

*Welcome to*

# ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

*Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia*

*Parish Church of the City since 1846*



'St. Peter Invited to Walk on the Water' Francois Boucher (1766)

# ORDINARY SUNDAY 19

## 9<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2020

Mighty God and ruler of all creation, give new strength to our faith, that we may recognise your presence even when all hope seems lost. Help us to face all trials with serenity as we walk with Christ through the stormy seas of life and come at the last to your eternal peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

# VICAR'S MUSINGS

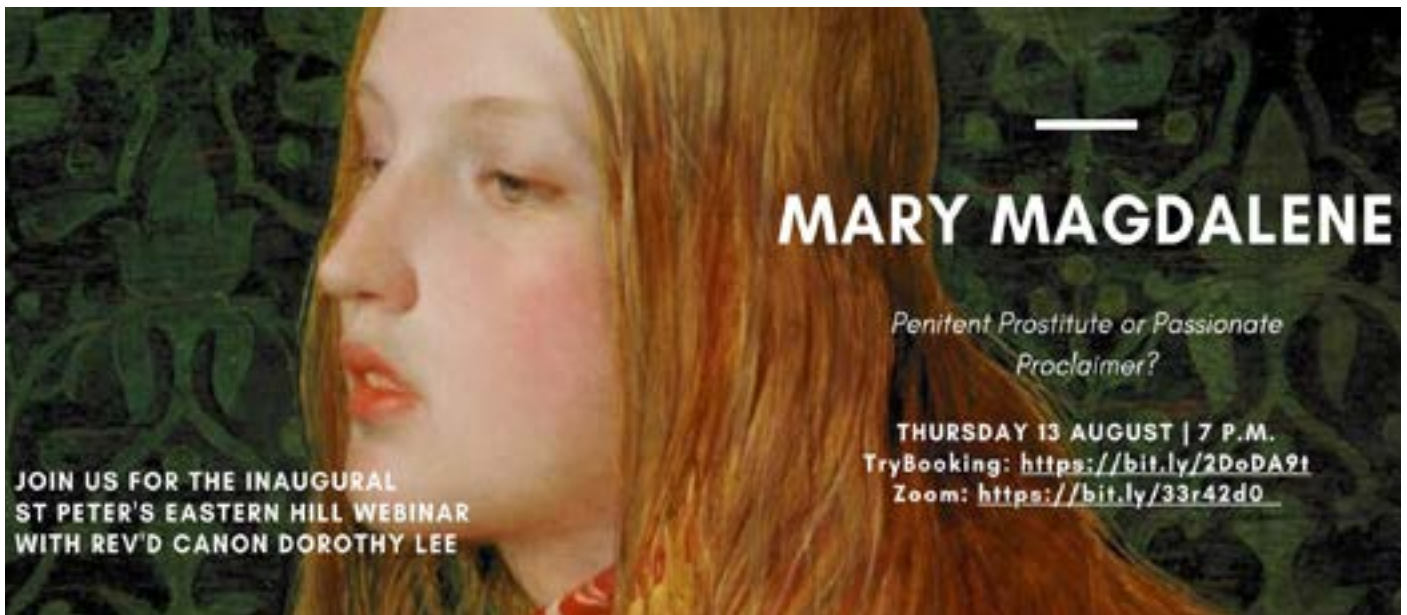
Well, most St Peterites are now in Stage 4 restrictions lock-down. I do hope that you are all coping as best can be expected. Having been in contact with many of you over recent weeks and days, I know how stressful and distressing many are finding these times. We offer our particular prayers for William Lees and his family; William recently celebrated his 90th birthday and was just a few days ago diagnosed with COVID-19. Thank you to so many of you who have phoned and e-mailed and messaged words of encouragement, and asked after my family. We are all well thankfully; bless you!

Actually, in a strange way, mission and ministry at St Peter's goes on much the same in many ways. We celebrate the Mass daily, and on Thursday observed the Feast of the Transfiguration, albeit live-streamed from behind closed doors. Sunday Mass continues, although so profoundly different from less than five months ago. We still gather for "morning tea" after Mass (join us today if you can - [bit.ly/3gBREdZ](https://bit.ly/3gBREdZ)). The Lazarus Centre and Social Enterprise operate essential services each day of the week for those in need. Our RMIT ministry continues, with Alae and his team, in partnership with the Social Enterprise and State Parliament, providing invaluable meals-relief to students. We still meet together to say the Rosary and join in Christian Meditation. Our clergy and lay leaders offer a Thought for the Day several times a week. A handful of new parishioners have joined us. And our Pastoral Care team visits people when we can, and during lock-down administers the new Telephone Tree and Prayer Link ministries. It is quite remarkable really.

The big news this week, is that we are launching the St Peter's Eastern Hill Webinar series. Our inaugural speaker will be the Rev'd Dr Canon Dorothy Lee. The title of her talk is: "Mary Magdalene: Penitent Prostitute or Passionate Proclaimer?" This will take place on Thursday 13th August, from 7pm on Zoom. Another date for your (electronic) diary, is Tuesday 25th August, from 7pm on Zoom, when we will host the second in our Winter Webinar series. In this second talk, we invite you to share in an evening with the Archbishop of York, the Most Rev'd Stephen Cottrell. Archbishop Stephen will be reflecting with us on isolation, pilgrimage and the wisdom of the desert: "go to yourself, and yourself will teach you everything" (Abba Moses). Many of you will remember Bishop Stephen who led our Parish Mission in 2015. He is a remarkable communicator. Do join us if you can; something to inspire us in these crazy times.

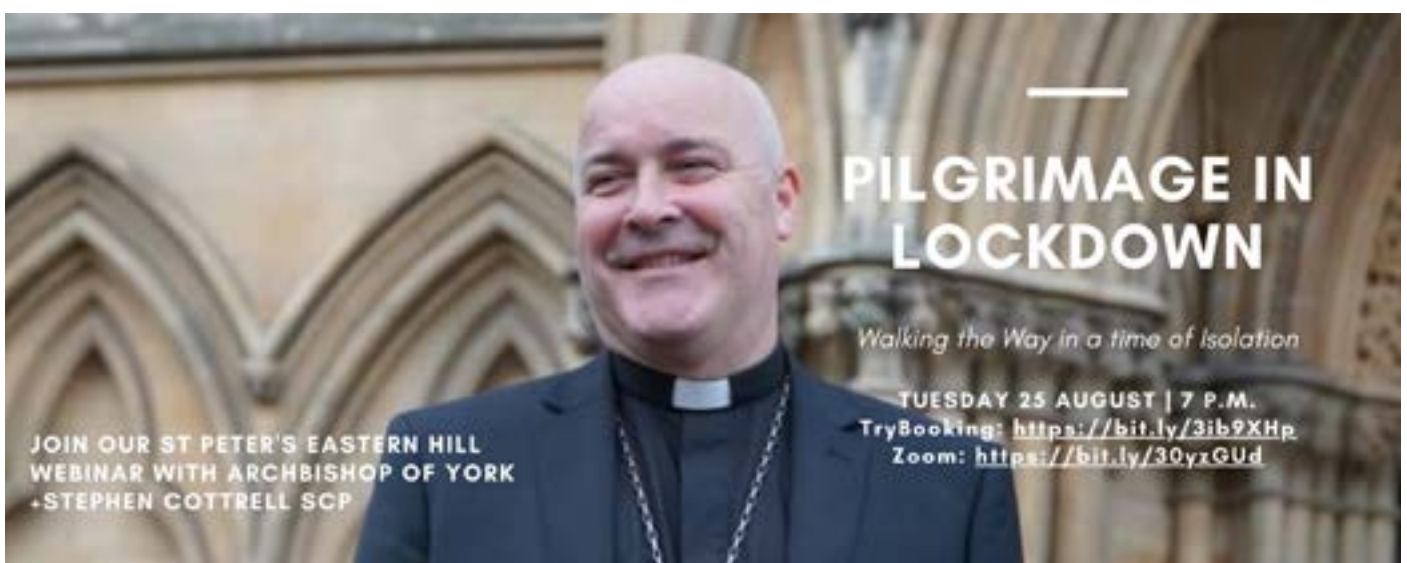
# ST PETER'S WINTER WEBINARS

This month we launch the St Peter's Winter Webinars lecture series. The inaugural talk will be delivered next Tuesday by the Rev'd Dr Canon Dorothy Lee. At the end of the month we are blessed to be joined by the Most Rev'd Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York. We encourage you to register your interest through TryBooking, and join us on the day by Zoom.



To book, through TryBooking, please visit: [bit.ly/2DoDA9t](https://bit.ly/2DoDA9t)

To Zoom, on the night, please visit: [bit.ly/33r42d0](https://bit.ly/33r42d0)



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To Zoom, on the night, please visit: [bit.ly/30yzGUd](https://bit.ly/30yzGUd)

*Long-time St Peter's parishioner, Parish Council member and Organist, Margaret Robbins, now deceased, wrote a prayer for our City many years ago. It is remarkably fitting for our times. Thank-you Di Clark for sending this in.*

## A PRAYER FOR THE CITY OF MELBOURNE



Gracious God we bring before you those who live and work in our City of Melbourne.

We pray for your blessing on  
the shoppers and traders; sales and office staff;  
members of the emergency services - police,  
ambulance and fire brigade;  
those who borrow and those who lend;  
those who manufacture and those who repair;  
actors and musicians; poets and writers, artists and  
designers;  
those who work in the healing professions;  
caterers and restaurateurs; cleaners and gardeners;  
those responsible for trams, trains and buses;  
members of the legal profession, their staff and clients;  
entertainers and their audiences;  
those who study or teach and those who cannot learn;  
those who work on cranes or underground;  
athletes and those who suffer physical or mental  
disadvantage;  
those who are busy and those who have nothing to do;  
the tourists and residents;  
those who worship you and those who do not know  
your name;

and loving Father, we commend ourselves to your  
grace and keeping. Give us the courage to face our  
difficulties in the knowledge of your love, in  
remembrance of your past goodness and with  
confidence in your power to keep us to the end:

we ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord with the  
Holy Spirit. Amen

*Margaret Robbins*

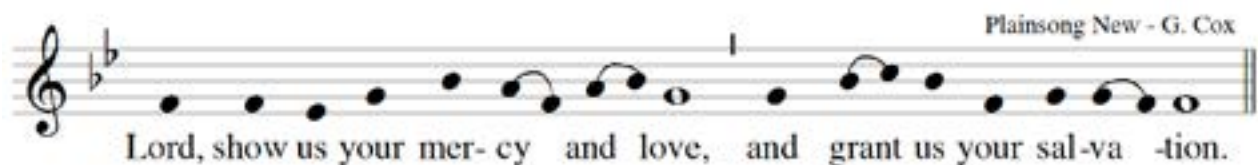
# SUNDAY MASS READINGS

## **First Reading:** 1 Kings 19.9, 11-13

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.”

Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

## **Psalm :** 85.8ab+9, 10-11, 12-13



Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,  
for he will speak peace to his people.  
Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,  
that his glory may dwell in our land. R.  
Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;  
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.  
Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,  
and righteousness will look down from the sky. R.  
The Lord will give what is good,  
and our land will yield its increase.  
Righteousness will go before him,  
and will make a path for his steps. R.

## **Second Reading:** Romans 9.1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ. I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit. I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the

law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God be blessed forever. Amen.

**Gospel:** Matthew 14.22-33

Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning Jesus came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” Jesus said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”



‘Navicella’ Francesco Berretta (1628)

# PRAYERS

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## FOR THE SICK:

Kingsley Armstrong, David Bornstein, Sandrine Ficet, Mary Grima, Bradley James, Grace James, Christine Jounet, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Adain McCann, Alice McCraith, Jack Neville Mulready, Lyn Nicholas, John Small, Bruce Smith, John Stewart BISHOP, Margaret Sutherland, Evelina Thornton, Joan Waldren-Small, Paul Wheelton, George and Charles.

## AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, Chris Bennie, Tania Burdick, Joe Butscher PRIEST, John Crocker, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Sr Gloria CHN, Sr Hilary CHN, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Sr Lyn CHN, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Liz Prideaux, Judith Ryles, Barbara Ure-Smith, Annette Wood, Anne Wuttke; Andrew, Cecilia, Chad, Jan, and Peter.

## FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

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

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| Sun | 9  | Reginald Halse BISHOP, Lewis Henry Myers, Esther Maria Prentice, Peter Swingler, Mary Watts                                |
| Mon | 10 | Josephine Banks, Ida Gray, Hazel Frances Hill, Robert Lawrence McPhee, Hugh Nicholls                                       |
| Tue | 11 | Nancy Yessibel Cole, Harold Edgar Klingner, Alfred Hope Patten PRIEST  |
| Wed | 12 | Lydia Gertrude Hannaford, James (Jim) Hughes, Barry Marshall PRIEST, Henry Peaceful, Catherine Riddell, Lucy Ann Slatterie |
| Thu | 13 | Jessie Rosman, Frederick Phillips, Jean Keary, Michael Clarke PRIEST, Emily Hope, Vladimir Michaels, Leonard Alfred Smith  |
| Fri | 14 | Ida May Bryce, Muriel Hayward, Richard Lethbridge  |
| Sat | 15 | Isobel Allen, Gertrude Gorringe, Elizabeth McKenzie, Colin Stephenson PRIEST   |

# THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these days of pandemic we are no longer able to gather as a worshipping community as we used to. Many parishioners, however, are finding it a comfort to worship and pray 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, call Carol in the Bookroom, or online at : <http://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/>

## MORNING PRAYER

## EVENING PRAYER

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*Lawrence, deacon and martyr at rome (d. 258)*

Monday	Pss 92 & 93 Hosea 12.2-14 Acts 15.36-16.10	Ps 94 Lamentations 4.1-11 Romans 9.1-13
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*Clare of Assisi (d. 1252) & John Henry Newman, cardinal and theologian (d. 1890)*

Tuesday	Pss 95 & 96 Hosea 13.1-14(15-16) Acts 16.11-24	Pss 97 & 98 Lamentations 4.12-22 Romans 9.14-10.4
Wednesday	Pss 99 & 100 Hosea 14 Acts 16.25-40	Ps 103 Lamentations 5 Romans 9.25-10.4

*Jeremy Taylor, bishop and spiritual writer (d.1667)*

Thursday	Pss 101 & 102.1-11 2 Chronicles 26.1-15 Acts 17.1-14	Ps 102.12-28 Song of Songs 1 Romans 10.5-13
Friday	Pss 108 & 109.20-30 2 Chronicles 26.16 -27.9 Acts 17.15-21	Ps 45 1 Samuel 2.1-10 Revelation 12.1-6

*Mary, Mother of our Lord*

Saturday	Ps 138 2 Chronicles 7.1-16 John 2.1-12	Ps 72 Song of Songs 2.8-14 Acts 1.1-14
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# **ST PETER'S PRAYER LINK**

## **AN INITIATIVE OF THE PASTORAL CARE TEAM**

Our Pastoral Care Team has launched a new initiative this month: the St Peter's Prayer Link. We are inviting parishioners and others to submit prayer requests, which will trigger focused prayer support from a small group of pray-ers, for one month from the date of the request being made. Further prayer requests may be made, but the prayer focus does not automatically continue beyond a month. The St Peter's Prayer Link does not replace the weekly Prayer List that is published in the Pew Sheet, and used at Mass each day of the week. Rather, this is intended as a prayer boost, additional private prayer support for those who request it.

Prayers for the month may be requested for those who are sick, but also for particular situations or concerns that are weighing heavily on you. They say that a problem shared is a problem halved. Similarly, a prayer shared is a prayer multiplied.

Fr Roger Prowd is the St Peter's Prayer Link coordinator. The others in the Prayer Link at this inaugural stage are: Fr Hugh, Di Clark, Elizabeth Pemberton, Xeverie Swee, and Peter Yewers. We anticipate bringing one or two other members of the Pastoral Care team onto the Prayer Link in the coming weeks. Who these new members are will be communicated clearly in the weekly Pew Sheet.

Confidentiality is of course paramount to this model of prayer support, so be assured that prayer requests will be kept strictly private amongst the Prayer Link group. Prayer requests will not be made public at Mass, nor shown in the Pew Sheet.

To ensure effective, confidential and accurate communication, all prayer requests should be made to the coordinator, Fr Roger, only. Fr Roger will then pass the request to the others in the Prayer Link. If you would like additional confidentiality for your prayer request, just mention this to Fr Roger, and your petition will be circulated to the Prayer Link group anonymously.

For further information on the St Peter's Prayer Link, and to request prayer support in this way, please contact Fr Roger Prowd on: 0417 323 112 or

[rwprowd@bigpond.com](mailto:rwprowd@bigpond.com)

# TMA

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Dear Parishioners of St Peter's Eastern Hill, the August edition of TMA is now available online: <https://bit.ly/30cNjs1>

# TMA

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Anglicans supporting the most vulnerable

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Artificial Intelligence must 'reflect something of God'

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The Brotherhood of St Laurence team at the Flemington flats during the hard lockdown.

Photo: BSL

## Anglicans join wider support for locked-down residents

### Clergy commended for 'initiative' in responding to lockdown challenges

by Stephen Cauchi

THE DIOCESE of Melbourne is adapting to ministry amid the compulsory wearing of facemasks and bracing for more COVID-19 cases as the effects of the pandemic and lockdown restrictions continue to be felt in Victoria.

Metropolitan Melbourne and Mitchell Shire will be on stage three restrictions until at least 19 August and possibly longer as the number

### "Stage Four may preclude home pastoral visits and home communion."

Archbishop Philip Freier

of new daily cases of COVID-19 continues to sit in the hundreds.

Most churches in the diocese, whose boundaries broadly overlap with the stage three restriction area, are affected by the new requirement to wear masks.

According to the Diocesan COVID-19 Updates, clergy, church and congregational members in the

# ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

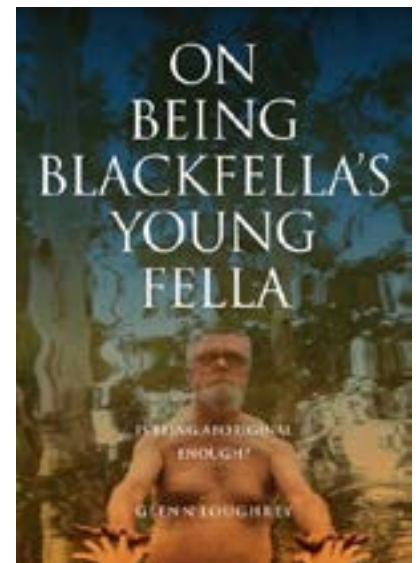
**Yes, we are still open behind closed doors and working online!**

For the next 6 weeks the Bookroom will be working on premises offsite and will be onsite online on Fridays. We have lots of new releases, prayer books, meditation, Anglican resources now 'in stock' offsite. Please stay in contact with us: [bookroom.stpeters.org.au](http://bookroom.stpeters.org.au), and [bookroom@stpeters.org.au](mailto:bookroom@stpeters.org.au). Or simply call the Bookroom and be redirected.

*Recommended New Release:*

## **On Being Blackfella's Young Fella** By Glenn Loughrey

'I discovered no matter how good I was, I was never good enough.' This is a story of identity: how one man experienced exclusion and a sense of unworthiness in Australian Society. It is the story of growing up - blackfella's youngfella - and the struggle to assimilate into the dominant, white European society; 'is being Aboriginal enough? The search involved fear and disquiet; and conflict for the author as both an Aboriginal person and a Christian priest.



\$25.95

### Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 9.30am to 4.30 pm      Sunday - after 9.30am & 11am Mass

15 Gisborne St Melbourne 3002

Situated in the Parish Hall building on the street side, facing St Patrick's Cathedral

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## Sunday Services

10.30 am Parish Mass - online only, due to the pandemic restrictions  
YouTube: [www.youtube.com/c/StPetersEasternHill](http://www.youtube.com/c/StPetersEasternHill)  
Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stpeterseasternhill/](http://www.facebook.com/stpeterseasternhill/)

## Weekday Services

Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays)  
Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm  
Also online only, due to the pandemic restrictions  
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## Clergy and Lay Ministers

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ASLM:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892
Clergy:	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976
	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
Klingner Scholar:	Xeverie Swee	03 9662 2391

## Other Parish Ministries and Programs

Acting Sacristan	Eugene Chin	03 9662 2391
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Cell of O.L.O.W:	Liz Prideaux	03 9662 2391
Charitable Foundation:	Krystyna Campbell-Pretty	03 9662 2391
Children:	Katherine Barnett	03 9387 4089
Child Safety Officer:	Rachel Ellyard	03 9662 2391
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	Helen Drummond (People)	0419 897 973
	Rachel Ellyard (People)	0419 335 793
Director of Music:	Andrew Raiskums	0439 556 627
Flowers:	Helen Drummond	0419 897 973
Guild of St Benedict	Daniel Ferguson	0419 572 033
Head Server:	Anthony Schepis	0400 578 952
Music Administrator:	Sue Wuttke	0422 866 286
Organist:	Rhys Arvidson	0405 277 853
Parish Administrator:	Konstantine Soteriou	03 9662 2391
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Weekday Mass	Christy Thiagarajah	03 9662 2391

## Parish Council Membership:

Helen Drummond  
Stephen Duckett (Chair)  
Rachel Ellyard  
Daniel Ferguson  
Peter Griffin (Treasurer)  
Stuart Hibberd  
Fr Hugh Kempster (President)  
Daniel Mitterdorfer (Secretary)  
Terry Porter  
William Southey  
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".*