



**ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH,
MALVERN**

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

9 MARCH, 2025



8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

The service may be followed from p. 119 in A Prayer Book for Australia (APBA – the green book, or blue pamphlet), with seasonal material for Lent (p. 151)

Setting at 10:00 a.m.:

Parish Eucharist – Michael Dudman (1938–94)

At 10 a.m., we sing together the Lent Prose as our Introit.

Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.

To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory:
lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings:
listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

**Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.**

The Celebrant greets the people:

Bless the Lord, who forgives all our sins.
Whose mercy endures forever.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Sentence:

Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.

Luke 4:8

We sing together:

Lord, have mercy. (3 times)
Christ, have mercy. (3 times)
Lord, have mercy. (3 times)

During Lent, the ancient Hymn of Praise, Gloria in excelsis, is omitted.

Instead, we say together another ancient refrain, the Trisagion:

**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.**

Collect of the Day and the Season:

O saving God,
who led your people through the wilderness
and brought them to the promised land:
so guide us that, following our Saviour,
we may walk through the wilderness of this world
and be brought to the glory of the world which is to come;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God,
you hate nothing that you have made,
and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent:
create and make in us new and contrite hearts,
that we, worthily lamenting our sins,
and acknowledging our wretchedness,
may obtain of you, the God of all mercy,
perfect remission and forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

A reading from the book Deuteronomy.

Moses spoke to the people, saying:

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.'

When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous.

When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Hear the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91:1–2, 9–16 (at 8:00 a.m.)

Response: Be with me, O LORD, in trouble.

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High,
abides under the shadow of the Almighty,
- 2 He will say to the LORD, 'You are my refuge and my stronghold;
my God, in whom I put my trust.'.... **R.**
- 9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge,
and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you,
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling. **R.**
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you
to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands,
lest you dash your foot against a stone. **R.**
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and the adder;
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him;
I will protect him, because he knows my name. **R.**

15 He shall call upon me and I will answer him;
I am with them in trouble,
I will rescue him and bring him honour.

16 With long life will I satisfy him,
and show him my salvation.

R.

(at 10:00 a.m.)



1. Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the most High:
shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
2. I will say unto the LORD, Thou art my hope and my stronghold:
my God in him will I trust....
9. For thou LORD art my hope:
thou hast set thine house of defence very high.
10. There shall no evil happen unto thee:
neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
11. For he shall give his angels charge over thee:
to keep thee in all thy ways.
12. They shall bear thee in their hands:
that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.
13. Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder:
the young lion and the: dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.
14. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him:
I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.
15. He shall call upon me and I will hear him:
yea I am with him in trouble,
I will deliver him and bring him to honour.
16. With long life will I satisfy him: and shew him my salvation.

SECOND READING

Romans 10:4–13

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

For Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that ‘the person who does these things will live by them.’

But the righteousness that comes from faith says,

‘Do not say in your heart, “Who will ascend into heaven?” ’

(that is, to bring Christ down) ‘or “Who will descend into the abyss?” ’ (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

‘The word is near you,

on your lips and in your heart’

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);

because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord

and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, ‘No one who believes in him will be put to shame.’

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek;

the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.

For, ‘Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

Reader Hear the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Luke 4:1–15

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

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No one lives on bread alone,

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan
and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness,
where for forty days he was tempted by the devil.
He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over,
he was famished.

The devil said to him,
'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.'

Jesus answered him,
'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone." '

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of
the world. And the devil said to him,

'To you I will give their glory and all this authority;
for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please.

If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.'

Jesus answered him, 'It is written,

"Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him." '

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem,

and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him,

'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you,
to protect you",

and

"On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." '

Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' "

When the devil had finished every test,
he departed from him until an opportune time.

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee,
and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country.

He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers are offered for the world, the Church, for our local community, those sick or “in any other adversity”, and we also pray for the faithful departed, knowing they pray for us.

For the Anglican Church

The Anglican Church of Canada; The Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn;
St John’s, Frankston North w. St Luke’s, Carrum Downs; St Bartholomew’s, Burnley;
St Phillip’s, Collingwood; St Mark’s, Emerald; St Paul’s, Ringwood;
Brimbank Anglican Parish; and Melbourne Girls’ Grammar School.

For all in need

May all who are in trouble, in need or sickness find peace and refreshment in you.

We pray for: Ann; Carole and family; Coral; Pope Francis; Helen; John; Margaret; Marilyn;
Nigel; Patricia; Ravi; and Roma; and those we name before you in the silence of our hearts.

For the Faithful Departed

Those whose anniversary of death occurs this week: Stanford Ames; Thomas (Ray) Casey;
Wilma Cuming; Gladys Harris; Nellie King; Willard May; Michael Frederick Malcom Sexton;
and Jennifer Tonoli.

**We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.**

We are not worthy

so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.

But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,

so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,

and to drink his blood,

that we may evermore dwell in him

and he in us. Amen.

Offertory Hymn: 70

During Communion, the following Anthem is sung by choir:

*Holy, holy, holy
God almighty Lord!
Holy, holy, holy
Everywhere adored!*

*He without beginning
He th’eternal one
Reigns and rules for ever
All things ’neath the sun*

*Power and love and wonder
Circling round his throne
Praise him, holy, holy
Lord of life alone.*

Music: Franz Schubert (1797–1828)

Final Hymn: 67

Postlude: Fugue from Sonata No: 6, on Vater Unser im Himmelreich

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809–47)

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK – SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Genesis 15:1–12; 17–18
Philippians 3:17– 4:1

Psalm 27
Luke 13:31–35

The Week Ahead

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=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRldmIXWDQ4Zz09>

Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

<https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRldmIXWDQ4Zz09>

Lenten Zoom Study Group

7:30 p.m., Wednesday

Meeting ID: 868 9252 3142; Passcode: 744866

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86892523142?pwd=MlczZlJRempKL0hrQThORXBFeFFBdz09>

Eternal God, shepherd and guide,
in your mercy give your Church in this diocese
a shepherd after your own heart
who will walk in your ways,
and with loving care watch over your people.
Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth.
So may your Church be built up
and your name glorified;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NOTICES

A huge thank you to Sandra and Ewan Morgan who (yet again and still) ensured a wonderful evening of pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. It was good to see a large group of parishioners present.

Lenten Studies, using the book *Many Roads to Easter* by Fr Andrew Hamilton, SJ, begin this week. One group will meet via Zoom on Wednesday evening (7:30 p.m. – Zoom link: Meeting ID: 868 9252 3142; Passcode: 744866. And see further above). The other group will meet in person on Thursday mornings, immediately after the 10:15 a.m. Eucharist (i.e., from around 11:30 a.m.), beginning on **March 13**.

Book club will meet on March 17 in the North room at 2.00 p.m. We will discuss the book *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano. All welcome.

The Living Well Centre is conducting a Central Australia Pilgrimage on Saturday, July 26 to Sunday, August 3, 2025. The hosts are Cath Connelly and John Stewart. This is an invitation to be on Country amidst the silence of stunning landscape and to be immersed in the ancient wisdom of our First Nation peoples – Alice Springs, King’s Canyon, Simpson’s Gap, Hermannsburg and Stanley Chasm and make our way towards Uluru, heartbeat of Australia. All the details are on the brochure on the service counter.

The Faithful Departed are prayed for each Sunday. This is a long-standing practice of the Church, which reflects the statement in the Creed: “We believe... in the communion of saints” – that is, that all the living and departed are held, by God’s grace and mercy, in one *living* communion.

If you wish to remember the names of friends or relatives (or any others who have inspired you in your journey of faith), please provide their **full** name and the date on which they were born into eternal life (i.e., **date of death**) to Adrian: office@stgeorgesmalvern.org. Their names can then be included at their “years’ mind”.

Roster for today FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT 9 March 2025		Roster for next week SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT 16 March 2025	
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Campbell Paine	Sides-person	Miriam Cherry
Acolyte	Bryan Elmes	Acolyte	Malcolm Tadgell
Eucharistic Assistants	Betty Renjen Miriam Cherry	Eucharistic Assistants	Helen Baddeley Bryan Elmes
Intercessor	Jenny Roberston	Intercessor	Venetia Patchett
Readers	Helen Baddeley Hamish Tadgell	Readers	Jenny Robertson Campbell Paine
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-persons	Tim Lennie Suzanne Lennie	Sides-persons	Geraldine Powell David Powell
Acolytes	Meg Winter Niko Nikolakopoulos	Acolytes	Pam Felgate Jenny Macpherson
Eucharistic Assistants	Ewan Morgan Geraldine Powell	Eucharistic Assistants	Meg Winter Clergy
Intercessor	Jenny Macpherson	Intercessor	Judy Wright
Readers	Riley Brooks Gracemary Huntley	Readers	Niko Nikolakopoulos Brian Tobin
Morning Tea	Sandra Morgan Ewan Morgan	Morning Tea	Claire Sheppard Cynthia Kunaratnam
Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Judy Wright	Sides-person	Andrea King
Reader	Judy Wright	Reader	Andrea King

Of your charity, **please continue to pray** for those in long term need or sickness:
His Majesty the King; Ann; Geoff; Ivan; Jane; Joan; Liza; Sarah; and Simon.

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*We acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung and Bunurong peoples
of the East Kulin nations*

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 and living connection to Country,
and affirm our commitment to walk together the path of reconciliation.*