

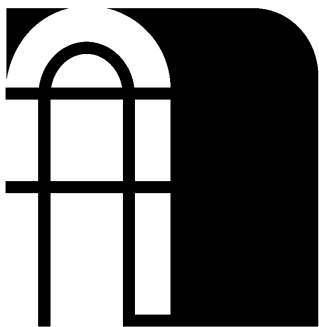
St James' Old Cathedral

8th December 2024 at 10:00am

Second Sunday in Advent

Prepare the Way

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



St James' Old Cathedral

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. Alex is on leave. The choir is directed by Jenny George. Today's singers are:

Eliza Bennetts O'Connor	Carolyn Baker	Roslyn White
Jenny George	Matthew Crossley	Jack Jordan
Mike Mews	Julien Robinson	

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
O Dayspring!**

***The Old Cathedral Voices
J. Stainer (1840-1901)***

*O Dayspring! Brightness of the everlasting light,
and Sun of Righteousness;*

*Come, and enlighten them that sit in darkness,
and in the shadow of death.*

Come, and enlighten them that sit in darkness. Come, come!

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Bridget Penington

(The first two candles are lit.)

Heavenly Father,
you have created a universe of light:
forgive us when we return to darkness.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus,
you are the light of the world:
cleanse and heal our blinded sight.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Holy Spirit,
you give us light in our hearts:
renew us in faith and love.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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

The Lord's Prayer

Bridget Penington

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 Penington

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 Penington

Hymn 199 (Winchester New 45)

C. Coffin (1676-1749)

**On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
come then and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings from the King of kings.**

**Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
make straight the way for God within;
prepare we in our hearts a home
where such a mighty guest may come.**

**For you are our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without your grace we waste away
like flowers that wither and decay.**

**To heal the sick stretch out your hand
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let your light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.**

**To him who left the throne of heaven
to free mankind, all praise be given;
like praise be to the Father done,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One.**

The Commandments

Bridget Penington

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 has 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.**

The Collect for St John Baptist***Bridget Penington***

Almighty God, by whose providence

thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born,
and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour,
by preaching of repentance:

Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life,

that we may truly repent according to his preaching;

and after his example constantly speak the truth,
boldly rebuke vice,
and patiently suffer for the truth's sake;

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 Working with Children Check approvals.

Meditation***Jenny George (Alto) & OCV*****O Thou that tellest good tidings*****G. F. Handel (1685-1759)***

*Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son,
and shall call his name, Emmanuel: God with us.*

*O Thou that tellest good tidings to Zion
get thee up into the high mountain.*

*O Thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem,
Lift up thy voice with strength, lift it up, be not afraid,
say unto the cities of Judah: "Behold, your God!"*

*O Thou that tellest good tidings to Zion,
Arise, Shine, for thy light is come,
and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.*

First Lesson: Isaiah 40:1-11

Ruth Champion

Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.

²Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.

³ A voice cries out:
'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

⁴Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

⁵Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.'

⁶A voice says, 'Cry out!'
And I said, 'What shall I cry?'
All people are grass,
their constancy is like the flower of the field.

⁷The grass withers, the flower fades,
when the breath of the LORD blows upon it;
surely the people are grass.

⁸The grass withers, the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand for ever.

⁹Get you up to a high mountain,
 O Zion, herald of good tidings;
lift up your voice with strength,
 O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
 lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
 ‘Here is your God!’

¹⁰See, the Lord GOD comes with might,
 and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
 and his recompense before him.

¹¹He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
 he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
 and gently lead the mother sheep.

Here endeth the reading.

The Song of Zechariah

Bridget Penington

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel:

who has come to his people and set them free.

The Lord has raised up for us a mighty Saviour:

born of the house of his servant David.

Through the holy prophets, God promised of old:

**to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all who hate us,**

To show mercy to our forebears:

and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear:

holy and righteous before him, all the days of our life.

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High:

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation:

by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God:

the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death:

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1:68-79

⁸But do not ignore this one fact, beloved,

that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years,
and a thousand years are like one day.

⁹The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness,

but is patient with you,
not wanting any to perish,
but all to come to repentance.

¹⁰But the day of the Lord will come like a thief,

and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise,
and the elements will be dissolved with fire,

and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

¹¹Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way,

what sort of people ought you to be
in leading lives of holiness and godliness,

¹²waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God,
because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved,
and the elements will melt with fire?

¹³But, in accordance with his promise,

we wait for new heavens and a new earth,
where righteousness is at home.

¹⁴Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things,

strive to be found by him at peace,
without spot or blemish;

¹⁵and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

Here endeth the reading.

Hymn 200 (Stuttgart)

C. Wesley (1707-88)

**Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free,
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.**

**Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.**

**Born thy people to deliver,
born a child and yet a king,
born to reign in us for ever,
now thy gracious kingdom bring.**

**By thine own eternal Spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit
raise us to thy glorious throne.**

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:1-18

Dr Callum Dawson

The holy gospel is written in the third chapter of the gospel according to Luke, beginning at the first verse.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius,
when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea,
and Herod was ruler of Galilee,
and his brother Philip ruler
of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis,
and Lysanias ruler of Abilene,
²during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas,
the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness.

³He went into all the region around the Jordan,
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins,

⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

*"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.*

⁵*Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;*

⁶*and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."* '

⁷John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him,

'You brood of vipers!

Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

⁸Bear fruits worthy of repentance.

Do not begin to say to yourselves,

"We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you,
God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.

⁹Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees;
every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit
is cut down and thrown into the fire.'

¹⁰And the crowds asked him, 'What then should we do?'

¹¹In reply he said to them,
'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none;
and whoever has food must do likewise.'

¹²Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him,
'Teacher, what should we do?'

¹³He said to them,
'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.'

¹⁴Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?'

He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone
by threats or false accusation,
and be satisfied with your wages.'

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation,
and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John,
whether he might be the Messiah,

¹⁶John answered all of them by saying,

'I baptize you with water;
but one who is more powerful than I is coming;
I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals.

He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

¹⁷His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor
and to gather the wheat into his granary;
but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

¹⁸So, with many other exhortations,
he proclaimed the good news to the people.

Here endeth the gospel.

The Sermon

Canon Matt Williams

Anthem (from “Messiah”)

Jack Jordan & The OCV

Comfort Ye...Every Valley

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

*Tenor: Comfort ye my people, saith your God.
Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem,
and cry unto her that her warfare is accomplished,
that her iniquity is pardoned.*

*The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness
Prepare ye the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.*

*Every valley shall be exalted,
and every mountain and hill made low,
the crooked straight,
and the rough places plain,*

*Chorus: And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all flesh shall see it together,
for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.*

The Nicene Creed

Bridget Penington

**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 men 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 men:
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 Penington

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 Penington

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Maker of all things, Judge of all men:

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.

Hymn 203 v1,3,5 (Cruger)

J. Montgomery (1771-1854)

**Hail to the Lord's anointed,
great David's greater Son;
hail, in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
to let the captive free,
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity.**

**He shall come down, like showers
upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers,
spring in his path to birth;
before him on the mountains
shall peace the herald go,
and righteousness in fountains
from hill to valley flow.**

**O'er every foe victorious
he on his throne shall rest,
from age to age more glorious,
all-blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never
his covenant remove;
his name shall stand for ever,
that name to us is Love.**

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 men 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 man 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.**

(The Communion)

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

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

Gluten-free wafers are available on request.

During Communion
And I saw a new heaven

The Old Cathedral Voices
M. Archer (b. 1952)

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth:

*for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away;
and there was no more sea.*

*And I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem,
coming down from God out of heaven,
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.*

*And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;
and there shall be no more death,
neither sorrow, nor crying,
neither shall there be any more pain:
for the former things are passed away.*

Revelation 21:1-2,4

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 205 (Battle Hymn)

J. Howe (1819-1910)

**Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage
 where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:
his truth is marching on.**

***Refrain: Glory, glory, hallelujah
 Glory, glory, hallelujah
 Glory, glory, hallelujah
 his truth is marching on.***

**He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgement seat:
O be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on. *Refrain***

**In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom which transfigures you and me:
as he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
while God is marching on. *Refrain***

**He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;
he is wisdom to the mighty; he is succour to the brave:
so the world shall be his foot-stool, and the soul of time his slave:
our God is marching on. *Refrain***

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)****Chorale Prelude on "Von Himmel Hoch" J. Pachelbel (1653-1706)**

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IN THE CONFERENCE CENTRE NEXT DOOR
AFTER THE SERVICE**

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Intercessions

We pray for: Our West Melbourne Community; Haileybury College; Joy Surgical; 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; Andrew; Beverly Stephenson; Jill Sculley; Sergio Altin; Hugo Ellis; Josephine Carne; Jean Ely; Lorraine Hedley; Merle Taylor; Jamie Chisholm; Zoe Creelman; Stuart; Janette Wells; The Altin family; Lisa Thompson; Jenny Swain; Jean Miller; Tony Billington.

Notices

- Canon Matt will be on Long Service Leave from December 16th to February 24th. The Reverend Professor Graham Cole will be Locum Vicar.

Christmas Services

December 15 th at 10:00am	Nine Lessons and Carols
December 22 nd at 10:00am	Advent 4 Holy Communion
December 24 th at 11:00pm	Christmas Eve Holy Communion
December 25 th at 10:00am	Christmas Day Holy Communion

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