

*Welcome to*

# ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



'Holy Family below Oak' Raphael (1518)

## HOLY FAMILY

# 29<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019

Almighty God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: in your mercy, bring us to share the divine life of Jesus Christ, who came to share our human life, and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Please feel free to take this pew sheet home.*

# VICAR'S MUSINGS

The attendances at our Christmas services were well up on last year, across the board. It is such a joy on Christmas Eve to see the children enter into the Pageant (both written and directed this year by Katherine Barnett) and to witness the excited faces of the crowds of children at the arrival of St Nicholas. Our Musical Director, Andrew Raiskums, and his team of choristers and musicians again excelled themselves. Our thanks must also go to Head Server, Anthony Schepis, and the Servers' Guild for their faithful service at each of the four Masses of Christmas, and to the newer members who have joined the team this year: Xeverie, Joe, Gordon and Kiet. This year's Nativity Candle was so prayerfully produced by former Warden and current Parish Council member, Rwth Stucky. Finally a big thank you to the Acting Sacristan, Eugene Chin, and his team of volunteers who polished and cleaned for most of the day last Saturday, and to all those who helped lead liturgy and pray behind the scenes.



## 8:00am Mass

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*Celebrant:* Fr Hugh Kempster

*Preacher:* Alae Taule'alo

## 9:30 am Family Mass

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*Celebrant:* Fr Greg Davies

*Preacher:* Alae Taule'alo

*Deacon:* Fr David Peake

*Children's Talk:* Fr Hugh Kempster

*Reader:* Carole Tedja

*Intercessor:* Anne Scott Pendlebury

*Hymns: Entrance : 42 Offertory : 36 Post-Communion : 40*

*Communion Voluntary:* Howells *Cradle Song*

*Postlude:* Bach *Prelude & Fugue in G (BWV 550)*

## 11:00am High Mass

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*Celebrant:* Fr Philip Gill

*Preacher:* Alae Taule'alo

*Deacon:* Fr Hugh Kempster

*Reader:* Helen Drummond

*Intercessor:* Geoff Sutherland

*Hymns: Entrance : 33 Gradual : 31 Offertory : 43 Post-Communion : 37*

*Mass:* Palestrina *Missa: 'O Rex gloriae'*

*Motet:* Berlioz *The Shepherds' Farewell*

*Postlude:* Bach *Prelude & Fugue in G (BWV 550)*

## 7:00pm Lessons and Carols

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*Celebrant & Officiant:* Fr Hugh Kempster

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**Next Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January:** Epiphany (transferred from 6<sup>th</sup> Jan)

*Mass Readings:* Isaiah 60: 1-6, Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6 & Matthew 2: 1-12

*Celebrants:* Fr Hugh Kempster

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## WEEKDAY MASS - CHRISTMAS TO NEW YEAR

Weekday morning Mass, each day this coming week, will be at the later time of 9am. The usual time of 7.15am will resume from Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

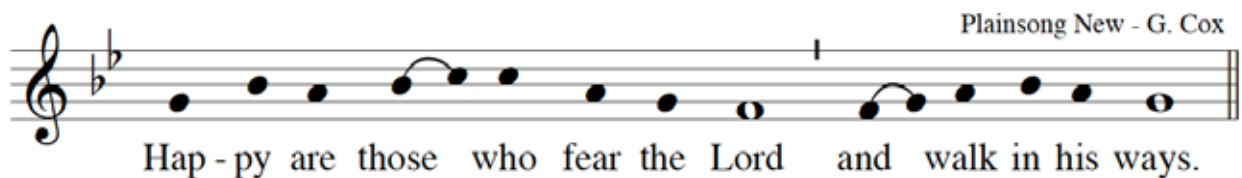
The Christmas flowers were sponsored by Peter Yewers in loving memory of his mother Mavis, whose Year's Mind falls in Advent each year, when we traditionally have no flowers. Other generous flower contributions were received from a number of parishioners, which was greatly appreciated - thank you all!

# MASS READINGS

**First Reading:** Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14

The Lord honours a father above his children, and he confirms a mother's right over her children. Those who honour their father atone for sins, and those who respect their mother are like those who lay up treasure. Those who honour their father will have joy in their own children, and when they pray they will be heard. Those who respect their father will have long life, and those who honour their mother obey the Lord. My child, help your parents in their old age, and do not grieve them as long as they live; even if their minds fail, be patient with them; because you have all your faculties do not despise them. For kindness to your mother and father will not be forgotten, and will be credited to you against your sins.

**Psalm :** 128.1-2, 3, 4-5



Happy is the one who fears the Lord,  
who walks in his ways.

You shall eat the fruit of the labour of your hands;  
you shall be happy, and it shall go well with you. R.

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine  
within your house;  
your children will be like olive shoots  
around your table. R.

Thus shall the man be blessed who fears the Lord.

The Lord bless you from Zion.

May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem  
all the days of your life. R.

**Second Reading:** Colossians 3.12-21

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which



indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and never treat them harshly. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is your acceptable duty in the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, or they may lose heart.

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 2.13-15, 19-23

After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, “Out of Egypt I have called my son.” When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child’s life are dead.” Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, “He will be called a Nazorean.”

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**CAROL SERVICE - TONIGHT AT 7:00PM - NOT TO BE MISSED**

Each year, on the first Sunday after Christmas, we have our service of Nine Lessons and Carols. At St Peter’s we follow the old European tradition of singing Advent Carols in Advent, and waiting until Christmas Eve before singing Christmas Carols. For this reason our Carol Service is always after Christmas, rather than before, as it tends to be in most other churches these days. If you’ve been to this service before, I am sure that you will be joining us again this evening. If you have not yet been to this lovely service, do come and join us for what is one of the highlights of Christmas at St Peter’s Eastern Hill. It is always one of the best attended services of the Christmas season, and people come from all over Melbourne for this wonderful celebration of the Christ’s birth, in word and song. After the service there will be complimentary Christmas cake and a little something to drink in the Hall. I do hope you can join us.

# PRAYERS

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## **FOR THE SICK:**

Margaret Brown, Henri-Felix Carolane, Wendy Hancock, Lynn James, Alice McCraith, Lyn Nicholas, Bella Saadala, Evelina Thornton; Cecilia, and Peter.

## **AS WELL AS:**

Jenny Allen, Marja Barouh, Chris Bennie, Geoffrey Cox, John Crocker, Gail Edwards, Sr Gloria CHN, Cliff Gornall, Sr Hilary CHN Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Ray Ng, Norman Missen, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Liz Prideaux, Allan Rei, Helen Rowley, Barbara Ure-Smith, Valerie Wild, Annette Wood; Andrew, Chad, and Jan.

## **FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:**

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

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Sun 29 Barry Robert Merton

Mon 30 Joseph Savill,

Tue 31 Marion Brown, Peter Burman, Chasely Evelyn, Jane Mullins,  
Thelma Tonkins, Rose Phyllis Jessie Woods

Wed 1 Frank McKinnon Bladin, James Corden, Keith Robert Young

Thu 2 Zoltan Ference Noel, John Randell

Fri 3 Lois Hilda Callinan, Constance Violet Carleton, Arthur William Dineen,  
Gloria Elizabeth Fezzoli, Bradley John Harris

Sat 4 Kevin Buck, Guy Colman COX PRIEST, Bill Emberson,  
Elizabeth Garrett, Edith Heap

# ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

The Bookroom wishes St Peter's parishioners, friends, visitors and customers a joyful and safe Christmas New Year.

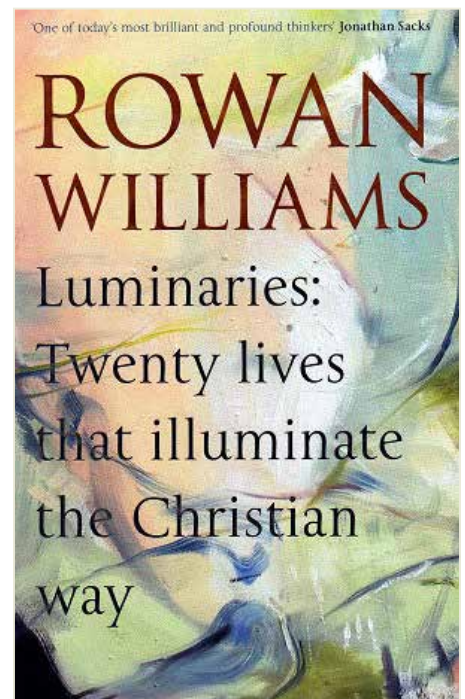
**We will be closed from Christmas Day, reopening January 2nd 2020.**

Lots of Christmas Cards in stock. Also, nativity scenes, beeswax and scented candles. Come in and look through our latest books this morning or visit the Bookroom online. Stuck for an idea for a Christmas present? Why not purchase a St Peter's Bookroom Gift Voucher today?

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The stories and writings of many great Christian thinkers have profoundly influenced Rowan Williams' own life and thought, and this sequence of short reflections is sure to sharpen your theological vision and cast a fresh light on what it means to live and breathe the gospel.  
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Monday – Friday 9.30am to 4.30 pm      Sunday - after 9.30am & 11am Mass

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## Sunday Services

8.00 am Mass (BCP)  
9.30 am Family Mass  
11.00 am High Mass  
6.00 pm Mass/Evensong & Benediction

*Refreshments are available in the Parish Hall after each of the Sunday morning services*

## Weekday Services

Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays)  
Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm  
Wed: Mass at 1.15pm  
Sat: Mass at 9.00am (Cell of our Lady of Walsingham, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month)

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## Clergy and Lay Ministers

Vicar:	Fr Hugh Kempster	0488 960 022
ASLM:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892
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	Fr Don Edgar	0418 967 829
	Fr Philip Gill	0480 101 711
	Fr Ken Letts	03 9662 2391
	Fr David Peake	0412 299 839
	Fr Roger Prowd	03 9662 2391
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Acting Sacristan	Eugene Chin	03 9662 2391
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	Helen Drummond (People)	03 9662 2391
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Flowers:	Helen Drummond	0419 897 973
Guild of St Benedict	Daniel Ferguson	0419 572 033
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## Parish Council

### Membership:

Helen Drummond  
Stephen Duckett (chair)  
Rachel Ellyard  
Daniel Ferguson  
Stuart Hibberd  
Fr Hugh Kempster  
Catherine McGovern  
Daniel Mitterdorfer (secretary)  
Terry Porter  
William Southey  
David Spriggs  
Rwth Stuckey  
Peter Wild  
Sue Wuttke

*We are an inclusive  
and welcoming Church,  
built on the lands of the  
Wurundjeri people.  
We are committed to  
social justice, equality and  
diversity. Our mission  
is: "Catholic Evangelism:  
Growing in God's love".*