



HOLY TRINITY WILLIAMSTOWN ANGLICAN CHURCH

Growing with God

22nd March 2026
Fifth Sunday in Lent
8am & 10am Holy Communion



On behalf of everyone at Holy Trinity, a warm welcome to this community, a faithful Christian presence in Williamstown since 1854. Holy Trinity welcomes everyone to all services and events, regardless of age, ability, gender, sexual orientation, race or background.

We are moved by our calling as the Body of Christ to ensure all our spaces are safe places for everyone.

Thank you for being part of our worship today. Recordings of our Worship services are usually available on the parish You Tube channel from Sunday each week, links are on our website under 'Services'.

www.htw.org.au

REFLECTION

“Dem bones, dem bones, dem dry bones...hear the word of the Lord”

It probably took longer than it should have for me to realise that the song that I sang in primary school is actually a traditional Spiritual inspired by the reading in the prophet Ezekiel. Bringing life to things considered dead is part of God's power and gift. Let the Holy Spirit breathe new life into the parts of lives that feel dry and lifeless. Rev. Elizabeth



PARISH PRAYER POINTS



For The Church:

- St Columb's Hawthorn
- The Diocese of Sydney
- The Anglican Church of Korea;

In our Community:

As part of our regular parish cycle of prayer we Wilma Robarts, Janette Sahhar, Janice Schmidt, Lyn Scoleri, Sue Searls, Malini Sighn, Mark & Anne Skurrie.

We pray for those who are suffering or unwell at this time for whom prayers have been requested.

Immediate need: Barb & Brett Hingston, Mark Skurrie, the family and friends of Joyce Pepin, Russell Dripps, Brian Moore, Judith Gibson, Jevan & Elizabeth Smith, Rev. Alan Smith & Kate, Rev. Monica & family, Wilma.

Long-term need: Shirley & Fred Hunt, Robert Mander, John, Pamela, Brent. Rev. Mike & Heather Jobling, Margaret Swane, Joan Crook.

We remember those who have recently died, Joyce Pepin, and we remember those whose Years Mind anniversary of death falls at this time, Alan Bardin.

Please note that the names of those on the 'Immediate need' list will remain for one month only. If there is a need to move them to the 'Long-term need' list, please contact the parish office.



Holy Trinity Anglican Church is on Bunurong Country, the sovereign land, water and sky of the people of the Kulin Nation.

We recognise and honour the Indigenous custodians of this land over generations and today, and pay respect to all Elders past and present. We commit ourselves to the path of respect, truth-telling, justice and healing.



*Please join in saying the parts of this service in **bold type**. All directions to stand, sit or kneel are invitations. Please always do as you are comfortable and able.*

Words for hymns/songs are in the red hymn books or sheets provided if they are not printed in this booklet.



Please stand

*At 10am **Opening Hymn:** TIS 454 Worship the Lord*

1. GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Entering into this sacred space and time

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

2. THE SENTENCE

A sentence from the Bible that fits the theme of our readings for today

'I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord; 'whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.' John 11.25–26

3. THE PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Let us pray together

**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.

4. THE KYRIE ELEISON

A prayer for mercy

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

5. THE CONFESSION

*Saying sorry to God for our shortcomings, as individuals and as a community,
and asking for forgiveness*

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God,
though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

Silence may be kept.

Let us then ask for mercy,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**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.**

6. THE ABSOLUTION

The assurance of God's forgiveness

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn
to God 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.**

7. THE TRISAGION

A prayer invoking God as thrice (three times) Holy

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

8. THE COLLECT PRAYER

Prayers that fit with the theme of our Bible readings for today and the church season

Life-giving God,
your Son came into the world
to free us all from sin and death:
breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit,
that we may be raised to new life in Christ,
and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A selection of Bible readings chosen for this week.

9. THE FIRST READING *An Old Testament reading*

A reading from Ezekiel 37:1-14.

Read by Val Dripps at 8am; Chris Ringrose at 10am.

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord GOD, you know.'

Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter

you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD.'

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them.

Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD.'

For the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

10. THE PSALM *An Old Testament Song*

Psalm 130. Said in alternate verses.

¹ Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord:
Lord, hear my voice;

**² O let your ears consider well:
the voice of my supplication.**

³ If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong:
who then, O Lord, could stand?

**⁴ But there is forgiveness with you:
so that you shall be feared.**

⁵ I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him:
and in his word is my hope.

**⁶ My soul looks for the Lord:
more than watchmen for the morning,
more, I say, than watchmen for the morning.**

⁷ O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy:
and with him is ample redemption.

**⁸ He will redeem Israel:
from the multitude of their sins.**

11. THE SECOND READING *A New Testament reading, usually a Letter.*

A reading from Romans 8:6-11.

Read by Val Dripps at 8am; Chris Ringrose at 10am.

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

For the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

At 10am **Gradual Hymn: TIS 407 Breathe on me**

Robert Jackson, 1888



12. THE GOSPEL

A Bible reading focusing on the life and teaching of Jesus Christ.

The Gospel according to St John 11:1-45

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.'

But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where

he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.'

The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.'

After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home.

Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.'

Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you

are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him.

The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.'

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone.

And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet

bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.' Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit

13. THE SERMON *The Reverend Elizabeth Murray, vicar*

A reflection based on the readings for the day and what's happening in our community

Please stand

14. THE NICENE CREED

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.**

Please sit or kneel

15. THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*We pray for the world, the church, our community and each other
Led by TBC at 8am; Rev'd Richard Murray at 10am.*

*The response to each petition is usually
... in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

These prayers conclude with

Almighty God you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your
grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We pray together a prayer for growth

God of Mission,

who alone brings growth to your Church:

**send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning,
wisdom to our actions, joy to our worship,
and power to our witness.**

Help our church to grow:

in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you,
and in service to our local community,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand

16. THE GREETING OF PEACE

Greeting each other before we share in the Holy Communion

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

*At 10am **Offertory Hymn:** TIS 552 Come my way*

Offerings – A collection will be taken up at this time

*Donations to support the life & work of Holy Trinity
are most welcome. We rely on your generosity.*

Cash donations & cheques can be left in the plate.

Cashless giving options:

'Tap 'n' Go' donation point is available near the church entrance;

Direct EFT details: BSB: 033100; Account number: 490175;

or go to www.htw.org.au and click on 'Donate now'.

17. THE OFFERTORY

*Thanking God for the gifts of Bread and Wine that will become Holy
Communion*

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your
goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our
offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

18. THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

A prayer of Consecration, Blessing the Bread and Wine

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.

The prayer continues

...forever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The prayer continues

... Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The prayer continues

...in songs of never ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

19. THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

20. SHARING HOLY COMMUNION

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.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament in remembrance that Christ died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All Baptised Christians are welcome to receive communion.

Please do not intinct (dip) your wafer. If you do not wish to share the common cup, you are welcome to receive the bread only and know that you are fully partaking in the sacrament. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please let the priest know. If you do not wish to receive communion and would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and indicate to the priest your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms in front of you. You are also welcome to remain in your pew. Ask someone to let the priest know if you need communion brought to you.

Everyone is welcome to light a candle while communion is being shared. There are two stations available, one to the left of the sanctuary, and another near the entrance of the church. Prayers of Anointing & Healing are available at this time, when all have received communion. Please wait in the front pew near the candle stand to indicate this wish.

Communion is distributed with these or similar words

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.**

*At 10am **Communion Hymn:** TIS 745: Seek Ye First*

21. THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of mercy,
may we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world.

Saving God, **take us and use us
to love and serve you and all people,
in the power of your Spirit
and in the name of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Notices may be given

Please stand

*At 10am **Final Hymn:** TIS 457 The church's one foundation*

22. THE BLESSING

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself,
that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith,
a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven;
and the blessing of God almighty, Holy Eternal Majesty,
Holy Incarnate Word, Holy Abiding Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

23. THE DISMISSAL

Being sent into the world to live out our faith
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

*You're invited to join us for refreshments after our worship.
After 8am, at Cocoa Latte café in Ferguson St,
after 10am in the Parish Centre.*

Did you notice any changes to this service booklet recently? It's a live experiment in accessibility. Please do let us know what you think.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

MARCH

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| 22 nd | 8am & 10am | Holy Communion [English] |
| | 2pm | Worship [Dinka] |
| 25 th | 10am | Holy Communion [English] |
| | 2.30pm | Funeral in church – Joyce Pepin |
| | 7.30-9pm | Lenten Studies |
| 26 th | 10am | Interment of ashes |
| | 10.30am-12pm | Lenten Studies |
| | 2-4pm | <i>Vicar attending SMRG meeting online</i> |
| 27 th | 10am-1pm | Community Lunches |
| 28 th | <i>External Hire in Parish Centre all day</i> | |
| | 2-3pm | Decorating Church with Palms |
| 29 th | 10am only | Combined worship for Palm Sunday Process from UCA Electra St to HTW |
| 30 th | 9am-4pm | PVAW training session at Parish Centre |
| 31 st | 10.30am | <i>Service for Blessing of Oils at Cathedral</i> |

APRIL

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| 1 st | 10am | Holy Communion [English] |
| | 12.30-2.30pm | Ada Cambridge Book Group |
| 2 nd | 7pm | Maundy Thursday Worship |
| 3 rd | 10am | Good Friday Worship |
| | <i>No Community Lunches today – Public Holiday</i> | |
| 5 th | DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS – CLOCKS GO BACK 1 HOUR | |
| | 6am | Easter Vigil Dawn Service [English] |
| | 10am | Easter Holy Communion [English] |
| | 1pm | Baptism in church |
| | 2-5pm | SSDC Easter Worship [Dinka] |
| 6 th | | <i>Public Holiday</i> |
| 7 th | | <i>Vicar – extra day off</i> |
| 8 th | 10am | Holy Communion [English] |
| 9 th | 7.30pm | Women of Holy Trinity |
| 10 th | 10am-1pm | Community Lunches |

PARISH NEWS

HARVEST FESTIVAL LUNCH – THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of our Harvest Festival Lunch. Special thanks to Ingrid and Christa for bringing this together and providing a wonderful meal. Save the date for 2027! (Sunday 7th March). While the final result will depend on the last few basket sales, we have raised at least \$1,300 to support the life of the parish.

HARVEST BASKETS – Not Too Late

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Harvest Sunday display for this year with baskets. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. There are still some basket items available in return for a donation of your choosing at the back of the church this Sunday.

PALM CROSS MAKING – Thank you

Thank you to those who helped make our Palm Crosses for the year. If you are available, we'll be decorating the church with palm branches 2-3pm this Saturday 28th March.

ROSTER FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

The Roster Sheet for Holy Week and Easter is available. Please volunteer as you are able. Even if you have never volunteered before, now is a good opportunity to receive training and try something new.

ELECTION OF SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES

With a new Archbishop comes the need to elect a new Synod, the governing body of the Anglican Church in Melbourne. This group of clergy and lay representatives from parish determines policy, legislation and the mission priorities of our Diocese. Nominations are called for 2 lay representatives and 1 alternate lay representative for Holy Trinity Williamstown. Nominations are now open. Forms are available from the vicar. Nominations

require at least 5 signatures from members of the parish who are also on the electoral roll. Nominations are due by 8am Sunday 19th April. If required, an election will be held at 11.30am Sunday 19th April.

Electoral Roll March 2026

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| BROWN, MARYANNE | HEALEY, ROD | PHILLIPS, SUE |
| CALTHORPE, MARIE | HODGES, ANN | RIDDEL, DAWN |
| CARRUTHERS, IAIN | JIANG, YING | RINGROSE, JILL |
| CROOK, JOAN | (JESSICA) | RINGROSE, CHRIS |
| DINHAM, LYN | JONES, HAYDEN | ROBARTS, WILMA |
| DODD, INGRID | LOBBE, JEWEL | SCHMIDT, JANICE |
| DRIPPS, RUSSELL | MC FADYEN, | SEARLS, SUE |
| DRIPPS, VALERIE | PAMELA | SKURRIE, MARK |
| FARD, ALI | MARTIN, DENY | STRASSER, |
| FATOUROS, | MADSEN, WARREN | KATHRYN |
| CHRISTA | MADSEN, JEANNINE | SWANE, MARGARET |
| GARTNER, CLIVE | MULHOLLAND, | WHITE, JUDITH |
| GRAY, LAURENCE | JAMES | WHITE, LIZ |
| GREENWOOD, | MURPHY, REBECCA | WHITE, STEVEN |
| CAROL | PAGAN, ADRIAN | WILLIS, CAROL |
| GROVE, ANNA | PAUL, DELIA | WRAGG, SUE |
| HEALEY, JOAN | PHILLIPS, SCOTT | |

CAN YOU HELP?

Bookkeeping/Accounting & Treasurer

The parish is looking to engage new bookkeeping and accounting services to help manage our financial records and activity. Do you know someone with these skills and interests who might be willing to serve the church?

Also, as Laurence has served for Treasurer for more than six years, we need to use this year to transition to a new Treasurer. The term limits on Parish Council positions are set in church legislation, so it is vital that someone from the parish steps up into this important role. You won't be on your own, there will be assistance and support given. You don't have to be a financial wiz, just careful, conscientious, and be able to read a

spreadsheet. This is an important part of our responsible stewardship of our resources.

As a matter of urgency, we are also still looking for two more churchwardens, so if finances aren't your thing, maybe you can serve the parish in that way. Please give this your prayerful consideration. What does a churchwarden do? There is an information sheet available for your consideration.



HELP SHAPE OUR SHARED FUTURE

During Lent, you are invited to be part of Listening in Lent – an opportunity to pause, reflect, and share what you notice and hope for as part of the Diocese of Melbourne today, and as we look to the future together. Take part by filling in the online questionnaire. It's open to everyone and every response is valued. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LiL_publicsurvey It takes around 10–15 minutes to complete, depending on the length of your responses. You can answer as much or as little as you like.

Your Holy Week & Easter Invitation



29th March, 10am Palm Sunday

Meet at Williamstown Uniting Church, then
process to Holy Trinity Williamstown

2nd April, 7pm Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion with Foot-washing

3rd April, 10am Good Friday

Solemn Worship

5th April, 6am Easter Dawn

Dawn Vigil with New Fire

5th April, 10am Easter Day

Celebration with Holy Communion



‘Antisemitism’

‘The Bizarre and the Brave’

Dr Rachael Kohn

Author - Commentator

Award-winning ABC Producer and Broadcaster

and respondent

Noè Harsel

Listening to the Experience of Jewish Australians

7.30pm Monday 30 March

A ticket-only event



trybooking.com/DKLYP



Christ Church South Yarra, corner Punt and Toorak Roads
Please contact the Office on 9866 4434 for further information.

LOCAL NEWS

Hobsons Bay Community Recognition Awards 2026

NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN

Nominate a community group, club or individual who is driving change, making a positive impact or strengthening our community.

Nominations close: **15 April 2026**



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Scan to
nominate



National
Volunteer
Week



Hobsons Bay
**Community
Recognition
Awards**

**HOBSONS
BAY CITY
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Celebrate Cultural Diversity Week

@ Outlets
Newport

Join two FREE hands-on workshops
celebrating culture, creativity and food
from around the world.



Taste of Vietnam Cooking Class

Tuesday 24 March 2026
10:00am – 12:30pm

Learn to make Vietnamese spring rolls and betel leaf rolls in a hands-on cooking workshop led by a local mother and daughter.

Vegetarian and halal chicken and beef options available.

Enjoy a shared tasting and take home the rolls you make.



Craft & Culture: Set in Resin Art Workshop

Thursday 26 March 2026
10:00am – 1:30pm

Create your own resin cultural cheese board, inspired by colours, symbols and memories from your heritage or travels. The session includes a tasting exploring the World of Fromage - international cheeses and cultural food stories. Take home your own unique handcrafted cheese board.



Sponsored by Hobsons Bay City Council



Outlets Co-operative Neighbourhood House
Newport Community Education Centre
43 Mason Street, Newport 3015

Culture
connects us all

Join us as we celebrate
Cultural Diversity Week



HTW GROUPS

*A great way to connect with people who share your interests.
While most of the groups are in recess for January, the
organisers would still be happy to hear from you.*

ADA CAMBRIDGE BOOK GROUP

Next Gathering Wednesday 1st April to discuss
the book 'Mother Mary Comes to Me'.

Ada Cambridge book group next meets to discuss a wonderful range of books. The group meets every 5 weeks or so on Wednesday at 12.30pm in the Parish Centre. Please contact Wilma with any questions. ***The book group are looking for new members, so reach out if you'd like to join.***

MEN'S CHURCH GROUP (MCG)

Next Gathering Friday 3rd April (Good Friday)

We meet on the first Friday of the month (resuming in February) at 7.30pm Stag's Head Hotel, corner of Cecil & Ann Streets. For more information and to join, contact Scott Phillips, Authorised Lay Minister, Holy Trinity Williamstown. Mobile: 0411 751 755; Email: sphillips@kpcl.com.au

WOMEN OF HOLY TRINITY (WOHT)

Next Gathering Thursday 9th April.

WOHT usually meets on the Second Thursday of the month 7.30-9.30pm (resuming in February). To connect with this group, please contact Barb Hingston (0424 466 405 - text if you can't get through on the phone), or Delia Paul (0432 562 454), for more info.

GARDENING GROUP

Next Gathering Saturday 11th April.

Keen gardeners meet on the Second Saturday of each month between 9.30am-2.30pm. Jobs for various levels of ability, BYO gloves, refreshments provided. You are always welcome to potter in the church gardens between meetings. And a reminder that the herb garden has produce you might like to pick. If

anyone would like to be involved in the Gardening Group please talk to any of us, there's always room for more helpers.

TEXTILE & DESIGN GROUP

Next gathering 18th April

This group of keen and creative makers usually meets on the Fourth Saturday of the month, 2pm in the Parish Centre.

Anyone interested in all things design and textile that add to our worship space is welcome to come along. Contact: Janice 0409 180 144.

GROUPS USING THE PARISH CENTRE

| Day | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Morning ~8am-12noon | Parish Morning Tea | | <i>Term time</i> Baby | | | Community Lunches | AA meeting |
| Early Afternoon ~12-2pm | HTW | | Sensory | Ada Cambridge (every 5 weeks) | | Community Lunches | <i>2nd week of month</i> Gardening Group |
| Late Afternoon ~2-5pm | SSDC fellowship | | | Homework Group <i>Term time</i> | Homework Group <i>Term time</i> | Cleaners | <i>4th week of month</i> Textile & Design |
| Evening 5pm onwards | | | | <i>Seasonally -</i> Parish Studies | AA meeting | | |

CELEBRATIONS



BIRTHDAYS

19th Warren Madsen

19th Rev. Jo Hall

21st Isaac Dias

23rd Karen Flemming

PARISH ROSTER

Please check the Roster Sheet and confirm your availability & fill any gaps. If you're not available, please arrange a swap or replacement.

THIS SUNDAY: 22nd March – Fifth Sunday in Lent (purple)

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14 **Psalm:** 130

Second Reading: Romans 8:6-11 **Gospel:** John 11:1-45

Set up: Rev. Andrew

Welcomers/Sidespersons: Russell D at 8am, Hayden J at 10am

Eucharistic Assistant at 8am: Val D

Liturgical Minister at 10am: Scott P

Readers: Val D at 8am; Chris R at 10am

Intercessor: TBC at 8am; Rev Richard 10am

Music: Delia P

Morning Tea: Sue & Chris

Flowers: *no flowers during Lent*

NEXT SUNDAY: 29th March - 10am only - Palm Sunday (red)

Psalm: 31:9-18 **New Testament Reading:** Philippians 2.5-11

Gospel: Matthew 21.1-11

Set up: Sue W

Welcomers/Sidespersons: Christa F

Liturgical Minister at 10am: Ingrid D

Readers: from UCA congregation

Intercessor: ***Volunteer Needed***

Music: Cherryll C

Morning Tea: Sue Phillips & Chris R

Flowers: Palm Branches

Don't forget to put your name down on the Monthly or Template Roster at the back of the church. Thank you.

Safe Ministry is God-honouring, life-giving, harm free

We strongly condemn any form of abuse and are committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable people, speaking out against violence, and ensuring our spaces are safe for everyone. If you would like to raise any concerns, please contact the independent Professional Standards Body, Kooyoora, phone 1800 135 246
enquiries@kooyoora.org.au
If anyone is in immediate danger, call 000.

THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

Vicar: Rev Elizabeth Murray *Day off Monday*
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OUR TEAM OF PARISH CLERGY & VOLUNTEERS

These people give their time and talents to supporting the life of the parish

Honorary Associate Clergy:

Rev. Robyn Boyd

Rev. Jo Hall

Rev. Richard Murray

Rev. Alan Smith

Authorised Honorary Lay Minister:

Scott Phillips 0411 751 755

Wardens:

Jill Ringrose

2 Positions Vacant

Treasurer:

Laurence Gray 0431 322 490

Pastoral Care:

Janice Schmidt..... 0409 180 144

Baptism Arrangements & Weddings:

Rev. Elizabeth Murray.....0419 106 457

Community Lunch Program:

Wilma Robarts 0409 862 292

Anglicare Emergency Relief:

Carol Willis 0439 458 096

The Pilot, Parish Journal:

Kate Strasser 0417 396 265

Women of Holy Trinity:

Barb Hingston 0424 466 405

Ada Cambridge Book Group:

Wilma Robarts 0409 862 292

Interfaith Dialogue:

Scott Phillips 0411 751 755

Synod Representatives:

Scott Phillips 0411 751 755

Hayden Jones

(alt.) Laurence Gray