friday

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## Sunday Services

9am BCP Mass; 10.30 am High Mass with Children's Church; 6pm APBA Mass

## Weekday Services

Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays); Wednesday 1.15pm Mass  
Saturday 9am Mass with Devotions to Our Lady of Walsingham (4<sup>th</sup> Sat. of the month)  
Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm

## Clergy and Lay Ministers

Locum Vicar:	Bp. David Farrer	0449 229 875
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Associate Clergy:	Fr Graeme Brennan	0427 321 744
	Mthr Pirriall Clift	0407 453 306
	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976
	Fr Philip Gill	0480 101 711
	Fr Ken Letts	03 9662 2391
	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112
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## Parish Council Membership

Helen Drummond  
Rachel Ellyard  
Daniel Ferguson  
Peter Griffin (Treasurer)  
Stuart Hibberd  
Bp. David Farrer (President)  
Daniel Mitterdorfer (Secretary)  
Terry Porter  
Alae Taule'alo  
Peter Wild  
Sue Wuttke  
Philip Wright  
Michael Upson

## Other Parish Ministries and Programs

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Guild of St Benedict	Daniel Ferguson	0419 572 033
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welcoming church, built on the  
unceded lands of the Wurundjeri  
people. Our mission is:  
"Worshipping Christ in the  
Eucharist; serving Christ*



