

St James' Old Cathedral

6th September 2026 at 10:00am

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Father's Day

Hebrews 5:8-6:12

*Service of Holy Communion from
A Prayer Book for Australia (1995)*



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Acknowledgement of Country

We worship our creator God on the ancestral lands of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation. We acknowledge them as the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

Child Safety Officer

We are committed to continuous improvement in a safe culture for all, and especially vulnerable persons. Our parish's Child Safety Officer is Una Ebsworth. Una is an accredited specialist in criminal law. All correspondence and questions relating to safety checks should be forwarded to her at safety@sjoc.org.au

The Old Cathedral Voices

Formed in March 2009 from some of Melbourne's finest choral soloists, The Old Cathedral Voices are a consort choir directed by Alex Ritter. Today's singers are:

Eliza Bennetts	Lily Flynn	Maggie Dunleavy
Lucy Nieuwesteeg	Alex Ritter	Jenny George
Tanum Shipp	Elias Elwyn	Jack Jordan
Matthew Crossley	Mike Mews	

The Organ

The present organ was built in 1991 by Australian Pipe Organs, restoring and expanding the 1866 Fincham organ. 2 manuals, 18 speaking stops, 8 couplers. Gt: 8.8.4.4.2.III. Sw: 8.8.8.4.2.III.8. Ped: 16.16.10-2/3.8.4.

The Old Cathedral's organist is David Brown. David undertook studies as an organ scholar at the Universities of Cambridge and St Andrews. He also serves as College Organist for Scotch College.

The Bells

Melbourne's first peal of bells were the six bells hung in St James' Cathedral in 1853, replacing an old ship's bell. Two more were added in 1885. All were cast by Mears and Stainbank of Whitechapel Road, London, and are reputed to be the finest ever cast there. They are still rung regularly by a team of volunteers.

Processional

Thou knowest, Lord

The Old Cathedral Voices

H. Purcell (1659-1695)

*Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts;
shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayer,
but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty,
O holy and most merciful Saviour,
thou most worthy judge eternal,
suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death,
to fall from thee. Amen.*

1662 BCP Burial Service

Greeting

Lwe Moo San Tay

We want each one of you to show the same diligence
so as to realise the full assurance of hope to the very end,
so that you may not become sluggish, but imitators of those
who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Hebrews 6:11-12

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

Prayer of Preparation

Lwe Moo San Tay

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Welcome

Lwe Moo San Tay

Through Christ, then,

let us offer a continual sacrifice of praise to God:

the fruit of lips that confess his name. *Heb 13:15*

Hymn 516 (Ottawa)

F. R. Havergal (1836-79)

**Master, speak, thy servant heareth,
waiting for thy gracious word,
longing for thy voice that cheereth;
Master, let it now be heard.**

**I am listening, Lord, for thee:
what hast thou to say to me?**

**Speak to me by name, O Master,
let me know it is to me;
speak, that I may follow faster,
with a step more firm and free,
where the shepherd leads the flock
in the shadow of the rock.**

**Master, speak: and make me ready,
when thy voice is truly heard,
with obedience glad and steady
still to follow every word.**

**I am listening, Lord, for thee:
Master, speak, O speak to me!**

Father's Day Prayers

Lwe Moo San Tay

*God and Father of us all, **teach us to love like you.***

We thank you, Lord, for all loving fathers,
men who have nurtured, encouraged and taught us.

We thank you for their self-sacrifice,
their generosity, their hard work,
their provisions for our needs,
and the simple consolation of their presence.

*God and Father of us all, **teach us to love like you.***

We thank you, Lord, for adopting fathers,
who remind us of our adoption as your children;
for foster fathers, and father figures,
men who fill the breach for the fatherless.

*God and Father of us all, **teach us to love like you.***

We commit to your wholesome fatherly care
those wounded by their fathers,
those neglected by their fathers,
and those separated from their fathers.

*God and Father of us all, **teach us to love like you.***

Be near, Lord, to console grieving fathers
in the loss or estrangement of their children.
Renew the strength of fathers whose patience wears thin;
renew the gratitude of children who take them for granted;
and help us, where we can, to honour our fathers today
with the joy of unconditional love.

*God and Father of us all, **teach us to love like you. Amen.***

The Commandments

Lwe Moo San Tay

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one;
you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul,
and with all your mind,
and with all your strength.’

Jesus said: ‘This is the great and first commandment.
And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

The Collect

Lwe Moo San Tay

O God, without you
we are not able to please you:
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

Lwe Moo San Tay

See that you do not refuse the One who is speaking.
The word of God is living and active...
it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.
Heb 12:25; Heb 4:12

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father,
give us wisdom and understanding.
As we listen to your Word,
may we know you better,
love you more,
and learn to please you in all we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gathering for Children's Chapel

Dr Matthew Champion

We offer an age-appropriate experience of the Ministry of the Word for children, led today by Dr Matthew Champion. They are invited to process out to the conference centre, as the choir sings. They will return for Holy Communion.

Childsafe Policy: Children's Chapel is supervised at all times by at least two unrelated adults with current Clearance for Service from Kooyoora.

Meditation

The Old Cathedral Voices

Teach me, O Lord

P. Stopford (b. 1977)

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes;

and I shall keep it unto the end.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law;

yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

Make me to go in the path of thy commandments;

for therein is my desire.

Incline my heart unto thy testimonies,

and not to covetousness.

O turn away mine eyes lest they behold vanity;

and quicken me in thy way.

O stablish thy word, thy word in thy servant,

that I may fear thee. Amen.

Psalm 119:33-39a

¹²Now the sons of Eli (the high priest) were scoundrels;
they had no regard for the LORD

¹³or for the duties of the priests to the people. (...)

²²Now Eli was very old.

He heard all that his sons were doing to all Israel,
and how they lay with the women
who served at the entrance to the tent of meeting.

²³He said to them, 'Why do you do such things?
For I hear of your evil dealings from all these people.

²⁴No, my sons; it is not a good report
that I hear the people of the LORD spreading abroad.

²⁵If one person sins against another,
someone can intercede for the sinner with the LORD;
but if someone sins against the LORD,
who can make intercession?'

But they would not listen to the voice of their father;
for it was the will of the LORD to kill them.

²⁶Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature
and in favour with the LORD and with the people.

²⁷A man of God came to Eli and said to him, 'Thus the LORD has said,
"I revealed myself to the family of your ancestor in Egypt
when they were slaves to the house of Pharaoh.

²⁸I chose him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest,
to go up to my altar, to offer incense,
to wear an ephod before me;
and I gave to the family of your ancestor
all my offerings by fire from the people of Israel.

²⁹Why then look with greedy eye at my sacrifices
and my offerings that I commanded,
and honour your sons more than me
by fattening yourselves on the choicest parts
of every offering of my people Israel?"

³⁰Therefore the LORD the God of Israel declares:
"I promised that your family and the family of your ancestor
should go in and out before me for ever";
but now the LORD declares: "Far be it from me;
for those who honour me I will honour,
and those who despise me shall be treated with contempt.

³¹See, a time is coming when I will cut off your strength
and the strength of your ancestor's family,
so that no one in your family will live to old age.

³²Then in distress you will look with greedy eye
on all the prosperity that shall be bestowed upon Israel;
and no one in your family shall ever live to old age.

³³The only one of you whom I shall not cut off from my altar
shall be spared to weep out his eyes and grieve his heart;
all the members of your household shall die by the sword.

³⁴The fate of your two sons, Hophni and Phinehas,
shall be the sign to you—
both of them shall die on the same day.

³⁵I will raise up for myself a faithful priest,
who shall do according to what is in my heart and in my mind.
I will build him a sure house,
and he shall go in and out before my anointed one for ever.

Hear the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1

Lwe Moo San Tay

Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the ungodly:

**nor followed the way of sinners,
nor taken their seat amongst the scornful.**

But their delight is in the law of the Lord:

and on that law will they ponder day and night.

They are like trees planted beside streams of water:

that yield their fruit in due season.

Their leaves also shall not wither:

and look, whatever they do, it shall prosper.

As for the ungodly, it is not so with them:

they are like the chaff which the wind scatters.

Therefore the ungodly shall not stand up at the judgement:

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

For the Lord cares for the way of the righteous:

but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

- ⁸Although Jesus was a Son,
he learned obedience through what he suffered,
⁹and having been made perfect,
he became the source of eternal salvation
for all who obey him,
¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest
according to the order of Melchizedek.
- ¹¹About this we have much to say that is hard to explain,
since you have become dull in understanding.
- ¹²For though by this time you ought to be teachers,
you need someone to teach you again
the basic elements of the oracles of God.
- You need milk, not solid food;
¹³for everyone who lives on milk, being still an infant,
is unskilled in the word of righteousness.
- ¹⁴But solid food is for the mature,
for those whose faculties have been trained by practice
to distinguish good from evil.
- ^{6:1}Therefore let us go on towards perfection,
leaving behind the basic teaching about Christ,
and not laying again the foundation:
repentance from dead works and faith towards God,
²instruction about baptisms, laying on of hands,
resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgement.
- ³And we will do this, if God permits.

⁴For it is impossible to restore again to repentance
those who have once been enlightened,
and have tasted the heavenly gift,
and have shared in the Holy Spirit,
⁵and have tasted the goodness of the word of God
and the powers of the age to come, ⁶and then have fallen away,
since on their own they are crucifying again the Son of God
and are holding him up to contempt.

⁷Ground that drinks up the rain falling on it repeatedly,
and that produces a crop useful to those
for whom it is cultivated,
receives a blessing from God.

⁸But if it produces thorns and thistles,
it is worthless and on the verge of being cursed;
its end is to be burned over.

⁹Even though we speak in this way, beloved,
we are confident of better things in your case,
things that belong to salvation.

¹⁰For God is not unjust; he will not overlook your work
and the love that you showed for his sake in serving the saints,
as you still do.

¹¹And we want each one of you to show the same diligence,
so as to realize the full assurance of hope to the very end,
¹²so that you may not become sluggish,
but imitators of those who through faith and patience
inherit the promises.

Hear the word of the Lord: **thanks be to God.**

Hymn 511 (Duke Street)

J. Monzell (1811-75)

**Fight the good fight with all thy might;
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;
lay hold on life, and it shall be
thy joy and crown eternally.**

**Run the straight race through God's good grace,
lift up thine eyes, and see his face;
life with its path before us lies;
Christ is the way, and Christ the prize.**

**Cast care aside, and on thy Guide
lean, and his mercy will provide,
lean, and the trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.**

**Faint not, nor fear; his arm is near;
he changes not, and thou art dear;
only believe, and thou shalt see
that Christ is all in all to thee.**

The Gospel is written in the eighth chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at the fourth verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ When a large crowd was gathering,
as people were coming to him from town after town,
Jesus said in a parable:

⁵ “A sower went out to sow his seed,
and as he sowed some fell on a path and was trampled on,
and the birds of the air ate it up.

⁶ Some fell on rock, and as it grew up it withered for lack of moisture.

⁷ Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it.

⁸ Some fell into good soil,
and when it grew it produced a hundredfold.”

As he said this, he called out, “If you have ears to hear, then hear!”

⁹ Then his disciples asked him what this parable meant.

¹⁰ He said, “To you it has been given to know
the secrets of the kingdom of God,
but to others I speak in parables, so that
*‘looking they may not perceive
and hearing they may not understand.’*”

¹¹ “Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

¹² The ones on the path are those who have heard;
then the devil comes
and takes away the word from their hearts,
so that they may not believe and be saved.

¹³ The ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word,
receive it with joy.

But these have no root; they believe only for a while
and in a time of testing fall away.

¹⁴ As for what fell among the thorns, these are the ones who hear,
but as they go on their way they are choked
by the cares and riches and pleasures of life,
and their fruit does not mature.

¹⁵ But as for that in the good soil, these are the ones who,
when they hear the word,
hold it fast in an honest and good heart
and bear fruit with endurance.

For the gospel of the Lord: **praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

Canon Matt Williams

Anthem

The Old Cathedral Voices

As Moses lifted up

F. J. Gostelow (1866-1942)

As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness:

*even so must the Son of Man be lifted up,
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish
but have eternal life.*

*For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in him
should not perish but have everlasting life.*

*For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but that the world through him might be saved. John 3:15-17*

He that shall endure to the end shall be saved. Matt 10:22

Let us together affirm the faith of the church:

**We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessory Prayers

Owen Billington

We do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathise with our weaknesses,
but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are,
yet without sin.

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,
so that we may receive mercy
and find grace to help in time of need. *Heb 4:15-16*

Response:

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who taught us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

Confession

Lwe Moo San Tay

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy,
welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

(Silence may be kept.)

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
confident in God's forgiveness.

**Merciful God, our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Absolution

Canon Matt Williams

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Greeting of Peace (All Stand)

Lwe Moo San Tay

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

*Remaining in our pews, we greet those immediately around us:
"Peace be with you."*

During this hymn, the Children's Chapel rejoin us for Holy Communion.

Hymn 486 (Wilton)

C. Wesley (1707-88)

**O thou who camest from above
the pure celestial fire to impart
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart.**

**There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.**

**Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up thy gift in me,
ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat,
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.**

Thanksgiving & Holy Communion

Canon Matt Williams

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our Lord and God,

that we should continually offer up

a sacrifice of praise to you,

the fruit of lips that confess your name. *Heb 13:15*

Long ago you spoke to our ancestors

in many and various ways by the prophets. *Heb 1:1*

You approved those who believed your promises, *Heb 11:2*

yet these, though commended for their faith,

did not receive what was promised,

since you had planned something better:

that only together with us would they be made perfect.

Heb 11:39-40

Now, in these last days, you have spoken to us by a Son,

whom you appointed heir of all things,

through whom you also created the worlds. *Heb 1:2*

He is the radiance of your glory

and the exact imprint of your very being,

and he sustains all things by his powerful word. *Heb 1:3*

He has appeared once for all at the end of the ages

to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself, *Heb 9:26*

establishing a new and better covenant. *Heb 8:6*

When he had made purification for sins:

he sat down at the right hand of the majesty on high,
having become as much superior to angels
as the name he has inherited
is more excellent than theirs. *Heb 1:3-4*

And so, joining our voices to countless angels in festal gathering,
and the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven,
and the spirits of the righteous made perfect,
we praise and glorify you, saying, *Heb 12:22-23*

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Rev 4:8

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Isa 6:3

Hosanna in the highest.

Mk 11:10

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine,
and pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread,
and when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks,
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Sanctify us by your eternal Spirit,
through whom Christ offered himself unblemished to you.
By his blood, cleanse our consciences from dead works
to worship the living God:

Heb 9:14

Your throne, O God, is for ever and ever. Amen.

Heb 1:8

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

Come, let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ
in remembrance that he died for us,
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

(The Communion)

*All baptised believers in the Lord Jesus Christ,
including baptised children at their parents' discretion,
are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table.*

*If you are not baptised, you may still come forward
and receive a blessing from the priest.*

Please place your hands across your chest to indicate this preference.

If you need gluten-free bread, advise the priest at the rail.

*If you prefer an individual cup of grape juice,
simply decline the common cup of wine when it is offered to you.*

Meditation

The Old Cathedral Voices

I beseech you, therefore, brethren

A. Anderson (b. 1971)

Premiered by the Old Cathedral Voices 17th August 2025.

Andrew Anderson is our composer-in-residence.

*I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God,
that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice,
holy, acceptable unto God,
which is your reasonable service.*

*And be not conformed to this world:
but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind,
that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable,
and perfect will of God.*

Romans 12:1-2 (KJV)

After Communion

Canon Matt Williams

Living God, at this table you graciously feed us

from the altar of the heavenly tabernacle

Heb 13:10

where Christ offered himself once for all.

Heb 9:11-12

Strengthen us in love, hospitality, and generosity,

Heb 13:1-2,16

and finally bring us to that lasting city and heavenly country

where all your saints feast with you for ever. **Amen.**

Heb 11:16

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

let us lay aside every weight

and the sin that clings so closely,

and let us run with perseverance

the race that is set before us,

looking to Jesus,

the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Heb 12:1-2

Special Notice***Una Ebsworth***

In response to feedback from the CCYP, the Diocese has greatly expanded the roles that require a full clearance for service, and after November there will be no grace period.

Sunday October 18th we will hold a parish luncheon, paperwork and training day after the service, to break the back of the administration together. Bring several forms of ID, and your laptop if you have one.

A clearance for service encompasses a Working with Children Check, Police Check, and the completion of several training modules, along with paperwork verified by Kooyoora.

We will soon begin regularly publishing the list of people with a Clearance for Service, as a further form of public accountability.

Hymn 384 v1,3,4,6,8 (Sine Nomine) *W. How (1823-97)*

**For all the saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be for ever blest.**

Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

**O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.**

Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

**O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine,
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.**

**The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.**

Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Blessing & Dismissal

Canon Matt Williams

The peace of God which passes all understanding
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Recessional

David Brown (Organ)

Please join us for morning tea
in the conference centre next door
following the service

Parish Roll

Our Parish Roll lists those laypersons who have chosen formal membership of this parish. (Ordained clergy are not included.)

There is no cost. The current list of forty-four people only represents about a third of our regular attenders. If your name is not on the list below, please consider joining us by filling out a form in the foyer.

SJOC PARISH ROLL AS AT SEPTEMBER 2026		Mills, Elaine
		Mills, Warren
Altin, Andrew	Fairlie, Caroline	Neumann, Janet
Altin, Lisa	Fairlie, Nick	Neumann, Kevin
Anderson, Andrew	George, Jenny	Norden, Marie
Biedukiewicz, Carl	Gilmour, Rachelle	Raiter, Sarah
Billington, Owen	Hedley, Lorraine	Robertson, Diana
Blades-Hamilton, Elizabeth	Jones, Christopher	Spriggs, David
Busk-Christensen, Barbara	Jones, Roselee	Wardell, Lisa
Cheng, Cindy	Keck, James	Watkins, Andrew
Clark, Carol	Lawrence, Jeanette	Wells, Janette
Di Stefano, Leon	Lee, Mimi	White, Chris
Di Stefano, Nonie	Lee, Rachel	White, Roslyn
Dulip, John	Lorych, Joan	Wood, Lorraine
Ebsworth, Una	McComish, James	Zou, Bei-En
Ely, Jean	McGovern, Catherine	Zwartz, Micaiah

Supporting our new Assistant Curate

From 2011-2021 our parish had an Assistant Minister. Since 2022 Canon Matt has been carrying the pastoral load of the parish without someone in this role. To support the further growth of the parish, we would love to restore this position, and we have the right person!

So from February 2027 we are seeking to employ **Bridget Chapman** as our Assistant Curate. To ensure we can support her appointment we are aiming to **raise our regular offertory levels by about \$1,200 per week**. We encourage all who make their spiritual home with us to consider playing your part, by setting up or reviewing your regular gift to the account below. This will give parish council confidence in budgeting for her appointment, and is also a great way to affirm the gifts for ordained ministry we see clearly in Bridget.

Instead of collecting offertories during the service, we gratefully receive free offerings made at the exit, or by electronic transfers to:

St James' Old Cathedral

BSB: 013 377

Acc. No.: 008 684 064

Tax-deductible giving to support our music program is also possible through the St James' Gift Fund:

Melbourne West ITF Gift Fund

BSB: 013 377

Acc. No.: 526 890 909

Intercessions

We pray for: Our West Melbourne Community; Haileybury College; Mike Raiter and The Centre for Biblical Preaching; Emma Payne (CMS); Chris & Sarah Griffioen and family (OM); Australian Indigenous Churches; Ridley College; Trinity College; the Overseas Chinese Christian Church; Lorraine Hedley; Diane and Roger Smith and family; Beverly Stephenson; The Hamilton Family; Jean Ely; Neil Hawthorn; Jenny Swain; Kim Boulton; Tony Billington; Jamie Chisholm; Anne Ellison; Gillian Williams; Yen-Ling Chiu; Warren Mills; Chris & Roselee Jones; Soleil Latif; David Ingham and all who mourn Sue.

Notices

- If you are not already on the **parish roll**, please consider signing up!
- The Parish Council is seeking to hear from parishioners as to the normal regularity of **1662 BCP Services**. Forms are provided for this purpose.
- Open Garden supporting SJOC on **Saturday 24th October** 11am-4pm. 73 Broadway, Camberwell. Please save the date and sign up to volunteer.
- **Sunday September 20th** will be a service of confirmation and reception.
- Our choir director, **Alex Ritter**, and soprano **Monika Harris** are getting married this Saturday 12th! We rejoice with them, pray for them, and patiently await their return from holidays on October 18th!

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