Our friend and photographer, Chris Tan, took this photo following the *Centenary Back to St James’s* Gathering and Liturgy on Sunday June 21. This was the St James’s people focus with members past and present gathered from near and far. The Vicar was delighted that the long-serving associate priest, Dr Brian Porter and his Pastoral Worker of 25 years Sister Hilary CHN, were able to be present along with former churchwardens and faithful parishioners, together with friends and supporters of St James the Great.

It was not an occasion for Bishops and dignitaries - it was a celebration of the people who have served God in this unique, inclusively friendly little community. And so the Vicar presided and preached and our friends, *The Canterbury Singers*, sang the Mass. It truly was a St James’ family occasion. Thanks be to God for 100 years of faithful people.
As reported in the Easter edition of The Pilgrim, our friend Heather Martin made representation on behalf of St James’s to the Anglican Society for the Welfare of Animals in the UK to have St James the Great recognized as an “Animal Friendly Church” - the first to be so recognized in Australia.

The Vicar is delighted by this, insofar as it honours the years of work by Lorraine Hawkes and many of our congregation at the Annual Blessing of Animals at St Francis tide - in fact for over 20 years!

So, as planned, Heather Martin presented the framed certificate to the Vicar at the lunch on Back to St James’ Sunday on the 21st of June. It was indeed a special moment.

The 22nd Annual Blessing of Animals

Sunday 4th October 2015, 2pm
St James the Great
435 Inkerman St, St Kilda East
Bring along your animals, whether they have fur, feathers or gills!
Info: 9527 1017 or www.stjamesthegreat.org.au
Dear Friends,

Our Back to St James’s was indeed a wonderful Centenary event and very much an in-house occasion for people with past and present links to our beloved St James the Great here in East St Kilda.

I take the opportunity of this letter to invite our readers to our Patronal Festival on the 26th of July. This will be the final Centenary event. As is our custom, immediately following the Liturgy, Lunch will be served in St James’ House. We are delighted that the Dean of Melbourne, the Very Reverend Dr Andreas Loewe is our special guest and preacher. The Dean’s visit repeats history insofar as 100 years ago at the first Patronal Festival in this building, the Preacher was the then Dean of Melbourne.

The proposed Child Care Centre On 2 July 2015 Ratio Planning Consultants (representing Little Learners Child Care) successfully presented the case for a Child Care Centre at St James’s at a second Delegated Planning Committee Meeting of the Glen Eira Council. Warden, Kate McDowell Murphy, was very active in assisting Ratio Planning Consultants and her liaising with the Glen Eira Council Planning Department was critical in the process. We are thankful that the application was approved, with the result that on 9 July 2015 the City of Glen Eira issued a Notice of Intention to Issue a Permit for the Child Care Centre - which still allows a further 21 days for applications by objectors against the permit to the VCAT.

Our monthly Service of Healing and Wholeness at 10.00 a.m. on the fourth Sunday of the month has been well-received by those who have participated. Because our Patronal Festival falls on the fourth Sunday in July, the Healing Service this month will be on the third Sunday, the 19th of July and of course at 10.00 a.m.

My Annual Leave Because of family wedding celebrations and other events, I begin my annual leave on Monday the 27th of July. I return on Wednesday 9th of September. During my leave I am pleased that Father Richard Murray will be the Locum during these five weeks. He has been a locum priest at St James’s on previous occasions.

I find it difficult to believe that my shared life in Jesus with you all at St James’s has been so long. It is my prayer that it has brought a stability that will continue long into the future.

Prayers and blessings,

Roger OGS
Our Final Centenary Event

101st PATRONAL FESTIVAL

Sunday 26th July, 2015
11.00 a.m. Procession & High Mass

Preacher:
The Very Reverend Dr Andreas Loewe,
Dean of Melbourne
Trio Con Brio – oboe, flute & cello

Luncheon ($35.00) to follow, booking essential
Phone: 9527 1017

Vicar: Fr Roger F. Kelly OGS
435 Inkerman St, East St Kilda
Melway Ref 58 G10
www.stjamesthegreat.org.au

I have found in these faithful “old fashioned” Anglicans the courage of God’s grace in the quiet practice of their Faith. So here I am and here I have remained.
Father Roger OGS
Travels to include Oxford Summer School

During his leave the Vicar intends to visit with family in Scotland and Guernsey. Interestingly on the day of his birthday, he will awaken in Glasgow, the city where in fact he was born.

He will then fly down to Guernsey to enjoy his nativity day with his family. This strange serendipity came about quite unintentionally and was caused both by family celebrations as well as changes in the flights of the airline he normally uses to fly from Zurich to Saint Peterport.

After the wedding of his godson, and great nephew Andrew Francis Kelly to Sarah Jane Le Page he will travel to Christ College Oxford to participate in a Summer School in Theology. His chosen seminars on the mornings are - The Soul: Origins and Destiny and in the afternoons: Be still and know : Vocation and Christian Ministry.

He is certainly looking forward to the delight that is Oxford and hoping to “glimpse the ghost of Inspector Morse”.

Following Oxford and a further few days with family in Guernsey, he flies to Geneva for a week-long visit with friends in Switzerland and especially the people of Christ Church, Lausanne where he served as Locum Chaplain in 1998.

Thereafter Fr Roger travels to South Africa to visit Father Jabulani OGS in his new parish of St Mark in Imbali township near Pietermaritzburg. He will also have opportunity to catch-up and spend time with the South African brothers in various places in the Natal.

We hope this will be a well-earned time of rest and re-creation and a significant marker in his life journey.

An Appeal to assist Jabulani

There aren’t grants or schemes to assist clergy with vehicle purchase in the Diocese of Natal. Some parish councils purchase and own cars for the use of the clergy for their parish work. Unfortunately Jabulani’s new parish does not provide a vehicle.

A final $700.00 is needed to assist Jabulani with his vehicle purchase as he begins his new ministry at Imbali. Fr Jabulani certainly appreciates all the mission support he has received from St James’s over several years.

Please send your gift or cheque earmarked “FR JABULANI” to St James the Great, 435 Inkerman Street, East St Kilda 3183 or call the Business Manager at the Vicarage to arrange funds transfer - 9527 1017.

Port Phillip Deanery Evensong

The Canterbury Singers
At St James the Great
Sunday October 18, 6.00 p.m.
Service Times at St James the Great

Sunday Solemn Mass at 10.30 a.m.
A Service of Healing at 10.00 a.m.
on the fourth Sunday of each month.
The Laying on of Hands & Anointing of the Sickis always available upon request.
Low Mass: Tuesday & Wednesday at 12.00 p.m.
& Thursday at 11.00 a.m.
Morning Prayer on Weekdays at 9.00 a.m.
Confession - Saturdays 4.00 p.m. or by appointment
Exposition - Saturdays at 5.00 p.m.

Parish and Community

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A dispersed religious community in
fellowship with the Oratory of the
Good Shepherd.
Bishop Visitor:
Right Reverend Gerald Beaumont
Enquiries to Father Roger OGS
rkelly@ogs.net

St Kilda Steiner Kindergarten
at the St James’ Community
Sessions Daily, Monday - Friday
Teachers Ms Davina Rennie
& Ms Federica Lourdes Ortelli
Enquiries Phone (03) 9527 5168

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