Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



"Parable of the Mustard Seed" St Luke Orthodox School of the Seventy

Ordinary Sunday 11 13th June 2021 - Pew Sheet

Almighty God, without you we are unable to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Weekly Musings

Recently Landcare arrived at my place to plant trees with the Third Order of the Society of St Francis. I asked their opinion about a Grey Mountain Gum in the top paddock – my daughter and I had measured its girth at 5.5 meters, and I wanted to know whether it could be protected from the chainsaws of the future. Landcare estimated its age at approximately 300 years, and are making a submission for its addition to the National Heritages 'significant trees' list. Before white settlers broached Australia's shore, this tree stood sentinel over this little corner of Kinglake: perhaps the Wurundjeri people sheltered under its creaking boughs, which provide habitat and food for a multitude of unseen creatures.

The world, slowly awakening to Mother Earth's needs, is constantly discovering fresh information regarding the importance of trees to the planet's health and well-being. People are falling in love with nature again. Today, as the G7 in Cornwall winds up, decisions regarding climate change will be taken that will affect every living being on earth.

For as long as I remember I have loved trees. Joyce Kilmer wrote:

I think that I shall never see A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree whose hungry mouth is prest Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;

A tree that looks at God all day, And lifts her leafy arms to pray;

A tree that may in Summer wear A nest of robins in her hair;

Upon whose bosom snow has lain; Who intimately lives with rain.

Poems are made by fools like me, But only God can make a tree.

The last line reminds us that Christian love for the earth and its creatures has a deeper dimension. We are not pantheists, who only see God in the world around us. We are panentheists; seeing God in everything to be sure, but more than this; for God is the Source of all Being. God's earth: we love it because it is God's, and reveals God's beauty.



Exploring Faith Matters

(Formerly Education for Ministry Australia)

Information Gathering
Sunday June 20th

[After High Mass]

We begin a new year of EfM in July.

Come and find out what EfM can offer?

Be challenged and inspired by this program of faith exploration and formation!

All welcome!

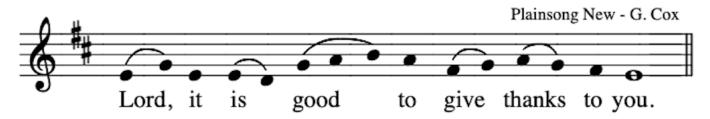
For more information: www.efmaustralia.org

Sunday Mass Readings

First Reading: Ezekiel 17.22-24

Thus says the Lord God: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. "On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. "All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it."

Psalm 92.1-2, 12-15



It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night. **R.**

The righteous flourish like the palm tree, and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God. **R.**

In old age they still produce fruit; they are always green and full of sap, showing that the Lord is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him. **R.**

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5.6-10

Brothers and sisters, we are always confident, even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and

at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Gospel: Mark 4.26-34

Such a large crowd gathered around Jesus that he got into a boat and began to teach them using many parables. Jesus said: "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, without the sower knowing how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with the sickle, because the harvest has come." Jesus also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

"FAITH FORUM" - SUNDAY 27TH JUNE, 12.15 TO 1.15PM

This month, on the fourth Sunday, Fr Greg will be starting up a new study group: "Faith Forum". The first meeting will be after High Mass on Sunday 27th June, in the Jean Henderson and Joyce Newton Room (the new glass room off the Hall). The Forum is an opportunity to explore and discuss matters and issues of faith and spirituality. It is open to all, not just parishioners, so do feel free to invite others you know who may be interested in this. Participants are invited to suggest topics, questions or issues for discussion. Please contact Fr Greg to express your interest, and with your ideas: ph. 0417 992 976 or e-mail - gregdavies121@icloud.com

DAILY INTERCESSIONS

FOR THE SICK:

Helen Barnard, Margaret Bishop, Kate Castle, Isla Hodgkinson, Russell Kennedy, Mary Montagu, Lyn Nicholas, Noleen Nicholls, Gary Robertson, Alex Robins, Jenny Sasse, John Small, Paul Wheelton, Jan and Peter

As well as:

Jenny Allen, David Bornstein, Michael Boyle PRIEST, Joe Butscher PRIEST, David Curtis, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Siew-Hung, Wendy Hancock, Grace James, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Alice McCraith, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn Chn, Robin Page, Liz Prideaux, Graham & Judy Ryles, John Stewart BISHOP, Clive Tadgell, Ian & Evelina Thornton, Barbara Ure-Smith

For the Recently Departed: John Crocker, Marie Purcell (nee Crocker)

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun	13	Joyce Margaretta Daws, Lurline Griffith, Noel Morton, Richard Lugg, Roger Swetenham PRIEST,
Mon	14	Richard Lugg, Roger Swetenham PRIEST, Jean Swingler, Hilda Walsh
Tue	15	Alan Eustace, Philip Hayman PRIEST, John Albert Smith, Rosa Walden
Wed	16	Marion Clara Broderick, Stella Connell, Ernest Selwyn Hughes PRIEST
Thu	17	Derek John Berry, Joan Alice Collins, Vi Emberson, Ellen Hughes, Brian Hooker, Edith Revitt
Fri	18	Cyril Barclay PRIEST, Katherine Frances Cray, Peter Cross PRIEST, Jean Hobday
Sat	19	Nils Cornelius Proctor

FLOWERS IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

Our flowers this week are given by Stuart Hibberd in loving memory of his grand-mother Hilary Hibberd whose year's mind fell on 11th June. May she rest in peace.

THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these times of pandemic, many parishioners find comfort in praying at home. It is a long-held tradition for Christians, Lay and Ordained, to pray the Daily Office. All you need is a Bible and a Prayer Book. If you only have one or neither of these at home, contact Carol in the Bookroom: http://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/

	MORNING PRAYER	Evening Prayer
Monday 14 th	Pss 108; 109.20-30	Pss 119.105-128
Ž	1 Samuel 14.52 - 15.16	Sirach 7.18-36
	Acts 9.32-43	2 Corinthians 11.7-15
Evelyn Underhi	ill, spiritual writer (d. 1941)	
Tuesday 15 th	1 /	Ps 104.26-37
•	1 Sam. 15.17-35	Sirach 10.12-28
	Acts 10.1-16	2 Corinthians 11.16-29
Wed. 16 th	Ps 105.1-22	Ps 105.23-45
	1 Sam. 16	Sirach 11.15-28
	Acts 10.17-33	2 Corinthians 11.30 - 12.5
Thurs. 17 th	Pss 106.1-24	Ps 106.25-50
	1 Samuel 17.1-23	Sirach 14.20 - 15.8
	Acts 10.34-48	2 Corinthians 12.6-13
Friday 18 th	Ps 107.1-22	Ps 107.23-43
·	1 Samuel 17.24-40	Sirach 15.9-20
	Acts 11.1-18	2 Corinthians 12.14-21
Sat. 19 th	Pss 110; 111	Pss 112; 113
	1 Samuel 17.41-54	Sirach 17.1-24
	Acts 11.19-30	2 Corinthians 13



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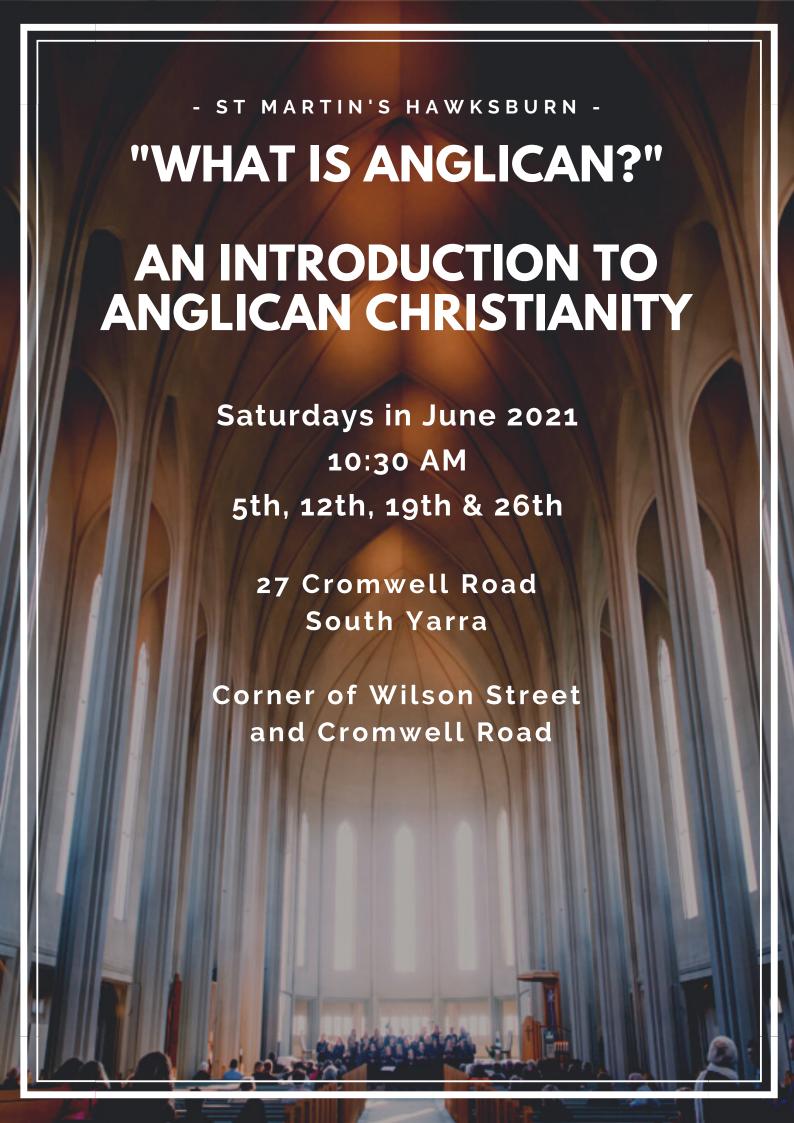




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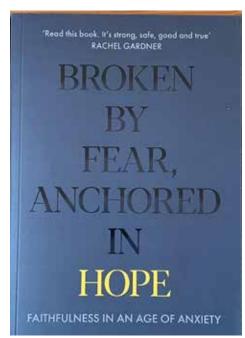
ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

We are delighted to announce that with the easing of restrictions this week the Bookroom has now recommenced normal opening hours: 9.30am - 4.30pm Monday to Friday. We will be closed, however, due to the Queens Birthday on Monday 14th June. Lots of new books have arrived in during lockdown.

This week's recommendation:

Broken by Fear, Anchored in Hope: Faithfulness in an Age of Anxiety by Rob Merchant

One in four of us will experience mental health problems. When shame, fear and despair threaten to fill us, it can be all too easy to resort to self-medicating through consuming, working, or other distractions. Rob Merchant has tried them all and discovered they don't deliver. Drawing on his own experience, Rob shows how healing starts when we acknowledge and accept our vulnerability. Knowing our place before God and surrendering wholly to Christ, we can discover forgiveness and always find hope. Upon leaving school Rob worked as a care worker supporting people with



learning disabilities. Since ordination he has served in a number of different ministerial contexts and has worked in academic research. Rob's academic interests include ageing, mental health, and trauma. He has spoken at many Christian events including Spring Harvest, New Wine and Keswick. His passion is to see people flourish in the ministry to which they are called, in whatever walk of life. Rob is married to Tamsin and they have two sons. \$29.95

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Office Hours. 9.30am – 2.00pm Monday-Thursday

Sunday Services

9:00 am Mass (Book of Common Prayer) 10.30 am High Mass with Chldren's Church

6:00 pm Mass (Evensong replaces the Mass every 4th Sunday of the month)

Weekday Services

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Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays)

Wednesday Mass at 1:15 pm

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Eugene Chin

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

