

# PEW SHEET

## Day of Pentecost

### 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Welcome to Saint John's Finch Street at the heart of the East Malvern community. This iconic sandstone church is home to a welcoming and hospitable community committed to the worship of God in beauty and holiness in the classical Anglican tradition as well as loving and joyful outreach as disciples of Jesus Christ.

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#### **The Anglican Parish of Saint John & Saint Agnes**

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#### **REGULAR SERVICES**

##### **Sunday**

8:00am: Eucharist (Saint John's)  
9:30am: Choral Eucharist (Saint John's)  
9:30am: Sung Eucharist (Saint Agnes')  
6:00pm: Choral Evensong  
(Saint John's, First Sunday)  
6:00pm: Congregational Evensong  
(Saint John's, Third Sunday)

##### **Weekday Eucharists**

10:00am: Tuesday (Saint Agnes')  
10:15am: Friday (Saint John's)

#### **Vicar**

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*We acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians of this place and their stewardship of the land that now sustains us all and on which we worship the God of all Reconciliation and Hope*

# GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*Text marked with  is sung together by both congregation and choir at 9:30am. The Mass Setting this morning is by Philip Matthias. Please stand when the bells are rung. The Ministers and Choir enter while the Opening Hymn is sung.*

## OPENING HYMN

1. There's a spirit in their air,  
telling Christians everywhere:  
'Praise the love that Christ revealed,  
living, working in our world.'

3. When believers break the bread,  
when a hungry child is fed,  
praise the love that Christ revealed,  
living, working in our world.

4. Still the Spirit gives us light,  
seeing wrong and setting right:  
God in Christ has come to stay.  
Live tomorrow's life today.

6. May the Spirit fill our praise,  
guide our thoughts and change our ways:  
God in Christ has come to stay.  
Live tomorrow's life today.

7. There's a Spirit in the air,  
calling people everywhere:  
'Praise the love that Christ revealed,  
living, working in our world.'

*Brian Arthur Wren 1936-  
TIS 414*

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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.**

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ Jesus said ‘This is the great and first commandment. And the second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

The Spirit of truth comes to convict of sin, of righteousness, and of judgement.

Let us then open our hearts and confess 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.**

♪ Lord, have mercy.	<b>Lord, have mercy.</b>
Christ, have mercy.	<b>Christ, have mercy.</b>
Lord, have mercy.	<b>Lord, have mercy.</b>

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.**

## **THE GLORIA**

♪ **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.

## THE COLLECT

O God, who taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please sit. Before the Liturgy of the Word all children and their parents are invited to come forward to receive a prayer and blessing*

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel

[37.1-14]

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, 'Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, 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 prophesy, 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.**

## PSALM

[104:26-36]

Lord, how various are your works:  
in wisdom you have made them all,  
and the earth is full of your creatures.

**There is the wide, immeasurable sea:**

**there move living things without number, great and small;**

There go the ships, to and fro:  
and there is that Leviathan  
whom you formed to sport in the deep.

**These all look to you:**

**to give them their food in due season.**

When you give it to them, they gather it:  
when you open your hand  
they are satisfied with good things.

**When you hide your face, they are troubled:**

**when you take away their breath,  
they die and return to their dust.**

When you send forth your spirit they are created:  
and you renew the face of the earth.

**May the glory of the Lord endure for ever:  
may the Lord rejoice in his works.**

If he look upon the earth, it shall tremble:  
if he but touch the mountains, they shall smoke.

**I will sing to the Lord as long as I live:  
I will praise my God while I have any being.**

May my meditation be pleasing to him:  
for my joy shall be in the Lord.

## **SECOND READING**

A reading from the Book of Acts.

[2:1-21]

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

“In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.  
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.  
And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.  
The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.  
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

## **GOSPEL**

Alleluia, **alleluia.**

‘A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you,’ says the Lord God; ‘I will put my spirit within you and you shall live.’ **Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. [15:26-27, 16:4b-15]

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

‘I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, “Where are you going?” But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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

## **THE SERMON**

*The Sermon is followed by a time of reflection*

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Let us together stand to affirm the faith of the Church.

**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.

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

*Please kneel*

Come, Holy Spirit. Come,  
**Renew the face of the earth.**

Holy Spirit, bringing order out of chaos,  
bring order to our actions and purpose to our lives.  
Come, **renew the face of the earth.**

Holy Spirit, moving in the deep places of creation,  
move in the depth of our hearts.  
Come, **renew the face of the earth.**

Holy Spirit, breathing life into all creatures,  
refresh, renew, restore your people.  
Come, **renew the face of the earth.**

Holy Spirit, giver of all good gifts,  
help us to use our talents and abilities aright.  
Come, **renew the face of the earth.**

Holy Spirit, giving life to dry bones, give hope and joy to all who are weary. In particular work your power amongst those for whom we pray: Ali, Christine, Andrew, Alan, Christine, Daniel, Jayachandran, Mary, Stephen, Elaine, Liz and Esther.  
Come, **renew the face of the earth.**

Holy Spirit, giver of life, accompany and awaken all those who have died in faith, and in this week of their remembrance: Enid Kezia Heriot, Sarah Alice Nelson, Ian Robeson, Lillian May Storey, Mrs Kingsmill.  
Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord: **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*The prayers of intercession may conclude with a final prayer, after which all stand*

## **GREETING OF PEACE**

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*We greet each other with a sign of Christ's peace.*

## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

*A collection is taken to support the life and mission of the parish.*

## **OFFERTORY HYMN**

**1. At the name of Jesus  
every knee shall bow,  
every tongue confess him**

King of Glory now:  
this the Father's pleasure  
that we call him Lord,  
who from the beginning  
was the mighty Word.

2. Humbled for a season  
to receive a name  
from the lips of sinners  
unto whom he came,  
faithfully he bore it  
spotless to the last,  
brought it back victorious  
when from death he passed.

3. In your hearts enthrone him,  
there let him make new  
all that is not holy,  
all that is not true.  
He is God the Saviour,  
he is Christ the Lord,  
ever to be worshipped,  
trusted and adored.

4. When this same Lord Jesus  
shall appear again  
in his Father's glory,  
there with him to reign,  
then may we adore him,  
all before him bow,  
as our hearts confess him  
King of Glory now.

*Carolien maria Noel 1817-77 alt*  
*TIS 231*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

♪ 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 priest continues in thanksgiving...*

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever 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 priest continues with the prayer of consecration...*

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

♪ **Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues...*

... we worship you, Father,  
in songs of never-ending praise:

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

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

♪ **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and  
forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead  
us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND 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.**

*The priest breaks the bread while the Agnus Dei is sung*

♯ **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.**

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

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

*All baptised Christians who seek Christ in this sacrament are invited to receive Holy Communion. Anyone is welcome to receive a blessing instead. During Communion the Parish Choir sing the Motet 'Confirma Hoc Deus' by William Byrd*

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*Notices may be given here.*

*The priest prays the post-communion prayer, followed by*

**Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.**

*The priest pronounces this blessing:*

God stir up within you the gift of the Spirit that you may confess Jesus Christ as Lord and proclaim the joy of the everlasting gospel wherever you may be; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia.  
Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.

## CLOSING HYMN

1. Father, Lord of all creation,  
ground of being, life and love;  
height and depth beyond description  
only life in you can prove:  
you are mortal life's dependence:  
thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;  
yours is every hour's existence,  
sovereign Lord of time and space.

2. Jesus Christ, the Man for Others,  
we, your people, make our prayer:  
let us love as sisters, brothers,  
all whose burdens we can share.  
Where your name binds us together  
you, Lord Christ, will surely be;  
where no selfishness can sever  
there your love we all may see.

3. Holy Spirit, rushing, burning,  
wind and flame of Pentecost,  
fill our hearts afresh with yearning  
to regain what we have lost.  
May your love unite our action,  
nevermore to speak alone:  
God, in us abolish faction,  
and through us your love make known.

*David Stewart Cross 1928-89*  
*TIS 631 (Tune: TIS 153)*

*The organist plays the Postlude*

*Please join us for Morning Tea.*



Songs of  
Farewell...

A Showcase Concert of the Parish  
Choir of Saint John's Finch Street  
Friday 24 May 2024 7PM  
Tickets: \$30/20 followed by cheese & wine

Featuring the 'Songs of Farewell' by  
Charles Parry together with the 'Funeral  
Sentences for Queen Mary' by Henry  
Purcell and other music by Elgar, Reger,  
Whitacre, Ramsay and Swarbrick

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ROSTER	This Week 19 May 2024	Next Week 26 May 2024
<b>8.00am Eucharist</b>		
Welcomer	Jim Morse	David Arden
Server	Sally Wallis	Pat Syer
Readers	Bev Kocsis David Richards	Joel Ringrose Roxane Hislop
<b>9:30am Eucharist</b>		
Welcomers	Lesley Stonehouse Robin Richards	David Reece Sue Lockey
Sub-Deacon	Rick Burman	Sebastian Harvey
Crucifer	Sebastian Harvey	Will Grant
Acolytes		
Thurifer	TBA	TBA
Readers	Sue Lockey Jane Fyfield	Rick Burman Preetham Kumar
Intercessor	Jenny Thomson	Tim Clarke
Organist	Tim Clarke	Bruce Fethers
Post-Service Hospitality	'CK' Choong Robin Richards	Sue Lockey Niki Morshedi
<b>6.00pm</b>		
Welcomers	John Jobling	--
Readers	John Jobling Greg Thompson	--
Organist	Tim Clarke	--
Post Service Hospitality	TBC?	--
<b>Weekly Duties</b>		
Flowers (for the Sunday)	Lou Robinson & Deb Lauritz	Ingrid Hogan & Gayle Arden
Bins (for the week after Sunday)	David Richards <i>Recycling &amp; Garbage</i>	David Woods <i>Garden &amp; Garbage</i>



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