

Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



'The Parable of The Talents', Willem de Poorters (c. 1500)

ORDINARY SUNDAY 33

15TH NOVEMBER 2020

Everliving God, before the earth was formed, and even after it shall cease to be, you are God. Break into our short span of life and show us those things that are eternal, that we may serve your purpose in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

VICAR'S MUSINGS

It is my pleasure to welcome back to St Peter's our guest preacher, the Rev'd Christine Angus. A former parishioner, Christine was ordained priest in the Ballarat Diocese in August last year; the first female member of the Servers' Guild to be priested in the history of our church. Although continuing to serve God in the Ballarat Diocese, Bishop Garry has kindly said that he is happy for Christine to visit us at St Peter's a few times each year.

I am also delighted to announce that the Klingner Trustees have now selected our two 2021 Klingner Scholars: Xeverie Swee and Eugene Chin. Many of you will already know Xeverie, who has now been selected for a second year of scholarship. Eugene is also well known to parishioners, having served as Sacristan for the past two years, and will be entering the Diocesan Year of Discernment in 2021 alongside studying Theology at Trinity College Theological School.

As you are all probably well aware by now, our Annual Meeting will be held on-line next Sunday 22nd November, from 2.00pm to 3.30pm. The Annual Report and a draft of the 2021-23 Mission Action Plan are available on the parish website for you to read ahead of the meeting: <https://www.stpeters.org.au/annual-meeting>.

To join the meeting next Sunday at 2.00pm, click the link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88588473785> Or alternatively, you may prefer to phone into the Annual Meeting by calling: (03) 7018 2005. You will then be asked to enter the Meeting ID: 885-8847-3785 and you can hear the whole meeting on your phone, and also speak to the meeting if you would like. If you are not familiar with Zoom, or have any questions, please feel free to phone the Parish Office for help.

The nominations for Parish Office are listed opposite. As you can see, the Wardens and Parish Council members do not require an election, but there are three nominations for the two Incumbency Committee positions, so a vote is required. Everyone on the Electoral Roll will have received either an e-mail, or a hard-copy of the voting form from the Returning Officer, our Parish Council Secretary, Daniel Mitterdorfer. If you have any questions or concerns, do call the Parish Office on (03) 9662 2391 and we can put you in touch with Daniel.



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.

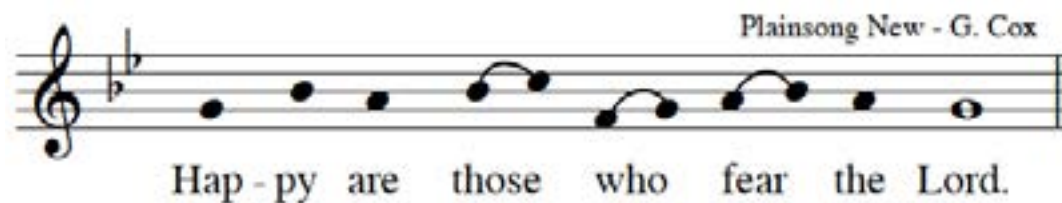
Daniel Mitterdorfer, PARISH SECRETARY

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

First Reading: Proverbs 31.10-13, 16-18, 20, 26, 28-31

A capable wife, who can find her? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

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: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-6

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness for that day to surprise you like a thief. You are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober.

Gospel: Matthew 24.36; 25.14-30

Jesus said to his disciples, "About the day and hour of the coming of the Son of Man, no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' "And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

Mary Grima, 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, Siew-Hung, Grace James, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Pat Slump, Margaret Sutherland, Evelina Thornton, Joan Waldren-Small, Barbara Ure-Smith

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun	15	Richard Lowther Horne Armstrong, Roy William Armstrong Beck, Wilfred Felthouse, Margaret Jefcott, Ivan Francis Southall
Mon	16	Helen Mills, Francis Morze PRIEST
Tue	17	Ernest Haisman, Grace Walters
Wed	18	Eda Bennie
Thu	19	John Mann, Florence Roberts, Victoria Youdan
Fri	20	Mary Newham, Gertrude Selina Rogers
Sat	21	Joseph Blackson, Percy Frost, Florence Myrtle Mater

THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these days of pandemic we are not currently able to gather in worship 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

Margaret of Scotland, Queen, helper of the poor (d. 1093)

Monday	Ps 38 Zechariah 9.1-10 Mark 24.32-51	Ps 39 Wisdom 4.7-20 Revelation 6.12-7.8
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Hilda of Whitby, abbess (d. 680), Hugh, bishop of Lincoln (d. 1200)

Tuesday	Ps 40 Zechariah 9.11-10.5 Mark 25.1-13	Pss 42 & 43 Wisdom 5 Revelation 7.9-17
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Wednesday	Pss 41 & 44.1-9 Zechariah 10.6-11.3 Matthew 25.14-30	Ps 44.10-27 Wisdom 6.17-7.6 Revelation 8
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Elizabeth of Hungary, Princess and Philanthropist (d. 1231)

Thursday	Ps 45 Zechariah 11.4-17 Matthew 25.31-46	Pss 46 & 47 Wisdom 6.17-7.6 Revelation 9.1-12
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Friday	Ps 48 Zechariah 12 Mark 1.1-13	Ps 49 Wisdom 7.7-20 Revelation 9.13-21
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Saturday	Ps 50 Zechariah 13 Mark 1.14-28	Ps 119.41.64 Wisdoms 17.21-8.4 Revelation 10
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PARISH DIARY

<i>Sunday 22nd November</i>	<p>Christ the King Parish Mass - 10:30am in the Church (please book a pew sphoffice@stpeters.org.au or join us on-line).</p> <p>Annual Meeting of the Parish - 2:00pm on-line https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88588473785</p>
<i>Wednesday 25th November</i>	<p>Parish Council Meeting - 7:30pm on Zoom</p>
<i>Sunday 29th November</i>	<p>Advent Parish Mass - 10:30am in the Church (please book a pew sphoffice@stpeters.org.au or join us on-line).</p> <p>“Holding the Light” remembering victims of domestic violence - 2:30pm (click here to book)</p>
<i>Monday 30th November</i>	<p>World Aids Day Mass - 6:15pm in the Church. We pray for the souls of people in our community and beyond who have died of AIDS-related illnesses, and stand in solidarity with people living with AIDS. please book a pew sphoffice@stpeters.org.au or join us on-line</p>
<i>Tuesday 1st December</i>	<p>Advent <i>Lectio Divina</i> group - 12:00pm on Zoom. Fr Hugh, Fr Greg and Roland Ashby (contact vicar@stpeters.org.au)</p> <p>Advent Study Group on Christina Rosetti with Carol O'Connor - 5:00pm (contact bookroom@stpeters.org.au).</p> <p>Advent Webinar with Bp Kate Prowd and Rev'd Dr Wendy Crouch - 7:00pm (www.trybooking.com/BMRVK)</p>

NewsStand

The NewsStand 6 - 12 November

November *TMA* is online now [here](#). The print editions of November and December *TMA* will be posted out to arrive by the **second Sunday** of each month, as is customary for what are usually our Synod and Christmas editions respectively.



In this week's *TMA* Newsstand:

- Appellate Tribunal clears the way for same-sex union blessing
- How Biden's faith will shape his presidency
- CoE publishes major major teaching resource on identity, sexuality
- Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, who passed away this week, on humility
- Vatican report says Pope John Paul II knew of misconduct allegation two decades before cardinal's removal
- and more...

[Click here for The NewsStand](#)



Exploring Faith Matters

(Formerly Education for Ministry Australia)

Interested in exploring the Christian faith in some depth?

The Exploring Faith Matters program offers participants an opportunity to:

- Read, study, reflect and integrate the Hebrew scriptures, the New Testament, Church History, Theology & Ethics into your own daily life
- Be challenged, empowered and resourced for ministry
- Be supported and encouraged in a small learning community that combines weekly on-line seminars using zoom and occasional face to face gatherings

Register for a zoom Information Evening on **Tuesday November 17th** at **7.30pm** by emailing efm@efmaustralia.org

Our next EfM group will commence in February 2021.

For registration and/or information: www.efmaustralia.org or contact Greg Davies [EfM National Director] on 0417 992 976.

www.efmaustralia.org

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](#)

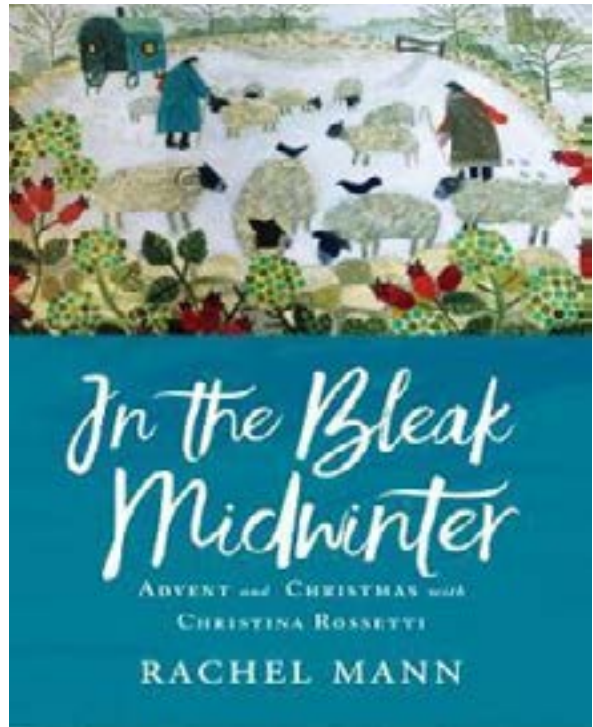
ADVENT GROUP AT ST PETER'S

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 based on this book by Rachel Mann on Zoom. The Group will meet first on Tuesday 1st December at 5.00pm, and subsequent Tuesdays during Advent at 7:30pm.

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.

St Peter's Eastern Hill Webinar



ADVENT: LIMINALITY & HOPE
TUESDAY 1ST DEC AT 7:00 PM

As we commence Advent, at the end of an extraordinary year in the collective liminal space of the global pandemic, **Bishop Kate Prowd** and **Rev'd Dr Wendy Crouch** will be reflecting with us on our journey through the 'betwixt and between' of liminal spaces with their gifts as well as challenges.

Bishop Kate Prowd was ordained deacon (1986) and priest (1992) during years of intense debate over the ordination of women. Her consecration as bishop took place in October 2018. Kate's clerical appointments have all been in the Melbourne Diocese, in both parish and school chaplaincy. Kate is also a Clinical Psychologist. She has a particular vocational and professional interest in clergy wellbeing, mission, and exploring the connections between spirituality and psychology.

The Reverend Dr Wendy Crouch is a priest in the Melbourne Anglican Diocese, currently ministering in the Richmond Anglican parishes. With a background as a clinical psychologist, she is passionate about using an integrative approach to applying insights from both psychology and spirituality to promote emotional and faith development

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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**



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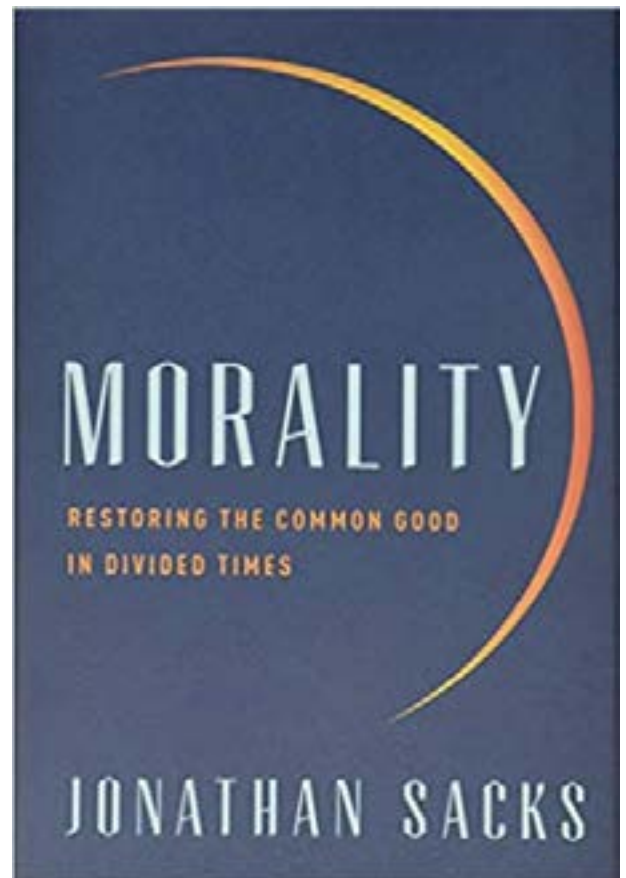
Or call us on 9662 2391.
Donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible.
Thank you.

ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

It was a shock to learn about the death of world spiritual leader Rabbi Jonathan Sacks this week. He leaves behind an amazing legacy of teaching and books.

Morality published this year, is a reclaiming of the deep truths about what it means to be human: we live not alone but connected into communities of others; human life holds intrinsic values which help orient us toward wholeness and the good life for each and everyone of us, and; all economies need ethics. **Morality** is a book for everyone to read. The lightness of Jonathan Sack's prose and relevance to our current world makes this book a rich, thought provoking read.

\$49.95



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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
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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
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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	0417 323 112
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".*