

PEW SHEET

Bartholemew, Apostle & Martyr

24th August 2025

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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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)

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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

The symbol ✠ indicates where the Sign of the Cross is customarily made. Text marked with 🎵 is sung together by both congregation and choir at 9:30am. The Mass Setting this morning is by Harold Darke in A. Please stand when the bells are rung. The Ministers and Choir enter while the Opening Hymn is sung.

OPENING HYMN

1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descending
comes full homage to demand.
2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.
3. Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light comes shining
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.
4. At his feet the six-winged seraphs,
cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high!

*From the Liturgy of St James c. 4th century
tr. Gerald Moultrie 1829-85 alt
TIS 497*

✠ 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.

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.’

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. Let us then run our race, laying aside every weight and bringing our sins to the Lord 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.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

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

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, *here it is customary to make a slight bow*
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, *here it is customary to make a slight bow*
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:
Here it is customary to bow for the duration of the words 'receive our prayer'
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High
Jesus Christ, *here it is customary to make a slight bow*
with the Holy Spirit,
in the ✠ glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy 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 Deuteronomy

[18.15-18]

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: 'If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.' Then the Lord replied to me: 'They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

[145:10-18]

All creation praises you, O Lord:
and your faithful servants bless your name.

**They speak of the glory of your kingdom:
and tell of your great might,**

That the whole earth may know your mighty acts:
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom:
and your dominion endures through all generations.**

The Lord upholds all those who stumble:
and raises up those that are bowed down.

**The eyes of all look to you in hope:
and you give them their food in due season;**

You open wide your hand:
and fill all things living with your bounteous gift.

**The Lord is just in all his ways:
and faithful in all his dealings.**

The Lord is near to all who call upon him:
to all who call upon him in truth.

SECOND READING

A reading from the Revelation to Saint John

[21.9b-14]

Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, 'Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.' And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand and turn to face the Book of the Gospels.

GOSPEL

Alleluia, **alleluia.**

Sing to the Lord, bless his name, tell his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvellous works among all peoples.

Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

[1.45-51]

Here it is customary to trace three small crosses on the forehead, lips and heart

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of

Nazareth?’ Philip said to him, ‘Come and see.’ When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, ‘Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!’ Nathanael asked him, ‘Where did you come to know me?’ Jesus answered, ‘I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.’ Nathanael replied, ‘Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!’ Jesus answered, ‘Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.’ And he said to him, ‘Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.’

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, *here it is customary to make a slight bow*
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,**

Here it is customary to make a low bow from the waist until ‘...became truly human’
**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 *here it is customary to make a slight bow*
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

Father, your Son called men and women to leave the past behind them and to follow him as his disciples in the way of the cross. Look with mercy upon those whom he calls today and in our own time, marks with the cross and makes his disciples within the Church.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Your Son told his disciples not to be afraid and bestowed on them his gift of peace. Look with mercy upon the world into which he sent them out, and give it that peace for which it longs.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Your Son formed around him a company who were no longer servants but friends, and he called all those who obeyed him his brother and sister and mother. Look with mercy upon our families and our friends and upon the communities in which we share.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Your Son sent out disciples to preach and heal the sick. Look with mercy on all those who yearn to hear the good news of salvation, and renew among your people the gifts of healing as we pray this day for: Ali, Andrew, Liz, Cam, Christopher, Warwick, and Sue
Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Your Son promised to those who followed him that they would sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel and would share the banquet of the kingdom. According to your promise, look with mercy on those who have walked with Christ in this life and now have passed through death, as we commend into your keeping: Freda Elizabeth Herrington, Rosie Craig McFadyen, William Herbert (Bill) Dolan, Charles Wallace Burge.
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

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

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. Just as I am, without one plea
but that your blood was shed for me,
and that you would my Saviour be,
O Lamb of God, I come.

2. Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.

3. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind -
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yes, all I need, in you to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.

4. Just as I am, you will receive,
will welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because your promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

5. Just as I am – your love unknown
has broken every barrier down
now to be yours, and yours alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.

6. Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Charlotte Elliott 1789-1871 alt
TIS 584(i)

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,** *here it is customary to make a low bow from the waist*
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... It is customary when the bells ring at the elevation of the Sacrament to make the ☩ Sign of the Cross

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

♩ **O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us 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, 'The Eyes of All Wait on Thee' by George Elvey.

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, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations, bring you, with all the saints, to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city; 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 peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

1. All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine,
didst yield the glory that of right was thine,
that in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine.
Alleluia!

2. Thou cam'st to us in lowliness of thought;
by thee the outcast and the poor were sought;
and by thy death was God's salvation wrought.
Alleluia!

3. Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
who wast a servant that we might be free,
humbling thyself to death on Calvary.
Alleluia!

4. Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou
art high exalted o'er all creatures now,
and given the name to which all knees shall bow.
Alleluia!

5. Let every tongue confess with one accord,
in heaven and earth, that Jesus Christ is Lord,
and God the Father be by all adored.
Alleluia!

Francis Bland Tucker 1895-1984
based on Philippians 2:5-11
AHB 180

The organist plays the Postlude, 'Recessional' by Francis Jackson

Please join us for Morning Tea.

NEWS & NOTICES

NEXT CARITAS MEETING - MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 8PM.

Clare Arden will speak on 'Pain Management' at the home of Gayle and David Arden. Everyone is most welcome to attend, please RSVP for seating and catering purposes. Rosemary 0417532118.

MEMORIAL GARDEN UPGRADE – PROGRESS REPORT

Have you noticed how close we are to completing the Memorial Garden upgrade? Thanks to Chris Prior for polishing the plinth base and for laying the very important plaque, ably assisted by John Jobling. This was a huge undertaking and is now looking splendid. The next step is installation of the water feature in the centre of the spiral and reconnection of the electricity to light the garden. These steps are very close. Our improved sacred space is a delight and will continue to hold memories from the past and into the future.

PLANNED GIVING – ENVELOPES OR DIRECT DEBIT

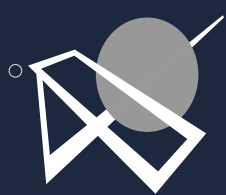
As we approach the church's new financial year (beginning 1 October) now is a good opportunity to prayerfully consider your stewardship to support the parish's mission and ministry. A convenient way to do this is through a regular Direct Debit which can be set up through the parish's dedicated and confidential giving account with the Anglican Development Fund. For more details about how to set this up please speak to Treasurer Sebastian Harvey or Parish Recorder Jane Fyfield who are the only people in the parish who know the details of individual giving. If you have been in the habit of using the old 'envelope' system and would like to continue, please also speak to Jane Fyfield.

CHOIR SHOWCASE CONCERT – FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER AT 7PM

Save the date for the upcoming 'Showcase Concert' performed by our wonderful Parish Choir on Friday 19 September at 7pm in the church at Saint John's Finch Street. The theme this year is 'Folk Songs from the British Isles' including works by Holst, Ralph Vaughan Williams and a selection of songs by Robert Burns set to music and translated into German by Robert Schumann. Tickets are \$30.

SRI LANKAN HOPPER & CURRY NIGHT – WED 8 OCTOBER 6:30PM

Join us at Saint Agnes' Glen Huntly on Wednesday 8 October at 6:30pm for a special 'Hopper Night' (Sri Lankan rice flour cakes) and curry dinner fundraiser for our Weekend Pantry outreach together with Glen Eira CIS. Cost \$40 per head, including dinner, drinks and dessert. To book call Carole: 0416 971 309.



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ROSTER	24 August 2025	31 August 2025
8.00am Eucharist		
Welcomer	Joel Ringrose	David Richards
Server	TBA	Sally Wallis
Readers	Joel Ringrose Greg Thompson	John Jobling Sally Wallis
9:30am Eucharist		
Welcomers	Rosemary Wickett Robin Richards	Sue Lockey David Reece
Sub-Deacon	Tim Clarke	Anne Kerin
Crucifer	Satoshi Okita	Sebastian Harvey
Acolytes	William and Manny	William and Manny
Gospel Bearer	Bella Ross	Bella Ross
Thurifer	TBA	NA
Readers	Rick Burman Anne Kerin	James Buckmaster Bron Williams
Intercessor	Jenny Thomson	Jane Fyfield
Organist	Bruce Fethers	Tim Clarke
Post-Service Hospitality	Chris Martin Glenis Heath	Robin Richards Niki Morshedi
6.00pm		
Welcomers	--	--
Readers	--	--
Organist	--	--
Post Service Hospitality	--	--
Weekly Duties		
Flowers (for the Sunday)	Caroline l'Huillier & Glenis Heath	Jane Fyfield
Bins (for the week after Sunday)	Jim Morse <i>Recycling & Garbage</i>	David Arden <i>Garden & Garbage</i>



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