

# ST AGNES<sup>†</sup>

## ANGLICAN CHURCH

### Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

14<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Saint Agnes' Glen Huntly is a welcoming and hospitable faith community, celebrating God's compassion and love for all. As an Anglo-Catholic church, our faith, worship and community life finds its ultimate expression in encounter with the Risen Christ in Scripture and Sacrament. Together we are committed to growing in spirituality and service as disciples of Jesus, glorifying God and serving our local community.

You can find out more about us at [www.saintagnes.org.au](http://www.saintagnes.org.au).

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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: Evensong & Benediction  
(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

*Text marked with  is sung to the Mass Setting by Michael Dudman. The symbol  indicates where the Sign of the Cross is customarily made. Please stand when the bells are rung. The Ministers and Choir enter while the Opening Hymn is sung.*

## OPENING HYMN

1. Be thou my guardian and my guide,  
and hear me when I call;  
let not my slippery footsteps slide,  
and hold me lest I fall.

2. The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell  
around the path I tread:  
O save me from the snares of hell,  
thou quickener of the dead.

3. And if I tempted am to sin,  
and outward things are strong,  
do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,  
and save my soul from wrong.

4. Still let me ever watch and pray,  
and feel that I am frail,  
that if the tempter cross my way  
yet he may not prevail.

*Isaac Williams 1802-65  
AHB 498*

 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.

*Silence is held as we gather our hearts and minds into the presence of God*

**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.’

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God’s forgiveness.

**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.

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

O God, without you we are not able to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please sit.*

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Exodus

[32.7-14]

The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for

themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” The Lord said to Moses, ‘I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.’

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, ‘O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, “It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth”? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, “I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever.”’ And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

[51:1-10]

Have mercy on me, O God, in your enduring goodness:  
according to the fulness of your compassion  
blot out my offences.

**Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness:  
and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I acknowledge my rebellion:  
and my sin is ever before me.

**Against you only have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your eyes:  
so you will be just in your sentence  
and blameless in your judging.**

Surely in wickedness I was brought to birth:

and in sin my mother conceived me.

**You that desire truth in the inward parts:**

**O teach me wisdom in the secret places of the heart.**

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean:

wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

**Make me hear of joy and gladness:**

**let the bones which you have broken rejoice.**

Hide your face from my sins:

and blot out all my iniquities.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God:**

**and renew a right spirit within me.**

## SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Paul to Timothy

[1]

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the command of God our Saviour and of Christ Jesus our hope,

To Timothy, my loyal child in the faith:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I urge you, as I did when I was on my way to Macedonia, to remain in Ephesus so that you may instruct certain people not to teach any different doctrine, and not to occupy themselves with myths and endless genealogies that promote speculations rather than the divine training that is known by faith. But the aim of such instruction is love that comes from a pure heart, a good conscience, and sincere faith. Some people have deviated from these and turned to meaningless talk, desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make assertions.

Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it legitimately. This means understanding that the law is laid down not for the innocent but for the lawless and disobedient, for the godless and sinful, for the unholy and profane, for those who kill their father or mother, for murderers, fornicators, sodomites, slave-traders, liars, perjurers, and

whatever else is contrary to the sound teaching that conforms to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which he entrusted to me.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

I am giving you these instructions, Timothy, my child, in accordance with the prophecies made earlier about you, so that by following them you may fight the good fight, having faith and a good conscience. By rejecting conscience, certain persons have suffered shipwreck in the faith; among them are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have turned over to Satan, so that they may learn not to blaspheme.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand. A Gradual hymn is sung*

## GRADUAL HYMN

1. My song is love unknown,  
my Saviour's love to me,  
love to the loveless shown,  
that they might lovely be.  
O who am I  
that for my sake  
my Lord should take  
frail flesh, and die?

2. He came from his blest throne  
Salvation to bestow:  
but all made strange, and none  
the longed-for Christ would know.  
But O my friend!  
my friend indeed,  
who at my need  
his life did spend.

3. Sometimes they strew his way  
and his sweet praises sing,  
resounding all the day  
hosannas to their King.  
Then 'Crucify!'  
is all their breath  
and for his death  
they thirst and cry.

4. Why, what has my Lord done?  
What makes this rage and spite?  
He made the lame to run,  
he gave the blind their sight.  
Sweet injuries!  
Yet they at these  
themselves displease,  
and 'gainst him rise.

5. They rise and needs will have  
my dear Lord made away;  
a murderer they save;  
the Prince of life they slay.  
Yet cheerful he  
to suffering goes,  
that he his foes  
from thence might free.

6. In life, no house, no home  
my Lord on earth might have;



in death, no friendly tomb  
but what a stranger gave.  
What may I say?  
Heaven was his home;  
but mine the tomb  
wherein he lay.

7. Here might I stay and sing,  
no story so divine;  
never was love, dear King,  
never was grief like thine.  
This is my friend,  
in whose sweet praise  
I all my days  
could gladly spend.

*Samuel Crossman 1624-84 alt*  
*TIS 341*

*Please turn to face the Book of the Gospels.*

## GOSPEL

Alleluia, **alleluia.**

I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents. **Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. [15.1-10]

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

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

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

So he told them this parable: ‘Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, “Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.” Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.

‘Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, “Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.” Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.’

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

## **THE SERMON**

*The Sermon is followed by a time of silence and musical 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.

*Prayers are offered for the Church and for the world. Each petition ends with...*

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

*The final petition for all the faithful departed ends...*

May they rest in peace: **and rise in glory.**

*All stand.*

## GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ.  
**His Spirit is with us.**

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

*We greet each other with a sign of peace.*

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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

### OFFERTORY HYMN

1. I will sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me,  
how he left the realms of glory  
for the cross on Calvary.

*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me,  
sing it with his saints in glory,  
gathered by the crystal sea.*

2. I was lost: but Jesus found me,  
found the sheep that went astray,  
raised me up and gently led me  
back into the narrow way.

*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me,  
sing it with his saints in glory,  
gathered by the crystal sea.*

3. Faint was I, and fears possessed me,  
bruised was I from many a fall,

hope was gone, and shame distressed me:  
but his love has pardoned all.

*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me,  
sing it with his saints in glory,  
gathered by the crystal sea.*

4. Days of darkness still may meet me,  
sorrow's paths I oft may tread;  
but his presence still is with me,  
by his guiding hand I'm led.

*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me,  
sing it with his saints in glory,  
gathered by the crystal sea.*

5. He will keep me till the river  
rolls its waters at my feet:  
then he'll bear me safely over,  
where the loved ones I shall meet.

*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me,  
sing it with his saints in glory,  
gathered by the crystal sea.*

*Francis Harold Rowley 1854-1952  
TIS 233*

## **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...*

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 in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,**  
**your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and**  
**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 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.**

*A period of deep silence is held with silent adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.*

*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.*

## 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*

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our

Lord; *here it is customary to bow, or genuflect on the left knee* 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. The voice of God goes out to all the world;  
his glory speaks across the universe.  
The Great King's herald cries from star to star:  
'With power, with justice, he will walk his way.'
2. The Lord has said, 'Receive my messenger,  
my promise to the world, my pledge made flesh,  
a lamp to every nation, light from light':  
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.
3. The broken reed he will not trample down,  
nor set his heel upon the dying flame.  
He binds the wounds, and health is in his hand:  
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.
4. Anointed with the Spirit and with power,  
he comes to crown with comfort all the weak,  
to show the face of justice to the poor:  
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.
5. His touch will bless the eyes that darkness held,  
the lame shall run, the halting tongue shall sing,  
and prisoners laugh in light and liberty:  
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.

*Luke Connaughton 1917-79*  
*TIS 282*

*The organist plays the Postlude.*

*Please join us for Morning Tea.*



## NEWS & NOTICES

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

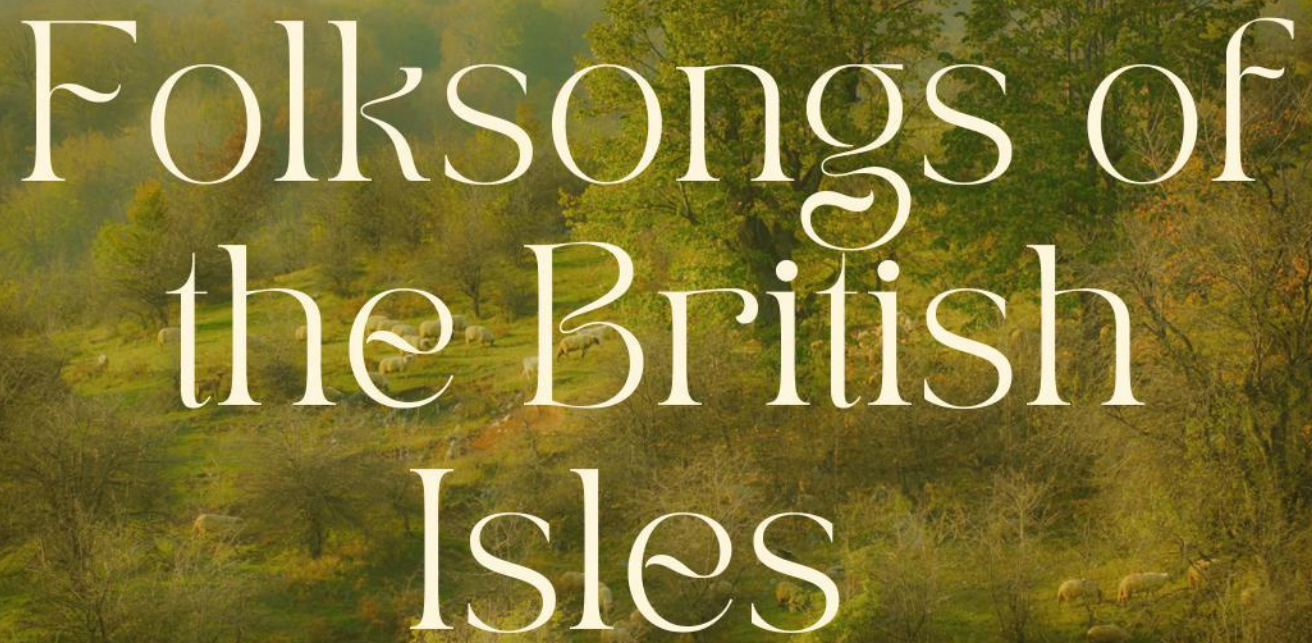
Join us at Saint Agnes' Glen Huntly on Wednesday 8 October at 6pm for a special 'Hopper Night' (Sri Lankan rice flour cakes) and curry dinner fundraiser for our Weekend Pantry outreach together with Glen Eira CIS. Cost \$40 per head, including dinner, drinks and dessert. To book call Carole: 0416 971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



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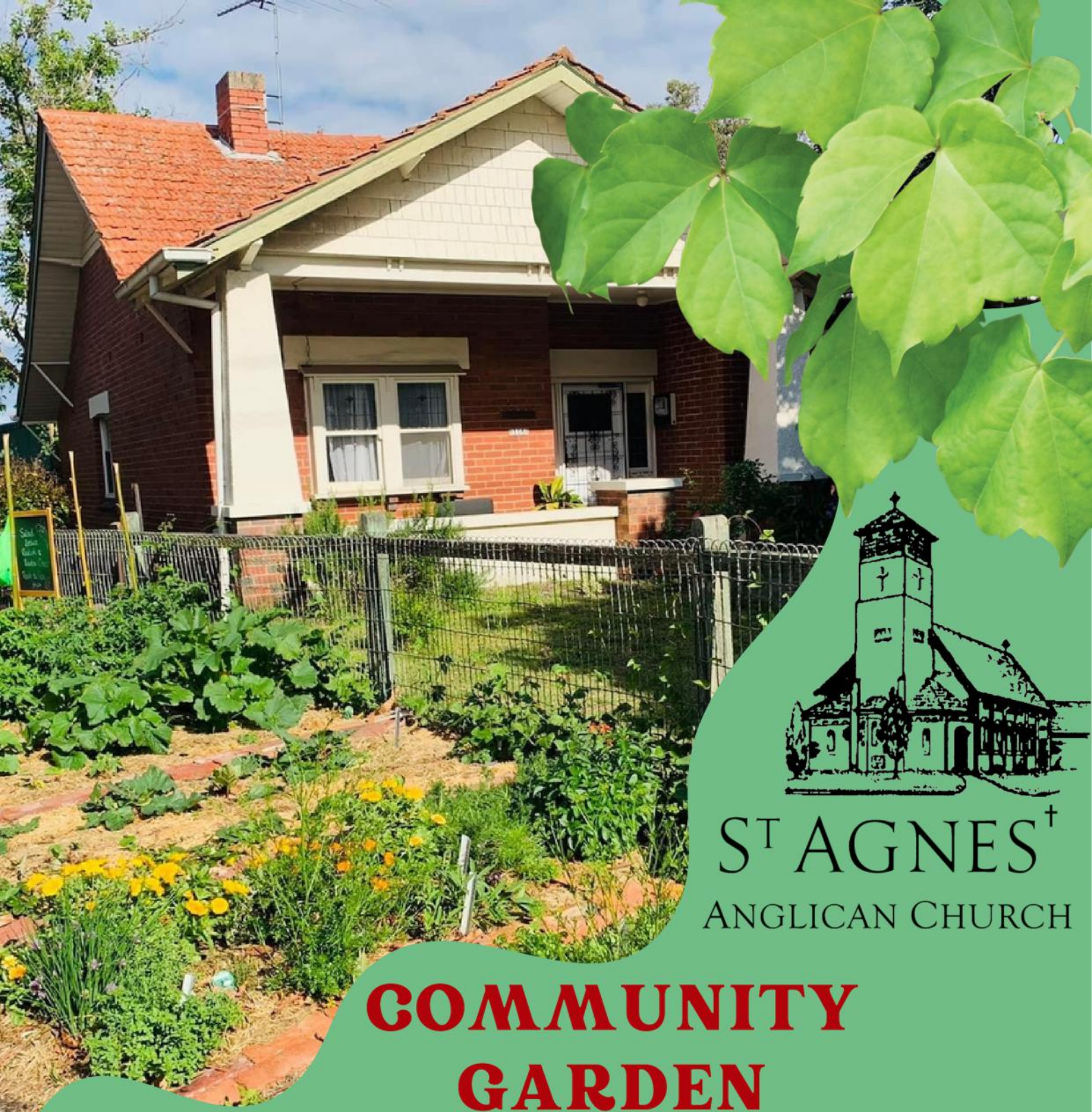
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# Folksongs of the British Isles

A Showcase Concert of the Parish  
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Friday 19 Sept 2025 7PM  
Tickets: \$30 including cheese & wine  
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## COMMUNITY GARDEN

Come and contribute to our Community Garden at Saint Agnes' Anglican Church – 114 Booran Road, Glen Huntly.

All are welcome to take something – or plant something – and help with watering and regular garden days.

To find out more and join the Garden Group call Carole on 0416 971 309

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