



St Philip's Anglican Church
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The Holy Eucharist



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Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

[Opening Hymn](#) TIS 442 All praise to our redeeming Lord vv 1,4,5,6.

[Acclamation:](#)

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

The Lord be with you

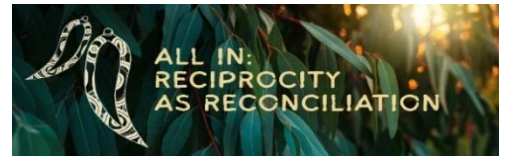
And also with you

[Sentence](#)

Thus says the Lord, 'Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.' Isaiah 56.1

[Acknowledgement:](#)

Let us pay our respects to the Elders past, present and emerging of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people whose land of Yálla-birr-ang (Collingwood) and Carran-carramulk (Abbotsford – along the Yarra River) we meet on today.



God of forgiveness and hope, who sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to break down the walls that divide us from each other: grant that all Australians, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with later migrants from many countries, may work together to heal the wounds of injustice in our past, and to build a community of care and compassion for our future; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

[Prayer of Preparation](#)

[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.

[Two Great Commandments](#)

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.'

Kyrie

Canon after 1 bar

$\text{♩} = 108$

1, 2.

Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

3.

Lord, have mer - cy.

Seasonal Invitation

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, with a sincere and a true heart.

A pause for reflection

Penitence

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.

The Absolution

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.**

Gloria

Gloria

Canon after 4 bars

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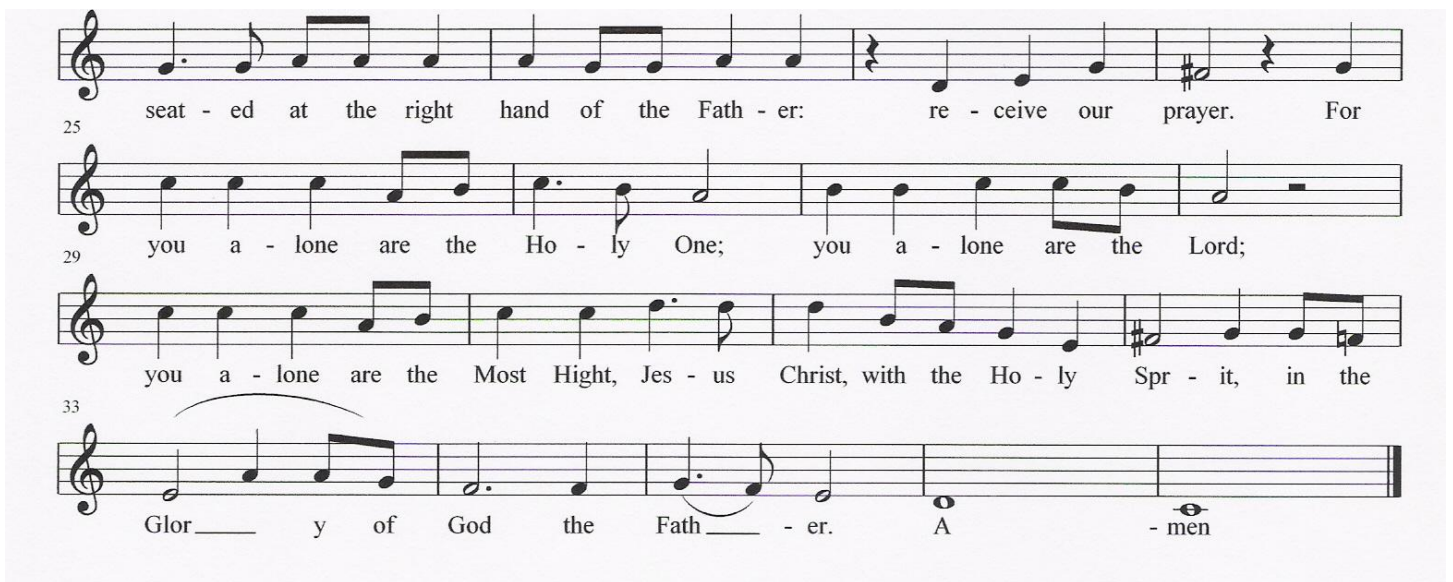
Glor - y to God in the High - est and peace to his peo - ple of earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Father - er, we

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glor - y. Lord

Jes - us Christ, on - ly Son of the Fath - er, Lord God, Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are



The Collect

[Let us pray.]

God of freedom, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Genesis 45.1-15

¹ Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, 'Send everyone away from me.' So, no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. ² And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. ³ Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?' But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. ⁴ Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come closer to me.' And they came closer. He said, 'I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵ And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶ For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. ⁷ God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸ So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹ Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰ You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹ I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." ¹² And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. ¹³ You must tell my father how greatly I am honoured in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.' ¹⁴ Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵ And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

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

Psalm 133 - *read antiphonally.*

¹ Behold how good and how lovely it is:
when families live together in unity.

² It is fragrant as oil upon the head, that runs down over the beard:
fragrant as oil upon the beard of Aaron, that ran down over the collar of his robe.

³ It is like a dew of Hermon:
like the dew that falls upon the hill of Zion.

⁴ For there the Lord has commanded his blessing:
which is life for evermore.

Epistle Reading

Romans 11.13-32

¹³ Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I glorify my ministry ¹⁴ in order to make my own people jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵ For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead! ¹⁶ If the part of the dough offered as first fruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; and if the root is holy, then the branches also are holy. ¹⁷ But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, a wild olive shoot, were grafted in their place to share the rich root of the olive tree, ¹⁸ do not vaunt yourselves over the branches. If you do vaunt yourselves, remember that it is not you that support the root, but the root that supports you. ¹⁹ You will say, 'Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in.' ²⁰ That is true. They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand only through faith. So do not become proud, but stand in awe. ²¹ For if God did not spare the natural branches, perhaps he will not spare you. ²² Note then the kindness and the severity of God: severity towards those who have fallen, but God's kindness towards you, provided you continue in his kindness; otherwise you also will be cut off. ²³ And even those of Israel, if they do not persist in unbelief, will be grafted in, for God has the power to graft them in again. ²⁴ For if you have been cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these natural branches be grafted back into their own olive tree. ²⁵ So that you may not claim to be wiser than you are, brothers and sisters, I want you to understand this mystery: a hardening has come upon part of Israel, until the full number of the Gentiles has come in. ²⁶ And so all Israel will be saved; as it is written, 'Out of Zion will come the Deliverer; he will banish ungodliness from Jacob.' ²⁷ 'And this is my covenant with them, when I take away their sins.' ²⁸ As regards the gospel they are enemies of God for your sake; but as regards election they are beloved, for the sake of their ancestors; ²⁹ for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰ Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹ so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. ³² For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn TIS 254 O changeless Christ, for ever new (Tune 25) vv1,2,5,6

Liturgy of the Word

Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you:

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew, Chapter 15 beginning at the 10th verse. **Glory to You Lord Jesus Christ.**

Matthew 15.10-28

²¹ Jesus arrived at the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' ²⁴ He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' ²⁶ He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' ²⁷ She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

For the Gospel of the Lord

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon / Homily

Affirmation of Faith

Nicene Creed

Where possible please stand

**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.**

Intercessions

Please sit or kneel for the prayers, (These or other prayers may be used)

O God, the loving Creator of all humankind, you have expanded the boundaries of kinship through the abundant compassion of your Son Jesus Christ: Empower your Church through our ministries of reconciliation as we bring to you our prayers on behalf of the whole world, saying: Oh, how good and pleasant it is, **when kindred live together in unity!**

Gracious One, awaken your Church to the cries of the suffering, especially our brothers and sisters from other cultures and other faiths, that we may be mediators of your charity and friendship.

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, **when kindred live together in unity.**

Compassionate One, open the ears of the leaders of the nations to hear the voices of the importunate and those who refuse to be silenced, that your children may nevermore be treated as dogs nor be tossed only the crumbs that fall from the tables of the wealthy and powerful.

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, **when kindred live together in unity.**

Reconciling One, hear our prayers for the families of the world, divided by conflict and mistrust, especially those who suffer from famine, illness, violence, injustice, and prejudice: May all feast at your abundant table of friendship.

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, **when kindred live together in unity.**

Unite our community in bonds of charity and friendship, that people of various races, cultures and religions may extend to one another gifts of mutual respect and generosity.

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, **when kindred live together in unity.**

Loving and healing God, extend your hand of mercy to those for whom we pray, especially ____.

We raise our voices of thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life, especially for ____.

We entrust to your never-failing care and love those who have died, especially ____.

Grant eternal rest to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them** May they rest in Peace; **and rise in Glory.**

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, **when kindred live together in unity.**

Gracious and Holy One, through your scriptures you have shown us that you have rejected no one and that you offer divine mercy to all humanity: Have mercy upon us as we seek to extend your universal work of reconciliation to all whose lives we touch, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit are one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Parishioners:

Marina & Michael; Margaret; Fr David; Gwendolyn

Friends:

Denise, Judi and Graeme; Amy; Ken; Maryann; Zac; Dylan; Jacob; Andrew; Jan; Richard; Eloise; Grant, Drickis; Heidi; Henry and Sam; Vladimir

Extended Parishioners: **Matt; Maj; Blessing**

Judy Lazarus Transition Centre: **Con, Damien, Tony, Dimitri, and Steve**

Within the wider Anglican Community, we pray today for:

The World: **Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger**

The Anglican Communion: **The Church in Wales; Archbishop Andrew John**

The Anglican Church of Australia: **Diocese of North Queensland: St James' Cathedral, Jumbunna Episcopate, Marmingatha Episcopate, Archdeaconry of Kew, Deanery of Whitehorse: St John's Blackburn, St Alfred's Blackburn North, Emmanuel Anglican Iranian Congregation, Anglican Parish of Box Hill, St George's East Ivanhoe, St James' Ivanhoe, Holy Trinity Doncaster, St David's East Doncaster, St Philip's Deep Creek, TIMA Anglican Parish**

Anglican Schools and Agencies: **Mentone Grammar School**

Bishops' Visitation: **Anglican Parish of Banyule (St John Heidelberg), St John's Frankston North/Carrum Downs.**

Liturgy of the Eucharist

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? Micah 6:8

Greeting of Peace –

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.



During the offertory hymn a collection may be taken

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Offertory Hymn TIS 513 Bread of heav'n, on you we feed

Preparation of the altar and the gifts

The bread and the wine are presented. – The gifts of the people are brought to the Lord's Table.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Fruit of the earth and work of human hands, they will become for us the body and blood of Christ. **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Thanks, and praise be to you, Lord God of mercy and grace,
for you entered into covenant trust with your chosen people,
and bestowed on them boundless gifts and an irrevocable calling.
In Jesus you take your children's food and give it to all creation,
even we who lurk in the shadows,
hoping for the crumbs of your eternal glory.
You have lifted us from the floor to your table,
and from a place beyond redemption to the joy of your heart.
And so, we gladly thank you,
with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven,
singing the hymn of your unending praise.

Sanctus

Canon after 2 bars

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, heav - en and earth are ful of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the
high - est.

Cleansing God, in Christ you come among us in infectious purity,
and heal us from the inside out.
You give us eternal food that, in you,
we may never be hungry again.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us now,
that we may become people who take in the holiness of your mercy
and give out the abundance of your grace.
Sanctify this bread and this wine, that they may become for us
the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;

who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,
broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying.
'Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me" 🕊
After supper he took the cup,
Again, he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
"Drink 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 🕊

Great is the mystery of faith.

Acclamation 1

Canon after 1 bar

Christ has died, Christ has ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

Forgiving God, you sent Joseph to Egypt
 through the conspiracy of his brothers,
 to redeem your people from the curse of famine
 You sent your Son Jesus to the cross
 through the corruption of our human will
 to liberate us from sin and death.
 Raise up among us children of hope,
 of courage, of truth, and of vision,
 who embody your will to turn our evil into your good.
 Transform the lives of all who live under famine today
 visit any who are excluded by envy or prejudice or fear;
 and lift the hearts of those who are weighed down
 under burdens too great to bear.
 Gather at your resurrection banquet
 your whole church, living and departed,
 that all creation may feast with eyes and ears and touch and tongue
 on the effervescence of your glory,
 ever one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, forever,

Acclamation 2

Canon after 1 bar



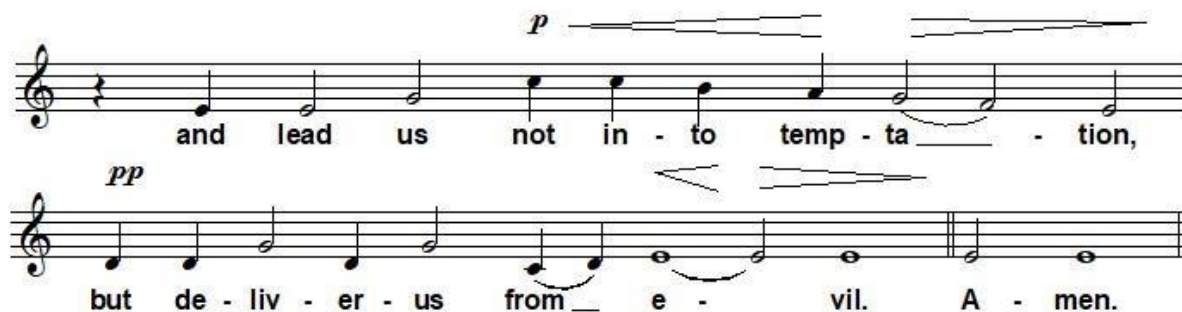
Communion Rite -

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, as our Saviour taught us, so we say:

Simply N Kedrov Sr

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Our Fath - er, who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be thy Name.
thy king - dom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dail - y bread, and for - give us our tres - pass - es
pp
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us,



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.**

Agnus Dei

Canon after 3 bars

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world, grant
us your peace.

Communion - *Please form a circle around the altar.*

The gifts of God for the people of God.

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

All are welcome to share with us in communion with Jesus who told us to break bread and share wine in remembering him and celebrating the reality of his presence.

Administration of Communion.

The body of Christ [the bread of heaven] keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

The blood of Christ [the cup of salvation] keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

Communion Chant

O LORD, HEAR MY PRAYER Berthier

♩ = 60

O Lord, hear my pray'r, O
Lord, hear my pray'r: when I call
ans - wer me. O Lord, hear my pray'r, O
Lord, hear my pray'r: Come and lis - ten to me.

Prayer of Virtual Communion

Jesus, we believe that You are present in the Holy Sacrament. Our friends online desire to receive You. Since they cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into their hearts. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this sacrament of your Son's body and blood worship you in all we do, proclaim your word to all the world, and live in the power of your Spirit.

Prayer of self-offering

Father, **we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.**

Please return to your seat.

Notices

Stewardship:

Thank you to everyone who has been giving to the parish using Direct Debit, it is helping us to balance the books by the end of September.

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Please bring non-perishable food, drink, clothing or bedding which we will donate to:
<https://www.westwelcomewagon.org.au/donate/>

Bishop Jacob Deng

Following the visit of Bishop Jacob Deng, we are keen to support his mission to South Sudan. Please note any donations as Bp Deng.

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Dr Yousef Khoury

Sobering words by Dr Yousef Khoury Sunday evening August 2, 2026 at Ashburton Baptist Church.

Dr Yousef Khoury, Assistant Professor at Bethlehem Bible College spoke to more than 170 in-person attendees and 165 online. He outlined the terror facing Palestinian Christians in Gaza and now starting similarly in the West Bank. He used examples of Jeremiah, Isaiah and Bonhoeffer to suggest that there were three ways we could all support Palestinian Christians today. These are:

Truth telling, including a clear understanding of the Biblical text and the ways in which Christian Zionists mislead people, alongside resistance in the logic of love by engaging in ongoing humanity in the face of the enemy. Here he used the example of his grandmother who gave IDF soldiers bread, even as they destroyed their family home.

Courage: to speak to our neighbours and friends about the plight of Palestinian Christians and our politicians to ensure that at any future election in Australia the plight of Palestinian Christians is taken into account.

Justice: Through divestment, BDS movements such as helped in the dismantling of apartheid in South Africa, <https://bdsmovement.net/> in our support for these people, who are currently facing genocide, made in the image of God like everyone else.

Dr Khoury spoke across Australia. This is a web link to another of such meetings during his Australian tour. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gXX8kldsX2c>

In response I've been reading Francesca Albanese's book *When the world sleeps: an excellent group of ten case studies of people fighting for justice in Palestine*.

Elaine

Parishioner Loan

We have a parishioner who had a significant short fall of funds. With thanks to the generosity of some parishioners and their family, they have pulled together the required funds in time. Thank you to those who have loaned or donated. Should you still be able to assist with donations, to help them payback the loans please see Fr Bruce, or make a payment to the Church Account as Parishioner Gift.

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Invitations from the AB

[In-This-Season-Invitation.pdf](#) The New Newsletter of the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne

<https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/An-Afternoon-with-Archbishop-Ric-Invitation.pdf> - Sunday 16th August 2.30pm St Paul's Cathedral.

[ADOM Conference Playlist 2026 - playlist by Bree Mills | Spotify](#)

Let's learn some new hymns

There has been discussion in the recent past about the formation of a singing group at St Philip's to help with the introduction of new hymns. Are you interested in joining this?

The structure and time commitment is open for discussion. My initial thought is that

- A new hymn that I am comfortable playing is introduced roughly every four weeks
- We would aim to have a practice one evening (or on the Saturday) in the week before it is sung in a service. The day of the practice would depend on who is interested in the group and which day is best that month.

It may be that you are interested in being in the group but can't get to a practice. Don't despair of being able to participate – it may be possible to record the new hymn and let you learn it at home. I'm open to all suggestions (but learning over zoom is problematic)

If you are interested in being part of this group, would you

- Let me know asap
- Also let me know if you expect to be at the service on 30 August (as Elaine has a new hymn she would like to include).

Many thanks

Robert

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Creation Care (Green) Notice

Over the last few years action on Climate change has dropped down the political agenda. At the end of 2019 the bushfires could either have pushed it higher on the agenda or recovery from the fires could have taken a priority. We'll never know as the covid pandemic and lockdowns took over the news. Then the cost of living took priority. Europe has just seen their worst fire season. Will European governments take this as a reason to increase action on climate change – or will they concentrate on the immediate recovery issue and push the cause to the background? It has been estimated that 45 climate policies have been reversed in 15 jurisdictions in the year to July [<https://theconversation.com/can-the-searing-european-summer-put-climate-action-back-on-the-agenda-or-will-disaster-response-take-over-289151>]

Green Tip

Try to separate in your mind the cause and the effect of global warming / ocean warming / bushfires this coming summer.

Coming Soon:

Contemplative service on 30 Aug

Seasons of Creation September 6 to October 4.

The Centre for Spirituality

8th Roy Bradley Oration 2026 Sunday 30th Aug 2026, 3pm via Zoom:

Saara Sabbagh OAM

See Flyer:

New Episcopal Areas

From 19th September: The Diocese will move from three geographical episcopal areas to four: Geelong, Dandenong, Merri and Nunawading.

Each is a First Nations place name already embedded within the geography and community life of the area it represents. The names reflect an important Anglican conviction: the Church belongs somewhere and is called to sustained presence and mission among particular people and places. They also recognise the deeper histories of the lands on which our churches, schools, agencies and ministries stand, and the continuing significance of First Nations peoples and Country.

Prayer for Growth

God of the unfolding Mission, you are the quiet breath that makes all things bloom. Let your Spirit sweep through our dreams, giving light to our plans and fire to our footsteps. May we grow like a deep-rooted forest — expanding in number, deepening in devotion, and reaching out as a shelter for our neighbours. Through Jesus, our living hope. Amen.

The Blessing and Dismissal

As children of the God who does not reject the disobedient, but extends infinite mercy and love to all, be filled with God's compassion.

As brothers and sisters of Christ, you have feasted on the children's food; rejoice in your acceptance and extend Christ's unconditional love to those who may not know themselves to be beloved.

As the community of the baptized, filled with the Holy Spirit, share in the ministry of reconciliation and be mediators of divine charity and friendship.

And the blessing of our merciful God, the holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity bless you and keep you, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Recessional Hymn TIS 63 Let all the people, praise you O Lord

Please join us after the service for Morning Tea

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Mercy in a Fractured World: An Islamic Perspective of Care and Community

Exploring an Islamic ethic of mercy as a moral framework for responding to social fragmentation through care, community, and human flourishing.

Sunday, 30 August 2026 – 3 pm AEST via Zoom

RSVP by 26 August to secretary@csc.org.au or call 0408 586 297

A zoom link will be emailed Friday 28 August
Please join from 2.50 pm for a 3.00 pm start
Event will take place over 1.5 hours

This is a free event but donations are **greatly appreciated** <https://csc.org.au/support/>

Saara Sabbagh is an Australian Muslim community leader, interfaith advocate, and international speaker with over 30 years experience advancing social cohesion, faith-based leadership, and community wellbeing. Founder and Chair of Benevolence Australia, with decades of Islamic education, community leadership, and studies in counselling and psychotherapy Saara brings a distinct perspective integrating spiritual wisdom with practical approaches to human flourishing. She is passionate about exploring how faith, compassion, and shared values can strengthen communities and contribute to a more peaceful and interconnected world.

This annual lecture on contemporary issues in the spirituality of care and community is hosted by the Centre for Spirituality of Care and Community
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