

**Psalm 68.1-10, 32-35**

God shall arise and his enemies shall be scattered:  
**those that hate him shall flee before his face.**

As smoke is dispersed, so shall they be dispersed:  
**as wax melts before a fire,**

**so shall the wicked perish at the presence of God.**

But the righteous shall be glad and exult before God:  
**they shall rejoice with gladness.**

O sing to God, sing praises to his name:

**glorify him that rode through the deserts,  
him whose name is the Lord, and exult before him.**

He is the father of the fatherless, he upholds the cause of the  
widow:

**God in his holy dwelling place.**

He gives the desolate a home to dwell in,  
and brings the prisoners out into prosperity:

**but rebels must dwell in a barren land.**

O God, when you went out before your people:

**when you marched through the wilderness,**

The earth shook, the heavens poured down water:

**before the God of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel.**

You showered down a generous rain, O God:

**you prepared the land of your possession when it was weary.**

And there your people settled:

**in the place that your goodness, O God,**

**had made ready for the poor.**

Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth:

**O sing praises to the Lord,**

To him that rides upon the highest heavens,

that were from the beginning:

**who utters his voice, which is a mighty voice.**

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel:

**and his might is in the clouds.**

Terrible is God who comes from his holy place:

**the God of Israel who gives power and strength to his people.**

**Blessed be God.**

*A Prayer Book for Australia, Broughton Books, 1995*

St David's, Ardross  
St George's, Applecross  
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**Reflection on Easter VII**

In holy Scripture and the Sacraments our experience of church, of being part of the Body of Christ, reveals that God is all about relationship and communion – the intimate relationship of Father and Son and Spirit into which we are invited. Relationship is always with one another as well as with God. Sometimes we might wish that we could just commune with God on our own and that others are a distraction. For some of us it is the absence of others with which to share our faith that makes our journey lonelier and harder. The prayer of Jesus of the Gospel reminds us that we are always being called into communion with God as individuals and as community. That we need to spend time as individuals in prayer and study, in reflection and that personal walk. In responding to the invitation of God we enter into a world-wide forever community. Such a belonging crosses normal social and physical barriers. Such a belonging connects us and stretches us. Such a belonging calls us into a unity that is a foretaste of the new creation and demanding and elusive.

From the very beginning the apostles of the new church saw things differently to one another and yet always there was a point of connection. Many of us are painfully aware of how divided we the faithful are and even within denominations and particular communities we have deeply felt differences.

How do we honour one another while protecting the vulnerable and ourselves from being overwhelmed by the loudest voices rather than the most loving ideals?

We need each other's witness and support, challenge and care, in order to live into the possibilities and expectations of God's realm.

*Wendy*

**PRAYERS** Gracious God, we ask for your blessing and healing for all.

**In the Diocese we pray for:** Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy and Bishop Kate Wilmot, and Bishop Christopher Ruto of our partnered Diocese of Eldoret. Our partnered parish St Stephens Aturei, priest Rev'd Josephat Bett and people.

**For those in need at this time:** Prayers of comfort, healing, and peace for June and for all on our hearts.

Doris Donovan (2017)

*May her portion in paradise be rest in peace*

21 MAY EASTER VII	St George's 7.45 am	St David's 9.30 am
Welcomers	Liz	Nic and Deb
1st reading <b>Acts 1.6-14</b>	Jane	Chris
2nd reading <b>1 Peter 5</b> <b>Gospel John 17</b>	Julie	Deb
Intercessor	Rupesh	Mary
Morning Tea	Leonie	Jill and Ross
<b>HYMNS</b>	477 580 or Gospel Acclamation 526 179	

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Ngaala kaaditj Noongar moort keyen kaadak nidja boodja.

We respectfully acknowledge Noongar People as the original custodians of this land, and their ongoing relationship with it.

We acknowledge their leaders, past, present, and emerging.

#### NOTICES

**NEXT WEEK** we celebrate **Pentecost** at a combined service at St David's 9.30am. Please come dressed in red or some fire colour, and if you are able a plate of food to share at morning tea would be very welcome.

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS** will be held on **Sunday 18 June**. All reports for the meeting must be to the office by Friday 26 May. If you are unsure whether a report is required, or would like to discuss its contents please be in contact with Wendy. Only one report has been received.

**APPLICATION for ENROLMENT** If you have never enrolled in the parish for whatever reason and you would like to, forms are available at both churches.

**COCKTAIL EVENING Friday 26 May from 6.00pm** in St David's hall. Gold coin donation, or as you feel is appropriate, to raise funds for the improvement of the playground equipment. We would like to raise a good proportion of the \$1000 required. Bring nibbles to share. Family and friends welcome.

**MEDITATION** Thursdays 5.30pm St David's church. All welcome.

**TAKE 15** This service commenced on 1 March and due to little interest we cease this gathering. We attempted to offer something different and will now ponder on what next. Thank you to those who did support us by your presence.

**MANUAL HANDLING TRAINING** Free workshop to be held on Saturday **20 May 9.00am-10.30am** at St. David's hall. Everyone welcome. This is being led by Soji James who trains people in equipping them to live their best and fullest life.

**CONFIRMATION or WELCOME into the ANGLICAN CHURCH** If you are interested in either of these please know with our Archbishop visiting us in July this can be organised. Please speak to Wendy if you and a family member is interested.

**WINTER APPEAL** Knitted squares and strips for rugs needed, also beanies. Patterns on church noticeboards. Phyllis 9364 5271.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL at St David's.** Held on 1st and 3rd Sundays in school term.

**ANGLICARE BINS** With the closure of Anglicare Op Shops their collection bins have been removed from St David's grounds and will not be replaced.

**CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE** Fund raising The Parish number is **C10681155**

**LIVE STREAM Team link** We invite you to a scheduled Team meeting, for the 9.30am service. Join the Meeting using the link: <http://bit.ly/3JydK0d>