

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

7 July 2024

Before the service, speak with God; during the service, let God speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

SETTING AT 10 A.M.

Parish Eucharist Michael Dudman (1938–1994)

The service begins on p. 119 of **A Prayer Book for Australia** (The "Green" or "Blue" book)

Opening Hymn: 362

SENTENCE

Of Jesus many said, "What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands!"

Mark 6: 2

COLLECT

O Lord our God,
you are always more ready to bestow
your good gifts upon us
than we are to seek them;
and more willing to give than we desire or deserve:
in our every need,
grant us the first and best of all your gifts,
the Spirit who makes us your children.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING 2 Samuel 5: 1–10

A reading from the second book of Samuel.

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, 'Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.'

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So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for forty years.

At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah for thirty-three years.

The king and his men marched to Jerusalem against the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land, who said to David, 'You will not come in here, even the blind and the lame will turn you back'—thinking, 'David cannot come in here.' Nevertheless, David took the stronghold of Zion, which is now the city of David. David had said on that day, 'Whoever wishes to strike down the Jebusites, let him get up the water shaft to attack the lame and the blind, those whom David hates.' Therefore it is said, 'The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.'

David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inwards. And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 48

Response: In the city of our God is his holy hill.

- I. Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; in the city of our God is his holy hill.
- 2. Beautiful and lofty, is the hill of Zion, the very centre of the world and the city of the great King.
- 3. God is in her citadels; he is known to be her sure refuge.
- 4. Behold, the kings of the earth assembled and marched forward together.
- 5. They looked and were astounded; they retreated and fled in terror.

R.

6. Trembling seized them there; thy writhed like a woman in childbirth, like ships of the sea when an east wind shatters them.

R.

- 7. As we have heard, so have we seen, in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God; God has established her for ever.
- 8. We have waited in silence on your loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of your temple.

R.

- 9. Your praise, like your name, O God, reaches to the world's end; your right hand is full of justice.
- 10. Let Mount Zion be glad, let the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgements.

R.

- 11. Make the circuit of Zion, walk round about her; count the number of her towers.
- 12. Consider her bulwarks; examine her strongholds; that you may tell those who come after.
- 13. This God is God for ever and ever; he shall be our guide for evermore.

R.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 12: 2–10

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I know a person in Christ

who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows.

And I know that such a person—

whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses.

But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth.

But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations.

Therefore, to keep me from being too elated,

a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me,

'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.'

So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses,

so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 394

GOSPEL Mark 6: 1–13

Alleluia! Alleluia!

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The Spirit of the Lord is upon me: he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.

On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him.

Then Jesus said to them,

'Prophets are not without honour, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.'

And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics.

He said to them.

'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; The Anglican Church of Australia; St John's Bentleigh; Holy Name Vermont South; St Paul's Geelong; St Stephen's Gardenvale and Anglican Criminal Justice Ministry Chaplaincy.

For all in need

Christopher; +Garry; Jenny; Kim and Mary.

For the Faithful Departed

We remember those who have died recently: Jeffrey (Frank) Edward Turner; and whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Patricia Corless; Shirley Elizabeth Edwards; Mary Diane Gibson; John Giggins; Prudence Julia Lanigan; Margaret Ilona Minchin; Margaret Osmond; Elizabeth Weeks and Sheila Elin Joyce (Joyce) Wikkramatileke.

Offertory Hymn: 295

Final Hymn: 466

Postlude: Allegro and Figure, Sonata #2 in C By Felix Mendelssohn (1809 – 1847)

Scripture Readings next week

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 6:12b-19

Psalm 24

Ephesians I:I-I4

Mark 6:14-29

| Roster for Today | | Roster for Next Sunday | |
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| SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | | EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | |
| 7 July 2024 | | 14 July 2024 | |
| 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist | | 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist | |
| Sides-person | Simon Dickie | Sides-person | Simon Dickie |
| Acolyte | Malcolm Tadgell | Acolyte | Ravi Renjen |
| Eucharistic Assistants | Bryan Elmes Helen Baddeley | Eucharistic Assistants | Judy Mallinson Bryan Elmes |
| Intercessor | Malcolm Tadgell | Intercessor | Jenny Robertson |
| Readers | Jenny Robertson David Shepperd | Readers | Lorilae Garcia David Sheppard |
| 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist | | 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist | |
| Sides-persons | Sandra Morgan Ewan Morgan | Sides-persons | Melissa Carson Sandra Morgan |
| Acolytes | Pam Goodes Pam Felgate | Acolytes | Pam Goodes Philip Jenkins |
| Eucharistic Assistants | Geraldine Powell Judy Mallinson | Eucharistic Assistants | Pam Goodes Ewan Morgan |
| Intercessor | Judy Wright | Intercessor | Judy Wright |
| Readers | John Batt Vincent Amos | Readers | Ray Lester Geraldine Powell |
| Morning Tea | Robyn Whitehouse Suzanne Lennie | Morning Tea | David Amos Pam Felgate |
| Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist | | Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist | |
| Sides-person | Judy Wright | Sides-person | Judy Wright |
| Reader | Judy Wright | Reader | Judy Wright |

Of your charity, please **continue to pray** for those in long term need or sickness: His Majesty The King; HRH The Princess of Wales; Angus; Ann; Geoff; Ivan and Liza; Jane; Joan; Keith and Erica; Rehan; Roma; Sarah; Simon; and Stephen.

The Week Ahead

| Monday | Book Club |
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| Thursday | Benedict of Nursia, abbot (d. 550) |
| Saturday | Sydney James Kirkby, bishop, pioneer of outback ministry and the Bush Church Aid Society (d. 1935) |

A reminder that the Daily Offices (Morning and Evening Prayer) are prayed in St Martin's Chapel each Monday – Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. respectively, and can be joined via Zoom at:

Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m., Monday - Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRIdmIXWDQ4Zz09

Evening Prayer 5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

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NOTICES

The Vicar is on leave and returns on Tuesday July 16.

Book club will meet tomorrow 8 July in the North room at 2.00 pm. We will discuss the book *Limberlost* by Robbie Arnott. All welcome, contact Sandra Morgan 0448884306.

Spiritual Cafe - Save the Dates: Our next guest speaker on **July 16** is Carol O'Connor who works at St Peter's Bookroom at St Peter's Eastern Hill, Melbourne. She is a writer, retreat conductor, has a background in Classical Studies and a Masters in English Literature. Her topic is 'A Pocketful of Thoughts Upon the Poetry of Mary Oliver'.

Join us for dinner at Giorgio's, 1235 High St Armadale (enter Glenferrie Rd) at 6.30 p.m. For bookings, please email: office@stgeorgesmalvern.org or call 9822 3030.

Message of thanks from Sr Brigid for supporting the Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project, "You are simply amazing. Your gifts of household goods and the cash donations are so great. With it we can help the folk who come here, often destitute. They often thank us, and we tell them we can help them because so many good people give us money and things we can then give them. Some have no accommodation — some more are just going from place to place for a room. We would like a political change where everyone got work rights and some money to be able to survive while they are in Australia. In the meantime, (they and we) rely on people like yourselves. Every time it is I degree or not much more, I think of people sleeping outside. So again, thanks for enabling alleviating the situation for quite a number. And thanks Charles for continuing to be the cog in the wheel that ensures this help happens."

Brass Cleaning Group – New members required! For various reasons, in the last twelve months the group has lost six members. In order to maintain the church brass bright and shining, we need additional members. The duties involve about an hour's work generally on a Friday morning. We work in pairs, and depending on the numbers in the group, are rostered for duty every four to six weeks. Please contact the Convenor, John Mallinson on Mob: 0414 682 036, or Email: johnmall3@iinet.net.au

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We acknowledge the Boon Wurrung and Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the Traditional Custodians of the land upon which we meet.

We pay our respects to their Elders past and present, acknowledge their continuing spiritual connection to Country, and affirm our commitment to walk together the path of reconciliation.