

S^T. JAMES'

Bicentenary 2019-2024

10am Pew Sheet

For the week beginning
Sunday 2 January 2022

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD



REFLECTION

The feast of the Epiphany brings an end to the Christmas season. It recalls the visit of the wise men from the East to the baby Jesus. This act was a recognition by the nations that Jesus is the Saviour of all people. Accordingly, the wise men brought gifts of gold, incense and myrrh as a sign of Jesus' kingship, divinity and death. May Christ be known to us today in this celebration of thanksgiving.

As Sydney's oldest church, St James' is a place of soul-stirring worship, challenging preaching and fine music. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of age, race, sexual orientation, or religion. We also acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship—the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation.

Today's Service Information

Preacher

The Rev'd Glenn Maytum
Honorary Assistant Priest

8:00am Holy Eucharist

Reader & Intercessor: Penny Burton

10:00am Parish Eucharist

Reader & Intercessor: Phillip Jones

Organist: Titus Grenyer

Prelude: Messiaen – *Les Mages*

Mass Setting: Dudman – *Eucharist*

Motet: Cornelius – *The Three Kings*

Postlude: Grenyer – *Trumpet Festivity*

View online at 10:00am

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facebook.com/stjameskingstreet**

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL RECEPTION

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

St James' & COVID-19

Attendance at Services

Services of worship are open to all worshippers.

Due to the current COVID-19 Omicron variant outbreak, we recommend that those attending worship or other church activities should:

- Be fully vaccinated;
- Stay at home if feeling unwell;
- Use either the QR code or registration log upon entering the building;
- Wear masks while in the church building and not remove them to sing;
- Keep appropriate social distancing where possible under the 2 sqm rule (i.e. sit at the green dots – 4 people per pew or closer if from the same household); and,
- Use hand-sanitiser regularly.

Services and Events

Please refer to the back page for the schedule of services and events.

COVID-19 and Parish Information

The Rector's Pastoral Letters, which include details about service arrangements, can be viewed at

www.sjks.org.au/messages-re-covid-19/



Order of Service

Prelude

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992) – ‘Les mages’ from *La nativité*

Entrance Hymn

Please stand as the servers, choir, and sacred ministers enter. It is recommended that the congregation wear masks when singing.

As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold,
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright,
so, most gracious God, may we
evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped,
to that lowly manger-bed,
there to bend the knee before
him whom heaven and earth adore,
so may we with willing feet
ever seek thy mercy-seat.

As they offered gifts most rare
at that manger rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy,
pure, and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee our heavenly King.

In the heavenly country bright
need they no created light;
thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,
thou its Sun which goes not down:
there for ever may we sing
alleluyas to our King.

Words: W. Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

Music: Dix, C. Kocher (1786-1872), arr. W. H. Monk (1823-1889);

CCL licence 552064

Welcome

The celebrant welcomes the people, then says,

Celebrant ✕ In the Name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

A Memorial to the Late Archbishop Desmond Mpilo Tutu OMSG CH (7 October 1931 – 26 December 2021)

Celebrant He laughed, he cried, he loved.

Archbishop Tutu believed totally that each one of us is made in the image of God and ought to be treated as such by others.

This belief...arose from his faith and was held with a deeply-felt passion.

He wanted every human being on earth to experience the freedom, the peace, and the joy that all of us could enjoy if we truly respected one another as people created in the image of God.

Because he believed this, and because he worshipped God, he feared no one.

He named wrong wherever he saw it and by whomever it was committed.

He challenged the systems that demeaned humanity.

He could unleash a righteous anger on those – especially the powerful – who inflicted suffering upon those the Bible calls “the least of these, my brothers (and sisters).”

And when the perpetrators of evil experienced a true change of heart, he followed the example of his Lord and was willing to forgive.

*[adapted from a reflection by The Most Rev'd Dr Thabo Makgoba,
Archbishop of Cape Town and Metropolitan of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa]*

Almighty and merciful Father,
we give thanks for the life of your servant Desmond Tutu.
Preserve among us the good example of his life,
his courageous witness to the Christian faith, and his love of justice for all people.
Keep us in the way of truth until we with Desmond and all your saints
gather in your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us pray.

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.

Kyrie

Michael Dudman (1938-1994) – *Eucharist*

It is recommended that the congregation wear masks when singing.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Confession

The deacon says,

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

A time of silence is kept.

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

All

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.

The celebrant proclaims God's forgiveness.

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

Glory to God in the highest,
 and peace to God's people on earth.
 Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father: Receive our prayer.
 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
 ✕ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

Eternal God,
 who by a star led Magi to the worship of your Son:
 guide the nations of the earth by your light,
 that the whole world may see your glory;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever. Amen

Please sit.

First Reading

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

60: 1 - 6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord

A short silence is observed.

Reader For the Word of the Lord,
 All Thanks be to God.

The cantor sings the psalm with a response and chant by D. Drury.

Cantor Kings bow down before him; all nations do him service.

All **Kings bow down before him; all nations do him service.**

Give the king your judgement, O God:
and your righteousness to the son of a king,

That he may judge your people rightly:
and the poor of the land with equity.

Let the mountains be laden with peace because of his righteousness:
and the hills also with prosperity for his people.

May he give justice to the poor among the people:
and rescue the children of the needy, and crush the oppressor.

May he live while the sun endures:
and while the moon gives light, throughout all generations.

May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields:
and as showers that water the earth.

In his time shall righteousness flourish:
and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring tribute:
the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

All kings shall fall down before him:
and all nations do him service.

He will deliver the needy when they cry:
and the poor that have no helper.

He will pity the helpless and the needy:
and save the lives of the poor.

He will redeem them from oppression and violence:
and their blood shall be precious in his sight.

All **Kings bow down before him; all nations do him service.**

Second Reading

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

3: 1 - 12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his

holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

A short silence is observed.

Reader For the Word of the Lord,
All Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Hymn

It is recommended that the congregation wear masks when singing.

What child is this, who, laid to rest
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds worship and angels sing:
haste, haste to bring him praise
the Babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate,
where ox and ass are feeding?
Come, have no fear, God's son is here,
his love all loves exceeding:
Nails, spear, shall pierce him through,
the cross be borne for me, for you:
Hail, hail, the saviour comes,
the Babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,
all tongues and peoples own him,
the King of kings salvation brings,
let every heart enthrone him:
raise, raise your song on high
while Mary sings a lullaby,
joy, joy, for Christ is born,
the Babe, the son of Mary.

Words: W. Chatterton Dix and editors of the New English Hymnal

Music: GREENSLEEVES 16th Century English arr. 'English Praise' [NEH 40]

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Gospel Acclamation

All Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Cantor We have seen his star in the East;
 and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Please remain standing and turn to face the Gospel reader.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 2: 1 - 12

Deacon The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**
Deacon A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St Matthew
All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, ‘Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.’ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, ‘In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: “And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.”’ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.’ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Deacon For the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

All 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.

Intercessions

Deacon Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

The following response may be used,

All Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

At the conclusion of the prayers the deacon says,

Deacon Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.
All Grant that what we have asked in faith
 we may by your grace receive,
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Greeting of Peace

The celebrant says,

We are the body of Christ.
All His Spirit is with us.
 The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

You may wish to make your offering at sjks.org.au/donate, at the tap machine in the church, or in the basket near the door as you leave. It is recommended that the congregation wear masks when singing.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness,
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

Fear not to enter His courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear;
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

Words: J. S. B. Monsell (1811-1875)

Music: WAS LEBET. Melody from the Rheinhardt MS (1754); CCL licence 552064

The celebrant prays over the bread and wine,

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.

It will become for us the bread of life.

Through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All Blessed be God for ever!

Sursum Corda and Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All 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.

Celebrant All glory and honour, be yours now and always,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

You anointed him as Messiah, the light of the nations,
and revealed him as the hope of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

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.

- Celebrant Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.
On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'
After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'
- Deacon Let us proclaim the mystery of faith
- All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**
- Celebrant Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.
✠ Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:
- All **Blessing and honour and glory and power.**
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

A bell is rung, and silence is kept.

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

All 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 for ever.
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the bread and says,

Celebrant As this broken bread was once many grains,
which have been gathered together and made one bread:
All So may your Church be gathered
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Agnus Dei

Dudman – *Eucharist*

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.

Deacon Jesus is the Lamb of God. Behold Him who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Communion

Communion will be distributed in one kind only from the chancel steps. The cantor sings the 'The three kings' by Peter Cornelius (1824-1874).

Post-Communion Prayer

Please stand. The celebrant prays the post-communion prayer.

Celebrant God of the nations,
we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament.
Guide us by your presence,
that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness,
and establish your justice in the earth.

All Most loving God,
you send us into the world you love.
Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit.
Amen.

Notices

Hymn

Please stand. It is recommended that the congregation wear masks when singing.

Bethlehem, of noblest cities
none can once with thee compare;
thou alone the Lord from heaven
didst for us incarnate bear.

Fairer than the sun at morning
was the star that told his birth;
to the lands their God announcing,
seen in fleshly form on earth.

By its lambent beauty guided
see the eastern kings appear;
see them bend, their gifts to offer,
gifts of incense, gold and myrrh.

Solemn things of mystic meaning:
incense doth the God disclose,
gold a royal child proclaimeth,
myrrh a future tomb foreshows.

Holy Jesu, in thy brightness
to the Gentile world displayed,
with the Father and the Spirit
endless praise to thee be paid. Amen.

Words: Latin, Prudentius (348-410), tr. Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

Music: STUTTGART Adapted from a melody in C. F. Witt's *Harmonia sacra*, Gotha (1715)

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Blessing and Dismissal

Celebrant May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you,
that your lives may be a light to the world;
☩ and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Postlude

Titus Grenyer (b.1998) – *Trumpet Festivity*

Please pray for:

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.

Baptism anniversaries: Rose Vitomir, Madison Gatfield-Davis, Maisie Miles, Jessamy Miles, Gabriel Miles.

The sick – Immediate: Fr Richard Aldersey, Robyn Hobbs, Liz Barton, Ruth Jones, Ann Ryan, Elliott, John Gillam, Amy Horsburgh, Monsignor James Cronin, Frances Rolfe, Grahame Cooksley, Laessia Lysanenko, Julia Martin, Fr Lance Johnston, Oliver Johns, David Cheetham, Sr Jeanette Fox, Baddley Anita, Peter Renwick, Joyce Smith, Bp Andrew St John, Olivia Peck, John Maguire, Barbara Joan Rothery, David.

The sick – Long-term: Colin Middleton, Steven Bell, Candace & Cameron Waters, Paula Behm, Elizabeth Farry, Mthr Elaine Farmer, Warren Trevelyan-Jones, Joan Hillier, Joan Elliston, Kathryn James, Anahera Chesselum, Kellie Wilson, Jillian Morrison, Fay Skuthorpe, The Rev'd Paul Cooper, Bronwyn Thorp, Julie Sheppard, Bernice Lee, Nick De Brett, Geoff Bright, Claire Willmott, Stephanie Daley, Sigrid Delaney, Jivan Harito, James Ridley, Richard Gillard, Euan Black, Pam Robinson, Herb Anderson, Nellie Smith, Paul, Ann Bratt, Gillian Virginie, Cherie Shepherd, Helen Lord, Megan Nelson, Ray Sharp, Marian Pilone, Helen Ashley, Mary Shuttleworth, Fiona Hawke, Barry Shepherd, Billie Brace, Sebastiana Ilardo, Bec, Bp Arthur Malcolm, Fr John Bunyan, Fred Orr.

In need: Nadira Al Araij, Christine, Kate & Julia Collis, Nicholas Lee, Karla & James.

The recently departed: Gwenda Eileen Joy Heitmann, Sr Fiona CSC, Ada Wong Yung Chan, Judith (Judy) Lambeth, Berenice-Eve ‘Bibi’ Calf, Harry Dillon, Elsie Wood,

Those whose year's mind falls at this time: Lindsay Harper, Tony Humphries, *priest*, Mabel Brown, Norma Wotton, Pat Hansford, Doris Wright, Gordon Brown, Horace Douglas, Otis Charles, *bishop*, Florence Arcus, Marie Robinson, Grahame Aldridge, Ida Snow, Phillip McGrath.

Please note that names of the sick will remain on the ‘Immediate’ list for one month only. If there is a need for a name to remain longer, please ask for it to be placed on the ‘Long Term’ list. All requests should be made to Dianne Ward or Jonathan Elcock, the Office Administrators, at office@sjks.org.au or 8227 1300.



Post-Service Refreshments

Due to the current COVID-19 situation, it has been decided not to serve refreshments after the 10:00am service on the first two Sundays in January 2022.'

Service in memory of Archbishop Tutu

The NSW Ecumenical Council has arranged for a service in memory of Archbishop Tutu to be held at St James' on Sunday 6 February 2022 at 4:00pm. More details will be announced in the coming weeks.



Act for Peace Christmas Bowl

Thank you for joining once again with churches across Australia to share God's love through the Christmas Bowl, especially in a year of turbulence and disruption from the coronavirus pandemic, which continued to impact us all with many community members suffering. And as is often the case, the impact was not felt evenly, with the poorest among us hit hardest, especially the 82

million people around the world uprooted from the stability of their homes by conflict or disaster, and the people caught up in the humanitarian crises caused by this year's conflicts in Ethiopia, Myanmar, Gaza and the fall of Afghanistan. In the midst of this division and chaos, the Christmas Bowl is a vital channel for expressing our unity in Christ. And it provides a powerful mechanism for sharing God's love, with those who need it, through practical Christian action.

Thank you for being part of this important tradition, and helping to create a world where uprooted people have a safe place to belong.

— Howard Graham

Friends of Music Membership for 2022

Enjoy the benefits of being a member of Friends of Music at St James'! 2022 Membership Forms are now available in the Baptistry or sign up online at <https://friendsofmusicsydney.com.au/>

Myanmar Emergency Appeal

COVID-19 continues to wreak havoc in Myanmar. The Anglican Board of Mission's (ABM) partner, the Church of the Province of Myanmar (CPM), has been responding in innovative and practical ways. The first \$10,000 sent by ABM was spent on oxygen cylinders and oxygen concentrators, as well as COVID-19 testing kits and cleaning materials. A second tranche of funds has just been sent.

This will be used to address the ongoing pandemic through: social media and a 24-hour hotline providing information about COVID-19 and how to treat it; tele-health consultations with church volunteer doctors and health professionals; and home care and other assistance by volunteers as directed by the doctors.

The CPM COVID Response Team hopes to reach over 5000 people.

For more information and to make a donation,
please go to www.abmission.org/Myanmar.

Double Your Impact!

A generous ABM donor has increased the offer by \$5,000 to match \$ for \$ for the first \$15,000 of donations received!

Donations to this appeal are tax deductible

— Anthony Naake

Flower Arrangers Needed

We are in need of more flower arrangers to join the flower arranging team this year. If you would like to be part of this important and creative ministry, please contact Pippa on 0432 792 362.

St James' Foundation

Distributions

We are grateful to the St James' Foundation for the following distributions received recently:

The St James' Music Foundation: \$66,043

The St James' Building Foundation: \$40,000

Total St James' Foundation Limited: \$106,043

New Book in the Shop

During COVID-19 lockdown, Don Cameron - former Bishop of North Sydney - took the time to share some Scriptural insights with the residents of Rohini Village in Turramurra. Looking at the "I am..." statements of Jesus and exploring some of his parables, Don was able to offer his listeners the opportunity to reflect on the person of Christ and what it means to be a Christian.

Collected here, Don's short discourses are now available for those of us who have been - or may still be - stuck in a lockdown of our own.

Rohini Reflections is \$10 and is available for purchase from the Parish Office, or from the [web shop](#).

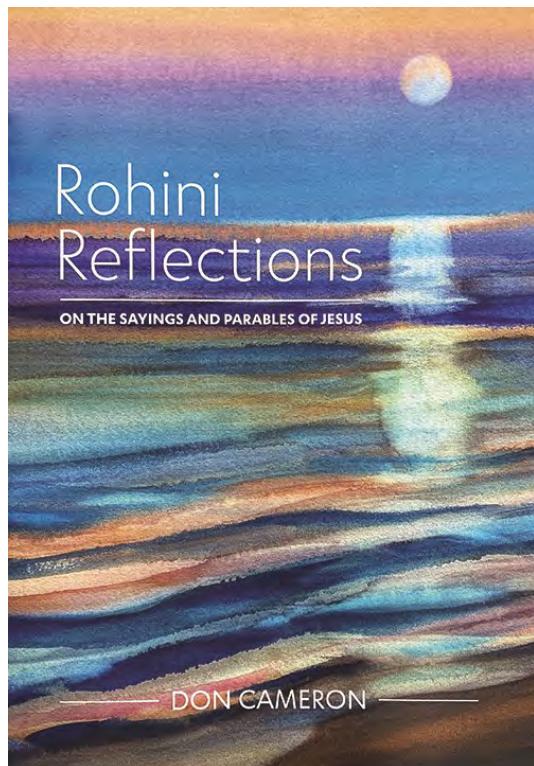
Sr Freda Christmas

Due to Covid we were unable to have a Christmas party for the homeless in the church covered courtyard.

However, we were able to use the Quiet Area where volunteers provided takeaway salad with ham/turkey, sandwiches, hot food, cold drinks, dessert with custard and a Christmas carry bag full of chocolates and lollies.

It was a very hot day but we still had 50-60 happy guests. [See photo on next page.]

- Robyn & David Carver





A Prayer for a Broken World

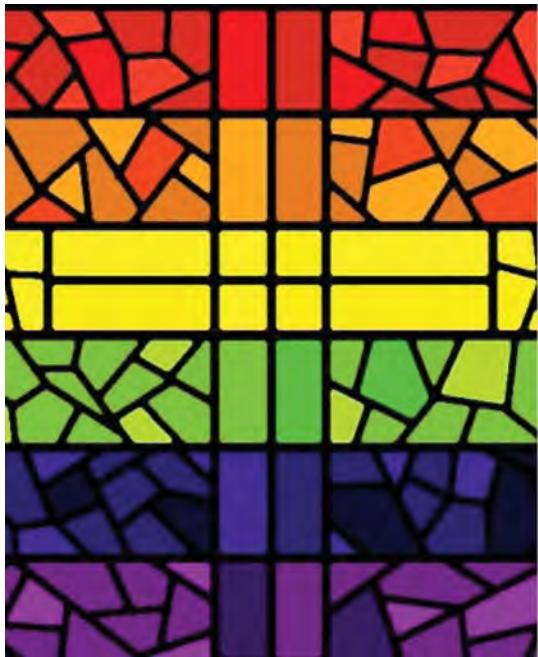
Almighty God, creator, and preserver of our world,
we pray for peace, justice, and compassion for those in need.

Have mercy on our broken and divided world
and banish the spirit that makes for war.

We pray especially for all affected by the escalating turmoil
and tragic events in Afghanistan, the ongoing conflict in Myanmar,
and the many other places where there is conflict and persecution.

Restrain the forces of evil and protect the vulnerable –
especially women and children,
as well as those who seek refuge from oppression and death.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord,
who went to the cross for those in need of salvation. Amen.



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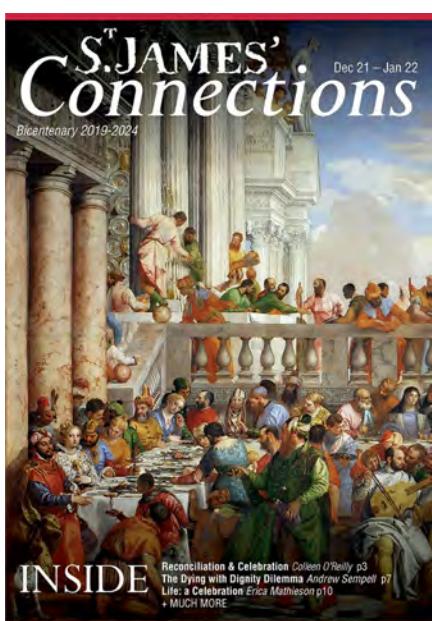
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What's on this week

Worship

Monday to Friday

8:30am, Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
5:00pm, Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Tuesday to Friday

12:30pm, Holy Eucharist

Sunday 9 January 2022

The Baptism of Our Lord

(White)

8:00am Holy Eucharist

10:00am Parish Eucharist*

Preacher: *The Rev'd Ron Henderson OGS*

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