

ST AGNES[†]

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Dedication Festival

26th October 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.

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: 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. Let us build a house where love can dwell
And all can safely live
A place where saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive
Built of hopes and dreams and visions
Rock of faith and vault of grace
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions
All are welcome, all are welcome
All are welcome in this place

2. Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

3. Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

4. Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger.
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

5. Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter.
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

*Marty Haugen 1950-
TWO OAKS*

✠ 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

Bountiful God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: we praise you for the many blessings you have given to those who worship here, and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you, and being filled with the Holy Spirit may become a living temple acceptable to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please sit.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Genesis

[28:10-18]

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you

wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.’ Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, ‘Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!’ And he was afraid, and said, ‘How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.’

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm is sung by the Parish Choir

PSALM

[84:1-7]

How lovely is your dwelling-place:

O Lord God of hosts!

My soul has a desire and longing

to enter the courts of the Lord:

my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a home,

and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:

even your altar, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house:

they will always be praising you.

Blessed are those whose strength is in you:

in whose heart are the highways to Zion;

Who, going through the valley of dryness,

find there a spring from which to drink:

till the autumn rain shall clothe it with blessings.

They go from strength to strength:

they appear, every one of them,

before the God of gods in Zion.

SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

[3:5-17]

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labour of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw—the work of each builder will become visible, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each has done. If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward. If the work is burned, the builder will suffer loss; the builder will be saved, but only as through fire.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand. A Gradual hymn is sung

GRADUAL HYMN

**1. Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.**

2. As grace first taught my heart to fear
so grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3. Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
God's grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

John Newton 1725-1807 alt
TIS 129

Please turn to face the Book of the Gospels.

GOSPEL

Alleluia, **alleluia**.

How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven. **Alleluia**.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. [4.19-24]

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know,

for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.'

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

THE SERMON

The Sermon is followed by a time of silence and a musical reflection, 'Let us Break Bread Together...' Spiritual arranged by Marianne Kim.

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.**

A candle is lit in remembrance of all past generations of parishioners, priests and benefactors of Saint Agnes' Glen Huntly.

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

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

All stand.

GREETING OF PEACE

Peace to this house from God our heavenly Father.
Peace to this house from his Son who is our peace.
Peace to this house from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

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. What does the Lord require
for praise and offering?
What sacrifice desire
or tribute bid you bring?

*Do justly;
love mercy;
walk humbly with
your God.*

2. Rulers of earth, give ear!
should you not justice show?
Will God your pleading hear,
while crime and cruelty grow?

*Do justly;
love mercy;
walk humbly with
your God.*

3. Leaders in wealth and trade,
for whom the worker toils,
think not to win God's aid
if greed your commerce soils.

*Do justly;
love mercy;
walk humbly with
your God.*

4. Still down the ages ring
the prophet's stern commands:
to merchant, worker, king,
he brings God's high demands.

*Do justly;
love mercy;
walk humbly with
your God.*

5. How shall our life fulfil
God's law so hard and high?
Let Christ endue our will
with grace to fortify.

*Do justly;
love mercy;
walk humbly with
your God.*

*Alfred Frederick Bayly 1801-84 alt
Based on Micah 6:6-8
TIS 618*

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. During Communion the Parish Choir sing 'Locus Iste' by Anton Bruckner.

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.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The priest pronounces the blessing

Christ, whose glory is in the heavens, fill this house and illuminate your hearts; *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. I danced in the morning when the world was begun
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun;
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,
at Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Refrain: Dance then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the dance, said he;
and I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

3. I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:
the holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high
and left me there on a cross to die: *(Refrain)*

4. I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone;
but I am the dance and I still go on: *(Refrain)*

5. They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you as you live in me:
I am the Lord of the dance, said he: *(Refrain)*

*Sidney Carter 1915-2004 alt
TIS 242*

*The organist plays the Postlude, 'O Lord What A Morning...' Spiritual arranged by
Marianne Kim*

Please join us for a Parish Lunch.

NEWS & NOTICES

JOINT PARISH EUCHARIST – SAINT AGNES' – 26 OCTOBER 9:30AM

Welcome to this special service when those with various connections with Saint Agnes' throughout the generations are invited back. Please join us for lunch after the service, and if you are able bring along a plate of salad or dessert. Welcome!

DONATE TO SAINT AGNES' GLEN HUNTLY

If you would like to make a donation to support the mission and ministry here at Saint Agnes' Glen Huntly, simply scan the QR Code or visit our website: www.saintagnes.org.au – thank you!



ANNUAL MEETING – 23 NOVEMBER AT 11AM AT SAINT JOHN'S

Notice is hereby given by order of the Parish Council that the Parish Annual Meeting will be held at 11am on Sunday 23 November at Saint John's Finch Street. The Vicar is also calling for nominations for election of Churchwardens, members of Parish Council and Incumbency Committee. Please do consider whether you might be willing to stand for one or more of these roles. Nomination forms must be returned to the Vicar before 8am, November 16th.

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION

The Electoral Committee does hereby give notice of revision of the Electoral Roll in preparation for the Annual General Meeting on November 23 at 11am. The Roll is available for inspection in both churches after services on Sundays. If you are not enrolled and would like to be, there is an enrolment form for you to complete. Please speak to the Vicar if you have questions regarding eligibility. The Electoral Roll will close on November 8, after which no further names may be added until after the Annual Meeting.

ALL SOULS' REQUIEM MASS – SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2 AT 7PM

Please join us at Saint John's Finch Street for this year's All Souls' Mass which will this year be sung by our wonderful Parish Choir to the Requiem in F minor by Heinrich Ignaz Franz Biber. This year's service will be particularly special as it will feature the accompaniment of a Chamber Orchestra! A beautiful and moving Requiem Mass to commend to God loved ones who have died. Please add to the list at the back of the church the names of those you wish to be remembered in prayer or you can submit them directly to the Vicar.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Parish of Saint John and Saint Agnes, East Malvern and Glen Huntly will be held

at 11am on Sunday 23 November 2025 at St John's Church, 5 Finch Street East Malvern.

Nominations of Candidates for the offices of:

2 Churchwardens

6 Members of Parish Council

3 Members of Incumbency Committee

shall be given to the Vicar on or before 8am Sunday 16 November 2025.

After prayers, the order of business shall include -

1. The reading of this notice;
2. The minutes of the previous annual meeting;
3. Reception of the electoral roll of the Parish;
4. An annual report by the Vicar that includes numbers of baptisms, persons received into communicant membership, confirmations, marriages, funerals, Sunday services, acts of communion and other such statistics from the registers as Archbishop in Council determines;
5. An annual report on the proceedings of the Parish Council together with a report on the pastoral care, evangelism, community service and educational programmes of the Parish;
6. A report by the Churchwardens on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the churches of the Parish and the vicarage and other buildings of the Parish;
7. The audited accounts and financial statements of the parish for the year ended 30 September immediately preceding the meeting;
8. The budget for the year in which the meeting is held approved by Parish Council;
9. The election and appointment of Churchwardens and members of the Parish Council;
10. The election of auditors;
11. The election of 3 lay representatives to the Parish Incumbency Committee;
12. Any other matters of parochial or general church interest.

By Order of the Parish Council



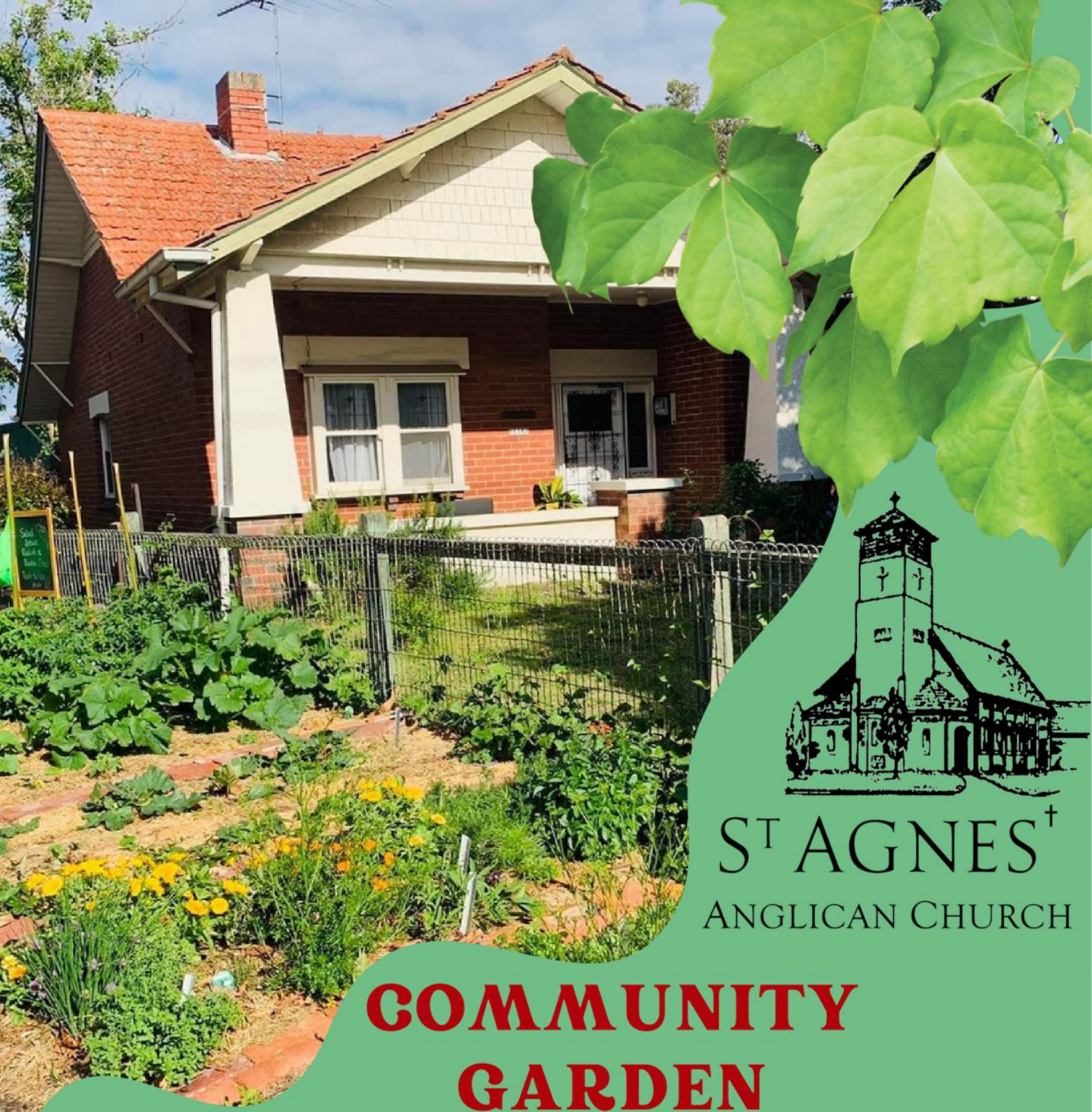
ALL SOULS' MASS

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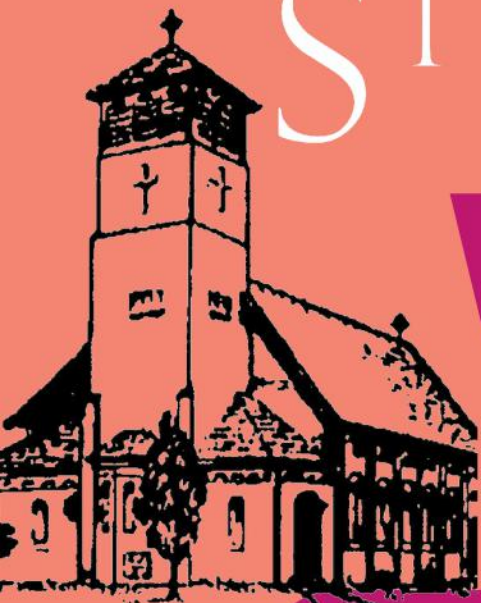
COMMUNITY GARDEN

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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