



Strategic Mission Plan 2020 – 2024

Our Mission

St Michael's is a vibrant, inclusive, hospitable and community focused city church, sharing a contemporary and progressive Christian theology embracing spirituality, the arts, wellbeing, justice and compassion.

Our Vision

St Michael's vision is to be a nurturing and dynamic Christian spiritual community contributing to a world where each person and all creation can flourish and enjoy abundant life within the city of Melbourne and beyond.

Strategic Directions

The St Michael's Community will –

1. Express our community life through:

- embodying our commitment to progressive theology, spirituality and music
- encouraging a culture that is caring, respectful and inclusive
- constructive and effective communication and decision making
- effective and sustainable management of property and resources to facilitate the church's mission

2. Build partnerships that are aligned with the mission and vision of St Michael's including

- theologically progressive groups
- the wider Uniting Church and other organisations working for social and ecological justice
- other civic and community groups

3. Be outwardly focused by:

- meeting not only the needs of the current membership but also responding to people in the wider/global community
- drawing people into the life of the church through the practices of progressive faith, spirituality and hospitality.
- connecting with a younger demographic
- supporting members of the community through a range of outreach services including a focus on mental health and well-being
- connecting and communicating with a wider audience using contemporary technology