



St George's Magill

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

20 September 2026

Welcome to church this morning, whether you are joining us in person or online! To join us online (at 8:30 am and 10:30 am), please go to www.stgeorgesmagill.org for the Zoom link.

Gospel-Shaped Community

Bible Readings

Romans 12:1–8

Psalm 51:1–19

Mark 12:28–34, 38–44

The Sentence | Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. **Psalm 51:7**

The Collect | O Lord, we pray, let your continual pity cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, preserve it always by your help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Vision Statement: St George's will be a prayerful family which brings glory to Jesus Christ, by applying God's word to our lives, and using our gifts and resources to proclaim the gospel at every opportunity in Magill and beyond.

Gospel-Shaped Community

Next week's topic: Romans 12:9–21 - Genuine love



Praying for Our Church People: Benithi Rajan, Ewin Rajan, Pemila Rajan, Princelin Rajan, Anne Reuter, Jeff Reuter, Helen Harris, Tekla Lee

Mission Partners – Please pray for our friends:

- Maggie Crewes (With CMS)
- M (With CMS)
- David & Tamra Purton (FOCUS International Student Ministry - AFES)
- Dave & Margie Wood (Coober Pedy – BCA)
- Pray for the team involved in ministry to internationals here at St George's

New Testament for 8:30 am / First Reading for 10:30 am – Romans 12:1–8 – David McLean, Alana Wong

(Page 920 of the red Bible)

12 Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. ⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Old Testament for 8:30 am / Second Reading for 10:30 am – Psalm 51:1–19 – Jay Teo, Jan Race

(Page 457 of the red Bible)

For the director of music. A psalm of David. When the prophet Nathan came to him after David had committed adultery with Bathsheba.

- ¹ Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.
- ² Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.
- ³ For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before me.
- ⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are right in your verdict
and justified when you judge.
- ⁵ Surely I was sinful at birth,
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.
- ⁶ Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb;
you taught me wisdom in that secret place.
- ⁷ Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean;
wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
- ⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones you have crushed rejoice.
- ⁹ Hide your face from my sins
and blot out all my iniquity.
- ¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.
- ¹¹ Do not cast me from your presence
or take your Holy Spirit from me.
- ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

- ¹³ Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
so that sinners will turn back to you.
- ¹⁴ Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God,
you who are God my Savior,
and my tongue will sing of your righteousness.
- ¹⁵ Open my lips, Lord,
and my mouth will declare your praise.
- ¹⁶ You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;
you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.
- ¹⁷ My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart
you, God, will not despise.
- ¹⁸ May it please you to prosper Zion,
to build up the walls of Jerusalem.
- ¹⁹ Then you will delight in the sacrifices of the righteous,
in burnt offerings offered whole;
then bulls will be offered on your altar.

**Gospel for 8:30 am / Third Reading for 10:30 am – Mark 12:28–34, 38–44
– Trev Middleton-Frew, Mike Russell**

(Page 824 of the red Bible)

Mark 12:28–34

²⁸ One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, “Of all the commandments, which is the most important?”

²⁹ “The most important one,” answered Jesus, “is this: ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ ³¹ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.”

³² “Well said, teacher,” the man replied. “You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. ³³ To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.”

³⁴ When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

Mark 12:38–44

³⁸ As he taught, Jesus said, “Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹ and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets. ⁴⁰ They devour widows’ houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely.”

⁴¹ Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. ⁴² But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

⁴³ Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. ⁴⁴ They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.”



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Mon 1:00pm	Magill	Heather Holley
Mon 7:30pm	Hills	Sara Schroder
Mon 7:30pm	Magill	Trevor Yeend
Mon 7:30pm	Hazelwood Park	Bill Dickson
Tue 7:30pm	Marden	David Purton
Wed 7:30pm	People's homes	Mike & Ally
Thu 1:00pm	Magill	Linda Dickson
Thu 6:30pm (Young Adults)	Magill	Ryan Graetz
Sat 7:00 pm (In Mandarin)	St George's	Ryan Graetz

The week ahead in the Church: 21 September—27 September

Mon

Tue 10:00 am BUZZ Music & Play

Wed

Thu

Fri 3:30 pm Kids Club
6:00 pm Youth Group

Sat 7:00 pm Mandarin Bible Study

Sun 8:30 am Morning Prayer
10:30 am Communion
12:30 pm Community Lunch
5:00 pm St George's Prayer Meeting

Service Times

Sunday 8:30 am

- Traditional Service with Holy Communion

Sunday 10:30 am

- Contemporary Service (inc. Children's and Youth Programs)



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