

St James' Old Cathedral

11th October 2026 at 10:00am

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Once for All: Hebrews 9:13-10:18

*Service of Holy Communion from
The Book of Common Prayer (1662)*



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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

The Old Cathedral Voices are a consort choir directed by Alex Ritter. Alex is on leave. Today's director is Spencer Chapman, and singers are:

Maggie Dunleavy	Lily Flynn	
Tanum Shipp	Elias Elwyn	Spencer Chapman
Matthew Crossley	Mike Mews	Andrew Anderson

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

Lily & Maggie (Duet)

Above him stood the Seraphim

R. Dering (1580-1630)

*Above him stood the Seraphim,
and one cried unto another, and said,
'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of his glory.'*

Isaiah 6:2-3

Sentence of Scripture

Bridget Chapman

By God's will we have been sanctified
through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ
once for all.

Hebrews 10:10

The Lord's Prayer

Bridget Chapman

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive them that trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation;

But deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Collect

Bridget Chapman

Almighty God,

unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known,

and from whom no secrets are hid:

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts

by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,

that we may perfectly love thee,

and worthily magnify thy holy Name;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome

Bridget Chapman

Hymn 53 (Leoni)

T. Olivers (1725-1799)

The God of Abraham praise
who reigns enthroned above,
ancient of everlasting days:
and God of love:
Jehovah, great I AM
by earth and heaven confessed!
I bow and bless the sacred name
for ever blest.

The God of Abraham praise,
whose all-sufficient grace
shall guide me all my happy days
in all my ways.

He calls a worm his friend,
he calls himself my God;
and he shall save me to the end
through Jesus' blood.

He by himself hath sworn,
I on his oath depend:
I shall, on eagle's wings upborne,
to heaven ascend;
I shall behold his face,
I shall his power adore,
and sing the wonders of his grace
for evermore.

Cont. Over =>

**The God who reigns on high
the great archangels sing;
and holy, holy, holy, cry,
almighty King.**

**Who was and is the same,
and evermore shall be;
Jehovah, Father, great I AM,
we worship thee.**

**Before the Saviour's face
the ransomed nations bow;
o'erwhelmed at his almighty grace,
for ever new:
he shows his prints of love,
they kindle to a flame,
and sound through all the worlds above
the slaughtered Lamb.**

**The whole triumphant host
gives thanks to God on high;
Hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost!
they ever cry.
Hail, Abraham's God, and mine!
I join the heavenly lays;
all might and majesty are thine,
and endless praise.**

The Commandments

Bridget Chapman

God spake these words, and said:

I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image,
nor the likeness of anything that is in heaven above,
or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth.

Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain:
for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do;
but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God.

In it thou shalt do no manner of work.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Honour thy father and thy mother.

Thou shalt do no murder.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not steal.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

Thou shalt not covet.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

Collect of the Day***Bridget Chapman***

O God, forasmuch as without thee
we are not able to please thee;
Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gathering for Children's Chapel***Lwe Moo San Tay***

We offer an age-appropriate experience of the Ministry of the Word for children, led today by Lwe Moo San Tay. 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 Working with Children Check approvals.

Meditation***The Old Cathedral Voices*****Wash me Thoroughly*****S. S. Wesley (1810-1876)***

*Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness
and forgive me all my sin.*

*For I acknowledge my faults,
and my sin is ever before me. Psalm 51:2-3*

³Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord
and all the ordinances;
and all the people answered with one voice, and said,
‘All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do.’

⁴And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord.

He rose early in the morning,
and built an altar at the foot of the mountain,
and set up twelve pillars,
corresponding to the twelve tribes of Israel.

⁵He sent young men of the people of Israel,
who offered burnt-offerings and sacrificed oxen
as offerings of well-being to the Lord.

⁶Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins,
and half of the blood he dashed against the altar.

⁷Then he took the book of the covenant,
and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said,
‘All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.’

⁸Moses took the blood and dashed it on the people, and said,
‘See the blood of the covenant
that the Lord has made with you
in accordance with all these words.’

Here endeth the lesson.

Psalm 40:6-10

Bridget Chapman

O Lord my God, great are the wonderful things which you have done,
and your thoughts which are towards us:

there is none to be compared with them.

Were I to declare them and speak of them:

they are more than I am able to express.

Sacrifice and offering you do not desire:

but my ears you have marked for obedience;

Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required:

then said I, Lo, I come.

In the scroll of the book it is written of me, that I should do your will:

O my God, I long to do it, your law delights my heart.

Epistle: Hebrews 9:13-10:18

Nick Fairlie

¹³ For if the blood of goats and bulls

and the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer

sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified,

¹⁴ how much more will the blood of Christ,

who through the eternal Spirit offered himself

without blemish to God,

purify our conscience from dead works

to worship the living God!

¹⁵ For this reason Jesus is the mediator of a new covenant,

so that those who are called

may receive the promised eternal inheritance,

because a death has occurred that redeems them

from the transgressions under the first covenant.

¹⁶Where a will is involved,
the death of the one who made it must be established.

¹⁷For a will takes effect only at death,
since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive.

¹⁸Hence not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood.

¹⁹For when every commandment had been told to all the people
by Moses in accordance with the law,
he took the blood of calves and goats,
with water and scarlet wool and hyssop,
and sprinkled both the scroll itself and all the people, ²⁰saying,
‘This is the blood of the covenant that God has ordained for you.’

²¹And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood
both the tent and all the vessels used in worship.

²²Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood,
and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

²³Thus it was necessary for the sketches of the heavenly things
to be purified with these rites,
but the heavenly things themselves
need better sacrifices than these.

²⁴For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands,
a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself,
now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.

²⁵Nor was it to offer himself again and again,
as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year
with blood that is not his own;

²⁶for then he would have had to suffer again and again
since the foundation of the world.

But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age
to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself.

²⁷And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once,
and after that the judgement,
²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many,
will appear a second time, not to deal with sin,
but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

^{10:1}Since the law has only a shadow of the good things to come
and not the true form of these realities, it can never,
by the same sacrifices that are continually offered year after year,
make perfect those who approach.

²Otherwise, would they not have ceased being offered,
since the worshippers, cleansed once for all,
would no longer have any consciousness of sin?

³But in these sacrifices there is a reminder of sin year after year.

⁴For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats
to take away sins.

⁵Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said,
*'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body you have prepared for me;*
⁶*in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings
you have taken no pleasure.*

⁷*'Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God"
(in the scroll of the book it is written of me).'*

⁸When he said above,
*'You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices
and offerings and burnt-offerings and sin-offerings'*
(these are offered according to the law),
⁹then he added, *'See, I have come to do your will.'*

He abolishes the first in order to establish the second.

- ¹⁰And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified
through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.
- ¹¹And every priest stands day after day at his service,
offering again and again the same sacrifices
that can never take away sins.
- ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins,
'he sat down at the right hand of God',
- ¹³and since then has been waiting
'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.'
- ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time
those who are sanctified.
- ¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,
- ¹⁶*'This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, says the Lord:
I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds',*
- ¹⁷he also adds,
'I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.'
- ¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these,
there is no longer any offering for sin.
- Here endeth the reading.*

**O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of our God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!**

**Jesus! The name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.**

**He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean,
his blood availed for me.**

**He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.**

**Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
and leap, ye lame, for joy!**

**My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of your name.**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 26:26-30 *Bridget Chapman*

The holy gospel is written in the twenty-sixth chapter of the gospel according to Matthew, beginning at the twenty-sixth verse.

²⁶While they were eating the Passover meal,
Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it,
gave it to the disciples, and said, 'Take, eat; this is my body.'

²⁷Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them,
saying, 'Drink from it, all of you;

²⁸for this is my blood of the covenant,
which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

²⁹I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine
until that day when I drink it new with you
in my Father's kingdom.'

³⁰When they had sung the hymn,
they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Here endeth the gospel.

Sermon

Canon Matt Williams

Anthem

The Old Cathedral Voices

Once for All

A. Anderson (b. 1971)

Commissioned for The Old Cathedral Voices. Premiered 27th July 2014.

*By God's will we have been sanctified
through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ,
once for all.*

For by a single offering

Christ has perfected for all time

those who are sanctified.

Heb 10:10,14

**I Believe in one God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible :

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God,
Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father,
By whom all things were made :
Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,
And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
And was made man,
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried,
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
And ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory
to judge both the quick and the dead:
Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life,
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together
is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessions

Canon Matt Williams

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's
Church militant here in earth.

Almighty and everliving God,
who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us
to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all people:
We humbly beseech thee most mercifully
to receive these our prayers,
which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty;
beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church
with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord:
And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name
may agree in the truth of thy holy Word,
and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend
all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors;
and specially thy servant Charles our King;
that under him we may be godly and quietly governed:
And grant unto his whole Council,
and to all that are put in authority under him,
that they may truly and indifferently minister justice,
to the punishment of wickedness and vice,
and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates,
that they may both by their life and doctrine
set forth thy true and lively Word,
and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace;
and specially to this congregation here present;
that, with meek heart and due reverence,
they may hear, and receive thy holy Word;
truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness
all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord,
to comfort and succour all them,
who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow,
need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants
departed this life in thy faith and fear;
beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples,
that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom:
Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake,
our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Preparation for Confession

Bridget Chapman

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins,
and are in love and charity with your neighbours,
and intend to lead a new life,
following the commandments of God,
and walking from henceforth in his holy ways:
Draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort;
and make your humble confession to Almighty God,
meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Confession

Bridget Chapman

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Maker of all things, Judge of all people:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,
Which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
By thought, word, and deed, against thy Divine Majesty,
Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,
And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
The remembrance of them is grievous unto us;
The burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
Forgive us all that is past;
And grant that we may ever hereafter
Serve and please thee in newness of life,
To the honour and glory of thy Name;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Absolution

Canon Matt Williams

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins
to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him;
Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins;
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness;
and bring you to everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.****

The children's chapel rejoin us as the following hymn is sung.

Hymn 418 (Picardy)

Liturgy of St James (5thC)

**Let all mortal flesh keep silence
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth
our full homage to demand.**

**King of Kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.**

**Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.**

**At his feet the six-winged seraphs,
cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high!**

Thanksgiving

Canon Matt Williams

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith
unto all that truly turn to him.

Come unto me all that travail and are heavy laden,
and I will refresh you. *Matt 11:28*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son,
to the end that all that believe in him should not perish,
but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.
This is a true saying, and worthy of all people to be received,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Tim 1:15*

Hear also what Saint John saith.
If any one sin, we have an Advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.
1 John 2:1

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,
that we should at all times, and in all places,
give thanks unto thee, O Lord,
Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we laud and magnify thy glorious Name;
evermore praising thee, and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory:
Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen.**

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table,
O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much
as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.
But thou art the same Lord,
whose property is always to have mercy:
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ
to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption;
who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered)
a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction,
for the sins of the whole world;
and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue,
a perpetual memory of that his precious death,
until his coming again:**

**Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee;
and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine,
according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution,
in remembrance of his death and passion,
may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood:**

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread;
and, when he had given thanks, he brake it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying,
“Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you:
Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise after supper he took the Cup;
and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,
“Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament,
which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins:
Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.” **Amen.**

*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.*

During Communion

O How Amiable

The Old Cathedral Voices

T. Weelkes (1576-1623)

*O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.*

*O Lord God of hosts:
blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee. Amen.*

Psalm 84:1-2, 13

After Communion

Canon Matt Williams

Our Lord and heavenly Father,
we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness
mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
most humbly beseeching thee to grant,
that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ,
and through faith in his blood,
we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins,
and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord,
ourselves, our souls and bodies,
to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee;
humbly beseeching thee, that all we,
who are partakers of this holy Communion,
may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins,
to offer unto thee any sacrifice,
yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service;
not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences,
through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom,
in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee,
O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

Notices

Canon Matt Williams

Hymn (Jerusalem)

C. Bancroft (1841-1923)

**Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great High Priest whose Name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in Heaven He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Saviour died
My sinful soul is counted free.
For God the just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb,
My perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace.
One with my Lord I cannot die.
My soul is purchased by His blood,
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Saviour and my God!**

Blessing

Canon Matt Williams

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost,
be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional

David Brown (Organ)

***Please join us after the service
for morning tea in the conference centre.***

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

Upcoming Key Dates:

18th October: Paperwork Party and Safe Culture Training
24th October: Open Garden Fundraiser
8th November: Annual Pioneer Service
22nd November: Warren Mills 80th Birthday Party
29th November: Annual General Meeting
13th December: Nine Lessons and Carols
6th February 2027: Ordination of Bridget Chapman

Paperwork Party: Sunday 18th October

We are seeking to be a community with as widespread training in and clearance for child safety as possible.

To make this more effective and less onerous, the vicar has undertaken accreditation to become a trainer, so that he can provide the child safe training required to replace the four hours of online modules.

This will be a pastorally led discussion together, including seeking your collaboration in making recommendations for further improvement in our practice to the parish council.

Completed training is valid for **three years**.

Sunday October 18th we will hold a light parish **luncheon from 12:00-1:00pm**, including paperwork assistance, and **training from 1:00pm-5:00pm**. For paperwork, bring several forms of ID (e.g. Passport, Driver's Licence, Medicare Card), and your laptop if you have one.

Childcare and pastoral support will be offered on the day.

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.

Please note that a disclosable outcome on a police check does not necessarily disqualify you from clearance. The relevance and context of any matters named would be explored in a confidential manner.

Una Ebsworth (Child Safety Officer)

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!

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**. Current patterns suggest we are about 70% of the way there. Thank you!

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.

Please set up your regular offertory as a transfer 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. Please direct these gifts to:

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; The Fairlie family and all who mourn Ron Morris.

Notices

- Melbourne Synod met from 7-10th October. Your representatives were Owen Billington; Andrew Watkins and Jamie Keck.
- Our consultation on 1662 BCP services showed high levels of support for retaining the status quo, so no change was decided upon. Parish Council resolved to continue to receive feedback until 18th October. Feedback forms are still available on the back table.
- Open Garden supporting SJOC on **Saturday 24th October** 11am-4pm. 73 Broadway, Camberwell. Please save the date and sign up to volunteer.

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