

The Church Paper

*St James the Great, East St Kilda
Celebrating 100 years in East St Kilda*



Jesus the Good Shepherd

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Sunday: Solemn Mass at 10.30 a.m.

Low Mass: Thursdays 11.00 a.m.

Service of Healing & Wholeness

10.00 a.m. on the 4th Sunday of the month

(Always check weekly notices for Mass times)

Confession – Thursdays following the 11.00 a.m. Mass & by appointment

St James on the Web: www.stjamesthegreat.org.au

**St James's in Wikipedia: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/
St_James_the_Great_St_Kilda_East](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St_James_the_Great_St_Kilda_East)**

The Interim Vicar Writes

Dear People

One of my favourite websites is Anglicans Online. The main reason that I like this site is that it provides a site at which all things Anglican can be found and where no one form of Anglicanism is held to superior to any other.

My second reason for liking this site is its weekly editorial. The editorial is written by a different member of the Anglicans Online team each week and each one has her/his particular emphases. Despite this difference in emphasis, there is always a generosity towards differing point, never bluntly saying, in effect, “this or that attitude is wrong” or “only this particular way is right.” While this may suggest that the editorialists do not express anything but wishy-washy beige opinions, this is not the case; the writers always make quite clear what they believe in relation to what they are writing about. What they do not do is imply that no contrary opinion or attitude has merit.

On one occasion a few years ago, Anglicans online apologised in its editorial to the then Archbishop of Sydney for implying the week before that real Anglicans could not accept his attitude on some aspect of Anglican practice. They emphasised that their opinion on the matter was strongly held and that they would always argue strongly for their point of view, but they also acknowledged a lack of Christian charity in the tone of their article which they characterised as un-Anglican as well as un-Christian. This fair-minded approach is appealing to me even though I am often not quite so generous myself!

Two weeks ago, in the Anglicans Online editorial there were some comments about people who claimed Christian authority for some very un-Christian attitudes or actions and some church organizations which were not always being Christ-like. In the letters section came this brief comment: “in my parish I suggested to the congregation that, by-and-large, anything which labels itself as 'Christian' should probably be avoided. If it is indeed 'Christian,' it probably wouldn't have to say so.” I think that this might be going a bit too far, but I do think that it is probably not a bad principle.

Until next week, bless you all,

Richard

Pastoral Visit of Bishop Genieve Blackwell on Sunday May 8, 2016

A Buffet Lunch follows in The Harriett Croxford Room

Please use the Narthex list to book for the lunch

Study Group the next Little Company Study Group is scheduled for this Thursday, April 28 at Gary Bartholomew's home at 6.30 p.m. Please use the Narthex list to indicate your participation.

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24.4.16

The Liturgy Today

10.00 a.m. Service of Healing & Wholeness

10.30 a.m. Solemn Mass (APBA)

Hymns: Gradual: 432 verses 1-4, Offertory: 372

Post Communion: 411

On duty: Sidesman: V. Coffey; Deacon: R. Williams

Lectors: Dr J. Willis & L. Hawkes

Refreshments: G. Bartholomew

Kalendar & Events this Week

**Monday ST MARK the EVANGELIST
(ANZAC Day)**

**Thursday St Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr
11.00am Mass**

Friday St Catherine of Sienna, Virgin and Doctor

Next week: St Philip & St James (Easter VI)

10.30 a.m. Solemn Mass (APBA)

On duty next week: Sidesman: V. de Crespigny; Deacon: R. Williams

Lectors: G. Bartholomew & L. Hawkes;

Refreshments: M. Knopf



Estate Planning & Wills Information - Free Event

Wednesday May 4, 2016 Registration from 9,30 a.m. for 10.00 a.m.

Ground Floor, 401 Collins St., City

Enquiries: Call Jen Van Ewyk on 9412 6173

Email: eps@anglicarevic.org.au

Presented by *Anglicare* Victoria

Prayers of the Faithful: Trevor Bulled OGS; Noella; Judy Reynolds; John Ahern; Sister Hilary CHN; Maria Pythagoras; Geraldine Coulthurst; Virginia; Marjorie; Sister Raphael OSB; Stephen & Jill; Michael Muschamp; Ray Frawley; Adrian Stephens, priest; young Noah; June Little; Ken Mason OGS; Sally; Sonja Knopf; Linda Osmond, priest; Betty Boyle; Mark; Rory & Anna; Geoffrey & Margaret Clarke; Elizabeth Peters; Fay; Gladys Wheeler; Bill Smith; Vilma Byrne; Sister Lyn & Sister Philippa; Jamie.

St Kilda Steiner Kindergarten

This week has been dominated by asbestos issues associated with the parish lands leased by the Steiner Kindergarten. As part of the refurbishment of the parish hall for the purposes of establishing the Child Care facility, the eaves around the hall, (including those overhanging the kindergarten), were removed during the recent school holidays by qualified asbestos removalists employed by the Child Care Centre operator. These eaves were in fact made from a composite material, which *included* asbestos.

Last weekend, some small pieces of the asbestos-sheet removed from the eaves of the hall were found in the garden area in the Steiner Kindergarten, beneath the hall kitchen window. This resulted in the “scraping of soil” beneath those windows for the purposes of remediation. Further asbestos was also found beneath the first scraping of soil.

Further soil sampling and testing is now occurring. The overwhelming majority of the site has been determined to be asbestos free, but one more area with asbestos residue had been uncovered.

The Kindergarten was closed (on its own motion) between Tuesday and Friday of this week and will be closed next week as sites with asbestos are secured. Please pray for the kinder community and your wardens and parish administrator who have had to deal with this most vexing series of developments.

Queenscliff Ferry Trip Wednesday this week has been ear-marked as a possible day - leaving St James's before 9.00 a.m. sharp to meet the 11.00 a.m. ferry from Queenscliff & returning from Sorrento at 2.00 p.m. to drive back to Melbourne.

Offertory Income: April 17 Easter IV - \$631.50

Your Last Will & Testament our Business Manager draws attention to the following wording for your Will – “I GIVE \$XX to the Anglican Church of St James the Great in East St Kilda and I DECLARE the receipt of the Vicar of the day and the Treasurer or Business Manager for the time being of that organization shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my trustees.”

The St James' Community

Churchwardens

Vicar's Warden: Mr Alfonso Duran, Mob. 0400 707 508

People's Wardens: Ms Kate Mc Dowell Murphy, Mob. 0412 887 865

Mr Ronald Williams, Phone 9527 2941

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Parish Administrator & Business Manager

Mr Michael Knopf, Phone 9527 1017

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Organist

Mr Mark Raczynski, B. Mus. (Melb.) L. Mus. A

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Parish Office Assistants

Mr Francisco Alfonso & Mrs Valerie Coffey

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Verger & Hospitalier

Gary Bartholomew: 0408 542 512

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Sunday School

Contact: Ms Treasure Vellis, Phone 0413 901 819

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St Kilda Steiner Kindergarten

Pre-School Sessions daily, Monday - Friday

Enquiries Phone: 9527 5168

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Little Patch Child Care Centre

Commencing operations here at St James's in 2016

Enquiries to Dean & Michelle Clarke - Phone: 0419 548 477

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The Little Company & Companions of the Good Shepherd

A parish-based Religious Community

Enquiries: 0438 450 011

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This Parish Community

shares the ideals of the Fellowship of St Athanasius,

a society of Anglican Priests committed to live and uphold

"... the Catholic Faith as received from the undivided church"



Happy 90th birthday to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

This prayer has been authorised to mark the occasion.

Heavenly Father, as we celebrate the ninetieth birthday of Her Majesty the Queen, receive our heartfelt thanks for all that you have given her in these ninety years and for all that she has given to her people.

Continue, we pray, your loving purposes in her, and as you gather us together in celebration, unite us also in love and service to one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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