

The Church Paper

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



St. Philip and St. James the Less

**Intentional Interim Priest:
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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

During this week, on Thursday, we will celebrate the Feast of the Ascension. In one sense, This feast celebrates God's return to "the way things were"; the Godhead, the Trinity, once again sits in one 'place' as a unified Creator, Saviour and Holy Spirit together. In another sense, God in the person of Jesus has come to be amongst humans as a human being in that humanity has experienced the totality of human experience of life, suffering and death before rising from the dead as the one who has conquered death for all humanity. So, this view would say, God has become a new and different entity with a new relationship to humanity. We will celebrate this Feast of the Ascension on Thursday Evening at 7 p.m. and we will then gather for an Ascension meal together at 'The Dick.' I would dearly like to see as many people as possible at the Mass and gathering for our meal together.

Much more than that, I would even more dearly like to see everyone gather next Sunday as we celebrate the Sunday after Ascension at the 10:30 Mass with our Bishop, Bishop Genieve Blackwell who will preach the sermon at that Mass. Come and meet our bishop and enjoy a buffet luncheon afterwards.

With Ascension this week, we begin three very important weeks in our liturgical calendar; Ascension, Pentecost and then the first Sunday after our 50 day celebration of Easter, Trinity Sunday. In the Anglican Communion, Trinity Sunday is very seriously observed and many Anglican calendars and lectionaries number the Sundays in the second season of 'ordinary time' in terms of Sundays after Trinity (other calendars and lectionaries number them as Sundays after Pentecost). However we do that numbering, Trinity Sunday is a very significant celebration in our calendar. We have in recent weeks been blessed by having in our congregation a number of once only visitors and other people "checking us out". Please welcome visitors to St James', but also please ensure that we do not overwhelm those who may be with us for the first time; make them feel welcome, but not suffocated!

Until next Week, when we gather with the Bishop of the Maringatha Episcopate,
Bless you all!

Richard



St Philip & St James (Easter VI)

1.5.16

The Liturgy Today

10.30 a.m. Solemn Mass (APBA)

Hymns: Gradual: 226, Offertory: 393

Post Communion: 386 & the Regina Caeli

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

Lectors: G. Bartholomew & L. Hawkes;

Cantor: L. Hodson; Refreshments: M. Knopf

Kalendar & Events this Week

Monday St Athanasius

Wednesday The English Martyrs

Thursday ASCENSION DAY

7.00am Solemn Mass

Followed by dinner at the Dick Whittington Tavern

Please use the Narthex list to book for the lunch

Friday St John in Eastertide

Next week: Easter VII (Sunday after the Ascension)

Pastoral Visit of Bishop Genieve Blackwell

10.30 a.m. Solemn Mass (APBA)

Followed by a Buffet Lunch in the Harriett Croxford Room

On duty Sidesman: K. McDowell Murphy; Deacon: A. Duran

next week: Lectors: M. Knopf & V. Coffey; Refreshments: G. Bahula

Estate Planning & Wills Information - Free Event

This 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: The Frawley family; Trevor Bulled OGS; Noella; Brother Howard LBF; 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.
R.I.P. Raymond Frawley

Synod Representatives - An Announcement from Father Richard

Having called for nominations for two representatives and one alternate representative for the 52nd Synod of the diocese, I now give notice that at the close of the time for receiving nominations I had received nomination forms for two representatives and one alternate representative. I therefore declare that no election will be required for Synod representatives or for an alternate representative and that Michael Knopf and Kate Murphy are duly elected as Lay representatives and that Georgia Bahula is duly elected as an alternate Lay representative for this parish. I thank these three parishioners for their nominations and I am sure that we will all support them in fulfilling these roles at Synod.

The Pilgrim Electronic copies of *The Pilgrim* were emailed at the end of last week. Hard copies have also been mailed and are also available on the Narthex table.

Prayers for Unity with St Mary's Hopefully on Whitsunday May 15 at 12 noon, St James' will host the Prayers followed by a buffet lunch in the Harriett Croxford Room. Use the Narthex list to register your participation.

Visit of the Canterbury Singers the choir will join us to sing the liturgy on Sunday 19 June at 10.30 a.m. Please note this date in your diary.

Study Group the next Little Company Study Group is scheduled for Tuesday, May 10 at Gary Bartholomew's home at 6.30 p.m.

Offertory Income: April 24 Easter VI - \$570.10

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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