

Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



ORDINARY SUNDAY 32

8TH NOVEMBER 2020

Eternal God, you have taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand: keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom, so that when Christ, the bridegroom, comes we may go out joyfully to meet him, and with him enter into the marriage feast that you have prepared for all who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

VICAR'S MUSINGS

It was such a joy last week to begin our gradual return to public worship at St Peter's. We were even joined by an ABC News crew, who were next door at the time, filming the Deputy Premier and Chief Health Officer, and asked if they could join us (to see the video - <https://ab.co/2GHoLR6>). Attendance is still rather limited, however, so my sincere apologies if you are not able to join us as soon as you would like. All going well our Premier will ease restrictions further for us this weekend.

For the time being, all who wish to attend Mass in person on Sundays must "Book a Pew" well in advance. As I outlined in last week's pew sheet, it is a simple procedure: (1) please make sure to "book a pew" at least 48 hours in advance (2) e-mail: sphoffice@stpeters.org.au (preferred) or phone 03-9662-2391 (3) make sure to leave your name and phone number and indicate the date or dates of the services you would like to attend (4) if the service is already fully booked, we will contact you well in advance.

Also, a reminder that our Annual Meeting will be held on-line this year, on Sunday 22nd November, from 2.00pm to 3.30pm. The Annual Report is now available on the parish website: <https://www.stpeters.org.au/annual-meeting> Contact Kosta in the Parish Office if you would like us to mail you a hard copy.

You'll be able to join the meeting on the day by clicking the link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88588473785> Or alternatively, you can simply phone into the Annual Meeting by calling: 03-7018-2005. You will be asked to enter the Meeting ID: 885-8847-3785 and then you'll be able to hear the whole meeting on your phone, and also speak to the meeting if you would like. If you are not familiar with Zoom, please phone the Parish Office, and we can book you in for a tutorial with one of the parish staff members ahead of the meeting.

As the Annual Meeting is just two weeks away, according to the Parish Governance Act 2013 regulations, the Nominations for Office and the Electoral Roll are now closed. Even if you are not on the Electoral Roll, you are still very welcome to attend the Annual Meeting, but you just won't be able to vote. At this stage the only vote required is the election of the Incumbency Committee members, which will be undertaken by e-mail and post this year because we are not meeting in person. Those on the Electoral Roll will receive an e-mail this week (or a letter in the post if you don't have an e-mail) from the Returning Officer, our Parish Council Secretary, Daniel Mitterdorfer. Any questions, do call the Parish Office on 03-9662-2391.



Parish Governance Act 2013
Schedule 1: 17.1, 10.1 (modified)
and s21 (4) & (4a)

Annual Meeting

22 November 2020

Parish of St Peter, Melbourne



Agenda Item 12.1: Election of Churchwardens

There being **TWO (2)** nominations received for the two (2) vacancies for the office of **Churchwarden**:

FERGUSON, Daniel

ELLYARD, Rachel

An election is NOT required.

Agenda Item 12.2: Election of Parish Council

There being **SEVEN (7)** nominations received for the eleven (11) vacancies for the office of **Parish Council Member**:

DRUMMOND, Helen

GRIFFIN, Peter

HIBBERD, Stuart

MITTERDORFER, Daniel

PORTER, Terry

WILD, Peter

WUTTKE, Sue

An election is NOT required.

Agenda Item 12.3: Election of Incumbency Committee

There being **THREE (3)** nominations received for the two (2) vacancies for the office of **Incumbency Committee Member**:

KELLETT, Bruce

O'CONNOR, Carol

WILSON, Craig

An election IS required.

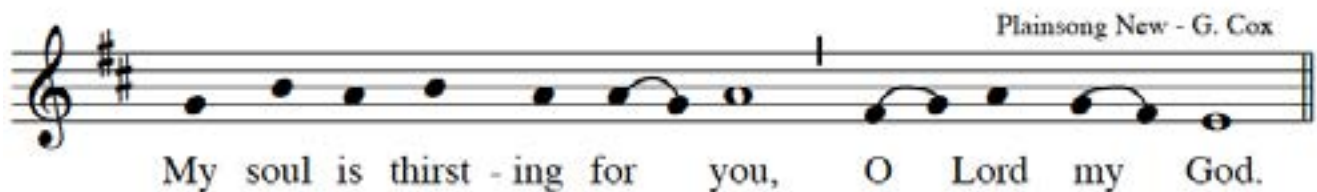
Daniel Mitterdorfer, PARISH SECRETARY

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

First Reading: Wisdom 6.12-16

Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

Psalm 63.1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-7



O God, you are my God, I seek you,
my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. R.
So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.
Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you. R.
So I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.
My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips. R.
I think of you on my bed,
and meditate on you in the watches of the night;
for you have been my help,
and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy. R.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Gospel: Matthew 25.1-13

When talking about his coming in glory, Jesus spoke this parable to the disciples: "The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

Mary Grima, Siew-Hung, Bradley James, Babu Mathew, Alice McCraith, Jack Mulready, Lyn Nicholas, Liz Prideaux, John Small, John Stewart BISHOP, Annette Wood, Paul Wheelton, George and Charles and Victoria.

AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, Chris Bennie, Michael Boyle PRIEST, Tania Burdick, Joe Butscher PRIEST, John Crocker, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Grace James, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Liz Prideaux, Margaret Sutherland, Evelina Thornton, Joan Waldren-Small, Barbara Ure-Smith

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: Jack Wilcox

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun	8	Ian Robert Anderson, Constance Robbins, Julian Thornton
Mon	9	Douglas George Sydney Dowe, Margaret Sawers, Martin Dorman Smith, Victoria Warr, Louisa Wray
Tue	10	Dulcie Jean Davis, Leon Marshall-Wood PRIEST, Martha Owen
Wed	11	James Pettett Callinan
Thu	12	Percy Hume, Sarah McDougall, Margaret Mildred Sawers, Lawrie Styles PRIEST, Stanley Graham Wells
Fri	13	Doreen Ata, Joseph Blakson
Sat	14	Cyril Briggs, Sylvia Isabel Lacey, Owen Ingram Richards

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

Monday

Ps 22.1-22
Jonah 1
Matthew 22.34-46

Pss 22.23-32; 23
Bel and the Dragon 1-22
Revelation 3.1-6

Leo of Rome, Bishop and teacher (d. 461)

Tuesday

Ps 25
Jonah 2
Matthew 23.1-15

Ps 27
Bel and the Dragon 23-44
Revelation 3.7-13

Martin, Bishop of Tours (d. c. 387)

Wednesday

Pss 28 & 29
Jonah 3
Matthew 23.16-28

Pss 30 & 32
Wisdom 1.1-15
Revelation 3.14-22

Charles Simeon priest and evangelist (d. 1836)

Thursday

Ps 33
Jonah 4
Matthew 23.29-39

Ps 31
Wisdom 1.16-2.11
Revelation 4

Friday

Ps 35.1-17
Susanna 1-33
Matthew 24.1-14

Pss 35.18-29 & 36
Wisdom 2.12-24
Revelation 5

Saturday

Ps 34
Susanna 34-64
Matthew 24.15-31

Ps 119.17-40
Wisdoms 3.1-15
Revelation 6.1-11

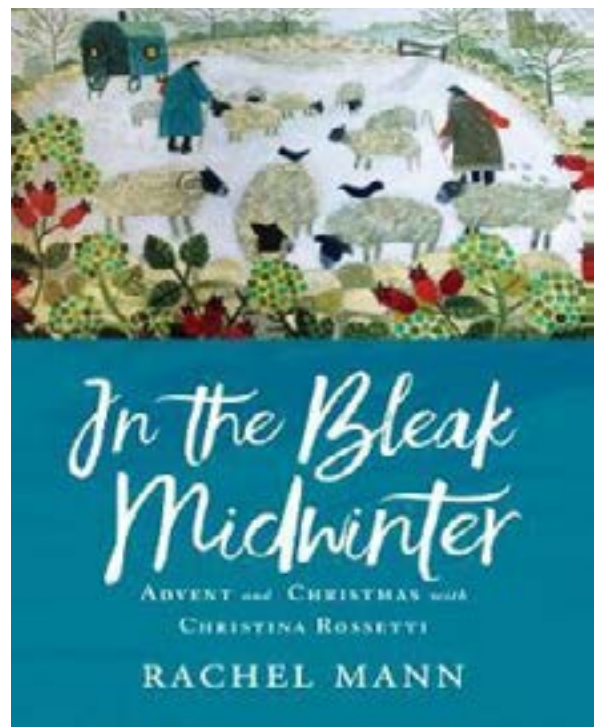
ADVENT GROUP AT ST PETER'S

In the Bleak Midwinter: Advent and Christmas with Christina Rossetti, Ed by Rachel Mann. (\$34.95)

Carol O'Connor, our Bookroom manager, is offering an Advent Group to meet each Tuesday evening by zoom at 7.30pm during December based on this book by Rachel Mann.

Rossetti's rich and wondrous faith provides an inspiring seasonal companion particularly for this 2020 Advent period during a world pandemic. How can we celebrate the joy of Christmas this year?

These 50 choice poems, one for each day of the Advent and Christmas season, are there, as Church of England priest and poet Rachel Mann says, for anyone who wants to 'peel back the pages of a book and think: How can I encounter God during this season.'



'Come. Look. See. Taste these poems and be prepared to be surprised. Rossetti wants us to go through her words and encounter God, the very centre of our being, our reality and life's core.'

Please email the Bookroom bookroom@stpeters.org.au or phone Carol directly (mob: 0400 334 882) if you would like to be part of this group. We are currently holding some copies of the book, but extra copies will take a week to 10 days to come in.

HOLDING THE LIGHT

AN ECUMENICAL SERVICE REMEMBERING VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF FAMILY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER At 2.30pm

You are warmly invited to this time of remembering victims and survivors of family domestic violence.

to be held at

**ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL
15 GISBORNE STREET, EAST MELBOURNE, VIC 3002**

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the numbers allowed to gather in person may be restricted, so please register your interest with TryBooking, and we will let you know more details nearer the time: [click here](#)

The service will also be live-streamed and recorded on the St Peter's Facebook page and St Peter's YouTube Channel, if you would like to join us in this way: [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#)



SUPPORT OUR CHRISTMAS APPEAL

We've been helping the homeless every day for the last 28 years, but 2020 has been a very challenging year – each week, we've had four times the usual number of people come to us for help. And many of them are different people to those we usually see.

The pandemic has left many young people and international students destitute in our city. The jobs have dried up, they are not eligible for government assistance and they've been going hungry.

Fortunately, thanks to your support and the work of our wonderful staff and volunteers in the Social Enterprise, we've been able to work with State Parliament House to distribute cooked meals as well as staples like milk and bread, providing an important lifeline to these needy young people and others in similar need..

We're now launching our Christmas appeal to help get everyone through summer.

If you're in a position to help with a donation, please give. In addition to continuing our program providing breakfast and packaged meals, we want to provide a Christmas package to those we support. Something to help restore a sense of dignity and bring some joy to those doing it tough.



- **FEEDING OVER 450 PEOPLE A WEEK**
- **50,000 MEALS DISTRIBUTED SINCE MARCH**
- **PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER BEFORE NEEDED HELP**



ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL
Melbourne-Charitable Foundation

www.spehcf.com.au/donations

Or call us on 9662 2391.
Donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible.
Thank you.

ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

GREAT NEWS!

We have now re-opened our doors on Gisborne St.
Normal Hours: Monday - Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm.

Come in and say hello!

All our Christmas Cards, 2021 Calendars and beautiful table Napkins are now in. You can also see them on our website.

www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/christmas-cards



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Office Hours. 9.30am – 2.00pm Monday-Thursday

Sunday Services

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

Clergy and Lay Ministers

Vicar:	Fr Hugh Kempster	0488 960 022
ASLM:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892
Clergy:	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976
	Fr Philip Gill	0480 101 711
	Fr Ken Letts	03 9662 2391
	Fr David Peake	0412 299 839
	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112
Klingner Scholar:	Xeverie Swee	03 9662 2391

Other Parish Ministries and Programs

Bookroom:	Carol O'Connor	03 9663 7487
Cell of O.L.O.W:	Eleanor Newton	03 9662 2391
Charitable Foundation:	Krystyna Campbell-Pretty	03 9662 2391
Children:	Katherine Barnett	03 9387 4089
COVID Safe & Child Safety Officer:	Rachel Ellyard	0419 335 793
Churchwardens:	Stephen Duckett (Vicar)	0447 837 741
	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
Pastoral Care:	Di Clark	0407 354 987
Prayer Link	Fr Roger Prowd	03 9662 2391
RMIT Chaplaincy:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892
Sacristan	Eugene Chin	03 9662 2391
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".*